

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

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| <u>Minutes</u>
<u>Regular Meeting</u> | 048-24. Steven Stewart:
That the minutes of the Regular Meeting of council held February 8, 2024 be approved. | Carried |
| <u>RM Shop</u>
<u>Mezzanine Stairs</u> | 049-24. James Spedding:
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>
<u>Treatment Plant</u> | 050-24. Jon Hudak:
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:

<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Remove siding, soffit, fascia, 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 |
| <u>Rescind Motion</u>
<u>016-24 – SK Lotteries</u>
<u>Community Grant</u> | 051-24. Bert Desrosiers:
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 be rescinded due to a change in our Census population from 906 to 885.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 |

- 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 February 060-24. Bert Desrosiers:
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 Administrator. **Carried**
- Ratify Accounts March 061-24. Steven Stewart:
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 February 062-24. Brett Norum:
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 March 063-24. James Spedding:
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**
- Resignation Leta Rohne 064-24. James Spedding:
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 Returning Officers 065-24. Steven Stewart:
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 No. 01 – 2024 066-24. Brett Norum:
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 No. 01 – 2024 067-24. Bert Desrosiers:
That Bylaw No. 01–2024, being a bylaw to establish the Marean Lake Advisory Committee, be read for the second time. **Carried**

Unanimous Consent 068-24. Jon Hudak:
That Bylaw No. 01-2024 be given three consecutive readings at this meeting. **Carried Unanimously**

3rd Reading of Bylaw No. 01 – 2024 069-24. James Spedding:
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 Rates 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 employees as operators. **Carried**

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

Delegate / Interview Departure Delegate Brianna Vegso departed at 2:02 PM.

Office Assistant Brianna Vegso 072-24. Bert Desrosiers:
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 plowing season. **Carried**

- Pest Control
Paslawski, Tanner 074-24. Steven Stewart:
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
Truck Driver 075-24. Bert Desrosiers:
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**

Correspondence 081-24. Bert Desrosiers:
That the correspondence as presented, having been read now be
filed. **Carried**

Adjourned 082-24. Jon Hudak:
That the meeting be adjourned at 3:15 PM **Carried**

Minutes approved by resolution of Council on the 30th day of May,
2024.

Acting Reeve

Administrator