

**Rural Municipality of Laird No. 404
Council REGULAR Meeting Minutes
August 08, 2019**

The Minutes of the REGULAR Meeting of the Council of Municipality of Laird No. 404, held in the Council Chambers of the Administration Building, 3025 Central Avenue, Waldheim, SK on Thursday, August 08, 2019.

PRESENT: Reeve: Terry Knippel
Division 1 Ron Boldt
Division 2 Arnold Neufeldt
Division 3 Lorne Grunau
Division 5 Sheldon Willems
Division 6 Luise Willems
Administrator: Bertha Buhler

ABSENT: Division 4 Ken Fehr

DELEGATES: None

Reeve Knippel called the meeting to order at 9:02a.m.

AGENDA:

153-08.19 **L. WILLEMS:** That the agenda be approved as presented.

CARRIED.

MINUTES

154-08.19 **GRUNAU:** That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on July 11, 2019 be approved as presented.

CARRIED.

STATEMENT OF FINANCIALS

155-08.19 **BOLDT:** That the Statement of Financials for the month of July 2019 be approved as presented and are hereto attached to these minutes.

CARRIED.

ACCOUNTS FOR APPROVAL

156-08.19 **S. WILLEMS:** That payment of accounts paid with cheque numbers 12018 to 12052; 201957-Man to 201965-Man; in the amount of \$127,792.84 and Payroll in the amount of \$24,791.91 for a total of \$152,584.75 has been reviewed and is approved as presented.

CARRIED.

Foreman's Oral Report received at 09:27a.m.

Items Discussed: a. Waste Site casual labour
b. Dust Control – Hepburn
c. Tractor weights purchase

CASUAL LABOUR HIRE

157-08.19 **S. WILLEMS:** That we hire Steve Loewen as Casual Labourer and starting wage to be \$18.00/hour beginning August 1, 2019.

CARRIED.

Lorne Grunau declared pecuniary interest and left Council Chambers at 9:43a.m.

EQUIPMENT ACCESSORIES PURCHASE

158-08.19 **BOLDT:** That we purchase used tractor weights from Lorne Grunau weighing 1300lbs at \$0.25/pound for a total of \$325.00.

CARRIED.

Lorne Grunau returned to Council Chambers at 9:45a.m.

ABATEMENT

159-08.19 **S. WILLEMS:** That we abate taxes on property owned by the RM Roll # 370 994 (Lot 15, Block 2, Plan #101898995, Sarilia Estates) in the amount of \$488.61 (Municipal - \$350.18, School - \$138.43) for 2019.

CARRIED.

SAMA CERTIFICATE

160-08.19 **BOLDT:** That the SAMA 2019 Certificate approval with a total assessment of \$381,294,500 has been presented to Council and can now be filed.

CARRIED.

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SAMA 2019 PRIMARY AUDIT

161-08.19 **NEUFELDT:** That the 2019 Primary Audit Report is in compliance with a rating of 1.00 and has been presented to Council and can now be filed.

CARRIED.

RESCINDING RESOLUTION #432

162-08.19 **S. WILLEMS:** That we rescind resolution #432 of March 5, 2015 minutes, being a resolution as follows:

That the municipality adopt a tax incentive for encouraging residential development within the municipality that reads as follows:

RESIDENTIAL INCENTIVE POLICY:

Purpose:

1. *To increase the capacity for residential accommodation, thus fostering an environment for retention of residents and attraction of new residents.*
2. *To increase the long-term residential assessment in the R.M. of Laird #404.*

Residential Construction:

The R.M. of Laird will provide a two-year tax incentive for new residential construction. All principal residential properties compliant with the current zoning bylaw shall receive an incentive as follows:

- *100 percent land and building tax exemption from the date of completion of the work, as deemed by Council, for one year.*
- *50 percent land and buildings tax exemption for the second year from the date of completion of the work;*
- *Properties with an existing house that will be demolished and a new single-family dwelling constructed on the same location are eligible for the program. Demolition and building permits must be issued simultaneously and construction must be substantially completed within two years.*
- *Ready-to-move homes are eligible for the program. Owner must provide certification that the building complies with the current National Building Code and updates.*
- *Tax incentive agreement is transferable to a new owner who purchases the property before the expiration of the agreement.*
- *Additional assessment added to the original property such as basement rooms will receive the tax incentive for the remaining period of the agreement.*
- *Taxes must be kept current; if the property goes into arrears the agreement becomes null and void.*
- *Existing homes to be moved into the municipality are eligible for the program.*
- *Construction of a residential home must be substantially completed within two years of the issuance of the permit.*

The agreement may be voided if the applicant deviates from the development and building permit requirements for validity and extensions. Carried.

And furthermore, effective January 1, 2019 the RM will no longer offer the Residential Incentive Policy and will honor the incentive on new builds until December 31, 2018.

CARRIED.

SELLING OF RM CAPITAL ASSET

163-08.19 **S. WILLEMS:** That we list the RM Shop for sale with Real Estate Rosthern Agencies.

CARRIED.

New Shop tender invite listing tabled till September 2019 Council meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE

164-08.19 **GRUNAU: Correspondence SARM (FYI)**

a. All correspondence emailed to Council at time received in-office.

CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

165-08.19 **GRUNAU:** That the Council meeting be adjourned at 12:15p.m.

(SEAL)

Reeve

Administrator