

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD
FEBRUARY 20, 2007 AT 7:15 P.M.**

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

Councillors absent: Trevor Thiessen

Presiding: Mayor Dale Hoffman

15/02/07 Moved by Councillor Jeanette Bergstresser
Agenda Seconded by Councillor Gavin van der Linde
 NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Agenda for the February 20th, 2007 regular
 Council meeting be approved as amended.
 Carried.
 For: 6 Against: 0 Absent: 1

16/02/07 Moved by Councillor William Ginter
Minutes Seconded by Councillor Ruth Murray
Regular BE IT RESOLVED that the Minutes of the February 8th, 2007 regular meeting be adopted as
Meeting distributed.
 Carried.
 For: 6 Against: 0 Absent: 1

17/02/07 Moved by Councillor Jeanette Bergstresser
Minutes Seconded by Councillor Gavin van der Linde
Conditional BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the February 8th, 2007 Conditional Use hearing be
Use adopted as distributed.
 Carried.
 For: 6 Against: 0 Absent: 1

DELEGATIONS:

At 8:10 Rik Edel representing the Morris & District Chamber of Commerce informed Council that they would be promoting “Chamber Bucks” again and encouraged Council to use them.

CORRESPONDENCE:

<u>From</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Disposition</u>
a) RCMP	Summer Student Employment	Noted
b) AMM	Seminar	Circulated
c) Municipal World	Subscription Request	Noted
d) Mb Weed Supervisor Assoc.	Seminar	To Valley Weed Control
e) RM of Morris	Name Change	Letter to go
f) RTG	Request	Send Questionnaire
g) Institute Public Sector Serv.	Nomination-Gold Medal Award	Noted
h) Triple R	Newsletter/Planning	Circulated
i) Mb IGA	Gas Tax	Noted
j) Keystone Surveys	Monument Restoration	PW to start staking
k) Mb Food Charter	Membership-Signatory	No interest
l) Culture Heritage & Tourism	Historic Resource Guide	Check into procedure
m) AMM	News Bulletin	Circulated
n) Community Planning	Background Study	Circulated
o) Jim Stuart	Planning Session	Copies circulated
p) Councillor van der Linde	Wellness Centre Proposal	See New Business
q) Councillor van der Linde	EMO Table Top Exercise	Circulated
r) Claudia Schmidt	Thank you	Circulated
s) RM of Montcalm	Inter-Municipal Curling	Can date be changed?
t) Robert	New Truck Cost	Get more prices

u) Rail Line Abandonment Morris – Elgin Line Councillor Smith Reported on a meeting he attended. Morris-Elgin line is to close April 1, 2007. Committee wants to form delegation to meet with Premier-Res # 18/02/07

18/02/07 Moved by Councillor Gavin van der Linde
Rail Line Seconded by Councillor Ruth Murray
Abandonment BE IT RESOLVED that Council authorize Councillor Dave Smith to represent the Town of Morris in a rail line abandonment committee.
Carried.
For: 6 Against: 0 Absent: 1

FINANCIAL:

December Financials-Without Audit # 19/02/07
Accounts # 20/02/07

19/02/07 Moved by Councillor David Smith
Financial Seconded by Councillor William Ginter
Statements NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Financial Statements (before audit) for the month ending December 31, 2006 of the Town of Morris be adopted as presented.
Carried.
For: 6 Against: 0 Absent: 1

20/02/07 Moved by Councillor David Smith
List of Seconded by Councillor William Ginter
Accounts NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the accounts, being cheque #'s 23871-23934 and 23936-23978, and manual cheque #'s M0440-M0446 in the amount of \$123,189.22 be approved as presented.
Carried.
For: 6 Against: 0 Absent: 1

NEW BUSINESS

- Wellness Centre Res # 21/02/07
- Tax Sale – Reserve Bid on Sale Res # 22/02/07
- Facility Manager - Hire Review job description with SMCC, Rec Director & Pat Zary at Feb 21st 5:00 p.m. meeting
- CFAM Interviews No monthly interviews
- Mileage expenses Prepare mileage charts for Council
- EDO Committee addition Res # 23/02/07
- Library Lunch The Library will be serving lunch for Council on March 12 at noon.

21/02/07 Moved by Councillor Gavin van der Linde
Wellness Seconded by Councillor William Ginter
Centre WHEREAS Resolution # 18/12/06 requires renovations to the Morris Complex to be approved by Council;
AND WHEREAS the Morris Wellness Committee has requested approval to proceed with the ventilation ducting and the security card lock system for the Wellness area;
BE IT RESOLVED that Council authorize the Morris Wellness committee to proceed with the installation of the ventilation ducting and the security card lock system with the following conditions:
1. That all necessary permits be applied for and approved;
2. That a rental agreement be drawn up with SMCC.
Carried.
For: 6 Against: 0 Absent: 1

22/02/07 Moved by Councillor Gavin van der Linde
Tax Sale Seconded by Councillor Jeanette Bergstresser
Reserve Bid WHEREAS the Town of Morris tax sale on March 12, 2007 at the Civic Centre has Lot 15 & 16, Block "A", Plan 24 WLTO for auction;
AND WHEREAS the land is currently assessed at \$16,500.00 and the taxes and costs outstanding are \$5932.98;
AND WHEREAS Section 374 – Municipal Act states "A municipality may bid on and purchase property at a public auction and may direct a designated officer of the municipality to bid on or purchase property on its behalf".
BE IT RESOLVED that council designate Bill Ginter to act as the agent representing the Town of Morris at the tax sale to bid to a maximum of \$6,000.00 for the above noted property.
Carried.
For: 6 Against: 0 Absent: 1

23/02/07 Moved by Councillor Ruth Murray
Economic Seconded by Councillor David Smith
Dev. Comm. WHEREAS an additional councillor is required for the Economic Development Committee of Council;
BE IT RESOLVED that council approve the addition of Councillor Gavin van der Linde to the Economic Development Committee, effective immediately.
Carried.
For: 6 Against: 0 Absent: 1

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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| - Isaac Wall – Building Permits | Hold |
| - Matt Hoffman – Land Purchase | Hold |
| - Braun Development Resolution | Hold |
| - CAO Report | Set up meeting with VIDIR |

IN-CAMERA ITEMS:

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Councillor Smith advised council that the housing committee is planning a meeting with a developer on March 6th at 11 a.m.
- Councillor Ginter reported on a special meeting of the Pembina Valley Water Co-op held because of a recommendation that PV WC not be granted a permit to connect to the Sandilands aquifer.
- Councillor Bergstresser reported that the RR Parent Child Centre has requested funding for 2007.

Next Meeting Date: March 8, 2007 at 7:00 p.m.

Adjournment: There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

TOWN OF MORRIS

MAYOR

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER