

## RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF CUPAR NO. 218

The regular meeting of council of the R.M. of Cupar No. 218 was held on Tuesday January 9, 2024 at the Municipal Office located at 113 Landsdowne Street in Cupar, Saskatchewan.

**PRESENT:** Present were Reeve Raymond Orb and Councillors Ron Kish (Division #1), Helena Blaser (Division #2), Daryl Frank (Division #3), Curtis Nakonechny (Division #4), and Administrator, Nikki Czemerer. Foreman Dana Weisbrod attended a portion of the meeting. Councillor Brennan Leib (Division #6) was absent. Councillor Trevor Wagner (Division #5) joined the meeting in progress.

**CALL TO ORDER:** A quorum being present, Reeve Orb called the meeting to order at 9:11 a.m. No conflicts of interest were declared at this time.

### 01/24 **ADMINISTRATOR'S BOND:**

Frank - That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 acknowledge the Administrator's bond with \$75,000 coverage through SARM Fidelity Bond Self Insurance Plan.

Carried.

### #02/24 **EI RATES FOR 2024**

Nakochny - That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 acknowledge the rates for Employment Insurance for 2024 at the reduced premium is 1.177 times the employee premium.

Carried.

### #03/24 **WORKER'S COMPENSATION RATES:**

Kish - That the Worker's Compensation Rates for 2024 be acknowledged as \$1.16 per \$100 of assessable payroll for G3109 employees and that the Council of the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 is also covered.

Carried.

### #04/24 **MINUTES:**

Blaser - That the minutes of the regular meeting of council held on Wednesday December 13, 2023 be approved as presented.

Carried.

### #05/24 **CORRESPONDENCE:**

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

- i. Election Workshop
- ii. SARM Insurance Info
- iii. SARM fees
- iv. SARM Membership Info
- v. Adoption of Construction Codes
- vi. ECTPC Meeting Minutes
- vii. Marksman Weed Control
- viii. Merry Christmas from Div 2 Director
- ix. Motor Grader Rebuild
- x. PHN Newsletter
- xi. Projects
- xii. SMHI - Claims report.

Carried.

Councillor Trevor Wagner joined the meeting at 9:27 a.m.

### **REPORTS:**

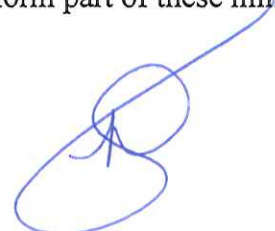
Councillor Nakonechny and Reeve Orb reported on the Regina District Association of Rural Municipalities Convention

Reeve Orb reported on the Wildlife Meeting he attended

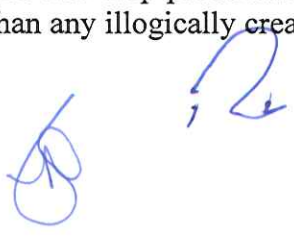
### #06/24 **RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS:**

Wagner - That the Statement of Financial Activities for December, 2023 be accepted as presented. This report shall be attached hereto and form part of these minutes.

Carried.



- #07/24 **LIST OF ACCOUNTS:**  
Nakonechny - That the list of accounts from cheques # 14982 to #15017 and preauthorized debits to Royal Bank Visa, Agline, Ministry of Finance, Pitney Bowes, Sask Power, Sask Tel and Sask Energy totaling \$240,060.56, plus payroll transactions posted through the Ceridian payroll software in the amount of \$17,615.48 be approved as presented and that the list be attached to and form part of these minutes. Carried.
- #08/24 **COUNCIL REMUNERATION FOR 2024**  
Kish - That the remuneration for Council in 2024 be as follows:  
Meetings and Supervision - \$200 per day  
Meals - \$60 per day or \$20 per meal  
Communication Allowance of \$50 monthly  
Mileage – 50 cents per kilometer. Carried.  
Note: Public Notice was provided for the discussion and passing of the above resolution.
- #09/24 **SASK LOTTERIES GRANT:**  
Blaser - That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 allocate the 2024 Sask Lotteries grant as follows: Cupar 50%, Southey 40% and Markinch 10%. Carried.
- #10/24 **COUNCIL DELEGATION AT CONVENTION:**  
Nakonechny – That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 register Curtis Nakonechny and Ron Kish as voters for the 2024 SARM Convention. Carried.
- #11/24 **PICTURE FRAME:**  
Wagner – That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 get quotes to frame the historic map in the office so to preserve it. Carried.
- #12/24 **CONSERVATION EASEMENTS:**  
Nakonechny – That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 has no objections to Ducks Unlimited Canada placing Conservation Easements on the following properties: NE-35-23-18-W2, SE-08-22-18-W2, NE-21-24-17-W2 and SE-06-22-18-W2. Carried.
- #13/24 **BYLAW TO CLOSE AND LEASE A MUNICIPAL ROAD:**  
Kish – That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 introduce and pass first reading for Bylaw #2024-01 which is bylaw to close and lease a municipal road located through the SW-7-23-17-W2. This bylaw will replace Bylaw #3/13 which previously closed and leased the road and the lease needs to renewed. Carried.
- #14/24 **BYLAW TO CLOSE AND LEASE A MUNICIPAL ROAD:**  
Blaser – That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 give second reading for Bylaw #2024-01 which is bylaw to close and lease a municipal road located through the SW-7-23-17-W2. Carried.
- #15/24 **SARM CONVENTION RESOLUTION:**  
Frank – That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 join the Rural Municipality of Tullymet in supporting the following resolution to be presented at the SARM Annual Convention:  
RDRAM Resolution  
Rural Municipality of Tullymet No. 216  
WHEREAS CO2 is the building block of life and fuels, photosynthesis CO2 is not a pollutant, and to call it a pollutant is disingenuous;  
  
WHEREAS any policies that are designed to punish the critical, natural CO2 cycle are not only illogical but dangerous to the balance of natural food production;  
  
WHEREAS Saskatchewan’s forests, grasslands and crop production zones rely on this critical CO2, but also sequesters more CO2 than any illogically created CO2 Reduction Strategy; and





WHEREAS policies that vilify CO2 are illogical and unpredictable that will undoubtedly create an uncertain amount of negative impact to our existing crop production systems and economy;

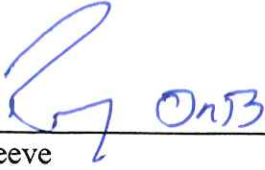
BE IT RESOLVED that SARM will ensure that any policies that unduly target naturally occurring CO2 will be deemed as illogical and dangerous. We move that Saskatchewan remove itself from any national or international agreements such as net zero

Carried.

#16/24 **ADJOURNMENT:**

Blaser – That the meeting be adjourned at 11:32 a.m..

Carried.

  
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Reeve

  
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Administrator

Next regular Meeting of Council will be February 13, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.