

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD BY
THE TOWN OF MORRIS
September 24th, 2009 AT 8:30 P.M.**

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

Absent: None

Also Present: Brigitte Doerksen Chief Administrative Officer

Presiding: Mayor Dale Hoffman

06/09/09
Agenda

Moved by Councillor Dave Smith
Seconded by Councillor Bill Ginter
BE IT RESOLVED that the Agenda for the September 24th, 2009 regular Council meeting be approved as amended.

(Carried)

For: 7 Against: 0 Absent: 0

07/09/09
Minutes
Regular
Meeting

Moved by Councillor Ruth Murray
Seconded by Councillor Jeanette Bergstresser
BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the September 10th, 2009 regular Council Meeting be adopted as amended.

(Carried)

For: 7 Against: 0 Absent: 0

DELEGATIONS: None

CORRESPONDENCE:

	<u>From</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Disposition</u>
a)	RCMP	Year in Review	Noted & discussed
b)	Minister of IGA	Letter of response	Noted & discussed
c)	Canadian Postmaster & Assoc.	Letter	#08/09/09
d)	AMM	Convention Mtg. with RCMP	No interest
e)	MPSC	News Bulletin	Noted & discussed
f)	AMM	Member Advisory	Noted & discussed
g)	AMM	News Bulletin	Noted & discussed
h)	Canadian Breast Cancer Foundation	Proclamation	Noted & discussed
i)	Triple R letter	Parking issue	Will add to new By-Law

08/09/09
Canada Post

Moved by Councillor Dave Smith
Seconded by Councillor Ruth Murray
WHEREAS the Federal Government commissioned a committee to do a “Strategic Review” of Canada Post Corporation;
AND WHEREAS the Federal Government must maintain the moratorium on Post Office closures;
AND WHEREAS the recommendations of the Strategic Review Committee will only lead to further privatization of rural post offices;
AND WHEREAS all rural Canadians no matter where they live are entitled to the right to a full serviced federally operated Post Office in rural communities;
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Town of Morris demand that the Federal Government continue to enforce the moratorium on closures of rural post office and abandon all proposals put forth by the strategic review committee of further privatization of all rural postal services.

(Carried)

For: 7 Against: 0 Absent: 0

SEMINARS & EDUCATION

<u>From</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Disposition</u>
a) The Royal Canadian Legion	Legion Nite	#09/09/09
b) RRVSD	Meeting	#10/09/09
c) RCCV	30 th Annual Conference	#11/09/09
d) MMAA	FIPPA Seminar	#12/09/09
e) MB. Planning Conference	Conference	Bring back to next mtg.
f) AMM	Public Participation Seminar	#13/09/09
g) RHA	Board Meeting	no interest

09/09/09
Legion
Nite

Moved by Councillor Ruth Murray
Seconded by Councillor Jeanette Bergstresser
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that 1 Council/staff members be authorized to attend the Legion Nite banquet and social held October 17th, 2009;
AND FURTHER that expense's be reimbursed as per Bylaw 01/09.

(Carried)

For: 7 Against: 0 Absent: 0

10/09/09
RRVSD
Meeting

Moved by Councillor Jeanette Bergstresser
Seconded by Councillor Trevor Thiessen
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that 2 Council/staff members be authorized to attend the Red River Valley School Division meeting held November 30th, 2009.
AND FURTHER that expense's be reimbursed as per Bylaw 01/09.

(Carried)

For: 7 Against: 0 Absent: 0

11/09/09
RCCV
Conference

Moved by Councillor Ruth Murray
Seconded by Councillor Dave Smith
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that 2 Council/staff members be authorized to attend the Recreation Conference for Community Volunteers 30th Annual Convention held November 6th to the 8th, 2009 in Brandon, Manitoba.
AND FURTHER that expense's be reimbursed as per Bylaw 01/09.

(Carried)

For: 7 Against: 0 Absent: 0

12/09/09
MMAA
Seminar

Moved by Councillor Gavin van der Linde
Seconded by Councillor Trevor Thiessen
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that 2 Council/staff members be authorized to attend the FIPPA Seminar hosted by the MMAA October 2nd, 2009.
AND FURTHER that expense's be reimbursed as per Bylaw 01/09.

(Carried)

For: 7 Against: 0 Absent: 0

13/09/09
AMM
Seminar
Public
Participation

Moved by Councillor Ruth Murray
Seconded by Councillor Dave Smith
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that 2 Council/staff members be authorized to attend the Public Participation and Engagement Seminar hosted by the AMM October 16th, 2009.
AND FURTHER that expense's be reimbursed as per Bylaw 01/09.

(Carried)

For: 7 Against: 0 Absent: 0

14/09/09
Disaster
Management

Moved by Councillor Dave Smith
Seconded by Councillor Ruth Murray
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that 4 Council/staff members be authorized to attend the Disaster Management Conference held November 4th-6th, 2009 in Brandon, Manitoba.
AND FURTHER that expense's be reimbursed as per Bylaw 01/09.

(Carried)

For: 7 Against: 0 Absent: 0

FINANCIAL:

- a) August Financial Statements #15/09/09
- b) September List of Accounts #16/09/09

15/09/09
August
Financials

Moved by Councillor Bill Ginter
Seconded by Councillor Gavin van der Linde
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Financial Statements for the month ending August 31st, 2009 of the Town of Morris be adopted as presented.

(Carried)

For: 7 Against: 0 Absent: 0

16/09/09
September
Accounts

Moved by Councillor Dave Smith
Seconded by Councillor Ruth Murray
BE IT RESOLVED that the accounts, being Cheque#'s 8950 to 9041 in the amount of \$124,827.56, Payroll Direct Deposits in the amount of \$34,794.21 and cancelled Cheque #8951 in the amount of \$298.00 be approved as presented.

(Carried)

For: 7 Against: 0 Absent: 0

NEW BUSINESS

- a) Letter from Glen Munford Noted
- b) Cemetery Issue Noted & discussed
- c) SMCC Rec. Office Request Noted & discussed
- d) Rec. Commission Letter Noted & discussed
- e) Complaint –re: parking on Hwy #75 Send a letter

BY-LAWS

- **By-Law 05/09 Zoning By-Law** On hold
- **By-Law 04/07-Decommissioning of Stand Pipe** #17/09/09
- **BY-Law 03/07 Traffic & Parking** Bring back to next mtg.

17/09/09
By-Law
10/09
1st reading

Moved by Councillor Bill Ginter
Seconded by Councillor Gavin van der Linde
BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law 10/09 being a By-Law of the Town of Morris to shut down the Bulk Water Stand Pipe in the Town of Morris be given 1st reading.

(Carried)

For: 7 Against: 0 Absent: 0

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a) Darren Gillespie On hold
- b) Building Inspector request for storage cabinet On hold
- c) Variation Application #18/09/09
- d) PUB rate change #19/09/09
- e) Rec. Office Quote Noted
- f) CAO Report Noted & discussed

18/09/09
Variation
Order
V03/09

Moved by Councillor Dave Smith
Seconded by Councillor Bill Ginter

WHEREAS, Jared Wiebe owner of the property legally described as Lot 5 Plan 43485 in the Town of Morris located at 222 Wellington St. West, applied to the Town of Morris Variation Board to vary the application of the Morris Planning Scheme, provided under clause (a) of subsection (3) of Section 57 of the Planning Act as it applies to the property in order to vary the following:

A frontage of 20 feet instead of the required 30 feet frontage to accommodate the construction of a new home with a double car garage.

NOW THEREFORE BE IS RESOLVED that after careful consideration the Town of Morris approved the following variation application V03/09

(Carried)

For: 7 Against: 0 Absent: 0

19/09/09
By-Law
11/09
reading

Moved by Councillor Bill Ginter
Seconded by Councillor Gavin van der Linde

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law 10/09 being a By-Law of the Town of Morris to amend the Sewer and Water rates within the Town of Morris to provide for a "Pass-Through" water rate increase from the Pembina Valley Water Cooperative as per Public Utilities Board Order 124/09 given 1st reading.

(Carried)

For: 7 Against: 0 Absent: 0

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

-Councillor Ruth Murray circulated her report to council for their review. She reported that she attended a Weed Control meeting, library meeting and that she Golfed in the Mavis Taillieu Burn Fund Tournament in LaSalle. She also mentioned that the Library is hosting a Come and go Tea in memory of Jane Stevenson on the 17th of October.

Councillor Gavin van der Linde also circulated his report to Council and he reported on the following: Medical Clinic, Economic Development, SMCC, Recreation Commission and Emergency Services.

Councillor Trevor Thiessen advised Council on a personnel meeting and that there will be a Volunteer Appreciation Night held October 1st, 2009 at the Fire Hall.

Councillor Trevor Thiessen excused himself from the Regular Council meeting at 10:00 pm.

Councillor Dave Smith reported on Housing meetings and that he will be attending a MASS meeting on September 28th, 2009

Councillor Jeanette Bergstresser advised Council of the Public Health Nurse position. She also reported that the Parent Child Centre has been committed to a lot of fundraising. She also mentioned that the gravel for the ball diamonds has been ordered.

Councillor Bill Ginter reported that the Willow Dr. & Veterans Way project is near completion and Station Street project should commence shortly.

Mayor Dale Hoffman reported on the North Dyke proposal meeting that was held in our office. He also advised Council of a meeting he will be attending September 30th with the President of the Manitoba Trucking Association in regards to the North Dyke Proposal. He also mentioned to Council that he contacted the U of M and spoke with a Professor Reeves and has set up a meeting October 2nd, 2009 to discuss Main Street Revitalization strategies.

IN CAMERA ITEMS: Cemetery, Personnel and Development

20/09/09
In Camera

Moved by Councillor Bill Ginter
Seconded by Councillor Ruth Murray

BE IT RESOLVED that Council go "In Camera" to discuss the following issue(s):
Cemetery, Personnel and Development

(Carried)

For: 6 Against: 0 Absent: 1

21/09/09
Resume
Meeting

Moved by Councillor Bill Ginter
Seconded by Councillor Ruth Murray
BE IT RESOLVED that Council resume its regular Council Meeting.

(Carried)

For: 6 Against: 0 Absent: 1

Next Meeting Date: October 8th, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.

Adjournment: There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 11:00 p.m.

TOWN OF MORRIS

MAYOR

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER