

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF CUPAR NO. 218

The regular meeting of council of the R.M. of Cupar No. 218 was held on Friday, August 9, 2019, the municipal office located at 113 Landsdowne Street in Cupar, Saskatchewan.

PRESENT: Present were Reeve Raymond Orb and Councillors David Mills (Division #1), Helena Blaser (Division #2), Daryl Frank (Division #3), Curtis Nakonechny (Division #4), Greg Ermel (Division #5), Brennan Leib (Division #6) and Administrator, Nikki Czemerer. Foreman Roy Buckshaw attended for a portion of the meeting.

CALL TO ORDER: A quorum being present, Reeve Orb called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

#117/19 MINUTES:

Blaser – That the minutes of the regular meeting of council held on Friday, July 12, 2019 be approved as corrected.

Carried.

#118/19 CORRESPONDENCE:

Leib - That the following correspondence having been read, now be filed:

- (1) Gas Tax Top-Up
- (2) Highways Project Info
- (3) SCGA Newsletter
- (4) SARM – Resolution Form
- (5) Ministry of Parks, Culture and Sport worksops
- (6) Town of Cupar Newsletter

Carried.

#119/19 RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS:

Ermel – That the Statement of Financial Activities for July, 2019 be accepted as presented. This report shall be attached hereto and form part of these minutes.

Carried.

#120/19 LIST OF ACCOUNTS:

Nakonechny - That the list of accounts from cheques # 13691 to 13719 and preauthorized debits to Sask Power, Sask Tel and Sask Energy totaling \$92,463.52 plus payroll transactions posted through the ADP payroll software, be approved as presented and that the list be attached to and form part of these minutes.

Carried.

#121/19 TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE:

Mills – That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 ratify the decision to temporarily close the road located north of the N ½ 23-22-16-W2 to allow Stephen Jensen to land his airplane on the road.

Carried.

#122/19 INCREASED HEALTH AND DENTAL:

Blaser – That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 increase the employee benefit coverage from Level 2 to Level 5 Health and Dental for an increased cost per year of \$736.85 for family coverage and \$302.91 for single coverage.

Carried.

#123/19 EMPLOYEE TRAINING:

Nakonechny – That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 contract Evolution Training to provide Scott Wszolek and Kim Back a day of grader training to help improve grading skills.

Carried.

#124/19 TAX ENFORCEMENT:

Mills – That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 continue tax enforcement proceedings on the Estate of Christian Werner and Rod Gessell as a resolution to collection of taxes does not seem forthcoming.

Carried.

Councillor Mills left the meeting at 10:15 am

#125/19 TOWN OF CUPAR REQUEST:

Frank – That the Rural Municipality of Cupar respond to the letter from the Town of Cupar. The letter from the Town to the RM agrees to not pursue annexation of the newly developed Prairie Coop Agricultural Centre and Service Station. The Town of Cupar has indicated they pay for 16% of water service and 49% of sewer service with tax revenue vs utility revenue and that by extending the service to the Rural resident, the Town is at a disadvantage. The Town of Cupar requests that an Inter-Municipal Agreement be put into place with the following objectives:

- The property containing the Co-op development remains within the RM's jurisdiction in perpetuity.
- The RM agrees to provide the Town with an annual payment equal to 25% of the annual taxes for the Co-op development
- As land continues to be subdivided and developed, the RM support the annexation of future developed lands.
- Define a basis for ongoing revenue and expense sharing for new development
- Investigate opportunities for joint economic growth.

While the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 agrees that an Inter-Municipal Agreement to address future development along Highway #22 will ease the process, the above terms are not satisfactory. The reply letter will address Council's concerns and propose a meeting to discuss the possibility of a mutually beneficial agreement.

Carried.

#126/19 ROAD WORK FOR FALL:

Nakonechny – That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 hire L.D Pawluk Road Construction Ltd. for the prices quoted below:

E-29-23-16-W2 - \$11,150

E-5-24-16-W2 - \$15,225

S-28-24-16-W2 - \$8,120

E-16&21-23-18-W2 - \$87,280

Carried

#127/19 TAX ABATEMENT:

Blaser – That the request from Sharon Mirza to abate the commercial portion of the taxes on the NE-12-23-17-W2 effective July 1 be granted as the business ceased operations on June 30, 2019.

Carried.

#128/19 ADMINISTRATOR'S HOLIDAYS:

Leib – That the Administrator be granted holidays on August 23 and 26, 2019.

Carried.

#129/19 WEED CONTROL:

Frank - That the Rural Municipality of Cupar send notice to the owners of the W ½ of 33-22-18-W2 that action will be pursued under the Weed Control Act if measures to control weeds are not completed by September 15, 2019

Carried.

#130/19 ADJOURNMENT:

Ermel – That the meeting be adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

Carried.



Reeve



Administrator

Next regular Meeting of Council will be September 13, 2019 at 9:00 a.m.