RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF BJORKDALE NO. 426

The minutes of the regular meeting of council for the Rural Municipality of Bjorkdale No. 426 held in the Municipal Office at 213A Forest View in Bjorkdale on Friday April 5, 2024.

Present:

Acting Reeve: John Andris

Councilor Division 1: Brett Norum
Councilor Division 2: Gilbert Desrosiers
Councilor Division 3: Steven Stewart
Councilor Division 4: James Spedding
Councilor Division 5: Acting Reeve
Councilor Division 6: Jon Hudak

Administrator: Cherie Hudon

The meeting was called to order by Acting Reeve John Andris at 9:01 AM

Minutes 048-24. Steven Stewart:

Regular Meeting That the minutes of the Regular Meeting of council held

February 8, 2024 be approved. Carried

RM Shop 049-24. James Spedding:

Mezzanine Stairs That VL Construction Ltd. be contracted to build a new set of stairs

to the mezzanine within the RM Shop for a total cost of \$4,369.24.

Carried

<u>CR Water</u> 050-24. Jon Hudak:

<u>Treatment Plant</u> That 335 Patterson Construction be contracted to perform the

following on the Crooked River Water Treatment Plant building in

the amount of \$3,274.50:

- Remove siding, soffit, facia, shingles, exterior door, and frame.

Repair or replace framing under and around exterior door.

- Install new exterior door.

- Install metal roofing, soffit, and fascia.

- Install building wrap and metal siding. Carried

Rescind Motion 051-24. Bert Desrosiers:

O16-24 – SK Lotteries Tl Community Grant of

That motion number 016-24. be rescinded due to a change in our Census population from 906 to 885. A total of 21 were assigned to the RM of Bjorkdale and should have been assigned to the Village of Mistatim.

Carried

SK Lotteries

052-24. Bert Desrosiers:

Community Grant

That the RM Census population of 885 be allocated as follows for the purpose of the Saskatchewan Lotteries Trust Fund Community Grant:

Village of Bjorkdale =	230
Village of Mistatim =	87
Hamlet of Crooked River =	132
Organized Hamlet of Chelan =	132
Organized Hamlet of Barrier Ford =	152
Marean Lake Subdivision =	152

Total Census Population = 885 Carried

<u>Grader Loan</u>

053-24. Bert Desrosiers:

BMO Bank

That the RM of Bjorkdale enter into a loan with BMO Bank of Montreal for the purchase of a grader in the amount of \$375,306.64 at an interest rate of 5.72%. Carried

<u>Chelan – Purchase</u> 054-24. Brett Norum:

of Back Alley

That the RM of Bjorkdale sell a portion of the back alley behind Lot 10 Block 6 Plan 101765640 within the Hamlet of Chelan to Kevin Smith for the purpose of building a garage. DEFEATED

North East SPCA

Pound / Shelter

055-24. Bert Desrosiers:

That the RM of Bjorkdale enter into a pound and shelter agreement with the North East SPCA for the purpose of taking on stray animals and to provide pound obligations in the amount of \$2,943.00 per Carried year.

Shared Gravel Pit

056-24. Jon Hudak:

RM of Nipawin Joining 2024 Crush

That the motion put forward by the RM of Nipawin at the February 26, 2024 shared gravel pit committee meeting, being that they request to participate in the 2024 gravel crush and that they will be responsible for their share of the new stripping, but not responsible for the reclamation of the area that was already stripped and crushed be accepted. Carried

ICIP – Agreement

057-24. Steven Stewart:

Landfill Decommissioning

That the Rural Municipality of Bjorkdale No. 426 enter into the attached Ultimate Recipient Agreement for the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program with His Majesty the King in Right of Saskatchewan as represented by the Minister of Government Relations for the purpose of grant funding for the decommissioning of the Peesane and Chelan waste disposal sites. Carried

Financial Stmt.

058-24. Brett Norum:

That the Statement of Financial Activities for the month of February 2024 be accepted as presented by the Administrator.

Carried

Financial Stmt. 059-24. Jon Hudak:

That the Statement of Financial Activities for the month of March

2024 be accepted as presented by the Administrator.

Carried

Ratify Accounts

060-24. Bert Desrosiers:

<u>February</u>

That we ratify payment of Other Payments 04904 to 04910, totaling \$8,750.00, 04911 to 04917 totaling \$21,500.74 and 0001 to 0026 totaling \$47,560.78 as per attached listings presented by the Carried Administrator.

Ratify Accounts

061-24. Steven Stewart:

<u>March</u>

That we ratify payment of Other Payments 04918 to 04924, totaling \$8,750.00, 04925 to 04931 totaling \$21,456.64 and 0027 to 0045 totaling \$4,538.54 as per attached listings presented by the Administrator. **Carried**

Accts. for Approval 062-24. Brett Norum:

<u>February</u>

That the accounts submitted for payment by Cheques 13904 and 13905 in the amount of \$490.45 and Cheques 13906 to 13941 totaling \$50,812.73 as per attached listings presented by the Administrator, be approved for payment. **Carried**

Accts. for Approval 063-24. James Spedding:

<u>March</u>

That the accounts submitted for payment by Cheques 13942 to 13971 in the amount of \$62,319.32 and Cheque 13972 totaling \$700.00 as per attached listings presented by the Administrator, be approved for payment. Carried

<u>Resignation</u>

064-24. James Spedding:

<u>Leta Rohne</u>

That the resignation letter received March 18, 2024 from Leta Rohne indicating her resignation from the position of Office Assistant for the Rural Municipality of Bjorkdale effective April 5, 2024 be accepted as presented. Carried

MLAC Election

065-24. Steven Stewart:

Returning Officers

That we appoint Administrator Cherie Hudon as the Returning Officer for the Marean Lake Advisory Committee Election retroactive to March 1, 2024. Carried

1st Reading of Bylaw 066-24. Brett Norum:

No. 01 – 2024

That Bylaw No. 01–2024, being a bylaw to establish the Marean

Lake Advisory Committee, be read for the first time.

Carried

2nd Reading of Bylaw 067-24. Bert Desrosiers:

No. 01 – 2024

That Bylaw No. 01–2024, being a bylaw to establish the Marean Lake Advisory Committee, be read for the second time.

Carried

Unanimous

068-24. Jon Hudak:

Consent

That Bylaw No. 01-2024 be given three consecutive readings at this meeting. **Carried Unanimously**

3rd Reading of Bylaw 069-24. James Spedding:

No. 01 – 2024

That Bylaw No. 01–2024, being a bylaw to establish the Marean Lake Advisory Committee, be read for the third time and adopted. Carried

MLAC Policy CAC - MLAC - 01 070-24. Brett Norum:

That the Council Advisory Committee Policy for Marean Lake, number CAC - MLAC - 01, be updated and amended to indicate the following:

- Committee members terms to be four (4) years.
- All "Appendix D" Election forms attached to the policy have been updated to reflect all changes. Carried

Policy TS - 01 **Equipment Rental**

<u>Rates</u>

071-24. Steven Stewart:

That the Equipment Rental Rates Policy for the RM of Bjorkdale, number TS - 01, be updated and amended to indicate the following:

- Grader Rental Rates to be increased from \$160.00 to \$220.00 per hour with a minimum one hour charge.
- Removal of Loader, Gravel Truck and Brush Mower from the listing of equipment available to rent.
- Update general section of policy to indicate the graders shall be rented out for custom work with municipal Carried employees as operators.

<u>Delegate / Interview</u>

Delegate Brianna Vegso arrived at 1:52 PM for her interview and to discuss the Office Assistant Position.

<u>Delegate / Interview</u> <u>Departure</u>

Delegate Brianna Vegso departed at 2:02 PM.

Office Assistant

072-24. Bert Desrosiers:

Brianna Vegso

That Brianna Vegso be hired as the RM of Bjorkdale Office Assistant commencing April 22, 2024 at a rate of \$27.00 per hour.

Carried

Snow Plowing Fees 2024/2025 073-24. Jon Hudak:

That the RM of Bjorkdale charge half (\$400.00) of the snow plowing fees for the 2024 / 2025 snow plowing season to those who paid the full fee of \$800.00 in 2023 / 2024. This is due to the fact that we had minimal snow fall during our 2023 / 2024 snow Carried plowing season.

Pest Control

074-24. Steven Stewart:

Paslawski, Tanner

That Tanner Paslawski be appointed as the Pest Control Officer for the RM of Bjorkdale for 2024, and perform his services where requested by council or rate payers as well as the even numbered divisions within the RM. **Carried**

Seasonal Gravel

075-24. Bert Desrosiers:

Truck Driver

That the Rural Municipality of Bjorkdale hire Brian Hart as a seasonal gravel truck driver at the rate of \$26.00 per hour to help with the completion of the spreading of gravel. **Carried**

Peesane Dump Garbage Picking

076-24. Brett Norum:

That Amanda Wiens garbage picking wage be increased to \$14.00 per hour for the purpose of picking garbage up around the Peesane Waste Disposal Site.

Carried

Dev. Permit Kowal, Joshua

077-24. Jon Hudak:

That the development permit application for the building of a shop / farm shed located on SE 16-45-11 W2 within the RM of Bjorkdale as submitted by Joshua Kowal be approved. **Carried**

Road Maint. Agreement

078-24. Steven Stewart:

That we approve a road maintenance agreement, with the municipality responsible for maintenance, with **Leepart's Contracting Ltd.** for hauling using municipal roads from Hamel's pit located on SE 29-41-12-W2 north to Primary Grid No. 773, East to Highway 38. Allowable weights are the legal weights for the haul period in the province of Saskatchewan for municipal roads, unless otherwise stated by the Rural Municipality. **Carried**

Road Maint. Agreement

079-24. John Andris:

That we approve a road maintenance agreement, with the municipality responsible for maintenance, with **Premier Tech Horticulture** for hauling using municipal roads to various destinations within and through our RM. Allowable weights are the legal weights for the haul period in the province of Saskatchewan for municipal roads unless otherwise stated by the Rural Municipality. **Carried**

Road Maint. Agreement

080-24. Bert Desrosiers:

That we approve a road maintenance agreement, with the municipality responsible for maintenance, with **RM of Arborfield No. 456** for hauling using municipal roads from Hamel's Pit SE 29-41-12-W2 North to Primary Grid No. 773 then East to Primary Grid No 679 then North to Highway No 23. Allowable weights are the legal weights for the haul period in the province of Saskatchewan for municipal roads, unless otherwise stated by the Rural Municipality.

Carried

<u>Correspondence</u>	081-24.	That the correspondence as presented, having befiled.	en read now be Carried
<u>Adjourned</u>	082-24.	Jon Hudak: That the meeting be adjourned at 3:15 PM	Carried
		Minutes approved by resolution of Council on the 2024.	30 th day of May,
		Acting Reeve	
		Administrator	