

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD BY
THE TOWN OF MORRIS
March 12th, 2009 AT 7:00 P.M.**

Councillors present: Bill Ginter
David Smith
Gavin van der Linde (arrived at 7:20)
Ruth Murray
Jeanette Bergstresser (excused herself at 8:30)

Absent: Trevor Thiessen

Also Present: Brigitte Doerksen Chief Administrative Officer

Presiding: Mayor Dale Hoffman

01/03/09
Agenda

**Moved by Councillor Ruth Murray
Seconded by Councillor Jeanette Bergstresser**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Agenda for the March 12, 2009 regular Council meeting be approved as amended.

(Carried)

For: 5 Against: 0 Absent: 2

02/03/09
Minutes
Regular
Meeting

**Moved by Councillor Bill Ginter
Seconded by Councillor Dave Smith**

BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the February 26th, 2009 regular Council Meeting be adopted as amended.

(Carried)

For: 5 Against: 0 Absent: 2

DELEGATIONS: None

CORRESPONDENCE:

<u>From</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Disposition</u>
a) MB. Homecoming	140 th celebrations	Get more info
b) MB. Stampede & Ex	Parade route and invite	#03/03/09
Councillor Gavin van der Linde joined the regular Council Mtg. at 7:20		
c) MB. Stampede & Ex	Hosting of Digniteries	#04/03/09
d) R.R.V. Food Bank	Grand opening Invite	Noted & discussed
e) Minister of IGA	2009 Planning excellence awards	Noted & discussed
f) AMM	Municipal Roads- FYI	Noted & discussed
g) RHA	Accreditation -FYI	Noted & discussed
h) Travel MB.	Conference Invite	No interest

03/03/09
Parade
Route

**Moved by Councillor Jeanette Bergstresser
Seconded by Councillor Gavin van der Linde**

WHEREAS the Manitoba Stampede and Exhibition has provided the Town of Morris council with the proposed 2009 Morris Stampede Parade Route.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve the proposed 2009 Morris Stampede Parade Route.

(Carried)

For: 6 Against: 0 Absent: 1

04/03/09
Hosting of
Dignitaries

Moved by Councillor Gavin van der Linde

Seconded by Councillor Bill Ginter

BE IT RESOLVED that Council authorize to host the dignitaries for the 46th Annual Manitoba Stampede and Exhibition Parade July 18th, 2009.

(Carried)

For: 6 Against: 0 Absent: 1

FINANCIAL:

-December Financial Statements

#05/03/09

-Hiring of Public Works Employee Recommendation

#06/03/09

-SMCC letter of request

Noted & discussed

-Extension of Willow Dr. Tendering

#07/03/09

-Grant in Aid Funding Request

#08/03/09

05/02/09
December
Financials

Moved by Councillor Bill Ginter

Seconded by Councillor Dave Smith

BE IT RESOLVED that the Financial Statements for the month ending December 31st, 2008 of the Town of Morris be adopted as presented.

(Carried)

For: 6 Against: 0 Absent: 1

06/03/09
PW
Hiring of
employee

Moved by Councillor Jeanette Bergstresser

Seconded by Councillor Ruth Murray

WHEREAS the Personnel Committee recommends the hiring of Jimmy Berg for the position of laborer/operator for the Public Works Department;

AND WHEREAS the starting wage for the position of laborer/operator be a starting wage of \$13.50 per hour for a 3 month probation period. Once the 3 month probation period is complete and satisfactory the wage will increase to \$14.00 per hour with benefits;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve the hiring of Jimmy Berg for the above mentioned position commencing March 16th, 2009 providing that he is willing to take courses recommended by the Personnel Committee.

(Carried)

For: 6 Against: 0 Absent: 1

Councillor Jeanette Bergstresser excused herself from the Regular Council Meeting at 8:30

07/03/09
Willow
Dr. ext.

Moved by Councillor Bill Ginter

Seconded by Councillor Dave Smith

WHEREAS JR Cousin Consultants Ltd. prepared and submitted 3 tenders on our behalf for the Willow Drive extension;

AND WHEREAS after reviewing the tenders JR Cousin Consultants Ltd. recommends Maple Leaf Construction be awarded the Town of Morris-Willow Drive extension;

BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve the above mentioned recommendation to award Maple Leaf Construction for the Town of Morris-Willow Drive extension at a quote of \$314,578.95.

(Carried)

For: 5 Against: 0 Absent: 2

08/03/08
Tenders
Willow Dr.

Moved by Councillor Dave Smith

Seconded by Councillor Gavin van der Linde

BE IT RESOLVED that Council authorize JR Cousin Consultants Ltd. to prepare tenders for excavation and gravel hauling on the Willow Dr. Extension and Veterans Way.

(Carried)

For: 5 Against: 0 Absent: 2

09/03/08 **Moved by Councillor Bill Ginter**
Grant in **Seconded by Councillor Gavin van der Linde**
Aid funding **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that Council request Grant-in-Aid Funding for reconstruction work and the re-aligning of Station Street in the Town of Morris for an estimated cost of \$195,000.00.

(Carried)

For: 5 Against: 0 Absent: 2

NEW BUSINESS

-Infrastructure and Transportation correspondence	Set up a meeting
-Immigration	#10/03/09
-MMAA 78 th Annual Conference & Graduation	#11/03/09

10/03/09 **Moved by Councillor Bill Ginter**
Reimburse **Seconded by Councillor Ruth Murray**
For volunteers **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that Council authorize to reimburse volunteers For their services in regards to helping immigrant families move into the community.

(Carried)

For: 5 Against: 0 Absent: 2

11/03/09 **Moved by Councillor Dave Smith**
MMAA **Seconded by Councillor Ruth Murray**
Annual **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that 2 Staff members be authorized to attend the
Conference 78th Annual MMAA Conference held in Brandon April 26th – 29th, 2009.
AND FURTHER that expenses be reimbursed as per ByLaw 01/09.

(Carried)

For: 5 Against: 0 Absent: 2

BY-LAWS

- Fines By-Law-to review	Get more info
- By-Law 05/09 Zoning By-Law	On hold for Council to review

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Darren Gillespie	On hold
- Morris Dental Office Letter	Councillor Ginter to speak to owner of the building
- Standing Committees, Appointments of Council	
RRVHF Committee and Deputy Mayor for 2009	On hold
- CAO report	Noted and discussed

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

-Councillor Ruth Murray reported that the Personnel Committee met to discuss and make a recommendation for the Public Works position. She also reported on the Chamber of Commerce meeting and advised everyone of whom the new Executive for the next term will be. She also advised that the Library Committee has extended an invitation to Council on Thursday April 9th, 2009 for a noon lunch.

Councillor Dave Smith reported that he attended the Municipal Bonspiel held in Dufrost Manitoba. He also reported on attending a Siren Testing in Altona and on a Housing Committee issue.

Councillor Gavin van der Linde mentioned to council the Architect for the New Pool house will need property lines and that possibly we will need a survey.

12/03/09 **Moved by Councillor Gavin van der Linde**
Siren **Seconded by Councillor Bill Ginter**
Testing **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** 2 Council/Staff members be authorized to attend the Siren testing day in Altona, Manitoba
AND FURTHER that expenses be reimbursed as per Bylaw 01/09.

(Carried)

For: 5 Against: 0 Absent: 2

13/03/09
Lucinda

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

BE IT RESOLVED that Council authorize the CAO to contact JB Movers to remove the building at 150 Lucinda from Town limits if the building is not removed by the 16th day of March as per an order given February 27th, 2009;

AND FURTHER that the Town of Morris hire a contractor to remove the existing basement and back fill the hole.

(Carried)

For: 5 Against: 0 Absent: 2

IN CAMERA ITEMS:

Next Meeting Date: March 26th at 7:00 p.m.

Adjournment: There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 10:05 p.m.

TOWN OF MORRIS

MAYOR

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER