

**R.M. OF LUMSDEN NO. 189
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
HELD ON JULY 10, 2014**

The Lumsden Rural Municipal Council convened their meeting in the Council Chambers of the R.M. Office, on Thursday, July 10, 2014 at 1:05 p.m. with Deputy Reeve, Kent Farago presiding.

Present: Deputy Reeve: Kent Farago
Councillors: Al Szeles, Ian White, Dale Srochenski (Arrived 1:23pm)
Jim Atcheson, Tom Harrison
Chief Administrative Officer: Darcie Cooper
Office Services Clerk: Jill Scriven
Manager
Public Works: Leighton Watts

Absent: Reeve: Jim Hipkin

Public Works Report:

Manager of Public Works, Leighton Watts, provided a written report on road closures in the municipality as a result of flooding and various other public works matters.

257-14 Szeles: "That the Manager of Public Works' report be accepted as presented." **CARRIED**

DELEGATION:

2:00 p.m. Michel Louiseize and Ed Pacik of Evolution Training & Consulting, appeared before council to present details of the training opportunities they offer to RM's regarding equipment use and road construction/maintenance.

MINUTES:

258-14 Atcheson: "That the minutes of the June 26, 2014 regular meeting be approved, as amended." **CARRIED**

COMMITTEE REPORTS & MINUTES:

Councillor, Tom Harrison provided a verbal report on the Weed Management Program in the municipality.

259-14 Srochenski: "That Councillor Harrison's report be accepted, as presented." **CARRIED**

CORRESPONDENCE:

260-14 Szeles: "That the attached list of correspondence and reports has been reviewed and the Chief Administrative Officer is authorized to file the same accordingly.

- A. Min of Energy & Resources – Well Bulletin
- B. WSA – 2014 Emergency Flood Damage Reduction Program (EFDRP) Application - Denied
- C. Lumsden & District Heritage Home – Regular Meeting Minutes May 26, 2014
- D. Lumsden & District Heritage Home – Financial Statements ending March 31, 2014
- E. Min of Gov Relations – Bylaw 04-2014 Approval
- F. Wolf - Weed Inspector Report – SE Ptn 03-20-21-W2
- G. United Steel Workers - Proclamation request – Enforce Westray Amendments
- H. Miscellaneous Publications."

CARRIED

ACCOUNTS TO BE APPROVED:

261-14 Srochenski: "That the list of accounts attached hereto and forming a part of these minutes and totalling \$96,329.72 is hereby approved for payment by the Reeve and the Chief Administrative Officer." **CARRIED**

STAFF REPORT:

Chief Administrative Officer, Darcie Cooper, provided a written report on various administrative matters.

262-14 Atcheson: "That the CAO's report be accepted as presented." **CARRIED**

NEW BUSINESS:

Water Pumping:

263-14 Atcheson: "That we authorize Public Works to pump water north from the ditch adjacent to the municipal road located at E 25-20-19-W2; and

That should the Water Security Agency confirm the natural water flow is east as we suspect it is, we authorize Public Works to install a culvert at the recommended location." **CARRIED**

Water Security Agency (WSA) – Joint Application with Landowners:

264-14 Srochenski: "That we agree to participate in a joint complaint being submitted by affected landowners, Elaine Samuelson and Wayne Kingston to the Water Security Agency, regarding an unauthorized dam built by Brian and Christine Rybchuk on their land legally described as

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Ptn. NE 04-20-20-W2, as the dam poses a threat to a municipal bridge downstream.”

CARRIED

Public Works Truck – Usage and Storage:

265-14 Atcheson: “That, due to efficiencies for road inspections and the Manager being on-call, we authorize take home privileges of the municipality’s truck to the Manager of Public Works, Leighton Watts.”

CARRIED

Training – Road Maintenance:

266-14 Szeles: “That we agree to provide the training program offered by Evolution Training & Consulting to the Public Works staff and interested Council members for road maintenance techniques.”

CARRIED

Finance Officer – Salary Grid:

267-14 Harrison: “That we approve the new Salary Grid for the Finance Officer position as presented by the CAO.”

CARRIED

Finance Officer – Status and Salary Step:

268-14 Srochenski: “That, based on the probationary employee report and recommendation by the CAO, we acknowledge the expiration of the one year probationary period for Finance Officer, Sheena Carrick and agree to mover her to permanent status; and That we approve the following salary step:

Sheena Carrick Finance Officer Increase to Step 10 - \$74,583.00/year effective July 1, 2014.”

CARRIED

Request for PDAP Designation:

269-14 Atcheson: “That we agree to apply to the Ministry of Government Relations to be designated an eligible assistance area under the Provincial Disaster Assistance Program (PDAP), which provides financial assistance for restoring essential services and property as a result of substantial damages caused by Heavy Rain on the dates of June 28th & 29th, 2014.”

CARRIED

Dev. App. # 2014-037 – Residence – Woelk – NW 31-19-22-W2:

270-14 White: “That we defer the development application submitted by Robert & Rhonda Woelk to construct a new residence on land legally described as NW 31-19-22-W2 in order to obtain additional information on the conversion of the existing house to an accessory building, as per the applicant’s request.”

CARRIED

Bylaw Amendment – Public Hearing:

271-14 Szeles: “That we agree to set Thursday, August 14th at 3:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Lumsden Municipal Office as the date, time and place of the required public hearings for the following bylaw amendments:

- Bylaw No. 7-2014 – A Bylaw to amend Bylaw No. 7-2012, the Zoning Bylaw, to change accessory building use, building area and location
- Bylaw No. 8-2014 – A Bylaw to amend Bylaw No. 6-2012, the Official Community Plan, to change minimum separation requirements.”

CARRIED

Bylaw No. 11-2014 – A Gravel Extraction Licence Bylaw – 1st Reading:

272-14 Srochenski: “That Bylaw No. 11-2014, being a gravel licensing bylaw, be read a first time.”

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT:

273-14 Atcheson: “That we adjourn this meeting at 4:25 p.m.”

CARRIED


Reeve


Chief Administrative Officer