

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE R.M. OF
LOON LAKE NO. 561 HELD IN THE MUNICIPAL OFFICE SHOP AT LOON LAKE, SK ON
WEDNESDAY AUGUST 12, 2020 AT 8:00 A.M.

Present:

Reeve: Greg Carinal
Councilors:
Division 1: Kelly Cardinal
Division 3: Grant Preece
Division 5: Rodney Schneider
Administrator: Erin Simpson
Division 2: Ron Loehndorf - Absent
Division 4: Ervin Malanchuk
Division 6: Larry Lantz

Reeve, Greg Cardinal called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

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Agenda

PREECE

That the agenda for the August 10, 2020 be used as a guideline for this meeting with the following additions.

Sask Power
Tolko

Carried

169/20

Minutes

MALANCHUK

That the minutes of the regular Council meeting of the R.M. of Loon Lake No. 561 held on July 8, 2020 be approved as presented.

Carried

170/20

List of Accounts for Approval

CARDINAL, K.

That the list of payments Cheque # 23472 to Cheque # 23523 and other payments totaling \$172,165.53 be approved for payment. The list of Accounts for Approval is attached and form part of these minutes

Carried

171/20

Payroll

SCHNEIDER

That the following amounts for payroll be approved as presented, a copy of each is attached and form part of these minutes:

Payroll June 28, 2020 to July 11, 2020 = \$12,294.57

Payroll July 12, 2020 to July 25, 2020 = \$14,125.86

Carried

172/20

Financial Statement

LANTZ

That the Statement of Financial Activities for the month of July be accepted as presented.

Carried

173/20

Bank Reconciliation

PREECE

That the Bank Reconciliation for the months of June and July, 2020 be accepted as presented.

Carried

Ed Schafer joined the meeting at 8:45 am to discuss approaches on his land.

Ed Schafer left the meeting at 9:10 am.

174/20

Letter from Clifton Associates

CARDINAL, K.

That the RM accept the letter from Clifton Associates regarding Pine Cove developments. Noted in the letter was an error of the date the letter was sent.

Carried

Gary Prosser joined the meeting at 9:50am to discuss the RM purchasing approximately 2.6 acres of land from the SE 3-59-24-W3.

Gary Prosser left the meeting at 10:00 am.

175/20

Land Purchase

CARDINAL, K.

That the RM of Loon Lake offer Gary Prosser \$5200.00 for the 2.6 acres of land from the SE 3-59-24-W3 which contains a portion of range road 3243 and a bridge. The payment is valid until September 15, 2020 and should Mr. Prosser accept; the payment will not be issued until after January 1, 2021 at the land owners request.

Carried

176/20

Land Abatement

PREECE

That the RM of Loon Lake abate the vacant Sask Ag and Food Lands for the 2020 taxation year, in the amount of \$2,554.79. \$2,063.07 being municipal taxes and \$491.72 being education property tax. A list of lands is attached and form part of these minutes.

Carried

177/20

Stale Dated Cheque

PREECE

That cheque number 23211 in the amount of \$180.00 for payment of beaver tails that was issued December 31, 2019 and is now stale dated be written off the books and not reissued.

Carried

178/20

Letter Received

LANTZ

That the RM of Loon Lake accept the letter received from Kathy Dopko requesting an abatement on the Commercial taxes for her outfitting business for the 2020 taxation year. The RM of Loon Lake Council will not be issuing an abatement on the commercial taxes at this time.

Carried

179/20

Northwest Regional Waste

LOEHNDORF

That a recommendation letter be send to the North Waste Regional Waste Board stating the RM of Loon Lake is in favor of Makwa Sahgaiehcan First Nations becoming a voting member on Northwest Regional Waste Board.

Carried

Foreman Ed Brunet arrived to the meeting at 10:30 am and gave his monthly report on Public Works operations.

180/20

Township Road 584

That council acknowledge correspondence received from Jim and Allison Schneider regarding drainage on Township Road 584 and furthermore council direct the foreman to contract Kevin Brinsky to replace the two existing small culverts with 2 arched culverts and to install an additional two 500 mm culverts.

Carried

181/20

Makwa Lake Boat Launch Drainage

PREECE

That the RM of Loon Lake No 561 proceed with acquiring Surface Parcel 127721167 Block 2, BQ4721 from the Ministry of Agriculture for the purpose of creating additional parking.

Carried

182/20

Emergency Exit

MALANCHUK

That the RM of Loon Lake construct a Fire Lane on Camp Street at Makwa Lake as an emergency exit.

Carried

183/20

F. Moore Approach

LANTZ

That as per the Approach Standards Policy 1-2018 Fred Moore will be required to pay the deposit of \$500.00 at the RM office prior to constructing his approach. Once the approach meets the standard stipulated in the Approach Standards Policy and is signed off by the RM Foreman, the RM will return the \$500.00 deposit to the applicant. FURTHER should that approach not meet the standard specified in the Approach Standards Policy, the RM Foreman is authorized to make the necessary alterations and costs to be deducted from deposit received.

Carried

184/20

Beaver Dam Removal

CARDINAL, K.

That the RM send an invoice to Robin Bull for the removal of a beaver damn on the SW 34-56-20-W3 in the amount of \$410.70 plus an additional 3 hours of Council Supervision.

Carried

185/20

Gravel Pit

LANTZ

That once all permits are in place the RM Foreman commence constructing the road to the new gravel pit located in the NW 3-61-23-W3.

Carried

186/20

Gravel Crush

CARDINAL, K.

That the RM tender the 2020/2021 gravel crush of 40,000 cubic yards. Contractor can start November 1, 2020 and must be completed by January 31, 2021.

Carried

187/20

Bridge Tender

SCHNEIDER

That the RM award the major bridge restoration located at N 24-58-21-W3 to North West Bridge services in the amount \$290,000.00 plus applicable taxes.

FURTHER The Administrator enter into a contract with North West Bridge Services for the required work.

Carried

188/20

Approaches

LANTZ

That the RM of Loon Lake authorize Ed Schafer to construct the two approaches at his expense which includes the purchase of the required culverts. The proposed approaches to be constructed are located off of range road 3204 into the NW 16-58-20-W3 and the SW 33-57-20-W3.

FURTHER the RM Foreman meet with Ed Schafer on site to identify the location and required culvert size for the two proposed approaches. The Foreman must approve the location prior to construction of the approaches commence.

Foreman Ed Brumet left the meeting at 12:15 pm.

189/20

Ministikwan Subdivision

MALANCHUK

That the RM of Loon Lake acknowledge the letter received from Ministikwan Lake regarding the signs at the Lake Development. Public Works employee will inspect the signage and posts at Ministikwan Lake and replace any damaged, rotted, or faded signs.
Carried

190/20

Preece Road

CARDINAL, K.

That the Council of the RM of Loon Lake compensate Robert Preece \$8700.00 for perceived damages on access road located within section 24-58-24-W3, on the condition that he sign off any and all liability, past, present and future dealing with any drainage issues on the portion of Range Road 3241 directly south of highway 699. Robert Preece must accept and sign off on the above within 30 days from the date of this meeting or the offer become null and void.
Carried

Rita Rogers joined the meeting 1:00 pm to discuss the RM's staffing concerns.

Councillor Grant Preece left the meeting at 1:20 pm and did not return.

191/20

Administrator Wage

LANTZ

That the RM of Loon Lake advertise the position of Administrator on both the SARM and SUMA website and state in the advertisement that the RM will pay in accordance with the UMASS joint office salary guidelines.
Carried

Rita Rogers left the meeting at 1:25 pm.

192/20

TSS Grant

LOEHNDORF

That the RM of Loon Lake enter into an agreement with Rita Rogers for the Targeted Sector Support grant and that the Administrator and Reeve be authorized to sign the agreement.
Carried

193/20

2020 Auditor

LANTZ

That the RM of Loon Lake appoint Pinnacle as the Municipal Auditor for the 2020 year.
Carried

194/20

Boat House

MALANCHUK

That the permit for a boat house on the channel at Pine Cove be directed to Art Huys for approval as the RM does not own or have jurisdiction of the land within BLK D-102253621.

Carried

195/20

Unauthorized Construction

SCHNEIDER

That the RM of Loon Lake send a building inspector to the NW 16-58-23-W3 and to NE 9-58-20-W3 to see if construction is taking place and if unauthorized developments are occurring that the building inspector take any means necessary to remedy the situation.

Carried

196/20

4-H Funding Request

MALANCHUK

That council acknowledge correspondence from Loon Lake 4-H and request a letter be sent indicating that the RM already donates to the local 4-H organizations.

Carried

197/20

Correspondence

MALANCHUK

That the following correspondence having been read, be filed;
Traffic Counter Map 2020
MEEP (Municipal Economic Enhancement Program) Grant Approval
TSS (Targeted Sector Support Grant)

Carried

198/20

Adjournment

MALANCHUK

That this meeting be adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

Carried

Reeve

Administrator