

THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF BLANSHARD

The minutes of the ninth regular meeting of the Council of the Rural Municipality of Blanshard held March 25th, 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 : Councillor: Mark Gill

Reeve Fortune presiding.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion: R. G. Stewart - Stephen Carter
#80/14: That the agenda for March 25th, 2014 be adopted as presented.
CARRIED.

MINUTES

Motion: Jim Brown - Ewan Common
#81/14: That the minutes of the eighth regular meeting held March 11th, 2014 and the minutes of the special meeting held March 19th, 2014 be adopted as circulated.
CARRIED.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The Roads and Drainage Committee discussed snow build up on roads and snow clearing on machinery roads. A boundary road with the R. M. of Daly that needs attention and the area where the culvert was replaced on Road 79N were discussed.

Councillor Brown reported on the CDC meeting he attended.

The Reeve and C.A.O. reported on the Mayor's, Reeve's, and C.A.O.'s meeting they attended in Gladstone on March 20th, 2014. Proposed amalgamation and how transition will take place were discussed as well as the Building Canada fund.

Councillor Stewart reported on the Energy East Pipeline meeting he attended in Brandon on March 19th, 2014.

ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

1. Access road - Information received regarding the development of a new dwelling site was brought to the attention of Council.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Municipal shop - Further information received regarding proposed size and use of a new shop were discussed by Council. This matter was referred to the building committee for further investigation.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Manitoba Municipal Government - Information on the road improvement program was brought to the attention of Council. The C.A.O. was instructed to complete the application to construct an access road in Blanshard and review it with Council at the next regular meeting.
2. Manitoba Municipal Government - Information on the municipal bridge program was brought to the attention of Council.
3. Car wash - The car wash is out of order at this time due to a frozen water line. Costs to unthaw the line or options that could be investigated were discussed.

CORRESPONDENCE

The following correspondence was presented to Council for review:

1. Western Financial Group - Schulte snow blower put on insurance; CDC building
2. Canada Post - Reduction in weekday business hours at Oak River post office were reviewed by Council. New hours for the post office will be 9-12 p.m. and 1-4 p.m., Monday to Friday.
3. Agriculture, Food, and Rural Initiatives - Reporting of Municipal Weed Inspectors.
4. Communities in Bloom - An invitation to participate in the program

CORRESPONDENCE

5. Parkland Regional Library - Budget estimates for 2014
6. Taxervice - Tax arrears recovery company
7. Red River College - program guide
8. Waste Management Supervisor - waste site records
9. Manitoba Water Stewardship - Statement of Compliance for the Oak River Public water system
10. CN - Protective Direction No. 32 - information to planning officials of each municipality
11. Municipal Government - 2014 assessment levy
12. Provincial-Municipal Support Services Division - Election official's manual and candidates guidebooks received
13. Parkwest School Division - Notice of tax requirements
14. Spectra Energy - Support for Blanshard Fire Department
15. Community Futures - Chris Fields visiting Brandon
16. MB Agricultural Hall of Fame - "News From the Hall"
17. Office of the Fire Commissioner - Identification Card
18. Manitoba Public Insurance - Increase for basic and complex fire fighting payments
19. Conservation and Water Stewardship - 2013 annual drinking water audit report
20. Conservation and Water Stewardship - Issuance of Operating Licence for water system
21. Minister of Municipal Government - Municipal Road Improvement Program
22. Rolling River Festival of the Arts - Thank you
23. CAA - Worst Roads Campaign
24. Minister of Municipal Government - Subdivision review process updated
25. Water & Wastewater - Certification received for B. Haggarty
26. Rolling River School Division - Notice of Tax requirements
27. Parkland Regional Library - Financial Statements for 2013 received
28. Parkwest School Division - Invitation to attend First Nation Cultural Experience. Noted.

ADVERTISING & Newsletters

1. Even Spray - 2013 Catalogue
2. Municipal World magazine
3. Various magazines & catalogues
4. MHCA - Heavy Construction Expo

FINANCIAL PLAN

The 2014 financial plan and borrowing for capital projects was discussed.

ACCOUNTS AND FINANCES

Motion: Walter Froese - Ewan Common
 #82/14: Resolved that the report of the Finance Committee be received and approved and that General Pay List Cheques #6408 to #6420 amounting to \$12,496.27 and unpaid invoices amounting to \$164,906.91, having been certified by said Committee, be hereby passed for payment.
 CARRIED.

NOTICE OF MOTION - No notices were received.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: G. Stewart - Stephen Carter
 #83/14: That the Council of the R.M. of Blanshard do now adjourn to meet again on Tuesday, April 8th, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. or at the Call of the Chair.
 CARRIED.

TIME: 12:15 p.m.

REEVE

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