

## RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF CUPAR NO. 218

The first meeting of council of the R.M. of Cupar No. 218 was held on Tuesday December 10, 2024 at the Municipal Office located at 113 Landsdowne Street in Cupar, Saskatchewan.

**PRESENT:** Present were Reeve Curtis Nakonechny and Councillors, Ron Kish (Division #1), Helena Blaser (Division #2), Daryl Frank (Division #3) and Brennan Leib (Division #6) and Administrator, Nikki Czemerer. Trevor Wagner (Division #5) arrived after the start of the meeting. Foreman Dana Weisbrod attended for a portion of the meeting.

**CALL TO ORDER:** A quorum being present, Reeve Nakonechny called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m. No conflicts of interest were declared at this time.

Councillors Kish and Frank and Reeve Nakonechny took their oaths of office and completed their Council Disclosure Statements.

### #170/24 ABANDONMENT OF POLL AND OATHES OF OFFICE:

Leib – That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 acknowledge the Abandonment of Poll from the November 13, 2024 election where the following candidates were acclaimed:

Curtis Nakonechny for Reeve,  
Ron Kish for Division #1  
Daryl Frank for Division #3  
Trevor Wagner for Division #5

Carried.

Delegates: Tyler Lakeman from Finning attended the meeting at 10:30 to discuss the purchase of a new grader in 2025.

### #171/24 MINUTES:

Kish - That the minutes of the regular meeting of council held on Tuesday November 12, 2024, be approved as presented.

Carried.

### #172/24 CORRESPONDENCE:

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

- i. PDAP Training
- ii. PBI Newsletter and 5 Principles Attachment
- iii. Brandt Operator Safety Training
- iv. Civic Address Registry
- v. Mental Health First Aid Training
- vi. Channel Clearing Grant
- vii. Nitrogen Management
- viii. Winter Weight Orders

Carried.

Councillor Trevor Wagner arrived at 9:17 and took his Oath of Office and completed his Council Disclosure Statement.

**REPORTS:** Councillors Blaser and Wagner reported on the George Cuff Governance Seminar they attended.

### #173/24 RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS:

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

Carried.

### #174/24 LIST OF ACCOUNTS:

Wagner - That the list of accounts from cheques # 15321 to #15334 and preauthorized debits to Royal Bank Visa, Agline, Ministry of Finance, Pitney Bowes, Sask Power, Sask Tel and Sask Energy totaling \$36,850.42 plus payroll transactions posted through the Ceridian payroll software in the amount of \$27,500.52 be approved as presented and that the list be attached to and form part of these minutes.

Carried.

**#175/24 COUNCILLOR TRAINING:**

Kish – That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 send Curtis Nakonechny and Ron Kish for Mini-Workshop for Councillors on January 6, 2024 for a cost of \$300 each. If possible, other Council may attend as well. Carried.

**#176/24 AUDIT ENGAGEMENT:**

Kish – That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 sign the letter of responsibilities from Dudley and Company LLP for the 2024 Audit. Dudley and Company LLP has also been appointed to conduct our 2025 Audit. Carried.

**177/24 PARKLAND REGIONAL LIBRARY:**

Blaser – That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 enter into an agreement with Parkland Regional Library, jointly with the Town of Cupar, to cover the cost of the library being open for additional hours per week. Carried

**#178/24 MUNICIPAL REVENUE SHARING:**

Frank – That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 acknowledges it is compliant with the requirements for the Municipal Revenue Sharing Grant. Carried.

**#179/24 ADMIN HOLIDAYS:**

Leib – That the Administrator be granted holidays on December 24, 2024, January 27-February 3 and February 13&14, 2025. Carried.

**#180/24 APPOINTMENTS:**

Wagner – That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 table the appointments to committees until after the Municipal By-Election. Carried.

**#181/24 ADJOURNMENT TO PUBLIC MEETING:**

Leib – That the meeting be adjourned to a public meeting at 9:59 a.m.

Carried.

Reeve Nakonechny called the meeting back to order at 10:07 a.m.

**#182/24 AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING BYLAW:**

Frank – That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 second reading to Bylaw #2024-05 being an amendment to the Zoning Bylaw.

Carried.

**#183/24 AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING BYLAW:**

Leib – That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 third and final reading to Bylaw #2024-05 being an amendment to the Zoning Bylaw and the Bylaw be signed and sealed by the Reeve and Administrator and forwarded to Community Planning Branch for final approval. Carried.

**#184/24 DONATION TO THE SANTA CLAUSE PARADE:**

Wagner – That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 donate \$100 to the Cupar Santa Claus Parade. Carried.

**185/24 CUSTOM WORK:**

Kish - That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 set the custom rates for 2025 as follows:

Ratepayer - \$200 per hour

Non-Ratepayer - \$225 per hour

Minimum Charge - \$100 per hour

Carried.

**#186/24 GRADER PURCHASE:**

Blaser – That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 purchase a 2025 150Joy-BR Motor Grader from Finning Canada under the Canoe Program, for a purchase price of \$529,323.18 less trade in of the 2019 CAT Grader valued at \$182,000 for a difference of \$347,323.18 plus taxes and fees. Estimated delivery is March 2025. Carried.

**#187/24 SOIL DISTURBANCE:**

Frank – That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 pay \$300 per acre to the following for soil disturbance:

Prairie Pharmacy – 10 acres

Mark Flaman – 10 acres

Clark Hubick and Jeremy Knapp – 5 acres

Gerrard Ag Ltd – 2 acres

Carried.

**#188/24 SUBDIVISION APPLICATION:**

Leib – That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 has no objections to the proposed subdivision on the NE-28-22-18-W2. Carried.

**#189/24 SUBDIVISION APPLICATION:**

Leib – That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 has no objections to the proposed subdivision on the NE and SE-33-23-18-W2. Carried.

**#190/24 REGULAR MEETINGS OF COUNCIL:**

Kish – That the Regular Meetings of Council be held on the second Tuesday of each month for 2024. Carried.

**#191/24 PAYMENTS DUE TO CANADA POST STRIKE:**

Blaser – That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 authorize Administrator to pay invoices electronically due to the Canada Post strike. And further, that cheque #15297 in the amount of 162,251.48 have a stop payment put on and replaced due to the amount. The cheque was mailed two days prior to the strike. Carried.

**#192/24 DONATION TO LOCAL RINKS:**

Frank – That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 donate \$600 to each to the Cupar Rink and Southey Rink. Carried.

**#193/24 SASKPOWER CONSTRUCTION:**

Leib – That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 has no objections to the SaskPower proposed removal of the line to the SW-27-21-18-W2. Carried.

**#194/24 PBI BUILDING INSPECTORS:**

Wagner – That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 appoint the following building inspectors as employed by Professional Building Inspectors:

<b>Cristin Korchinski</b>	Class 2 Licensed Building Official, Saskatchewan	BOL784/808
<b>Virginia Shepley</b>	Class 3 Licensed Building Official, Saskatchewan	BOL517
<b>Bobby Baker</b>	Class 3 Licensed Building Official, Saskatchewan	BOL552
<b>Joshua Nitz</b>	Class 3 Licensed Building Official, Saskatchewan	BOL785
<b>Charles Fiss</b>	Class 1 Licensed Building Official, Saskatchewan	BOL836
<b>David Kindred</b>	Class 1 Licensed Building Official, Saskatchewan	BOL514
<b>John Dulle</b>	Class 1 Licensed Building Official, Saskatchewan	BOL789

Carried.

#195/24 **SUMMER STUDENT:**

Kish – That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 apply for the Canada Summer Jobs Grant that supports wages in quality summer positions. Carried.

#196/24 **HUNTING ON GRAVEL QUARTER OWNED BY MUNICIPALITY:**

Blaser – That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 agrees that the amount of elk in the area is too high, however as the land owned by the Municipality is a place of work, that the request to hunt elk on this property be declined. Carried.

#197/24 **ELK POPULATION:**

Frank – That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 to approach the Rural Municipality of Touchwood requesting they join us in a joint letter to the Ministry of Environment regarding the growing elk population and the damage to crop and livestock feed that is it causing and the need for more tags in our area. Further, that invite Travis Keisig, the MLA for Last Mountain – Touchwood, to our next meeting of Council Carried.

#198/24 **MUNICIPAL WAGES FOR 2025**

Leib – That the Rural Municipality of Cupar #218 increase the following employee's wages for 2025 to the following:

Terry McKinstry – \$29.90

Dana Weisbriod - \$37.90

Darryl Molnar – \$29.90

Jordan German - \$26.14

Tim Wilker - \$32.75

Mya Stout – \$21.86

Marty Gerrard - \$26.14

Kim Back - \$33.99

Nikki Czemerer - \$84,774.28

Carried.

#199/24 **ADJOURNMENT:**

Wagner – That the meeting be adjourned to the road tour at 12:10 p.m.

Carried.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Reeve

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Administrator

Next regular will be January 14, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.