



Rural Municipality of St. Laurent
Regular Meeting
October 20, 2021

MINUTES

A Regular Meeting of Council was held on Wednesday, October 20, 2021 in the Council Chambers, located at 16 St. Laurent Veterans' Memorial Road, St. Laurent, Manitoba.

Present: Reeve Cheryl Smith, Jerry Combot, Vern Coutu, and CAO Hilda Zotter

Regrets: Deputy Reeve Frank Bruce was on speaker phone at 10:00a.m. Frank left the meeting at 10:12 a.m.

Call to Order

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

Adoption of Agenda

Res #332/2021 Mathews – Combot

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

....Carried

New and Unfinished Business

Res #333 Mathews - Bruce

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the policy and procedures required for conditional use application for the placement of Recreational Vehicles to conform with the RM of St. Laurent Zoning By-law 5/05 and amending by-law 1/2021, is hereby approved by Council.

....Carried

Res #334 Combot - Mathew

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law 5/2021, being a by-law to provide for enforcement of that restraining of and the regulating of running at large domestic animals, be hereby given first reading.

.....Carried

Res #335 Bruce - Combot

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law 5/2021, being a by-law to provide for enforcement of the restraining of and the regulating of running at large domestic animals, be hereby given second reading.

....Carried

Confirmation of Minutes

Res #336/2021 Coutu - Combot

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of:

- Regular Meeting – October 6, 2021

Be hereby approved by Council as circulated.

....Carried

Committee Reports:

CAO (Hilda Zotter)

- WTS truck still in for warranty work.
- Paul and Donovan putting up posts for the Welcome Sign.
- Draft Audit is finished. To be discussed at the next council meeting.
- To set a date for the Public Works meeting.

Councillor Phil Mathews

- Attended the agreement meeting for the Handivan. Discussions of different possibilities for the Handivan. Raised concerns about not a lot of drivers available to drive the Handivan.

Councillor Jerry Combot

- Jerry commented the meeting with Derek Johnson was very informative.
- Jerry was also present at the agreement meeting for the Handivan meeting.
- Helped Donovan with the posts for the welcome sign, and assisted Donovan with the grader pin.
- Problems with the Case tractor- discussed possibility change the vendor.

Counillor Frank Bruce

- Not present.

Councillor Vern Coutu

- Gravel pile too high by the Firehall. Donovan needs to spread the gravel out.
- Speed signs could be moved to different locations; Twin beach would like a sign.

Reeve Cheryl Smith

- By-law committee very busy; moving forward. Cheryl would like to thank the staff for all their hard work.
- Discussed the upcoming community meeting which will be held on Monday, November 15, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. Proof of vaccination and masks to be mandatory. Some of the topics to be discussed at the community meeting.
- Which councilors sit on committees
- WTS presentation
- New and amended by-laws.
- Universal Broadband Fund
- Metis Heritage Centre
- Streetlights – Christmas lights
- Road Paving – 5 year plan
- Metis Heritage Centre
- Satellite phone contract -By-law officer and PW employee.

Media Report

- None

Finance & Accounts

Res #337/2021

Mathews - Coutu

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council Indemnities for October 2021 and Expenses for September 2021 be approved as follows:

| | Cheryl Smith | Phil Mathews | Frank Bruce | Vern Coutu | Jerry Combot |
|------------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|
| Indemnity | 1000.00 | 800.00 | 900.00 | 800.00 | 800.00 |
| Hourly | 425.00 | 125.00 | 425.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Conference | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Mileage | 137.50 | 65.00 | 142.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Blue Cross (BC) | -399.91 | -159.76 | -399.91 | -399.91 | -399.91 |
| BC (paid by RM) | 399.91 | 159.76 | 399.91 | 399.91 | 399.91 |
| CPP Deduction | -61.77 | -34.52 | -56.32 | -27.70 | -27.70 |
| Fed/Prov Tax ded | -48.80 | -6.75 | -150.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Totals | 1451.93 | 948.73 | 1260.68 | 772.30 | 772.30 |

..... Carried

Res #338

Mathews - Combot

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Accounts Payable to October 19, 2021, written under cheque numbers 30630 to 30677 and totaling \$137,637.23 be hereby approved for payment.

.....Carried

Res # 339/2021

Coutu- Mathews

WHEREAS reliable communication service is required for the by-law enforcement officer and the 2nd Public Works Operator in all parts of the Municipality.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves the purchase of two satellite phones (Iridium 9555) from Prairie Mobile Communications in the amount of \$1,710.00 plus GST and PST plus monthly service fees which range from \$77.00 per month to \$105.00 per month depending on use for each.

.....Carried

Res #340/2021

Coutu – Mathews

WHEREAS charitable donations have been received by the R.M. of St. Laurent to be paid out as follows:

- a. From Sandra Desjarlais in the amount of \$500.00 payable to the Oak Point Community Club for the hall rebuild in memory of Lloyd Clegg;
- b. From St. Laurent Pharmacy in the amount of \$50.00 payable to the St. Laurent Cooperative Recreation Centre towards roofing.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves the above payments be made.

.....Carried

DELEGATIONS

-None

ZONING AND SUBDIVISIONS

Regular Matters

TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC WORKS

- None

FIRE DEPARTMENT

- None

New and Unfinished Business

Res # 341/2021

Coutu – Combot

WHEREAS the Royal Canadian Legion has organized a Grand Opening for the renovations of our local Legion for Saturday, October 23, 2021, between the hours of 10:00am to 12:00pm. and has invited Reeve Cheryl Smith to give a speech.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT attendance of Council is approved and Council approves the Reeve giving a speech.

....Carried

Res # 342/2021

Mathews - Combot

WHEREAS the RM of St. Laurent invites property owners and full-time residents to a Community Update Meeting on Monday, November 15th, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. at the St. Laurent Recreation Centre.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve expenditure for all associated costs, including rental of hall, refreshments, and staff and council expenses.

.....Carried

Public Hearing

- None

Correspondence /Information/Minutes from Others (att)

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- Manitoba Backgrounder – changes come into effect on Tuesday, October 5, 2021 to Public Health orders and new Health System Protocols.
- Interlake – Eastern Regional Health Authority – letter dated October 1, 2021.

Minutes:

- None

Committee of the Whole in Camera

Res # 343 /2021 Mathews - Combot
BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole in
Camera.

.....Carried


Res # 344/2021 Bruce - Combot
BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Committee rise and that Council reconvene once again.

.....Carried


Adjourn

Res # 345/2021 Coutu – Combot
BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting now adjourn at 11:21 p.m.

.....Carried



Reeve



CAO