RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF CUPAR NO. 218

The first meeting of council of the R.M. of Cupar No. 218 was held on Monday May 11, 2020. Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic the meeting was held electronically as per Section 8 of our Council Procedure Bylaw. As per Section 9 of the Council Procedure Bylaw public notice is to be given due to the change of venue and it was done so by posting it on the door of the Municipal Office and on the RM of Cupar's website.

PRESENT: Present were Reeve Raymond Orb and Councillors Helena Blaser (Division #2), , Curtis Nakonechny (Division #4), Greg Ermel (Division #5), and Administrator, Nikki Czemeres. Councillors Daryl Frank (Division #3) and Brennan Leib (Division #6) were absent.

CALL TO ORDER: A quorum being present, Reeve Orb called the meeting to order at 8:45 a.m.

Delegates: None

#60/20 MINUTES:

Blaser – That the minutes of the regular meeting of council held on Thursday April 9, 2020 be approved as presented.

Carried.

#61/20 MINUTES:

Ermel – That the minutes of the special meeting of council held on Thursday April 27, 2020 be approved as presented.

Carried.

#62/20 CORRESPONDENCE:

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

MHI – Construction during the Pandemic

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- SPCO Convention cancelled
- Strychnine Update
- Canada Summer Jobs program update
- EZpay coin box alternative
- SaskEnergy inspections
- Canada Earth Day
- Well Decommissioning letter
- Parkland Regional Library update
- SARM objection to ban of Strychnine
- PHO Newsletter
- Respect in the Workplace
- Flaman Flyer
- SARM Response to 300 Million in infrastructure funding
- SHA Covid 19 response
- Covid 19 info for Municipalities updated

Carried.

#63/20 RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS:

Mills – That the Statement of Financial Activities for April, 2020 be accepted as presented. This report shall be attached hereto and form part of these minutes.

Carried.

#64/20 LIST OF ACCOUNTS:

Nakonechny - That the list of accounts from cheques # 13900 to 13913 and preauthorized debits to Sask Power, Sask Tel, Royal Bank VISA and Sask Energy totaling \$40,078.69 plus payroll transactions posted through the ADP payroll software in the amount of \$20,432.07 be approved as presented and that the list be attached to and form part of these minutes.

Carried.

#65/20 HIRE GRADER OPERATOR:

Nakonechny – That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 hire Lee Etsell as a grader operator. His wage shall be \$30 per hour. Carried.

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#66/20 SUMMER STUDENT:

Mills – That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 advertise locally for a summer student with experience operating machinery.

Carried.

#67/20 ACKNOWLEDGE EDUCATION MILL RATES:

Blaser – That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 acknowledge the 2020 Education Mill rates as follows:

Agricultural Property: 1.43 Mills Residential Property: 4.12 Mills Commercial/Industrial: 6.27 Mills Resource: 9.68 Mills

Carried.

#68/20 ACKNOWLEDGE HAIL WITHDRAWALS:

Ermel – That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 acknowledge the 2020 hail withdrawal list.

Carried.

#69/20 Engineering Services:

Nakonechny – That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 request Walker Projects provide preliminary engineering reports for clay capping on two projects:

East of 29 and 32-23-16-W2 East of 13 and 24-22-17-W2

Carried.

#70/20 **2020 BUDGET**:

Nakonechny – That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 adopt the budget for 2020 as per attached. The budget projects \$1,490,955 in revenue and \$1,477,745 for a projected surplus of \$13,210.

Carried.

#71/20 **2020 MILL RATE**:

Ermel – That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 establish a mill rate of 7.0 for the 2020 taxation year to meet the needs of the budget. Further, the mill rate factors as outlined in Bylaw #2017-04 which has the following mill rate factors:

Classification	<u>Factor</u>
a) Agricultural	0.90
b) Residential	1.10
c) Commercial & Industrial	1.80

#72/20 ADJOURNMENT:

Blaser – That the meeting be adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

Carried.

Reeve

Administrator

Next Regular Meeting of Council will be the June 12, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.