

# **Meeting Minutes**

The Council of the Rural Municipality of Biggar #347 held its regular meeting on **Tuesday**, **March 21 2023 at 9 a.m.** in the council chambers at Biggar, Sk.

#### Call to order

9:10 a.m. Reeve de Moissac called the meeting to order.

In attendance: Reeve Jeanne Marie de Moissac, Brian Watson, Melanie Peiffer, Dale Thomson, Mark Sagon, Brad Poletz and Greg Mundt. Administrator Sandi Silvernagle and Foreman Derek Custer.

#### Adoption of Agenda

Resolution No. 30-2023

Moved by Councillor Dale Thomson

Resolved that the meeting agenda for March 21 2023, be adopted as presented.

Carried

## **Adoption of Minutes**

Resolution No. 31-2023

Moved by Councillor Melanie Peiffer

Resolved that the minutes of the regular meeting of council held February 21 2023 be received and filed as information.

Carried

#### Bank Reconciliation and Financial Statement

Resolution No. 32-2023

Moved by Councillor Brad Poletz

Resolved that the February 2023 Bank Reconciliation and March 2023 Financial Statement be received and filed as presented.

Carried

## **Delegates**

Representatives from EarthWorks Equipment Mike Gage and Ed Gutek attended the meeting at 9:30 a.m. They presented their Kubota Tractor proposals, explained the 4-year warranty with full coverage plus an additional 2 years on the power train, units are available and that a 4<sup>th</sup> hydraulic can be installed. Delegates left the meeting at 10:10 a.m.

Delegate Darin Stene from Triple S Transport attended the meeting at 10:15 a.m. and gave an information presentation and handouts about road reclamation and what it involves. He sited some RM's that they have worked with and gave an approx. quote of \$50,000-\$55,000/km. They can typically do 2 km within 3 days. Stene left the meeting at 10:50 a.m.

## **Accounts for Approval**

Resolution No. 33-2023

Moved by Councillor Brad Poletz

Resolved payments for cheques #2280-2312, online payments, online utility payments, Mastercard, monthly remittances and January payroll be approved for an amount of \$106,233.25.

Carried

# Reports

Foreman Report – Graders were finishing up plowing snow as he would like removed from roads prior to spring melt. Doing clay exploration March 22 with WSP engineer for Palo Bridge, tender opening tentatively for April 2023.

Division 1 – Councillor Poletz – No issues

Division 2 - Councillor Peiffer - meet with Bennett and discuss road south of their yard.

 ${\sf Division}\ 3-{\sf Councillor}\ {\sf Thomson-No}\ {\sf issues}$ 

Division 4 - Councillor Mark Sagon - Snow blocking road by Eva Kowalchuk's, can hill be cut down.

Division 5 – Councillor Mundt – No issues

Division 6 - Councillor Watson - No issues, reported on West Central Committee

Reeve de Moissac reported on the Health District meeting committee, HR Committee meeting, attended grand opening for bar and grill in RM.

#### **New Business**

#### **PURCHASE V-PLOW**

Resolution No. 34-2023

#### Moved by Councillor Mark Sagon

Resolved to purchase a V-Plow for approximately \$8,000.00 from Garry Construction if the plow has the correct specifications.

Carried

#### **REPAIR 2012 FREIGHTLINER TANDEM**

Resolution No. 35-2023

Moved by Councillor Brian Watson

Resolved to repair the 2012 Freightliner Tandem for quoted price of \$30774.77 from Frontline Truck and Trailer.

Carried

#### PURCHASE RIGHT-OF-WAY

Resolution No. 36-2023

Moved by Councillor Brad Poletz

Resolved purchase 4.05 acres of right-of-way on the NE 27-36-17 W3rd from Miles and Chandra Archdekin for \$5,467.50. This road and right-of-way is known as Palo Road and was never titled as it is not on the original road allowance.

Carried

# **2023 WAGE INCREASES**

Resolution No. 37-2023

Moved by Councillor Brian Watson

Resolved to increase wages for transportation staff, administration and PCO by 2.6% for 2023.

Carried

#### **EMPLOYEE MOVED TO LEVEL 5**

Resolution No. 38-2023

Moved by Councillor Melanie Peiffer

Resolved to move Troy McCarty from a Level 4 Equipment Operator to a Level 5 Equipment Operator with other duties added to his job description.

Carried

### IRELAND/BUTTAR STEER RIDING SCHOOL SPONSORSHIP

Resolution No. 39-2023

Moved by Councillor Mark Sagon

Resolved to purchase the Hoodie Sponsorship package which includes 30 hoodies that will have the RM logo for youth that attend the Steer Riding event taking place in Biggar on May 12-14, 2023. Youth and young adults attend the event to receive training for future endeavors. This event is in accordance with policy FI 300-2.

Carried

#### **GRAIN BAG RECYCLING BLITZ**

Resolution No. 40-2023

Moved by Councillor Greg Mundt

Resolved to host a Grain Bag Recycling Blitz on April 20, 2023 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Flyers will be mailed out and posters distributed. CleanFarms will come out and pick up bags at the RM shop.

Carried

## WING MOUNTED GRAVEL RECLAIMER

Resolution No. 41-2023

Moved by Councillor Greg Mundt

Resolved to purchase a wing mounted gravel reclaimer from Capital Industries Inc. for approximately \$62,300.00 plus taxes with delivery in May.

Carried

## **APPROVE PER DIEMS**

Resolution No. 42-2023

Moved by Councillor Melanie Peiffer

Resolved that per diems in the amount of \$5,842.20 are approved.

Carried

# **EQUIPMENT COMMITTEE FORMED**

Resolution No. 43-2023

Moved by Reeve Jeanne Marie de Moissac

Resolved to appoint Greg Mundt, Brad Poletz and Mark Sagon with Foreman Custer to form an Equipment Carried

Reeve

Adjournment: 5:00 p.m.

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