

Regular Meeting of the Council for the R.M. of Big Arm, No. 251 held on Monday, June 8, 2020 in Council Chambers in the municipal office in Imperial, SK commencing at 8:00 a.m.

Present: Reeve Sheldon Vance, Councillors Trevor Lewis, Jeff Nelson, Larry Waldow, Kevin Rae and CAO Yvonne (Bonny) Goodsman

Division 1 is Vacant

Absent: Scott McDade
Attend: Corrie McLane - Maintenance

139/2020 Meeting: Sheldon Vance: That as a quorum is present the meeting is called to order.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

140/2020 Agenda: Trevor Lewis: That the agenda be accepted as presented.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

No Statements of Conflict with the Agenda Items were expressed at this time.

141/2020 Minutes: Larry Waldow: That the minutes from the regular meeting held on May 11, 2020 be accepted as presented.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

142/2020 Maint: Jeff Nelson: That the Maintenance report be accepted as presented and be filed.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

143/2020 Mail: Larry Waldow: That correspondence be acknowledged as received and accepted as presented and be filed.
a) University of Sask-Farm Families newsletter membership
b) Clubroot Soil Sample Bags
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

144/2020 F/S: Kevin Rae: That the Financial Statements, the list of accounts paid and employee payroll register for the month of May 2020 be accepted as presented and are attached to and form part of these minutes.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

145/2020 A/Payable: Larry Waldow: That the list of accounts payable and employee payroll register for the month of June 2020 be accepted as presented and are attached to and form part of these minutes.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

146/2020 Roads: Jeff Nelson: That Council authorizes the repairs on spot damage of roadways at the following locations:
1. SE 25-27-26 W2
2. SW 26-27-26 W2
3. SE 14-27-26 W2
4. Between SW 23-27-26 W2 and SE 22-27-26W2
5. SE 2-27-26 W2
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor Lewis declared a conflict of interest with the next item on the agenda, vacated his chair and left council chambers at 9:20 a.m. as the item involved a personal request for an approach.

- 147/2020 Approach:** Kevin Rae: That Council authorizes the landowner of SW 16-27-24 W2 to construct an approach along the south side of the south west portion of the quarter. The construction is to be at the sole cost of the property owner. Installation and adherence to all relevant legislation (i.e. locates, distance from highway, etc) is the sole responsibility of the property owner. Further, council stipulates that the approach is to be built to municipal standard with a 7.0 meter top and the municipality retains the right to have the construction inspected by the foreman and/or councillor for the division for final approval.

Council has determined that a culvert would not be required at this site.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor Lewis reattended the meeting and assumed his chair at 9:25 a.m.

- 148/2020 Wage:** Trevor Lewis: That Council authorizes a wage increase for the Foreman Trainee to \$27.00 per hour plus Stat and Holiday Pay effective June 6, 2020

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 149/2020 Etters:** Trevor Lewis: That Council authorizes administration offer an Office Rental Agreement to the Resort Village of Etters Beach effective June 1, 2020 with a monthly rental of \$1050.00. Further same is to be reviewed December 31, 2020.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 150/2020 SaskTel:** Kevin Rae: That Council authorizes the purchase of the Polycom Teleconference Until from SaskTel for their purchase price of \$1039.00. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

- 151/2020 MEEP:** Kevin Rae: That Council authorizes the Reeve to sign the Municipal Economic Enhancement Program 2020 Funding Agreement.

Further, council authorizes administration to make application under Schedule B – Project Plan under the MEEP Funding Agreement for a Schulte Mower purchase which is to occur in 2021 to replace the existing capital asset.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 152/2020 RIRG:** Jeff Nelson: That Council has no projects for the RIRG/ICIP Grant at this time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 153/2020 Grant:** Larry Waldow: Be it resolved that the Rural Municipality of Big Arm, No. 251 directs staff to apply for a grant opportunity from the Federation of Canadian Municipalities Municipal Asset Management Program for the RM of Big Arm Bridge and Culvert Asset Management Plan.

Be it therefor resolved that the Rural Municipality of Big Arm, No. 251 commits to conduction the following activities in its proposed project submitted to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities Municipal Asset Management Program to advance our asset management program:

- 1) Collect Data on the condition of 8 bridges within the RM
- 2) Collect data on the condition of 500mm or greater culverts within 535km road

Be it further resolved that the Rural Municipality of Big Arm, No. 251 commits \$40,000.00 from its budget toward the costs of this initiative..

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 154/2020 Door:** Trevor Lewis: That Council authorizes Boehr Construction be contracted to install a check chain on entry door to the office.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

155/2020 Dust: Larry Waldow: That Council acknowledges receipt of the request from the Village of Liberty and RM Ratepayers regarding compensation for and application of Dust Suppressant.

Further, administration is directed to inform the Village and RM ratepayers that the RM budgeted for a dust suppressant test spot in the Town of Imperial only and no further spots will be considered this year as the Budgeted amounts have fully be expended.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

156/2020 RM House: Kevin Rae: That Council acknowledges the receipt of a request from the Residential Renters for a replacement/installation of a second automatic garage door opener. Council regrets that the budget for the residence maintenance and repairs has been expended for 2020. The request will be added to the 2021 Budget.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

138/2020 Adjourn: Sheldon Vance: That the meeting be adjourned at 12:00 a.m. and the next meeting of council is scheduled for Monday, July 13, 2020 at 8:00 a.m., to be held in the council chambers in the R.M. of Big Arm, No. 251 office. 54 Prince Street, Imperial, Saskatchewan.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Sheldon Vance
Reeve

Gvonne (Bonny) Goodman
Administrator