



Rural Municipality of St. Laurent
Regular Meeting
June 17, 2020

MINUTES

A Regular Meeting of Council was held on Wednesday, June 17, 2020 in the Council Chambers, located at 16 St. Laurent Veterans' Memorial Road, St. Laurent, Manitoba.

Present: Reeve Cheryl Smith, Councillors Frank Bruce, Phil Mathews, Jerry Combot, and CAO Hilda Zotter.

Regrets: Councillor Laurent Kerbrat

Call to Order

Reeve Cheryl Smith called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Adoption of Agenda

Res #189/2020 Mathews - Bruce

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda for today's date be hereby adopted as amended.

....Carried

Adoption of Minutes

Res #190/2020 Bruce - Combot

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of:

- Regular Meeting Minutes – June 3, 2020
be hereby adopted.

....Carried

Committee Reports:

CAO (Hilda Zotter)

- Noted suggested summer meeting dates.

MEC and ACAO (Paul Belair)

- None

EDO (Guy Dumont)

- Advised that the RM has been approved for funding for the Heritage Building Grant in the amount of \$17,500 which the RM will match for a total of \$35,000. The committee will meet on July 3, 2020 to further discuss.
- I inspected the Goodon building and I can verify the engineered deficiencies that were identified have been corrected. There is an issue with the door's however, this the responsibility of the RM.
- Applying for a grant for a visitor station shelter at the ALC to assist with visitations in a safe manner.

Public Works (Dean Appleyard)

- None

Fire Department (Roger Leclerc)

- None

Rec Commission (Tammy Hiebert)

- None

Councillor Phil Mathews

- At this time Phil and Frank reviewed the Public Works committee meeting;
 - o Reviewed re issued tenders to go out for Governor Road South
 - o Discussed the repairs to Rec Centre parking lot and Welcome Centre parking lot. The Welcome Centre will be first.
 - o 415 speed reduction was discussed, RM contacting MI
 - o Debris around at Public Works building will be cleaned up this summer
 - o The pile of debris at the Waste Transfer Site is being removed
 - o Discussed speeding at Venice Road South
 - o Reviewed signage requests
 - o Reviewed Meadowlark walk way
 - o Discussed Waste Transfer Site monitoring system
- Dust control coming on Friday
- Attended the Special Meeting

Councillor Jerry Combot

- Received a few calls with concerns with the Waste Transfer Site, as well as a contractor not stopping at a stop sign on Ludovic and kicking up a lot of dust which is making the road not visible for driving. Will speak with contractor and will place speed signs and a “not a truck route” sign.

Councillor Frank Bruce

- Reported with Phil Mathews

Councillor Laurent Kerbrat

- None

Reeve Cheryl Smith

- Met with the Community Connector hiring committee.
- Attended and participated with the interviews for the Community Connector.
- Attended the Western Interlake Planning District Board virtual meeting.
- Media requesting information on the Financial Plan, met with CAO and she will respond.

Media Report (Reeve Smith)

- None

Zoning and Subdivisions

Public Hearings:

Res #191/2020

Mathews - Bruce

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council adjourn into the scheduled public hearing.

....Carried

The Chair (Reeve) read out the greetings and procedures.

10:45 a.m. – Variation Application No. VSTL-02-20

Cherie provided proof of notice and described the intent of the application.

5559473 Manitoba Ltd./Rene Landry and Susan Lightfoot applied for a variation application in regards to property located at Lot A, B & C, Plan 17545, #10 Shallow Point Campground, in the R.M. of St. Laurent, Manitoba. The variation application

is to an increase in the intensity of an existing legal non-conforming use, varied to allow an addition to a caboose to comply with the zoning by-law.

Mr. Rene Landry joined the public hearing via teleconference. Rene explained that this is for an additional bedroom.

There were no objections and no other questions were raised.

10:50 a.m. - Variation Application No. VSTL-03-20

Cherie provided proof of notice and described the intent of the application.

RM of St. Laurent applied for a variation in regards to property located at Lot 4/6, Block 2, Plan 379P and part of public road plan closed and consolidated, Oak Point, Mb in the R.M. of St. Laurent, Manitoba. The said variation application is a rear yard variation from 25 feet to 10 feet varied to allow the construction of a Community Hall to comply with the zoning by-law.

There were no objections and no other questions were raised.

Res #192/2020

Combot - Bruce

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the public hearing close and that Council reconvene into regular meeting agenda.

....Carried

Regular Matters:

Res #193/2020

Mathews - Combot

WHEREAS Variation Application No. VSTL-02-20 was received from owners and applicants 5559473 Manitoba Ltd./Rene Landry and Susan Lightfoot in regards to property located at Lot A, B & C, Plan 17545, #10 Shallow Point Campground, in the R.M. of St. Laurent, Manitoba.

AND WHEREAS the said variation application is to an increase in the intensity of an existing legal non-conforming use, varied to allow an addition to a caboose to comply with the zoning by-law.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve said variation.

....Carried

Res #194/2020

Bruce – Mathews

WHEREAS Variation Application No. VSTL-03-20 was received from owners and applicants RM of St. Laurent in regards to property located at Lot 4/6, Block 2, Plan 379P and part of public road plan closed and consolidated, Oak Point, Mb in the R.M. of St. Laurent, Manitoba.

AND WHEREAS the said variation application is a rear yard variation from 25 feet to 10 feet varied to allow the construction of a Community Hall to comply with the zoning by-law.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve said variation.

....Carried

Notices:

- None

DELEGATIONS

- None

Finance & Accounts

Res #195/2020

Mathews - Combot

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council Indemnities for June 2020 and Expenses for May 2020 be approved as follows:

	Cheryl Smith	Phil Mathews	Frank Bruce	Laurent Kerbrat	Jerry Combot
Indemnity	1000.00	800.00	900.00	800.00	800.00
Hourly	525.00	175.00	125.00	50.00	0.00
Conference	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-
Mileage	67.50	70.00	27.00	0.00	0.00
Blue Cross (BC)	-392.06	-156.63	-392.06	-392.06	-392.06
BC (paid by RM)	392.06	156.63	392.06	392.06	392.06
CPP Deduction	-64.75	-35.88	-38.50	-	-26.69
Fed/Prov Tax ded	-361.18	-12.88	-18.00	-203.74	0.00
Totals	1166.57	996.24	995.50	646.26	773.31

....Carried

Res #196/2020

Bruce – Combob

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Accounts Payable to June 16, 2020, written under cheque numbers 28865 to 28903 and totaling \$52,784.57 be hereby approved for payment.

.....Carried

Res #197/2020

Bruce – Mathews

WHEREAS Goodon Industries has now completed the deficiencies of the cold storage building at the Public Works yard and is now requesting final payment. AND WHEREAS that Public Works and Guy Dumont have inspected the building and finds the construction satisfactory.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the final disbursement of \$12,325.00 including GST as final payment to Goodon Industries.

.....Carried

Res #198/2020

Mathews – Combob

WHEREAS the St. Laurent Recreation Commission requires a new laptop computer for the director's office.

AND WHEREAS Council has reviewed the quotes.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorize the CAO to proceed with the computer purchase from Best Buy as quoted at \$850.00, plus shipping and taxes, plus necessary software and external hardware.

.....Carried

Res #199/2020

Bruce – Mathews

WHEREAS the RM of St. Laurent has advertised for repair to Governor Road South excavation of existing road of about 400 metres total in length by about 8.5 metres in width, by about +/- 1.3 metres in depth. Contractor responsible for proper disposal of excavated material. Load, haul, placement and packing of RM-supplied fill.

AND WHEREAS tenders have been received and reviewed by Council.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council accept the tender received by Camster for \$44,000, plus applicable taxes.

.....Carried

Res #200/2020

Mathews – Combot

WHEREAS the RM of St. Laurent has advertised for supply and haul approximately 2340 cubic metres of quality 19-mm-down crushed traffic gravel for coverage on Governor Road South, which is approximately 1.95 kilometres in length.

AND WHEREAS tenders have been received and reviewed by Council.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council accept the tender received by Camster for \$40,950, plus applicable taxes.

.....Carried

TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC WORKS

- None

FIRE DEPARTMENT

- None

New and Unfinished Business

Res #201/2020

Bruce – Combot

WHEREAS the Canadian Partnership Against Cancer (CPAC) in partnership with the RM has successfully identified a Community Connector.

AND WHEREAS applicants have been interviewed for the position and the hiring committee recommends that Marlene Combot be hired for the position commencing on June 22, 2020.

AND WHEREAS payroll and supervision for this position is to be administered through the RM.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the administration of payroll for this position through the RM.

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the funds expended, including wages and MERCs, be reimbursed by the CPAC to the RM.

....Carried

Res #202/2020

Mathews – Combot

WHEREAS the Federal Government has implemented the legalization of the sale of cannabis.

AND WHEREAS the Provincial Government has brought in legislation and regulations regarding the sale of cannabis.

AND WHEREAS it has been determined that the RM's zoning by-law will not need to be amended as the by-law has provisions for an existing commercial zone, which would be a requirement for a retail cannabis store to be established.

AND FURTHER WHEREAS the RM has received confirmation that 3853897 MANITOBA LTD., already a long-established business within the commercial zone, wishes to establish a retail cannabis store.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council agrees that the zoning by-law will not require amendment as a retail cannabis store will be a permitted use provided they meet the requirements of the zoning by-law.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve the establishment of a retail cannabis store on the commercial property held by 3853897 MANITOBA LTD.

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that Council agrees that the R.M. of St. Laurent will comply with the legislation and regulations imposed by the Government of Manitoba.

....Carried

Res #203/2020

Bruce – Mathews

WHEREAS investing within viable and sustainable infrastructure is the very pillar of the economic development and prosperity of Manitoba's bilingual municipal governments and Francophone communities.

WHEREAS Manitoba's bilingual municipal governments are uniquely positioned to deliver shovel-ready infrastructure projects to restart the economy in the context of the COVID-19 and to contribute to the vitality and development of their Francophone communities.

WHEREAS the Rural Municipality of St. Laurent is a bilingual municipality member of the Association of Manitoba Bilingual Municipalities (AMBM).

WHEREAS the *Investing in Canada* Infrastructure Program (ICIP) is a cost-shared program between the federal and provincial governments based on applications for funding.

WHEREAS the Rural Municipality of St. Laurent submitted an application for the St. Laurent Metis Heritage Centre Phase 2 and 3 Project under the *Investing in Canada* Infrastructure Program (ICIP) during the latest project submissions round.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Rural Municipality of St. Laurent urges the federal and provincial governments to expedite the approval of shovel-ready infrastructure projects within Manitoba's bilingual municipalities submitted under the *Investing in Canada* Infrastructure Program (ICIP), in particular the St. Laurent Metis Heritage Centre Phase 2 and 3 Project.

....Carried

Res #204/2020

Mathews – Combot

BE IT RESOLVED THAT there be only on regular council meeting for each of the months of July and August namely:

- Wednesday, July 15, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.
- Wednesday, August 19, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.

....Carried

Res #205/2020

Mathews - Bruce

WHEREAS new signing authority for the R.M. of St. Laurent's financial accounts will need to be authorized by Council.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Reeve Cheryl Smith, Councillors Frank Bruce and Jerry Combot, and CAO Hilda Zotter have signing authority as of the date of this Resolution.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT any two of the above-listed may sign a cheque.

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT any other names listed previously be deleted.

.....Carried

Correspondence/Information/Minutes from Others

Correspondence/Information:

- Minister of Municipal Relations re Bill 48
- AMBM re Bill 48
- AMBM re Translation Service
- Manitoba Access Awareness Week
- BellMTS re Broadband Service
- Prairie Rose School Division – Restoring Safe Services
- Prairie Rose School Division – Meeting Highlights June 1, 2020
- The Honourable Yvon Dumont Community Engagement Scholarship Essay

Minutes:

- None

Committee of the Whole in Camera

Res #206/2020

Bruce - Mathews

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole in Camera.

....Carried

Res #207/2020

Mathews - Combot

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Committee rise and that Council reconvene once again.

....Carried

Res #208/2020

Bruce - Combot

WHEREAS Councillor Laurent Kerbrat has requested leave of absence of attendance of council meetings due to medical reasons.

AND WHEREAS such leave of absence may be granted by the majority of council under certain circumstances and conditions and with certain limitations without triggering dismissal from council or bi-election.

AND WHEREAS the RM's procedure by-law 2/2019 states that "any rule contained in this By-law may be suspended by a vote of the majority of the members present".

AND WHEREAS the RM's procedure by-law is silent on the subject of absence of a council member and the by-law then further states "all points of order and procedure not resolved by rules provided in this by-law shall be resolved by a majority decision of council."

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council grants leave of absence to Councillor Laurent Kerbrat from June 17, 2020 to October 1, 2020, with the following considerations:

1. That Councillor Kerbrat may attend or may not attend (physically or by teleconference or other means) any future council meetings with or without notice;
2. That Councillor Kerbrat will continue to receive all methods of correspondence and communications with the exception of confidential documentation which he may continue to receive if present in person.
3. That Councillor Kerbrat may continue to provide his input to municipal matters in writing in any form or verbally.
4. That monthly indemnity and health benefits may continue uninterrupted for the said period of time.
5. That Council will review, amend, revisit or extend this request at any time before or after October 1, 2020.

....Carried


Adjourn

Res #209/2020

Bruce – Mathews

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting now adjourn at 11:58 a.m.

.....Carried



Reeve



CAO