

May, 1910

That the wooden bridge over creek on Section 5-22-17-W2, burnt down by prairie fire, be replaced with a bridge of sufficient strength to carry traction engines and that the lumber be purchased from Beaver Lumber Co. in Cupar.

Feb., 1911

Application was received from the Pearson Land Co. requesting permission to erect a temporary telephone system on township 23 & 24, Range 18, W2 and after discussion the reeve moved that whereas a telephone system is in course of construction covering the same district, known as the Buffalo Hill Telephone Co., the council deem it inexpedient to grant the required permission.

Mar., 1911

Dr. McEwan of Southey appeared before the council regarding a person who froze his feet necessitating amputation and presented a bill of \$85.00 in connection therewith. (Account approved for payment in April, 1911.)

September, 1911

Petitions were read from Village of Cupar and Markinch requesting assistance to the extent of \$2500 towards the erection of a skating and curling rink in each village. After discussion it was decided to leave matter till October meeting to await a similar petition expected from the Village of Southey.

September, 1911

Councillor Harrington reported that in Township 24, Ranges 16 & 17 much damage has been done by hail. Many of the farmers losing the whole of their crop and as this is likely to be much distress arising therefrom during the coming winter, requested to council to provide work for relief in the badly affected districts.

March, 1912

That 1 Sawyer & Massey grader be purchased from Harper & Sow for \$239.00 laid down at Cupar.

March, 1912

That the charges for handling seed grain be as follows and charged to the price of purchase:

- Flax 3 cents per bushel
- Wheat 2 cents per bushel
- Barley 2 cents per bushel
- Oats 2 cents per bushel

April, 1912

That a telephone be put in the municipal office.

January, 1913

That each member of the relief committee be and is hereby granted power to give temporary relief to any needy and deserving case, such relief not to exceed the amount of \$30.00 and seed grain to be brought before the next meeting of the council for confirmation.

February, 1913

That whereas it has been found difficult to dig graves for the burial of the dead during the winter months that in the opinion of this Council it is necessary to provide a mortuary in each of the villages in the municipality, for temporarily placing bodies until such time as a grave can be conveniently dug – be it resolved that each of the villages of Cupar, Southey and Markinch, be requested to discuss the matter in council, with a view of building a temporary resting place or mortuary for the joint use of the said villages and the Rural Municipality of Cupar No. 218 – the said council proposing to defray half of the cost of each building.

June, 1913

That the old Hudson Bay Trail across Township Twenty One, Range Seventeen be closed.

February, 1916

That the following resolution be sent to the Union (of Saskatchewan Municipalities) for the consideration of the executive: Whereas automobiles travelling on the roads of the municipality do more harm to the roads than horse vehicles and whereas the larger and heavier the car, the more harm it does to the road and whereas the majority of the heavier cars are owned by people residing in the larger towns and cities, and whereas the municipalities do not receive any or part of the licence fees of automobiles, now therefore the council of this municipality consider it only fair that each municipality should receive a portion of the license fees or a grant from the government to help defray the cost of the upkeep of the roads.

February, 1917

The following resolution was drafted and the secretary instructed to forward copies of same to the Association for their consideration:

Whereas the municipalities are liable for payment of hospital bills of resident ratepayers who are temporarily unable to pay same; and whereas the collection of these bills is only possible through distraint or seizure or caveat and whereas the municipalities do not always care to seize or distraint and a caveat is a very unsatisfactory and not a sure way of collecting these amounts, therefore be it resolved that Hospital Aid to ratepayers be placed against the land in the same way as the destruction of weeds.

July, 1917

That the rate of pay for gas tractors be \$3.00 per hour.

March, 1920

That the following resolution be sent to the association for presentation to the convention, Whereas the Saskatchewan Tuberculosis Sanitarium at Fort Qu'Appelle is an absolute necessity to the province and is rendering to those afflicted with tuberculosis a service, which in a large majority of cases, again enables them to take up their duties, and teaches them to guard against a recurrence of the disease and whereas the sanitarium should be in a position to care for all those in the province who need treatment and whereas the institution should have adequate funds at its disposal to meet all the requirements without having to appeal annually for subscriptions and whereas the cost of this institution should be borne by all the people of the province, and not left to those who feel inclined to give; therefore be it resolved that this convention of municipal officials place themselves on record as being in favour of the provincial government appropriating sufficient funds to meet all the needs of the sanitarium and if sufficient money is not available from present sources of revenue, that we recommend that a special rate be levied on all rural and urban municipalities or the public revenue tax be increase to meet the need.

December, 1921

That the following resolution be passed and forwarded to the Minister of Municipal Affairs, Whereas on account of the critical situation among the farmers of Saskatchewan, because of a series of poor crops and the low price of all farm products at the present time and whereas it is absolutely necessary for individuals and all public bodies to practice the strictest economy and whereas the municipalities are force to curtail expenditures as it will be utterly impossible for many ratepayers to pay their taxes; Therefore be it resolved that the council of the Rural Municipality of Cupar No. 218 are of the opinion that the provincial government should in common with the farmers and municipalities curtail expenditures to the greatest possible extent and thus be able to lighten the burden on the taxpayer, by reducing the public revenue tax. Knowing that decreased revenue will necessitate decreased expenditures the council believe that the road drag competition has served its purpose of educating the municipalities to the value of dragging and can therefore be discontinued. The council do not believe that so many road inspectors are necessary for the inspection of roads on which grants are given to municipalities and the expenditure of the money can safety be left in the hand of the council as most of the rural municipalities are equipped to do satisfactory work.

January, 1922

That the sum of \$55,000 be borrowed from the Royal Bank on the security of the current levy at 7% interest – \$40,000 for schools, \$10,000 for telephones and \$5,000 for hail and the reeve and secretary be empowered to sign notes for same.

June, 1927

That we request the provincial minister of Agriculture to establish this municipality into a restricted area for the eradication of bovine tuberculosis.

July, 1927

A communication from the Cupar Jubilee committee, asking for a grant of \$100.00 was read and after a lengthy discussion the secretary was requested to notify the secretary of the committee that the council could not see the advisability of granting their request as celebrations were also held in both the Southey and Markinch districts and that no requests had been received from these districts that they did not feel justified in giving a grant to one district and not another, where the money was to be expended for similar purposes.

June, 1929

That the office hours be from 9 to 12 and 1 to 4 weekdays except Saturdays which are 9 to 12.

February, 1930

An emergency meeting held and council passed a bylaw passed authorizing borrowing \$8,000 and then loans for fodder for stock to be given. The maximum allowed for any person for one quarter section would be 2 tons of hay and 40 bushels of oats.

October, 1930

That the council apply to the government to be placed on the Free Freight List for feed and fodder as there is evidence that it will be necessary to ship into this municipality feed and fodder before the winter is over.

June, 1931

That L. R. Zurowski be appointed to supervise the herding of stock at Jensen and that he have full authority to organize the camp, build corrals, engage herders, etc.

July, 1931

That the questionnaire received from the department of Agriculture asking for our possible requirements for seed to be shipped in for 1932 be filled out as follows: Wheat 75,000 bushels; oats 30,000 bushels and barley 8,000 bushels.

October, 1931

That whereas the council of the Rural Municipality of Cupar No. 218 is in urgent need of funds to meet its obligations and carry on the administration of the municipality and in order to obtain sufficient funds it has considered it necessary to grant a compromise on unpaid taxes as an inducement to the ratepayers of the municipality to pay said taxes, Now therefore the Council of the said municipality subject to the consent of the Minister under Section 203 of the Rural Municipality Act hereby agrees to waive and cancel as a compromise one half of the penalties accrued upon or in respect of any arrears of taxes due the municipality if paid on or before the first day of December.

August, 1932

That the crops on lands of all ratepayers shown to be owing 1930 taxes by the assessment and tax roll of the municipality be seized for payment of the 1930 taxes.

That the collectors be instructed to see that the 1932 commission twine & repairs, 1931 twine and seed grain are collected first.

July, 1935

That as an inducement for ratepayers to pay their relief indebtedness that the council accept payment of any relief note or notes or accounts which are paid in full during 1935 without interest.

December, 1935

Relief schedule was discussed. Clothing schedule set at \$3.00 per person. Flour & grocery schedule be 75 cents per month per person for groceries and 60 cents for flour with a minimum of \$3.00 per month for flour and groceries. Relief orders for resident of the municipality be confined to merchants in Cupar, Markinch and Southey.

December, 1936

That this council join with others in asking the government to pass such legislation as will compel grain elevators to be closed between the hours of 8 p.m. and 6 a.m. all days, Sunday and legal holidays except Labour Day as this holiday usually comes during threshing time.

February, 1937

That whereas the municipality are indebted to the Royal Bank and the provincial government for relief and agricultural aid advanced prior to December 31, 1934 and Whereas the provincial government are responsible to the ratepayers of this municipality for roadwork credits on account of 1931-32 direct relief advances which were subsequently cancelled; Therefore be it resolved that the municipality hereby agrees to accept full responsibility for the application of the 1933 roadwork credits amounting to \$11,307.58 providing the provincial government release the municipality of the following liabilities:

To the Royal Bank for 1930 relief guaranteed by the government – Prin. 22,800.00 Int. 436.77; Department of Municipal Affairs for seed grain supplied in 1931 Prin 5,639.22 Int. 624.97; Provincial treasurer 1,055.63 for monies advanced to pay food and fuel orders in 1931; the Department of Agriculture for hay supplied in 1931 Prin. 875.09 Int 354.76; the relief commission for relief supplied in 1933 direct liability 2719.51 Int. 515.39.

(Provincial government later agreed to this)

October, 1937

That the following resolution be sent to the Sask. State Hospital and Medical League – Whereas the Council of this Municipality is in favour of a system of state hospitalization and medical treatment and whereas we believe such a system in force would ensure to the benefit of all people of the province, and whereas we desire such a system on an approved basis to be instituted at the earliest possible date and whereas we believe the present Sask. State Hospital and Medical League is doing valuable preparatory work along desired lines, therefore be it resolved that this council endorses the action of the said league to date and urgently requests that it's activities be carried on with all advisable speed with a view to bringing in plans at an early date for such a state system as will be both acceptable and advantageous to all our people and that the educational tax be increased to take care of the cost of same.

November, 1938

Owing to the fact that equine encephalomyelitis has been raging throughout the province for several years and is becoming more serious each year until in 1938, 15% or more of the horse population of the provinces has died; and whereas it is the consensus of veterinary opinion that vaccination will greatly reduce the ravages of this disease if not entirely prevent infection; and whereas universal inoculation may be the proper method of stamping out the disease; Therefore be it resolved, that we the ratepayers of the R.M. of Cupar No. 218 in annual meeting assembled urgently request the government to take immediate steps to procure an adequate supply of vaccine sufficient to inoculate all horses in the province. The vaccine to be supplied free by the government or made chargeable to each municipality and that legislation be enacted making vaccination compulsory.

August , 1940

That in the opinion of this council the average yield of wheat in the townships described in this resolution will be not more than 12 bushels per acre in 1940.

Township 22, Range 16 – 10 bushels

Township 23, Range 16 – 8 bushels

Township 24, Range 16 – 12 bushels

Township 21, Range 17 – 7 bushels

Township 22, Range 17 – 9 bushels

Township 23, Range 17 – 6 bushels

Township 24, Range 17 – 4 bushels

Township 21, Range 18 – 4 bushels

Township 22, Range 18 – 5 bushels

Township 23, Range 18 – 6 bushels

Township 24, Range 18 – 8 bushels

November, 1945 (Annual meeting)

That the council be instructed to oppose any move to have this municipality included into a larger municipal unit and that this municipality should not be included into a larger municipal unit unless the ratepayers of this municipality so desire and that the secretary be instructed to send a copy of this resolution to the Minister of Municipal Affairs.

September, 1947

That we request the provincial government to have a vote taken of the ratepayers concerned in the following townships and portions thereof in this municipal namely: Townships 22, 23 and 24, Range 16, W2 and the east four rows of sections in townships 21, 22, 23 and 24, Range 17, W2 for the purpose of establishing or rejecting the proposed Cupar Union Hospital District.

June, 1954

The secretary was requested to write to the Department of Highways requesting that Highway No. 22 be rebuilt and gravelled from Cupar to Southey. The reason being that since traffic was unable to travel on portions of the highway it was diverted to some municipal roads causing damage to municipal roads.

October, 1955

That the secretary write to the Regina Health Region Board and state that all persons liable for tax should be allowed to vote and also advise that the people in the region have not been well enough informed on the prepaid medical plan.

November, 1962

A special meeting was held for the purpose of meeting with the Sask. Municipal advisory commission in order to discuss boundaries for the proposed future boundary of the Cupar School Unit No. 28 which would likely be the future boundary of this county of modified county in the event of reorganization of local government.

January, 1963

That the secretary-treasurer advise the minister of Municipal Affairs and the Sask. Municipal advisory commission that the majority of the council is not satisfied with the boundaries of Co-terminous Area No. 30 as revised and recommended by the Sask.. Municipal Advisory Commission and also that the council is not in favour of either a county or modified county.