

Rural Municipality of St. Laurent  
Regular Meeting  
September 6, 2023

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**MINUTES**

A Regular Meeting of Council was held on Wednesday September 6, 2023 in the Council Chambers, located at 16 St. Laurent Veterans' Memorial Road, St. Laurent, Manitoba.

Present: Reeve Richard Chartrand, Councillors Tom Johnson, Maurice Leclair, Yves Combot, Perry Gaudry and CAO, Billie Jean Oliver

**Call to Order**

Reeve Rick Chartrand called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

**Adoption of Agenda**

Res #368/2023 Leclair- Combot

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

....Carried

**Confirmation of Minutes**

Res #369/2023 Johnson - Combot

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Minutes of:

1. Council Meeting – August 16, 2023  
be hereby approved by Council as circulated.

...Carried

**Committee Reports:**

CAO (Billie Jean Oliver)

- Tax Statements have been sent out and had discussions with ratepayers regarding taxes.
- Added and supplementary taxes are on the MMO- working at getting the information downloaded.

- Discussions with foreman regarding roads/culverts.
- Discussions with lawyer regarding legal matters.
- Discussions with the Community planning office regarding road opening/closing by-laws that were started last year; was asked for an updated status and a resolution to follow it up.
- Worked on FIPPA request and had communication with the Manitoba Ombudsman's office.
- Worked with Bernice to obtain quotes for an auditor as the RM auditor is retiring.
- Scheduling ALC employees as required.
- Drafted the Lease agreement between IERHA and the CDC
- Drafted the Lease agreement between the RM and the Rec center
- Attended the AMBM Seminar with Reeve Chartrand and Yves Combot

Res # 370/2023

Leclair – Gaudry

**The By-law Enforcement officer brought before Council a secondary application for review to impose further restrictions it relates to the dangerous animal by-law.**

**WHEREAS** The Rural Municipality of St. Laurent passed Resolution #176/2023 in which Council declared the Akita dogs from 20 Saskatoon Bay owned or harboured by Szor, Richard Anothy and Szor, Ilona Doreen Joyce as dangerous animals under the Domestic Animal By-law 5/2021.

**AND WHEREAS** on July 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023, the by-law enforcement officer had received pictures from a complaint of one of Szor, Richard Anothy and Szor, Ilona Doreen Joyce's dogs roaming on the roadway with no muzzle and not leashed, while the other Akita dog is tied up to the property.

**AND FURTHER WHEREAS** on July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2023 the by-law enforcement officer received another set of pictures from a complaint, which demonstrates one of Szor, Richard Anothy and Szor, Ilona Doreen Joyce's dogs roaming on the roadway with no muzzle and not leash, while the other Akita dogs is bordering the property line and does not appear to be muzzled and is not leashed or in the care and control of a competent person.

**AND FURTHER WHEREAS** the intent with this application is that the Municipality hereby requests Council to impose further restrictions to the designated dangerous animals above and beyond that of the restrictions imposed in Resolution #176/2023 to ensure the safety of the people and animals within the neighborhood and Municipality of St. Laurent.

**AND FURTHER WHEREAS** under the Domestic Animal By-law 5/2021 Section, whereby a domestic animal has been declared a dangerous animal, Council may order the dangerous animal owner or harbourer to do any of the following:

- a. Sell, rehome or dispose of the animal within a timeframe set by Council
- b. Provide proof of notification to any new owner or harbourer that the designated dangerous animal; has been designated as such
- c. Securely fence the property or place a secured pen onto the yard on the property in a manner that will prevent the dangerous animal from running at large, attack or worry people, animals, or property as specified by Council
- d. The dangerous animal must be muzzled even when on the private property of the owner or harbourer
- e. The owner or harbourer of a dangerous animal shall display in a conspicuous location, at each entrance to the premises upon which the dangerous animal is kept, a sign stating: WARNING BEWARE OF DANGEROUS ANIMAL. The sign shall be posted in such a manner that it cannot be removed easily by passerby and will be visible and capable of being read from outside the premises

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council impose options as C, & E indicated above.

...Carried

**Committee Reports Con't:**

Public Works/WTS (Foreman Report)

-See Attached

Fire Department (by Roger Gillis)

-See Attached

MEC (Roger Gillis)

- On August 27 we had (1) one power line down in two spots in the R M of St Laurent. One was on Pioneer Road and the other on Parish Lane. A fire department attendant (Melissa) automatically went and started the ALC Generator and hydro were on scene as well, making sure it was done correctly, pulled the meter before the generator was started. Real still maintains the generator.
- There were 2 severe weather watches; all of Council were notified.
- On August 31<sup>st</sup> I had a meeting with Father Paul regarding issues with the snow clearing in the past when they would clear the ALC the snow would be put on the church parking lot so when they would have a funeral the church would have to clear their parking lot. Father Paul asked if we the RM could come up with a written agreement regarding the ALC generator which belongs to the RM and the connection it has with the use of the Prish Hall during an emergency. Father Paul said there is no standing agreement with the RM at this time.
- Calli Anderson from Oak Point has contacted and would like to be part of the MEC Team. I have Sandra Chartrand, Heather Gillis, Bonnie & Harry Frederick and still looking for more volunteers.

EDO – Reported by CAO, Billie Jean Oliver

- We have a couple of grants coming due in terms of submissions on September 15 and the other is October 6/2023. The one on Sept. 15 is a Municipal Services Delivery Program Grant which is a grant to complete a study that is really more the value for money. They look at how much it is costing us, the R.M. which recommends any improvements, implement the improvements; that would be for something like waste water management; the lagoons for instance. The other grant is more a feasibility study for WTS specifically. If Council wants to precede with putting in an application for these grants, we would need to pass a resolution first.
- Also, the housing accelerator fund deadline was extended to the end of September; and we do have everything is submitted.

**Reeve Chartrand added that the reason why the CAO, Billie Jean Oliver is reporting the update on the Economic Development is that our development officer no longer works for us. The RM will be posting an ad in the newsletter/newspaper; for an economic development officer so if there is anyone you know that would be interested, as long as you are bilingual, please let the office know. We are moving along with finding grants and funding to better our community.**

By-Law Officer

- As attached

Rec Commission

- As Attached

Councillor Maurice Leclair

- Construction of Mallard Road is just about completed, the road looks good. A great job done by everyone that was involved.
- Issued a few culverts permits in the last few weeks
- Have a little more time now, so we have been assisting with the WTS to assist with tidying it up.
- We will be in touch with the Legion to discuss the cost share regarding the hanging of the Veteran posters.

**Reeve Chartrand commented that once Mallard Road is completed; place two speed Signs on the road.**

Councillor Yves Combot

- Control burn with neighbor structure siding damage.
  - Open House funds to partially pay for black truck equipment/installations/fabrications by Jerry Combot.
- Fire Department fall training sessions for various s members still on going

- Dugout at Cormorant Road seeing increased traffic/trespassing people moving boulders to attempt boat launching.
- Positive comments on Mallard Road construction.
- Community Futures meeting starting up on September 13 after summer break.
- Attended AMBM Forum at Norwood Hotel on August 28<sup>th</sup> with Richard and Billie Jean
- Attended CDEM golf tournament at St. Pierre Jolys.

**Councillor Tom Johnson**

- Attended the Vet board meeting on August 30<sup>th</sup> Tom mentioned that there is a grant for Vet boards for \$75,000. They are looking into buying some supplies and the prices need to be in by the end of the year.
- Tom reported that Derek Johnson called to let him know that there is to be an Announcement on Tuesday, September 12<sup>th</sup> between 8:00 – 8:30 a.m. at the Vet Clinic.

**Councillor Perry Gaudry**

- I was away on holidays.
- Attended the Senior's Semmer Event- Very well attended. A lot of dignitaries and our Reeve.
- Meeting with Armstrong Construction on Friday, September 8<sup>th</sup> to look at the cleaning ditches out east.

**Reeve Richard Chartrand**

- Aug. 9– Meeting with CDEM
- Aug 10 – Attended By-law Committee meeting.
- Aug 12- Attended the Fire Department Open House
- Aug 15- Attended the WIPD meeting
- Aug 17-Attended the Senior's Summer Event- Derk Johnson, Mona Buors, Jack Park, David Chartrand- Very well attended event.
- Aug 28-Attended AMBM Conference at Norwood hotel with Yves and Billie Jean
- Attended Portuguese Park – religious festival event
- Attended Just Because Event- celebrating three honorary doctors for Michif dictionary attended by Derek Johnson, Jack Park, Mona Buors, and Andrew Carrier from the MMF.
- Attended Laurentia Beach Annual Corn roast. Fire department was on scene to showcase to the public. Very well attended event.

**Delegation:**

11:00 a.m.-Genaro Guevarra- Morning Breeze Healthcare Inc.

A Manitoba provincial government initiative through various collaborations within the government department to offer a pilot housing and community care service called Commu8nity Supportive Living (CSL). The Target communities 105 Units (housing).

- ❖ IERHA: Selkirk-approx. 35 units; Ashern, Eriksdale and surrounding areas including RM of St. Laurent approx. 25 units.

- ❖ Prairie Mountain Health: Swan River -approx. 32 units
- ❖ Southern Health: Emerson-Franklin 13 units

Our goal is to assist in the provision of the community care service through the Community Supportive Living Program of Shared Health. As well, to stimulate economic growth that will provide jobs for the local community.

**Finance & Accounts**

Res # 371/2023                      Johnson – Gaudry

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Accounts Payable to September 1, 2023 written under cheque numbers 33431 to 33532 and totaling \$221,747.79 hereby approved for payment

...Carried

Res #372/2023                      Johnson – Gaudry

**WHEREAS** THE General Operating Fund Balance Sheet (Financial Statement) as at July 31, 2023 has been provided to Council for review.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the General Operating Fund Balance Sheet (Financial Statement) as at July 31, 2023, be hereby approved.

...Carried

Res #373/2023                      Gaudry – Combot

**WHEREAS** charitable donations have been received by the R.M. of St. Laurent to be paid out as follows payable to the St. Laurent Fire Department towards a new Fire Truck.

- a. From an Anonymous donor - \$31.10
- b. From Vickar Cheverolet - \$1500.00
- c. From Cherie Millar- \$20.00
- d. From Rachel Mungal-\$40.00
- e. From Jean Gurr- \$20.00
- f. From Joan Lannoo-\$300.00
- g. From Gene Gaudry-\$15.00
- h. From Larry Wiebe-\$10.00
- i. From John Whitfield-\$10.00
- j. From Kathy Leclerc-\$20.00
- k. From Theresa Redecopp-\$20.00
- l. From Cathy & Jean Boyer-\$40.00
- m. From Audrey Friesen-\$20.00
- n. From Wayne Munro-\$20.00
- o. From Lorna Renouf-\$20.00
- p. From Penny Byron-\$100.00
- q. From Fred Hartman-\$20.00
- r. From Tatiana Allard-\$20.00
- s. From James Ridley-\$100.00

- t. From Ed Schon-\$1000.00
- u. From Father Guy Lavallee Michif Local Inc-\$500.00
- v. From Chelsey Beaulieu-\$20.00

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

...Carried

Res # 374/2023                      Johnson – Leclair

**WHEREAS** By-law #4/2022 provides the municipality with the authority to recover costs incurred for by-law enforcement, in the same manner as taxes as authorized by *The Municipal Act* and *The Planning Act*.

**AND WHEREAS** on April 25, 2023 fees were added to the tax roll for the property described as Lot 13, Block 4, Plan 13943 in the amount of \$477.75 being costs (including legal fees related to bylaw enforcement);

**AND WHEREAS** as per the request by the property owner and upon further consideration by Council, it was decided that the applicable legal fees for by-law enforcement be removed;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council agree to legal fees in the amount of \$477.75 be removed from Lot 13, Block 4, Plan 13943.

...Carried

**Zoning and Subdivisions**

Public Hearing:

Res # 375/2023                      Leclair – Gaudry

**WHEREAS** on August 16, 2023 Council passed Resolution #346/2023 with respect to the public hearing held for Conditional Use application CUSTL-11-23 submitted by L J Town Farm Corporation.

**AND WHEREAS** it has since been noted an incorrect word was placed in the above-noted Resolution in the second line of paragraph 3 where the word “determined” was used as opposed to “detrimental”.

**AND FURTHER WHEREAS** paragraph 3 should read as follows:

***“AND WHEREAS Council has determined the following Conditional Use will be compatible with the general nature of the surrounding area; not be detrimental to the health or general welfare of people living or working in the surrounding area or negatively affect other properties or potential development in the surrounding area and; is generally consistent with***

*the applicable provisions of the development plan by-law, the zoning by-law, and any secondary plan by-law.*

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council approve the changed underlined word in paragraph 3, as indicated above.

**AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT** all other conditions of the approval as set out in Resolution #346/2023 remain unchanged and still in effect

...Carried

Regular Matters:

- September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. – Application for Conditional Use- CUSTL-23-23- Bogale Addis Gedamu for travel trailers/recreational vehicles on a vacant site as a temporary use in the “SR-M” Zone
- September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 10:10 a.m. – Application for Conditional Use -CUSTL-23-23- Bogale Addis Gedamu for travel trailers/recreational vehicles on a vacant site as a temporary use in the “SR-M” zone.
- September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 10:15 a.m. – Application for Public Hearing -CUSTL-19-23- Bilibli for travel trailers/recreational vehicles on a vacant site as a temporary use.

Notices:

- October 4, 2023 at 10:30 a.m. Application for Conditional Use-CUSTL-18-23 – Vernon & Audrey Coutu- Sand and Gravel pits and Quarry Operations at NE1/4 13-16-4W, Tracks trail at St. Laurent, Manitoba.

**TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC WORKS**

Res #376/2023                      Johnson – Combot

**WHEREAS** a request has been made for a speed sign to be placed on Echo Bay the corner of Dumont Road and Echo Bay North and at Dumont Road and Echo Bay South.

**AND WHEREAS** it has been determined that 30 km/hour would be a safe travelling speed for this area.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council approve the installation of the two 30 km/hour signs at each of the above locations.

...Defeated



**Council has had discussion, we believe it would be more cost effective to have speed signs posted at the entrance way of Sandpiper, Allard, Carp, Dumont, Bord du Lac stating 30 km Unless Otherwise Posted.**

Res #377/2023                      Johnson - Leclair

**WHEREAS** a request has been made for a speed sign to be placed on Mallard Road at the corner of Cormorant Road and Meadowlark Road.

**AND WHEREAS** it has been determined that 30 km/hour would be a safe travelling speed for this area.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council approve the installation of two 30 km/hour signs at each of the above locations.

...Defeated

**Council has had discussion, we believe it would be more cost effective to have main signs posted at the entrance ways Sandpiper, Allard, Carp, Dumont, Bour du Lac stating 30 km Unless Otherwise Posted**

Res #378/2023                      Johnson – Gaudry

**WHEREAS** an ATCO trailer is located on property, SW 26-16- owner Gale Blair which is located across the road from an old landfill (current St. Laurent Waste Transfer Station). The purpose of the trailer is for storage purposes for farming. The owner has indicated that she and her husband would like to have gardens and they need a storage building for their gardening supplies such as hoes, rakes, lawn mower, chain saw, etc.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council approve the said trailer.

...Carried

Res # 379/2023                      Johnson – Combot

**WHEREAS** the Metis Legacy Program has funded Veteran’s banners for of the St. Laurent Legion as a tribute to the local Metis Veterans.

**AND WHEREAS** the St. Laurent Legion has requested the financial support for the installation of hardware and hanging of the said banners.

**AND WHEREAS** it was discussed that, dependent upon the overall cost of the of the project, the costs would be split between the RM of St. Laurent and the St. Laurent Legion.

**AND FURTHER WHEREAS** quotes have been received for the rental of a boom lift truck (\$2,436.53), plus the cost of the labour for three days for the installation of hardware and the hanging of the banners (\$2000.00), for an overall cost price of \$4,436.53.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council approves an even cost share of the \$4,436.53, to be split between the RM of St. Laurent and the St. Laurent Legion.

**AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT** any additional costs that may arise while completing the installation will be split between the RM of St. Laurent and the St. Laurent Legion.

...Carried

Res #380/2023                      Gaudry - Combot

**WHEREAS** the Operating Engineers Training Institute of Manitoba is hosting their Open House and has extended an invitation to Public Works employees to attend on Friday, September 8, 2023 at 11:00 a.m. at their training site at 66116 Heatherdale Road 25E in the RM of Springfield.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council approves Donovan Boudreau, Ryan Gaudry attendance at said event.

...Carried

## **FIRE DEPARTMENT**

Res #381/2023                      Johnson – Gaudry

**WHEREAS** the Oak Point ATV Races will be held on September 22<sup>nd</sup> and September 23, 2023, and we are in the final stages of finalizing the liability insurance for the upcoming races and part of our requirement is to have firefighting equipment on site.

**AND WHEREAS** we are asking the RM of St. Laurent to consider asking the Fire Department to cover this requirement for our insurance. We would need to have the fire department onsite on Friday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. and Saturday, September 23<sup>rd</sup> from noon till 8:00 p.m.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council approves the Fire department assisting with the Oak Point ATV races on September 22 and 23, 2023.

...Carried

Res #382/2023                      Johnson - Leclair

**WHEREAS** the St. Laurent Fire Department currently owns a 1980 Red one-ton (commonly

known as the “snuffer truck”).

**AND WHEREAS** it has been determined that this piece of equipment has come to the end of life for the requirements for the St. Laurent Fire Department.

**AND FURTHER WHEREAS** this truck has been posted for sale and offers received.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** that Council accept the offer from Garrett Hildebrandt for \$2,200.00.

...Carried

Fire Department Report – Attached by Roger Gillis

- FD – E mail Address
- Inspections
- Tanker
- Open House
- Hydro Outage
- Mallard Road Fire
- Oak Point Complaint-114 Alloway
- August 27- Training Burn

**OTHER DEPARTMENTS, COMMITTEE BOARDS**

- 10:00 a.m. -Dangerous Animal Declaration- Secondary Application

**NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Res #383/2023                  Johnson– Combot

**WHEREAS** By-law 11/2022, being a Road Opening by-law, had received first reading on September 7, 2022.

**AND WHEREAS** this By-law was to open a road which was part of a subdivision and registered in the Land Titles Office.

**AND FURTHER WHEREAS** it has been advised by the Land Titles Office Registrar that a road opening by-law is not required when a road is registered as part of a subdivision.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council will not proceed with second and third readings of By-law 11/2022.

...Carried

Res #384/2023                      Leclair – Combot

**WHEREAS** By-law 14/2022 being an amendment to the Zoning By-law had received first reading on September 7, 2022.

**AND WHEREAS** Council had decided to review the by-law in its entirety.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council will not proceed with second and third readings of By-law 14/2022.

...Carried

Res #385/2023                      Johnson – Gaudry

**WHEREAS** By-law 13/2022, being a Road Opening by-law, had received first reading on September 7, 2022.

**AND WHEREAS** this By-law was to open a road which was part of a subdivision and registered in the Land Titles Office.

**AND FURTHER WHEREAS** it has been advised by the Land Titles Office Registrar that a road opening by-law is not required when a road is registered as part of a subdivision.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council will not proceed with second and third readings of By-law 13/2022.

...Carried

Res #386/2023                      Johnson Gaudry

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-Law 11/2023 being a By-law to provide for firefighting, fire prevention, the related regulation of fire and other hazards, the adoption of the Code, and for establishing, continuing, and operating an emergency service for the Municipality of St. Laurent be given the third reading.

...Carried

**Recorded Vote For: Richard, Tom, Yves , Maurice, Perry**

Res #387/2023                      Combot – Gaudry

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-Law No. 16/2023 be hereby called the “Fees, Fines and Charges By-law to establish fees, and terms for payment of fees, for inspections, licenses, permits and approvals, including fees related to recovering the costs of regulations in the Municipality of St. Laurent be hereby given the third reading.

...Carried

**Recorded Vote For: Richard, Tom. Yves, Maurice Perry**

Res #388/2023                      Johnson - Combot

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-Law No. 18/2023 being a By-law to govern the organization of the Rural Municipality of St. Laurent and the committees.

**WHEREAS** Section 148 (1) of the Municipal Act provides that a council must establish, by By-law, an organizational structure for the municipality and review of the By-law at least once during its term of office be here given the third reading.

...Carried

**Recorded Vote For: Richard, Tom. Maurice, Yves, Perry**

Res #389/2023                      Johnson – Gaudry

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-Law No. 19/2023 being a By-law to regulate the proceedings and conduct of the Council and Committees thereof.

**WHEREAS** Section 149 (1) of the Municipal Act provides that a Council must establish, by By-law rules of procedure and review the By-law at least once during its term of office be hereby given the third reading.

...Carried

**Recorded Vote For: Richard, Tom, Maurice, Yves, Perry**

Res # 390/2023                      Johnson – Leclair

**WHEREAS** "Just Because" Teachings from my mother; Do for Others-Just Because party for family and friends is having their yearly upcoming event on Saturday, September 2<sup>nd</sup> from 12:30 p.m.-10:30 p.m. at 35 Rose Lane and would like to invite Reeve Chartrand to attend.

During these events we will be honoring our three community Elders who received honorary doctorate degrees during our Covid years. They are Dr. June Bruce, Dr. Lorraine Lavallee and Dr. Agathe Chartrand (Desjarlais).

We have invited the following dignitaries; MMF President David Chartrand; MLA Derek Johnson; to say a few congratulatory words to the recipients. A small gift to each participant from the dignitaries would also be appropriate.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council approve the Reeve's attendance at said event.

...Carried

Res #391/2023                      Johnson – Gaudry

**WHEREAS** the RM has been asked by "Just Because" party for family and friends to put a committee together that will develop a working plan to ensure the continuity of the language in their dictionary and to accept the language as written in their dictionary as the official Michif language of this community. There is a lot of demand for these ELDERS to teach this language around the province.

**AND WHEREAS** the Michif dictionary is the only one in existence and the Elders put this together with no funding and out of the goodness of their heart.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council approve the following to be apart of this committee -  
Richard Chartrand

...Carried

Res #392/2023                      Gaudry - Combot

**WHEREAS** on April 6, 2023 Council passed Resolution #105/2023 approving Loretta Sigurdson to administer and disburse gas cards for such use as volunteered drivers that drive patients dealing with cancer to their appointments.

**AND FURTHER WHEREAS** the gas cards are very limited to only \$80 in funds.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council approves \$500.00 towards the Gas Cards and approve Loretta Sigurdson's administration of distribution of the gas cards with accounting being kept and a report given to the RM office once all have been used up.

...Carried

Res #393/2023                      Johnson – Gaudry

**WHEREAS** the MMF, Red River Métis Veterans Department in collaboration with the St. Laurent Legion is planning to hold an Indigenous Veterans Day event at the Legion on November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023. **AND WHEREAAS** the event programming includes a Flyby from a Canadian Armed Forces Aircraft. The CAF require approval from the RM. We are respectfully requesting approval for the Flyby.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** The Municipality of ST. LAURENT MB is supportive of a flyby by RCAF Aircraft as low as 500 feet, for the planned INDIGENOUS VETERANS DAY being held in Royal Canadian Legion Metis Branch #250 (93026 PTH#6) for transit, practice and shows on 08 November 2023.

...Carried

Res #394/2023            Leclair – Combot

**WHEREAS** an application to the Manitoba Transportation and Infrastructure Department was made to install a set of the Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons to be located on Veterans Memorial Road between St. Laurent School and École Communautaire Aurèle-Lemoine.

**AND WHEREAS** the Manitoba Transportation and Infrastructure Department has provided the RM of St. Laurent with the approval to proceed with the installation.

**AND WHEREAS** three quotes have been received.

**AND FURTHER WHEREAS** this project has been budgeted for under our capital expenditures.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council approve the purchase of the R920E (Solar crosswalk) as supplied and installed by ATS Traffic in the amount of \$9,382.78.

...Carried

Res #395/2023            Johnson- Combot

**WHEREAS** the Rural Musicality of St. Laurent Grant Application Program provides financial support to projects that enhance its communities and the quality-of-life residents.

All funding decisions are made based on local needs and priorities within the limitations of Council's approved budget, strategic goals and objectives

**AND WHEREAS** a copy of the revised policy is attached hereto the Resolution.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council approve the revised Grant Application and Bursary Program Policy

...Carried

Res #396/2023            Johnson – Combot

**WHEREAS** the Rural Municipality of St. Laurent holds the lease through St. Laurent Cooperative Recreation Centre Inc.

**AND WHEREAS** the lease has come up for renewal.

**AND WHEREAS** confirmation from the St. Laurent Cooperative Recreation Centre has stated that rent will remain at \$2,846.47 plus GST \$142.30 for a total of \$2,988.77 for the next three (3) years.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council approve the signing of the new lease the 16<sup>th</sup> day of May 2023 to the 16<sup>th</sup> day of May 2026.

...Carried

Res #397/2023                      Johnson – Gaudry

**WHEREAS** the Municipal Service Delivery Improvement Program Grant provides municipalities and planning districts with financial support to complete value-for-money service delivery reviews of programs and services such as water and sewer, and waste management.

**AND WHEREAS** a Council has reviewed the program guidelines and submission deadline is September 15, 2023.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council approve the submission of an application to the Municipal Service Delivery Improvement Program

...Carried

Res #398/2023                      Gaudry – Combot

**WHEREAS** Council has received a request for an exception to the Noise By-law #7/2021.

**AND WHEREAS** this exception is for a wedding event being held on Saturday, September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023 from 5 pm to 4 am on September 10, 2023.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council approve an extension to the Noise By-law #7/2021 to 2:00 am (September 10<sup>th</sup>) and after that time the noise is reduced further until 4:00 am on September 10<sup>th</sup>.

...Carried

Res #399/2023                      Johnson -Gaudry

**WHEREAS** the registered owner of lot DES 6 637 P, Roll # 46100 on Maple Street in Oak Point is asking the RM of St. Laurent if they would consider accepting the lot as a gift.

**AND WHEREAS** Land Titles requires a dollar value on a transfer of land when being registered.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council purchase the property for \$1.00 and all other good and valuable consideration.

...Carried



Res #400/2023 Johnson – Combot

**WHEREAS** the AMBM is inviting Council and Reeve to attend a private networking event bringing together municipal leadership and political candidates running to represent the constituencies in which Manitoba’s bilingual municipalities are located in the 2023 provincial election on Tuesday, September 19, 2023 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Kelburn Farm on 1228 Kelburn Road in Howden Manitoba

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council approve the attendance of Perry Gaudry, Yves Combot, Richard Chartrand

...Carried

Res #401/2023 Johnson- Gaudry

**WHEREAS** St. Laurent Recreation Centre, under the umbrella policy of the RM of St. Laurent, has submitted a claim for the Laurent Kerbrat Arena for flood damage.

**AND WHEREAS** a cheque has been received for the loss of contents in the amount of \$75,158.85.

**AND FURTHER WHEREAS** part of the loss of contents belonged to the St. Laurent & District Recreation Commission (\$2,006.43) and Tammy Hiebert, personally (\$107.38).

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council approve the payout of the claim amount to the St. Laurent & District Recreation Commission in the amount of \$2,006.43; Tammy Hiebert in the amount of \$107.38 and the balance to be paid to the St. Laurent Co-operative Recreation Centre.

...Carried

Res #402/2023 Johnson - Combot

**WHEREAS** a request was received from property owner at 71 Marina Row for an extension to the Noise by-law #7/2021 on September 9, 2023.

...Carried

### **Correspondence/Information/Minutes from Others**

#### **Correspondance/Information:**

- Increase in Taxes, Assessments- Discussion
- Letter of Complaint- 2023 Tax Assessment
- Elections Manitoba
- Interlake-Eastern RHA Board Annual General Meeting-October 10, 2023

Minutes from Others:  
- RCMP Monthly Statistics Report-July 2023

**Committee of the Whole in Camera**

Res #403/2023            Johnson - Gaudry

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

.....Carried

Res #404/2023            Combot - Gaudry

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

.....Carried

**CDC MATTERS**

Res #405/2023            Combot – Gaudry

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council adjourn into CDC meeting.

...Carried

Res #406/2023            Combot – Gaudry

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the CDC meeting close and that Council reconvene into regular meeting agenda.

...Carried

**RM (CDC MATTERS)**

Res #407/2023            Johnson – Gaudry

**WHEREAS** Council has been advised about the need and requirement for additional casual cooks/housekeeper staff at the Assisted Living Centre/Neil Gaudry Centre.

**AND WHEREAS** an interview was held with Paulette Madsen by the Chief Administrative Officer and the previous ALC Administrator.

**AND FURTHER WHEREAS** it is the recommendation of the CAO to hire Paulette Madsen as a casual cook/housekeeper for the Assisted Living Centre.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council approve the hiring of Paulette Madsen as a casual

cook/housekeeper for the Assisted Living Centre at \$15.00/hour with the start date effective immediately and a probation period of 6 months from that date.

...Carried

Res #408/2023                      Johnson – Gaudry

**WHEREAS** Council has been advised about the need and requirement for additional casual cooks/housekeeper staff at the Assisted Living Centre/Neil Gaudry Centre.

**AND WHEREAS** an interview was held with Kristen Ducharme by the Chief Administrative Officer and the previous ALC Administrator.

**AND FURTHER WHEREAS** it is the recommendation of the CAO to hire Kristen Ducharme as a casual cook/housekeeper for the Assisted Living Centre.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council approve the hiring of Kristen Ducharme as a casual cook/housekeeper for the Assisted Living Centre at \$15.00/hour with the start date effective immediately and a probation period of 6 months from that date.

...Carried

Res #409/2023                      Gaudry – Combot

**WHEREAS** Council has been advised that the Lease Agreement held between the St. Laurent Community Development Corporation (CDC) and the Interlake-Eastern Regional Health Authority (IERHA) for rented space at the Neil Gaudry Centre has passed the renewal date.

**AND WHEREAS** the CAO for the RM of St. Laurent has been in contact with the representative for the IERHA and has asked for the terms of the lease be renewed effective April 1, 2023 until March 31, 2026 with the option to extend.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council approve the signing of the renewal of the Lease Agreement between the St. Laurent CDC and the Interlake-Regional Health Authority.

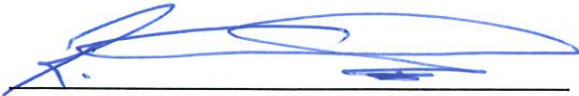
...Carried

**ADJOURN**

Res #410/2023

Johnson- Gaudry

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting now adjourn at 4:22 p.m.

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Reeve

A blue ink handwritten signature, appearing to be "B. Oliver", written over a horizontal line.

CAO

Report of the CAO  
September 6, 2023

- Tax Statements have been sent out and had discussions with ratepayers regarding taxes;
- Added and supplementary taxes are on the MMO – working at getting the information downloaded;
- Discussions with Foreman regarding roads/culverts; items to be ordered;
- Discussions with lawyer regarding legal matters;
- Discussions with the Community Planning office regarding road opening/closing by-laws that were started last year; they asked for an updated status and a resolution indicating same;
- Worked on FIPPA request and had communication with the Manitoba Ombudsman's office;
- Worked with Bernice to obtain quotes for an Auditor as the Auditor we have for this year has indicated that he is semi-retiring next year and will not be available to provide services
- Scheduling ALC employees, as required
- Drafted the Lease Agreement between the IERHA and the CDC
- Drafted the Lease Agreement that we have the Rec. Centre
- Attended the AMBM Seminar with Richard and Yves;

GRANT WORKED FROM AUG<sup>21</sup> TO SEPT 2

WORKED ON MALLARD RD AND WORKED WITH GREEN TEAM CUTTING GRASS AND WATERING PLANTS. AND WORKED AT THE WTS.

RYAN AUG 21 TO SEPT 1

WORKED ON MALLARD RD AND WTS LOWERED CONCRETE SLAB AND LUT DITCHES, REPAIRED SIGNS

DONAVON AUG TO SEPT 1

WORKED ON MALLARD RD GRADE RDS AND TOOK A WEEK OF HOLIDAYS

Gilles Lan

## By-Law Report

September 6, 2023

By-Law	Number of active files
Zoning By-Law	8
Unnecessary and Harmful Noise By-Law	0
Domestic Animal By-law	2
Parks and Beaches	2
Unsightly Property By-Law	10
Derelict Building By-Law	2

- 1) Zoning By-law: All files revolve around properties with buildings or structures that have not obtained required permits to be in compliance with the Zoning By-law. All active files are on hold pending the updating of the Zoning By-law to reflect the recent amendments.
- 2) Domestic Animal By-Law: The first file's property owner has been provided a status update. The second file relates to a couple of complaints related to a previously closed file and will be before Council today, September 6, 2023.
- 3) The active files pertain to parking infractions, which occurred over the July long weekend. The registered owners of the vehicles have all been mailed final notices, which are due on September 18, 2023. One of the vehicle owners has since requested to have the Penalty Notice reviewed by the Screening Officer.
- 4) Unsightly Property By-law: The first file has an order to remedy, which is scheduled for September 28, 2023. The third file has a notice of contravention, which is scheduled for August 23, 2023. The fourth file has an enforcement order, which is due on September 21, 2023. The fifth file has a notice of contravention, which is scheduled for September 12, 2023. The sixth file has an order to remedy, which is scheduled for September 28, 2023. The seventh file has a notice of contravention, which is scheduled for September 14, 2023. The eighth file has a notice of contravention, which is scheduled for September 14, 2023. The ninth file has a notice of contravention, which is scheduled for September 15, 2023. The tenth file has a notice of contravention, which is scheduled for September 19, 2023.
- 5) Derelict Building By-law: The first has a secondary preliminary derelict building order on hold pending Land Titles review of a caveat registration. The third file's property owner has been working on rectifying the infractions and has been provided an October 24, 2023 extension to comply.

Current by-laws we are working on reviewing and revising are the following:

1. The Western Interlake Planning District has (hopefully) all required documentation for the province to approve updating of the Zoning By-Law. We are currently awaiting the updated version of the By-Law, in order to mail out notices to all property owners that appear to be in contravention of the RV section of the By-Law and to move forward with enforcement related to various infractions of the By-Law.

Paul Belair and I have begun driving around the Municipality and noting properties that are missing civic address signs and/or appear to be in non-compliance of the RV section of the Zoning By-Law. I have begun creating a list of those properties that appear to be in violation of the updates RV section of the By-Law. To date, there are 49 properties that appear to be in non-compliance. Of that number, 5 have applied for conditional use permits. Once we have the updates version of the by-law, those property owners will be sent a letter advising of the By-Law requirements and a deadline to comply. Those that do not comply within the allotted time will be issued the notice of inspection and files for non-compliance will be created. Without the updated By-Law, I cannot effectively quote the sections pertaining to the alleged infractions, which will cause confusion to property owners.

2. The Fees, Fines and Charges By-Law has been updated to reflect amendments to various by-laws and the creation of by-laws. It scheduled for third reading today.
3. Burial/Cemetery By-Law: Early stages, discussions will need to be had in a committee meeting; however, a request has been drafted to clarify the expectation related to the burial of persons within the Municipality.
4. Policies: The Municipality is in the process of updating certain policies and creating new policies to better guide employees to expectations as it relates to matters such as licence refunds, the tendering and procurement process, etc..



## **RM Meeting Sept 6**

### Fire Department issues and concerns

FD e- mail addresses

Non claimable hours Letter for Mathew Riding

Pressure washer, I am still waiting, we ask he the fire fighters to maintain equipment and keep up a professional appearance we need to provide the tools and equipment

Thanks to Smart we need to now test floor drains to ensure that they are interconnected

### **1980 RED ONE TON**

COMPRESSED AIR FOAM SYSTEM is at the WTS

Red one ton sale

Offer \$250 Russ Evans woodlands farmer

Offer in kind Real Fontaine

Offer Garret Hildebrandt \$2200.00

MPI licence plates and our Insurance has to be cancelled once the unit is sold

### **Inspections**

Mamaway non compliance letter we are not recommending the licencing as they did not comply with the fire inspection report, we have written correspondence advising they asked for an extension and a maintenance person from Winnipeg has come out to start the work as of August 31, There was no no movement to rectify the deficiencies until we would not approve licencing of the facility.

### **Tanker**

Hole in tank welded

Tanker portable pump mounting on side by Gerry Combot, a tool box shall be mounted for the safety of the fire fighters operating the truck. The equipment was in cab on floor, that would be catastrophic in the event of a roll over or accident

### **2015 GMC**

The water tank mounting, the fill plumbing, overflow tool tray and mounting of equipment is being done by Gerry Combot. A smaller portable pump needs to be purchased, fire fighters fund to offset cost

### **OPEN HOUSE**

Fund raiser a success

## **Hydro outage**

ALC Fire department started Generator

**Mallard road fire** A brush pile fire was left unattended, two complaints were received, for the smouldering left unattended nuisance fire. Fire Department had to bring RM loader to spread it for extinguishment. The the FD recommends the RM proceed to billing owner for costs. Cost are established by MPI rates and should follow the same fee schedule. (Proceed)

New members Ron Calliou has accepted to help driving the tanker to fill for retired Gord Campbell , three other applications are pending Drama Buors , and an individual on Lambert and an individual on Chartrand RD

## **Oakpoint complaint 114 Alloway**

Several calls and a meeting with Carol Cabek on August 24 by Roger L who photographed the issues, and later by Roger G and Real F. We attended and spoke with owner of 112 Alloway who was advised they had some yard debris removal and tidying up of her own. We need to look at property lines to define the infractions. Smart and Roger G attended Sept 1, 2023

Property line is not marked or adequately identified. Violations under FP by law are possible depending on property line. Slot 112 was advised to clean up own yard prior to enforcement of any bylaw. The property has to be defined prior to enforcement. Neighbour feud.

## **August 27 training burn**

A controlled burn was conducted on Govenor road it was a very successful day however some damage to the vinyl siding on the back wall of the neighbours property. A note was posted on back door of the home of the affected property, our reeve and Councillor Combot advised immediately. Name? Mckay possibly. Next steps? Karen Mckay advised she was not concerned about the slight damage and was thankful for the destruction of the derelict building.

## **MEC**

**August 27, power outage hydro lines down, ALC generator started by FD. Well done as it went as planned, and regular starts are being done by Real Fontaine and they are recorded.**

**Two sever weather watches and all of council notified.**

**Church Father Paul meeting Aug 31, 2023 no formal written agreement in place, an agreement needs to be put in the place for the use of the parish hall, reception center. They would like help to address snow clearing issues, (I am to proceed with MOU)**

**Callie Anderson from Oak point, Sandy Chartrand, Heather Gillis, Harry and Bonnie Fredrick have all volunteered to support the EOC and they need to get training asap.**

**Costs associated with training through EMO TBA.**

**Fall training exercise will be held later in the fall.**

**C;rm mtgsept6**