

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF CUPAR NO. 218

The regular meeting of council of the R.M. of Cupar No. 218 was held on Tuesday, June 18, 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), Curtis Nakonechny (Division #4), Trevor Wagner (Division #5), Brennan Leib (Division #6) and Administrator, Nikki Czemerer. Daryl Frank (Division #3) joined the meeting already in progress. Foreman Dana Weisbrod attended a portion of the meeting.

CALL TO ORDER: A quorum being present, Reeve Orb called the meeting to order at 8:02 a.m. No conflicts of interest were declared at this time.

#81/24 MINUTES:

Kish - That the minutes of the regular meeting of council held on Friday May 3, 2024, be approved as presented.

Carried.

#82/24 CORRESPONDENCE:

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

- i. SARM – Run for Election
- ii. Ministry of Environment – Response to the CO2 resolution
- iii. East Central AGM Presentation
- iv. Sprayer Calibration Clinics
- v. Track Loaders and Skid Steer Brochures
- vi. Community Futures AGM
- vii. Saskatchewan Association of Watersheds' Climate Change Adaptation Planning Invite
- viii. TransGas – inspecting pipelines
- ix. Ministry of Highways – Construction Plan
- x. Monarchist Society of Canada – Photo of King
- xi. Spring Road Orders
- xii. Leafy Spurge Beetle Collection Days – July 2-5
- xiii. STARS – Year in Review

Carried.

REPORTS:

Reeve Orb reported on CP Rail info on the rail ties in Markinch
Each Councillor did a report on activity in their division
The Equipment Committee reported on the Spearhead Demo
Reeve Orb reported on the SARM Division Meetings

#83/24 RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS:

Nakonechny – That the Statement of Financial Activities for May, 2024 be accepted as presented. This report shall be attached hereto and form part of these minutes.

Carried.

Councillor Frank joined the meeting at 8:48 a.m.

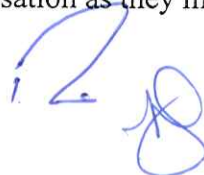
#84/24 LIST OF ACCOUNTS:

Kish - That the list of accounts from cheques # 15116 to #1562 and preauthorized debits to Royal Bank Visa, Agline, Ministry of Finance, Pitney Bowes, Sask Power, Sask Tel and Sask Energy totaling \$143,897.31 plus payroll transactions posted through the Ceridian payroll software in the amount of \$44,119.37 be approved as presented and that the list be attached to and form part of these minutes.

Carried.

#85/24 PASSING LANES ON HIGHWAY #6:

Blaser - That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 responds to the Ministry of Highways and Infrastructures survey regarding the potential addition of passing lanes to Highway #6 between Southey and Grid 739 in favour of the addition of these proposed passing lanes and would like to be part of the conversation as they move forward. Carried.



#86/24 **RAILWAY TIES:**
Wagner – That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 approach the Village of Markinch to send a joint letter to CP Rail expressing concern about the pile of railway ties that seem to have been abandoned next to the rail line as they are a hazard and may attract rodents. Carried.

Councillor Kish left the meeting at 8:59 a.m.

#87/24 **AMENDMENT TO THE BASIC COMMUNITY PLAN**
Blaser – That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 introduce and give first reading to Bylaw #2024-02 being an amendment to the Basic Community Plan. Carried.

#88/24 **AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING BYLAW:**
Blaser – That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 introduce and give first reading to Bylaw #2024-03 being an amendment to the Zoning Bylaw. Carried.

#89/24 **2024 BUDGET:**
Blaser – That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 adopt the budget for 2024 as per attached. The budget projects \$1,779,030 in revenue and \$1,922,310 in expenses projecting a loss of \$143,280 for the 2024 Fiscal Year. Working cash budgets has also been attached for reference. Carried.

Councillor Kish rejoined the meeting at 9:59 a.m.

#90/24 **2024 MILL RATE:**
Frank – That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 establish a mill rate of 6.50 for the 2024 taxation year to meet the needs of the budget. This mill rate is subject to the mill rate factors outlined in Bylaw #2021-01. Carried.

#91/24 **AUDIT NOTE:**
Leib – That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 acknowledge that our 2023 Final Audit received an unqualified note. This is because the Municipality cannot confirm or deny whether or not asbestos is in the Municipal Office. If it is, a liability we set up for mitigation. The Administrator has arranged for testing to be done. Carried.

#92/24 **FIRE GRANTS:**
Wagner – That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 acknowledge that the Town of Southey and the Town of Cupar each receive a \$15,000 Grant for fire services for the 2024 fiscal year. Carried.

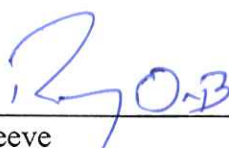
#93/24 **INSURANCE SETTLEMENT:**
Nakonechny – That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 accept the insurance settlement on the 2023 accident with the New Holland Tractor in the amount of \$4,961.82 after the \$1000 deductible. Carried.

#94/24 **MUNISOFT UPGRADE:**
Kish – That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 authorize the Administrator to upgrade the Munisoft Accounts Payable program to the newest version as the current version will no longer be supported and approve the \$250 cost of training on the new program. Carried.

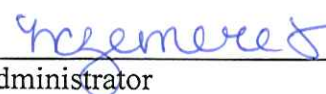
#95/24 **ACCEPT OFFER FROM CHAMPION PRODUCTS:**
Blaser – Whereas the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 received “promotion items” from Champion Commercial Products and then two week later received an invoice for the products we did not order. Whereas the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 utilized the items received and were unable to return them, be it resolved that the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 accept the offer from Champion to reduce the invoice by 50% to \$893.58. Carried.

#96/24 **PRESSURE WASHER:**
Blaser – That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 purchase a pressure washer from Hotsy for a cost of \$3,607.00 Carried.

- #97/24 **DEVELOPMENT PERMIT:**
Frank – That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 approve the Development Permit for a detached cold storage garage on the NE-30-21-18-W2. Carried.
- #98/24 **DEVELOPMENT PERMIT:**
Leib – That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 approve the Development Permit for a new residence on the NW-36-23-18-W2. A Building Inspection and Geotech report will be required for this project. Carried.
- #99/24 **DEVELOPMENT PERMIT:**
Wagner – That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 approve the Development Permit for an attached garage on the NW-25-21-18-W2. A Building Inspection will be required for this project. Carried.
- #100/24 **DEVELOPMENT PERMIT:**
Nakonechny – That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 approve the Development Permit for a farm shop on the NW-05-23-17-W2. Carried.
- #101/24 **DEVELOPMENT PERMIT:**
Blaser – That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 approve the Development Permit for a cold storage machinery shed on the SE-10-24-17-W2. Carried.
- #102/24 **DEVELOPMENT PERMIT:**
Nakonechny – That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 approve the Development Permit for a Grain Bin on the SE-06-24-16-W2 with a minor variance to 77 feet from the centre line of the road. The approval is based on the bin being farther back from the centerline of the road than the existing bins. Carried.
- #103/24 **DONATION TO 4-H FOUNDATION:**
Leib – That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 donate \$250 to the Saskatchewan 4-H Foundation. Carried.
- #104/24 **ADMINISTRATOR HOLIDAYS:**
Nakonechny – That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 grant Administrator Nikki Czemerer time off for appointments for medical appointments of July 5 and 17, 2024. Carried.
- #105/24 **ADJOURNMENT:**
Nakonechny – That the meeting be adjourned at 12:10 p.m.. Carried.



Reeve



Administrator

Next regular will be on July 9, 2024 at 8:00 a.m. followed by a Road and Bridge tour and the Staff and Council Barbeque