

THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF BLANSHARD

The minutes of the thirteenth regular meeting of the Council of the Rural Municipality of Blanshard held June 17th, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers of the municipal office in Oak River.

PRESENT: REEVE: Brent Fortune
COUNCILLORS: Jim Brown, Ewan Common,
Walter Froese, Stephen Carter and Gary Stewart
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER: Diane Kuculym
ABSENT : COUNCILLORS: Mark Gill

Reeve Fortune presiding.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion : G. Stewart - Jim Brown
#139/14: That the agenda for May 7th, 2014 be adopted as presented.
CARRIED.

MINUTES

Motion: Stephen Carter - R. G. Stewart
#140/14: That the minutes of the twelfth regular meeting held May 7th, 2014 be adopted as circulated.
CARRIED.

COMMITTEE

The Waste Management Committee reported that the waste management supervisor gave notice of his resignation. The recycling buildings in Oak River and Cardale were discussed.

The Roads & Drainage Committee informed Council of roads that need attention. Frost-boils in roads; drainage issues; requests for culverts; beaver dam concerns; road maintenance; and soft spots that need to be repaired were discussed. An inquiry if a by-law should be passed to allow ATV's to drive on municipal roads was discussed. Brush cutting for 2014 was discussed.

The Personnel Committee reported on staff holidays and the need to appoint a relief public works employee.

The Machinery Committee reported that an incident with the 2010 Kubota tractor on May 29th, 2014 and an insurance claim has been submitted.

Councillor Fortune reported on the planning board meeting he attended on June 10th, 2014.

The Fire Department Committee reported that there was some interest shown in the 1995 fire truck that was advertised for sale by tender.

DELEGATES

Kyle Moffat from Clint Moffat & Sons Ltd. attended the meeting at 10:00 a.m. to discuss the multi-plate culvert that was installed in Road 79N last fall. He informed Council that a clay source has been located and if the weather is suitable, they hope to be here next week to repair the road at no cost to the municipality.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Municipal shop in Oak River - A report from Glen Newton was received and reviewed by Council. The size of the building and other location options were discussed and referred back to the building committee.
2. Amalgamation - The regulation to officially amalgamate the R.M. of Blanshard with the R. M. of Saskatchewan, and the Town of Rapid City was received on May 2nd, 2014. Information received regarding regional services and effects of amalgamation on planning districts were discussed.
3. Drainage in Ward 6 - The C.A.O. informed Council of the information received from G. Winstone on May 13th, 2014. B. Sheedy is to be asked to attend the next meeting of Council.
4. Road closing by-laws - Ministerial Order is being received and our lawyer is working on getting the land conveyed to adjacent landowners.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

5. Request to purchase land. Information received from the Oak River Agricultural Society was reviewed.

Motion : Jim Brown - Ewan Common

#141/14: Whereas an offer to purchase land from the R. M. of Blanshard has been received and reviewed with the Oak River Agricultural Society; the Oak River Community Association; and Midwest Planning;

And Whereas Council does not wish to sell any property currently being used for a baseball diamond;

Therefore, be it resolved that the Council of the R. M. of Blanshard agree to enter into an agreement to sell 100 feet of property north of Roll #46600 x 120 feet east of the west property line to Kelly Marzoff subject to subdivision approval and with the following conditions;

- 1) The purchaser is responsible to have a survey completed and present documents at the conditional use approval stage of the subdivision process
- 2) The purchaser is responsible to pay all transfer fees; legal fees; and land survey fees
- 3) The purchaser agrees to erect a fence on the northerly and easterly side of the property line if the purchase and subdivision proceed;
- 4) The purchaser agrees to obtain the necessary building permits to proceed with any development on the property
- 5) The purchaser agrees to pay the R. M. of Blanshard \$3,000.00 (three thousand dollars) for the property.

CARRIED.

6. Request for additional culvert in Hamiota boundary road between 82N and 83N - Councillor Brown informed the Committee that he met with representatives from Water Stewardship to determine what size culverts should be placed in the washed out boundary road and the R. M. of Hamiota office was contacted.

Motion : Ewan Common - Jim Brown

#142/14: That the Council of the R. M. of Blanshard agree to put two 24" culverts in the boundary road west of 30-14-22 WPM and expenses incurred to be cost-shared with the R. M. of Hamiota.

CARRIED.

7. Utility deficits - The PUB questioned the variation in amortization expenses in the utility for 2012 and 2013 and an error in our audited statements was noted.

Motion : Ewan Common - Jim Brown

#143/14: Whereas an error was discovered in regards to the amortization expense incurred for 2012 and 2013 in the Oak River utility; Therefore, be it resolved that the Council of the R. M. of Blanshard request that the Public Utilities Board review and vary PUB Order 113-13 to reflect that the actual 2012 operating deficit was \$1,587. and ask that the request for a deficit for 2013 be withdrawn as there was actually a surplus of \$3,158.

CARRIED.

Motion : Walter Froese - Ewan Common

#144/14: Whereas information is being sought from the MWSB regarding the repaying of the outstanding debt through water purchases and alternatives that may be looked at; Therefore, be it resolved that the Council of the R. M. of Blanshard do hereby apply for an extension to our water rate study deadline to September 30th, 2014.

CARRIED.

8. Multi-plate culvert - Work done by Clint Moffat & Sons Ltd. to date in regards to the multi-plate culvert were brought to the attention of Council.

9. Road construction between 16 & 21-14-22W - MTS cable locate was completed in the area and a water control works permit was received. MTS indicated that their pedestal is located on the ratepayer's land.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Motion : G. Stewart - Stephen Carter
 #145/14: Whereas a new road is to be constructed between 16 & 21-14-22W;
 Therefore, be it resolved that the council of the R. M. of Blanshard authorize the C.A.O. to get a land survey done for the proposed road.

CARRIED.

10. Disaster Assistance from 2011 - Information received EMO was reviewed with Council.

Motion : Walter Froese - Stephen Carter
 #146/14: Whereas Emergency Measures Organization has reviewed Blanshard's submissions regarding damages resulting from the 2011 spring flood;
 And whereas all submissions have been made;
 Therefore, be it resolved that the Council of the R. M. of Blanshard authorize the C.A.O. to reimburse the Province of Manitoba \$14,365.91 being the amount overpaid for the 2011 Spring Flood.

CARRIED.

11. Oak River subdivision - Advertising was placed in "The Brandon Sun" and some interest was received regarding the lots for sale.

BY-LAWS

Motion : Stephen Carter - Ewan Common
 #147/14: Be it resolved that the Council of the R. M. of Blanshard give second reading to By-Law No. 2014-2, being a by-law to authorize the borrowing of money for the construction of a new municipal shop in Oak River, as amended.

CARRIED.

Motion : G. Stewart - Ewan Common
 #148/14: Be it resolved that the Council of the R. M. of Blanshard give third reading, as amended, to By-Law No. 2014-2, being a by-law to authorize the borrowing of money for the construction of a new municipal shop in Oak River, and that it be signed by the Reeve and C.A.O., sealed with the Municipal Seal, and Delivered.

FOR : FORTUNE, BROWN, COMMON, FROESE, CARTER, STEWART
 OPPOSED: NONE

CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Road repairs/construction for 2014 - A draft tender document was reviewed by Council. Changes are to be made to the document and it is to be reviewed at the next meeting of council.

2. Growing assurance - Farmland Beaver damage control program.

Motion : G. Stewart - Stephen Carter
 #149/14: That the C.A.O. be authorized to apply for the Farmland Beaver Damage Control Program under the Growing Assurance program.

CARRIED.

3. WMS Supervisor - Resignation received and advertising completed.

Motion : Ewan Common - Walt Froese
 #150/14: Whereas our waste management supervisor has given his resignation notice and advertising for a new supervisor has been completed;
 Therefore, be it resolved that the Council of the R. M. of Blanshard agree to hire Robert Blandford as our new part-time waste management supervisor with a six month probation period.

CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS

4. R. M. of Cornwallis - Used receipt printer for sale.

Motion : G. Stewart - Stephen Carter
#151/14: Whereas a used receipt printer is available for purchase from the R. M. of Cornwallis;
Therefore, be it resolved that the Council of the R. M. of Blanshard authorize the purchase of the used receipt printer; paper; and ribbons from the R. M. of Cornwallis for the price of \$237.06

CARRIED.

5. Sewer line repairs on the north side of PTH #24.

Motion : G. Stewart - Walt Froese
#152/14: That the Council of the R. M. of Blanshard agree to hire Clint Moffat & Sons Ltd. to complete water and sewer repairs on the north side of PTH #24 and authorize the C.A.O. to sign an access agreement with Infrastructure and Transportation.

CARRIED.

6. Municipal Road Improvement Program - 2nd intake.

Motion : Ewan Common - Jim Brown
#153/14: Whereas the Council of the R. M. of Blanshard has a road to be repaired/rehabilitated in the R. M. of Blanshard that meets the criteria for the "Municipal Road Improvement Program" guidelines;
Therefore, be it resolved that the Council of the R. M. of Blanshard authorize the C.A.O. to apply for funding for another new "Municipal Road Improvement Program" for road reconstruction in the R. M. of Blanshard and approve the cost-sharing of the project with the Province of Manitoba.

CARRIED.

7. Road drainage and areas that should be surveyed were discussed.

Motion : Ewan Common - Jim Brown
#154/14: That the Council of the R. M. of Blanshard agree to have ditches in the municipality surveyed so that an application can be made to Manitoba Water Stewardship for drainage cleanout and if approved the ditch could be cleaned out.

CARRIED.

8. Relief public works employee.

Motion : G. Stewart - Stephen Carter
#155/14: That the Council of the R. M. of Blanshard agree to hire David Bullock as a relief public works employee.

CARRIED.

9. Road repairs to be completed on Road 83N.

Motion : G. Stewart - Walter Froese
#156/14: That the Council of the R. M. of Blanshard agree to contract Gregory Sand & Gravel to repair the frost-boil on 83N.

CARRIED.

The balance of the "New Business" and "Correspondence" was tabled until the next meeting due to time constraints.

ACCOUNTS AND FINANCES

Motion : Ewan Common - Jim Brown
#157/14: Resolved that the report of the Finance Committee be received and approved and that General Pay List Cheques #6504 to #6533 and Payroll Cheques #50389 - #50428 inclusive, amounting to \$43,118.80 and unpaid invoices amounting to \$63,129.77 having been certified by said Committee, be hereby passed for payment.

CARRIED.

NOTICE OF MOTION - No notices were received.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion : Walter Froese - Stephen Carter

#158/14: That the Council of the R.M. of Blanshard do now adjourn to meet again on Tuesday, June 24th, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. or at the Call of the Chair.

CARRIED.

TIME: 12:25 p.m.

REEVE

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

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