

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD  
November 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2006 AT 7:05 P.M.**

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

Presiding: Mayor Dale Hoffman

19/11/06  
Agenda

Moved by Councillor Jeanette Bergstresser  
Seconded by Councillor Gavin van der Linde  
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Agenda for the November 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2006 regular Council meeting be approved as amended.  
Carried.  
For: 7 Against: 0 Absent: 0

20/11/06  
Minutes  
Regular  
Meeting

Moved by Councillor David Smith  
Seconded by Councillor William Ginter  
BE IT RESOLVED that the Minutes of the November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2006 regular meeting of Council be adopted as distributed.  
Carried.  
For: 7 Against: 0 Absent: 0

**DELEGATIONS:**

At 7:00 Scotties President Lorne Hamblin met with Council to discuss a proposal from Shaw TV Channel 9 for televising the Gold Medal Curling Match on January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2007 at 8:00 p.m.

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

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| a) Jack Wiens re: Offer to Purchase McMillan   | Hold                  |
| b) Station Street: Notice to recind            | #21/11/06             |
| Request from Denis Landry                      | #22/11/06             |
| c) Isaac & Kathy Wall – Building Permit        | Hold                  |
| d) Matt Hoffman                                | Hold                  |
| e) Vidir Morris – Tax Refund Request           | #23/11/06             |
| f) McCarthy & Brown – Lauras Reflexotherapy    | #24/11/06             |
| g) Red River Basin Summit – Who is attending?? |                       |
| h) Morris Recreation & Arena                   | See committee reports |

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

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|----|------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|
| a) | Hon. Steve Ashton      | Handivan Grant              | Noted                   |
| b) | City of Winkler        | Congrats                    | Circulated              |
| c) | Altona C of C          | Meeting re: paving of PR332 | #25/11/06               |
| d) | Community Planning     | Morris Development Plan     | #26/11/06               |
| e) | AMM                    | News Bulletin               | Circulated              |
|    |                        | Member Advisory             | Circulated              |
|    |                        | Communications              | Circulated              |
| f) | Red River Basin Comm   | Elections                   | Noted                   |
| g) | Rural Secretariat      | EDO info                    | Circulated              |
| h) | RM of Ritchot          | New Appointments            | Circulated              |
| i) | Doug Dobrowski         | AMM Candidate               | Noted                   |
| j) | MPSC                   | Bulletin                    | Circulated              |
| k) | Minister of Health     | Fluoridation Certificate    | Check with Public Works |
| l) | Open Door              | Prairie HVac Invoices       | Town to pay             |
| m) | Morris District C of C | Christmas Cheer Board       | Noted                   |
| n) | Town of Gretna         | Congrats                    | Circulated              |
| o) | Radisson Hotel         | Room Confirmations          | Circulated              |

- 21/11/06 Moved by Councillor Jeanette Bergstresser  
 Recind Seconded by Councillor Trevor Thiessen  
 Resolution WHEREAS a Notice to Recind resolution 21/09/06 was received by Council at their November 9, 2006 regular council meeting from Councillor Bergstresser;  
 AND WHEREAS Resolution #21/11/06 states **“That the Council authorize an offer of \$2,677.00 for payment to Denis Landry for those portions of Station Street that are on lots 662 and 663, Plan 4692; and further, that said lands be transferred to the Town of Morris and a Road Opening bylaw be prepared for that portion of Station Street”**;  
 AND WHEREAS the said lands are not required by the Town of Morris for the purpose of Station Street and Mr. Denis Landry has agreed in principal to another proposal;  
**BE IT RESOLVED THAT resolution #21/09/06 be hereby recinded.**  
 Carried  
 For: 7 Against: 0 Absent: 0
- 22/11/06 Moved by Councillor Jeanette Bergstresser  
 Denis Seconded by Councillor Gavin van der Linde  
 Landry WHEREAS an easement agreement has been drawn up between the Town of Morris and Denis Landry for the use of a portion of Lots 662 and 623, Plan 4692 for Station Street with a consideration of \$2,677.00;  
 BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the easement agreement with Denis Landry for the use of Station Street;  
 AND FURTHER that the Mayor and CAO be authorized to sign the same.  
 Carried.  
 For: 7 Against: 0 Absent: 0
- 23/11/06 Moved by Councillor Gavin van der Linde  
 Vidir Seconded by Councillor Trevor Thiessen  
 WHEREAS Vidir Morris has requested a tax rebate for the 2006 tax year of \$21,859.64 which is directly proportional to an assessment reduction in 2007;  
 AND WHEREAS the 2006 tax assessment notice was sent to the Vidir company in the spring of 2005 with sufficient time to respond to the Assessment Branch in Morden, before the 2006 assessments were finalized;  
 BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorize a grant of \$5,584.00  
 Carried.  
 For: 7 Against: 0 Absent: 0
- 24/11/06 Moved by Councillor Ruth Murray  
 Expansion Seconded by Councillor David Smith  
 Of Res. BE IT RESOLVED THAT Resolution #08/11/06 be expanded to include Rene LeClaire and Colette LeClaire owner of 139 Main Street.  
 Carried  
 For: 7 Against: 0 Absent: 0
- 25/11/06 Moved by Councillor Jeanette Bergstresser  
 C of C Seconded by Councillor Gavin van der Linde  
 Meeting BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and EDO be authorized to attend a Chamber of Commerce meeting in Altona on December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2006.  
 AND FURTHER THAT expenses be reimbursed as per bylaw 09/05  
 Carried.  
 For: 7 Against: 0 Absent: 0
- 26/11/06 Moved by Councillor William Ginter  
 Develop Seconded by Councillor David Smith  
 Plan BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council accept the terms of reference for the preparation of the Town of Morris Development Plan and Zoning By-Law with Intergovernmental Affairs Regional Community Planning Service Office in Morden at the following rates:
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|------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Background Studies                 | \$1,800.00         |
| Mapping                            | \$1,000.00         |
| Meetings                           | \$2,200.00         |
| Development Plan and Zoning By-Law | <u>\$3,500.00</u>  |
| Total Costs                        | \$8,500.00         |
| Less Provincial share of 50%       | <u>-\$4,250.00</u> |
| Net Costs                          | \$4,250.00         |
- Carried.  
 For: 7 Against: 0 Absent: 0

**FINANCIAL**                      November Accounts:                      #27/11/06  
October Financial Statements                      #28/11/06

27/11/06                      Moved by Councillor William Ginter  
Accounts                      Seconded by Councillor David Smith  
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the accounts, being cheque #'s 23507-23531 and 23535-23591 and 23593-23616, and manual cheques #M0421-M0429, in the amount of \$838,787.44 be approved as presented  
Carried.  
For: 7 Against: 0 Absent: 0

28/11/06                      Moved by Councillor William Ginter  
Financials                      Seconded by Councillor Ruth Murray  
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Financial Statements for the month ending October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2006 of the Town of Morris be adopted as presented.  
Carried.  
For: 7 Against: 0 Absent: 0

**NEW & UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- Braun Development Resolution	Housing Committee
- Review Procedure Bylaw 19/02	#29/11/06
- Review Organization Bylaw 20/06	#30/11/06
- Bylaw 17/06- Adding Water to Taxes	#31/11/06
- Bylaw 18/06- Amend Borrowing Bylaw	Hold
- Arena Financials	Circulated
- Purchase of Elevator-Morris Complex	Hold until needed
- Christmas Party/Council Appreciation	Noted
- CAO Report	Circulated
- Tax Sale	#32/11/06
-Distribution of Minutes	#33/11/06
-Fence Quote	Get further info

29/11/06                      Moved by Councillor Trevor Thiessen  
Bylaw 19/06                      Seconded by Councillor Gavin van der Linde  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT Bylaw 19/06, being a procedural bylaw for the Town of Morris Council, be given 1<sup>st</sup> reading.  
Carried.  
For: 7 Against: 0 Absent: 0

30/11/06                      Moved by Councillor Jeanette Bergstresser  
Bylaw 20/06                      Seconded by Councillor Trevor Thiessen  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT Bylaw 18/06, being a bylaw which amends borrowing bylaw 03/05 for the construction of the Morris Complex, be given 1<sup>st</sup> reading  
Carried.  
For: 7 Against: 0 Absent: 0

**At 9:00 p.m. Councillor Trevor Thiessen excused himself from the meeting**

31/11/06                      Moved by Councillor David Smith  
Bylaw 17/06                      Seconded by Councillor Ruth Murray  
BE IT RESOLVED that Bylaw #17/06, be given 2<sup>nd</sup> reading.  
Carried.  
For: 6 Against: 0 Absent: 1

32/11/06                      Moved by Councillor William Ginter  
Tax Sale                      Seconded by Councillor Ruth Murray  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the date for the sale of properties that were prepared for a 2006 tax sale be set for March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2007 at 10:00 am in the Town of Morris Civic.  
Carried  
For: 6 Against: 0 Absent: 1

33/11/06  
Minutes

Moved by Councillor Jeanette Bergstresser  
Seconded by Councillor Gavin van der Linde  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council authorize the distribution of Council minutes to the media prior to final approval being listed as “unapproved minutes.”  
Carried.  
For: 6 Against: 0 Absent: 1

**At 10:25 Councillor Gavin van der Linde excused himself declaring his interest.**

A third tender for fencing was received. Council has requested advice from a professional arborists on the trimming of evergreen trees.

#### **IN CAMERA ITEMS**

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Mayor Dale Hoffman** updated Council on the Highway 75 Coalition Meeting with the Honorable Ron Lemieux

**Councillors Jeanette Bergstresser, Ruth Murray and Gavin van der Linde** discussed EMO Conference held in Brandon November 15-17, 2006 and the possible table top exercise in 2007.

**Councillor William Ginter** circulated the Handivan Profit & Loss Statement and rates.

**Councillor Ruth Murray's** Committee Report was circulated.

**Councillor David Smith** reported on a housing committee meeting. The committee is planning to meet with all developers.

**Councillor Bergstresser** reported that the Recreation Commission has received an operating grant of \$5,000.00 for 2006 and will continue to receive the annual \$5,000.00 operational grant. The arena sound system has numerous problems. She discussed a proposal from the Edel Brothers in exchange for advertising signage in the arena.

Next Meeting Date: December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2006 @ 7:00 p.m.

Adjournment: There being no further business the meeting was adjourned @ 10:50 p.m.

#### **TOWN OF MORRIS**

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**MAYOR**

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**CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**