

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD
APRIL 12TH, 2007 AT 7:00P.M.**

Councillors present: William Ginter David Smith
 Ruth Murray Jeanette Bergstresser
 Gavin van der Linde Trevor Thiessen

Presiding: Mayor Dale Hoffman

02/04/07 Moved by Councillor Jeanette Bergstresser
Agenda Seconded by Councillor Gavin van der Linde
 NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Agenda for the April 12 , 2007
 regular Council meeting be approved as amended.
 Carried.
 For: 7 Against: 0 Absent: 0

03/04/07 Moved by Councillor Trevor Thiessen
Minutes Seconded by Councillor Gavin van der Linde
 BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the March 8th, 2007 regular meeting of
 Council be adopted as distributed.
 Carried
 For: 7 Against: 0 Absent: 0

04/04/07 Moved by Councillor Gavin van der Linde
Minutes Seconded by Councillor Trevor Thiessen
 BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the March 22nd, 2007 regular meeting of
 Council be adopted as distributed.
 Carried
 For: 7 Against: 0 Absent: 0

DELEGATIONS:

CORRESPONDENCE:

<u>From</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Disposition</u>
a) MPSC	Recycle Refund Rates	Noted
b) MB Govt	Rural Forum	#05/04/07
c) MB Govt	Press Release	Noted
d) Attorney General Office	RCMP Contract	#06/04/07
e) AMM	News Bulletin/Advisory	Circulated
	Service Pins	None
f) Highway Traffic Board	PTH #23 Speed Limit	Needs monitoring
g) Water Stewardship	Information	Noted
h) MAFRI	Red River Go Team Stats	Noted
i) Morris School	Scholarship	#07/04/07
k) Natural Resources	Energy Grant	Final t/b sent
l) Environmental Youth Corps	Grants Available	Circulated
m) FCM	Member Advisory's	Noted
n) Intergov't Affairs	Building MB Fund	Noted
o) Intergov't Affairs	Handivan Operating Grant	Noted
p) Intergov't Affairs	VLT Revenues	Noted
q) Wpg land Titles	Notice of Caveat	Noted
r) Bruce D Gregory	Wellness Centre Lease	Get Lease
s) Berard & Baldwin	Pest Control	Letter to go
t) Susan Chartier	Complaint	Completed
u) RHA Central	Meeting Highlights	Have mtg. at a later date
v) PVWCo-op	Minutes	Circulated
w) PVWCo-op	Accounting for co-ops	Noted

x) Rhoda Keck	School parking complaint	Check Bylaw
y) Morris Fire Dept	Fire Training Site	#08/04/07
z) Valley Regional Library	Lunch Reminder	Noted
aa) J & G Berthelette	Petition	send toVidir with Agrmt.
bb) Ombudsman	Newsletter	Noted
cc) Intergov't Affairs	Assessments for Province	Circulated
dd) Community Planning	Subdivision Application	#09/04/07
ee) Air Scapes	Aerial Town Photo	Noted-contact local pilots first
ff) PVWCo-op	Chlorination Report	Circulated

05/04/07
Rural
Forum
Moved by Councillor Ruth Murray
Seconded by Councillor William Ginter
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that 3 Staff/Council members be authorized to attend the Rural Forum held in Brandon on April 26 & 27, 2007. AND FURTHER that expenses be reimbursed as per Bylaw 09/05.
Carried.
For: 7 Against: 0 Absent: 0

06/04/07
Contract
RCMP
Moved by Councillor Jeanette Bergstresser
Seconded by Councillor Trevor Thiessen
BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Town of Morris authorize the renewal of the Municipal Sub-Contract for RCMP Policing Services for April 1, 2007 to March 31, 2008 using the population count as per 2001 Census. AND FURTHER that the Mayor and CAO be authorized to sign the same.
Carried.
For: 7 Against: 0 Absent: 0

07/04/07
Scholar-
ship
Moved by Councillor Jeanette Bergstresser
Seconded by Councillor Gavin van der Linde
BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Town of Morris authorize a scholarship of \$500.00 to a deserving graduate of Morris School.
Carried.
For: 7 Against: 0 Absent: 0

08/04/07
Fire
Training
Site
Moved by Councillor David Smith
Seconded by Councillor William Ginter
BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve in principal the concept for the Development of a permanent Fire Training Site by the Morris Fire & Rescue
Carried.
For: 7 Against: 0 Absent: 0

09/04/07
subdivision
Moved by Councillor Trevor Thiessen
Seconded by Councillor Gavin van der Linde
WHEREAS the Town of Morris has reviewed the Subdivision Application of Winding River Farms Inc. and comments from applicable government agencies;
BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Town of Morris approve a subdivision application #06-505-0-19-19 for Winding River Farms with the following conditions:
1. Upon completion of a Development Agreement with the Town of Morris
Carried.
For: 7 Against: 0 Absent: 0

FINANCIAL:

Tax Levy Bylaw #01/07	#10/04/07
2006 Audit Reports & Statement	#11/04/07

NEW BUSINESS

- T2200
- Engineered Plans- New Housing
- Hire Marketing & Maintenance Directors #12/04/07, #13/04/07
- Rep for 125 Anniversary- Letter to go #14/04/07
- Replacement for Interagency- letter to go #15/04/07
- Fire Hall repairs – Hold

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Slow Pitch Tournament #16/04/07
- Peter Jordon Request To Housing Committee
- Resolution for AMM re: Education #17/04/07
- Purchase of Land & Buildings – RM Public Works Discuss Caveat
- Matt Hoffman – Land Purchase Hold
- Braun Development Resolution Hold
- CAO Report #18/04/07

10/04/07
Bylaw
01/07

Moved by Councillor Ruth Murray
Seconded by Councillor David Smith
BE IT RESOLVED that Bylaw 01/07, being the 2007 tax levy bylaw, be given 1st reading
Carried.
For: 7 Against: 0 Absent: 0

11/04/07
2006
Financial
Statement

Moved by Councillor William Ginter
Seconded by Councillor David Smith
BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Town of Morris accept the report of the auditor and the 2006 Financial Statement of the Town of Morris
Carried.
For: 7 Against: 0 Absent: 0

12/04/07
Hire
Director of
Maintenance
& Operations

Moved by Councillor Ruth Murray
Seconded by Councillor William Ginter
BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Town of Morris Hire Patrick Zary for the position of Director of Maintenance and Operations of the Morris Complex with the following conditions:
1. The salary is based on 40 hours of work per week
2. Effective start date is April 29, 2007
Carried
For: 7 Against: 0 Absent: 0

13/04/07
Hire
Director of
Sales &
Marketing

Moved by Councillor Ruth Murray
Seconded by Councillor David Smith
BE IT RESOLVED that Council of the Town of Morris hire Corinne Stanze for the position of Director of Sales and Marketing of the Morris Complex with the following conditions;
1. The salary is based on 40 hours of work per week
2. Effective start date is April 29, 2007
Carried.
For: 7 Against: 0 Absent: 0

14/04/07
Appointment

Moved by Councillor Jeanette Bergstresser
Seconded by Councillor Trevor Thiessen
BE IT RESOLVED that Council appoint the following Councillor to the 125th Anniversary Committee:
Deputy Mayor Ruth Murray and alternate Councillor Jeanette Bergstresser
Carried.
For: 7 Against: 0 Absent: 0

15/04/07
Appointment
Moved by Councillor David Smith
Seconded by Councillor Ruth Murray
BE IT RESOLVED that Council appoint Councillor Gavin van der Linde to the Interagency Committee replacing Councillor Jeanette Bergstresser
Carried
For: 7 Against: 0 Absent: 0

A RECORDED VOTE WAS REQUESTED

16/04/07
RTG
Request
Moved by Councillor Trevor Thiessen
Seconded by Councillor Gavin van der Linde
WHEREAS a request has been received from RTG Events for the use of the ball Diamonds for a slow pitch tournament with a beer gardens;
AND WHEREAS information letters have been sent to surrounding neighbors with no response;
BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Town of Morris authorize the ball Diamonds to be used for a slow pitch ball tournament with beer gardens with the following conditions:
1. Proof of liability insurance must be provided to the Town of Morris (\$2,000,000)
2. Proof of MLCC permit for said dates
3. Damage deposit of \$500.00
Carried.

Gavin van der Linde	For
Trevor Thiessen	For
Ruth Murray	For
Hoffman	For
Jeanette Bergstresser	Against
Bill Ginter	Against
David Smith	Against

17/04/07
AMM
Moved by Councillor William Ginter
Seconded by Councillor Ruth Murray
WHEREAS the Association of Manitoba Municipalities (AMM) has been lobbying Provincial Government for the removal of the Provincial Education Support Levy (ESL) from property taxes;
AND WHEREAS the province is making a commitment to reduce the ESL off Farmland;
AND WHEREAS no such commitment has been made to reduce the ESL off commercial properties;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the AMM lobby the Provincial Government to commit to the same reduction of Education Support Levy on commercial properties as they are committing to the farmland properties.
Carried
For: 7 Against: 0 Absent: 0

18/04/07
Fire
Hydrant
Moved by Councillor Trevor Thiessen
Seconded by Councillor Gavin van der Linde
BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve payment for 50% of costs to relocate install a new fire hydrant at Cargill as per D3 Excavating Ltd. quote of \$7,040.41
Carried
For: 7 Against: 0 Absent: 0

19/04/07
Re-
Imbursement
Moved by Councillor Jeanette Bergstresser
Seconded by Councillor Trevor Thiessen
BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor be authorized for re-imbursement for attending the Science Fair in Rosenort April 10th, 2007
Carried
For: 7 Against: 0 Absent: 0

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **Councillor Smith** discussed a notice of a meeting in Saskatchewan for Rail Line Abandonment. He has received no further information from the Manitoba Meeting
- **Deputy Mayor Ruth Murray** informed Council of the next Chamber of Commerce meeting held May 14th, 2007 at Santa Lucia. She also reported on the George Cuff seminar and how informative it was
- **Councillor van der Lind** reported on an Interagency meeting and felt there is an awesome support system. He also reported on meeting with Triple R, MCDC, Valley Ag and Fire Department, and he advised Council that a May 1, 2007 opening is the goal for the Wellness Centre.
- **Councillor Thiessen** reported that he spoke to Bartel, and that there is a possible building commitment this year.
- **Councillor Bergstresser** reported that she attended the Morden Planning Session and found that Immigration was interesting. She also attended the George Cuff seminar and reported how awesome it was.
- **Mayor Dale Hoffman** reported that he met with Jim Stewart from Triple R with respect to an EDO Officer and would Council consider sharing an EDO Officer on a 1/3 basis.

IN-CAMERA ITEMS: -Wellness Centre tenders

20/04/07 Moved by Councillor Ruth Murray
In Camera Seconded by Councillor William Ginter
BE IT RESOLVED that Council go In Camera to discuss a "Wellness Centre Contract" issue.
Carried
For: 7 Against: 0 Absent: 0

Councillor Dave Smith excused himself from the meeting due to conflict of interest

21/04/07 Moved by Councillor Ruth Murray
Resume Seconded by Councillor William Ginter
Regular Mtg. BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Town of Morris resume its regular Council Meeting.
Carried
For: 6 Against: 0 Absent: 1

22/04/07 Moved by Councillor William Ginter
Wellness Seconded by Councillor Ruth Murray
Centre WHEREAS the Wellness Committee has accepted the quote from Morris Electric for the wiring of the Wellness Centre;
AND WHEREAS Morris Electric has now declined the work due to time restraints;
AND WHEREAS the Wellness Committee offered the job to the two other tenders for the same price as Morris Electric;
AND WHEREAS Dave Smith Electric Ltd. has agreed to do the same work for the same price according to Morris Electric tender;
BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Town of Morris accept the tender of Dave Smith Electric Ltd. for the 2007 wiring of the Wellness Centre at a price of \$8,570.40
Carried
For: 6 Against: 0 Absent: 1

Next Meeting Date: April 26th, 2007 at 7:00 p.m.

Adjournment: There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 11:30 p.m.

TOWN OF MORRIS

MAYOR

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER