

**Rural Municipality of Laird No. 404
Council Meeting Minutes
October 11, 2018**

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the Rural Municipality of Laird No. 404, held in the council chambers of the Administration Building, Waldheim, SK on Thursday, October 11, 2018.

Present: Reeve Terry Knippel, Councillors: Ron Boldt, Sheldon Willems, Arnold Neufeldt, Ken Fehr, Lorne Grunau, Luise Willems and Administrator Paulette Wolkowski.

Absent:

The Reeve called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

199-18 Agenda: L. Willems That the agenda be approved as presented.
Carried.

200-18 Minutes: L. Grunau That the minutes of the regular meeting of council held September 13, 2018 be approved as previously circulated.
Carried.

Accounts for Approval:

201-18 R. Boldt That accounts paid in the amount of \$416,443.18 and payroll in the amount of \$29,492.49 be reviewed and approved.
Carried.

202-18 K.Fehr That the accounts in the amount of \$119,677.72 be approved for payment.
Carried.

203-18 Financial Statement: L. Willems That the statement of financial activities and bank reconciliation for the month of September 2018 be approved as presented.
Carried.

204-18 Correspondence S. Willems That the correspondence as previously circulated be acknowledged and filed.
Carried.

New Business:

205-18 Corman Park Rd Maint K. Fehr That the Administrator advise the RM of Corman Park that council would like to see some level of service guarantee in the road maintenance agreement. If council witnesses a serious level of road damage that upon notification to the RM of Corman Park by this RM office the situation be rectified as soon as possible. If it is not possible, that the RM of Laird be allowed to go out and repair/maintain the road to a reasonable driveable state.
Carried.

206-18 Sask Pest Control Assoc R. Boldt That we support the Sask Pest Control Officers Association recommendation that the ministry return the Rat Eradication Program back to its original status and funding, to ensure the program continues to produce positive results.
Carried.

207-18 Emergency Service Agreements L. Grunau That we pay \$21,073.15 to each of the Town of Waldheim, Town of Hepburn and Village of Laird for the 2018 year as per the Fire Department Emergency Services Agreement dated August 9, 2018.
Carried.

- 208-18 Mid Term Convention** R. Boldt That Luise Willems, Sheldon Willems and Paulette Wolkowski be authorized to attend the SARM Mid-Term Convention in Saskatoon, SK on November 14 - 15, 2018 and all applicable expenses according to policy be paid.
Carried.
- 209-18 Purchase iPad** T. Knippel That we authorize the Administrator to purchase 8 computer iPad for council use and 1 pad to be used for the Asset Management Road Inventory by the Road foreman or his designate. That we budget \$500.00 plus taxes for each iPad.
Carried.
- 210-18 Seasonal Worker Layoff** L. Willems That we advise our seasonal workers that their layoff day for 2018 will be November 2, 2018 and that their time may be extended depending on weather conditions and work available, at the discretion of the Reeve.
Carried.
- 211-18 STARS Air Ambulance** A. Neufeldt That we send \$2.00 per capita (\$2,774.00) to SARM to be forwarded to Stars Air Ambulance for our 2018 contribution.
Carried.
- 212-18 Weed Mgmt. Plan** R. Boldt That we approve the Weed Management Plan for 2018/19 as per the attached plan forming a part of these minutes.
Carried.
- 213-18 SaskEnergy Serv** S. Willems That we approve the delivery of Sask Energy Service to the Berkhout/Von Dongen property on the NE 12-41-7 W3 as per their letter of October 4, 2018.
Carried.
- 214-18 Temp Adjourn** K. Fehr That we temporarily adjourn the regular meeting @ 11:00 a.m. for a Discretionary Permit Application public hearing.
Carried.
- Public Hearing:** **Discretionary Permit Application to expand the size of an Intensive Livestock Operation (ILO) on the SE 13-41-5 W3**
One written submission was received from Brian Wagner outlining his concerns about the application. Derek Westeringh, owner of Prairie West Dairies attended the hearing to answer any question council had. Council was satisfied with answers he gave in regards to lagoon size, smell, disposal of manure, disposal of carcasses, etc.
- 215-18 Reconvene Meeting** That having received one written submission and heard from the applicant, we hereby close the public hearing and resume the regular council meeting @ 11:35 a.m.
- Visitor:** **Jeff Peters, Mayor of Hepburn @ 11:35 a.m.**
Visitor arrived @ 11:35 a.m. to ask council to consider capital contribution to the Hepburn Arena, as they have been updating it to meet current standards. He also asked that we consider increasing the annual operating grant that the RM currently provides.
Visitor left @ 12:00 noon.
- 216-18 ILO Size Increase** R. Boldt That we hereby approve the Discretionary Permit of an increase to an Intensive Livestock Operation (ILO) animal unit to 1000 animal units on the SE 13-41-5 W3 under the condition that Sask Agr and Food also approves the application.
Carried.
- Council temporarily adjourned for lunch @ 12:05 noon and returned @ 1:00 p.m.
- Councillors L. Willems and R. Boldt leave meeting @ 12:50 p.m.

Visitor: Road Foreman, George Penner arrives @ 1:00 p.m. to report on road maintenance activities and recent shop break in and theft.
Visitor left @ 1:10 p.m.

217-18 Extend Waste Site Hours K. Fehr That we extend the transfer station hours in both Waldheim and Mennon by one hour. That the site remain open until 5:00 p.m. at both sites until December 1, 2018.

Carried.

218-18 Road Foreman's Report L. Grunau That the Road Foreman's verbal report be accepted as presented.

Carried.

219-18 Adjourn K. Fehr That this meeting adjourn @ 1:10 p.m.

T. Knippel, Reeve

P. Wolkowski, Administrator