MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE R.M. OF LOON LAKE NO. 561 HELD AT 100 – FIRST STREET SOUTH AT LOON LAKE, SK ON WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 14, 2024 AT 9:00 A.M.

Present:

Reeve Greg Cardinal

Councilors:

Division 2: Maurice Jeannotte

Division 3: O'Neil Lavoie

Division 4: Grant Huber

Division 5: Rodney Schneider

Division 6: Larry Lantz

Administrator: Erin Simpson

Regrets: Grant Preece - Division 1

Reeve, Greg Cardinal called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Foreman Nick Honish was present when the meeting was called to order.

25/24 **Agenda**

JEANNOTTE

That the agenda for the February 14, 2024 be used as a guideline for this meeting.

Carried

Foreman Nick Honish gave his report at 9:02 a.m. on the public works operations.

26/24 **Brushing**

LANTZ

That the RM of Loon Lake proceed with hiring Albers Contracting to complete the brushing on range road 3201 adjacent to SE 2-58-20-W3. As well township road 580 adjacent to SE 2-58-20-W3 for the quoted price of \$8000.00 plus tax.

FURTHER the RM enter into an agreement with the land owner to have the brush and other material from the road allowance piled onto the SE 2-58-20-W3 and the land owner will clean up the piles at their expense.

Carried

Rod and Joan Whitrow joined the meeting at 9:56 a.m. to discuss the trees that were removed within Fowler Lake Developments Subdivision.

Rod and Joan Whitrow left the meeting at 10:26 a.m.

27/24 Gravel Program 2024

LANTZ

That the gravel program for 2024 be approved as presented. A copy of each division map will be attached to the minutes.

Carried

28/24 Gravel Haul RFQ

SCHNEIDER

That administration proceeds with tendering the gravel haul of approximately 17,000 - 20,000 cubic yards of gravel to be placed on RM roads throughout the Municipality.

Carried

29/24 **Brushing**

LAVOIE

That the RM of Loon Lake proceed with hiring Fast Freddie Contracting to mulch the brush on the north west side of 699 West, approximately half a mile east of the bridge for the quoted price of \$5,460.00 plus tax.

Carried

ACS

30/24 **Grader Purchase**

CARDINAL

That the RM of Loon Lake withdraw \$290,000.00 from the savings account to purchase the 2024 grader. The RM will make monthly payments of \$8055.56 plus 5.75% interest back to the savings account for 36 months until the money is repaid in full.

Carried

31/24 Rock Pile Removal

SCHNEIDER

That the RM of Loon Lake authorize the public works staff to remove the three piles of handpicked rocks from the NE 8-57-20-W3 and add them to the stockpile at Makwa. The land owner does not wish to be compensated for the rocks.

Carried

Foreman Nick Honish left the meeting at 11:25 a.m. and did not return.

32/24 **Minutes**

HUBER

That the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of the R.M. of Loon Lake No. 561 held on January 9, 2024 be approved as presented.

Carried

33/24 Correspondence

SCHNEIDER

That the following correspondence having been read can now be filed. SAMA 2024 Municipal Requisition 304 Bridge Replacement Makwa

Carried

34/24 <u>March Meeting</u>

LAVOIE

That the RM Council meeting held on March 11, 2024 start at 8:00 a.m.

Carried

35/24 <u>List of Accounts for Approval</u>

SCHNEIDER

That the list of payments cheque # 25290 to cheque # 25317 and other payments totaling \$696,289.14 be approved for payment. The Lists of Accounts for Approval is attached and form part of these minutes.

Carried

36/24 **Payroll**

HUBER

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

Payroll December 24, 2023 to January 6, 2024 = \$10,625.55

Payroll January 7, 2024 to January 20, 2024 = \$13,248.66

Payroll January 21, 2024 to February 3, 2024 = \$12,582.49

Carried

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37/24 <u>Council Indemnity</u>

LAVOIE

That the January Council Indemnity cheque # 1123 to cheque # 1128 totaling \$2,392.71 be approved for payment.

Carried

38/24 **Bank Reconciliation**

JEANNOTTE

That the Bank Reconciliation for the month of January, 2024 be accepted as presented.

Carried

39/24 Statement of Financial Activity

LAVOIE

That the Statement of Financial Activities for the month of January, 2024 be accepted as presented.

Carried

40/24 November Council meeting date

SCHNEIDER

That due to the election being held Wednesday November 13, 2024 the RM of Loon Lake will move the November meeting date to Tuesday November 12, 2024.

Carried

41/24 **Bow River Taxes**

JEANNOTTE

That the RM of Loon Lake stop levying taxes and charging interest on the 108 locations of gas wells that were operated by Bow River but are no longer operating. A list of locations is attached and form part of these minutes.

Carried

42/24 **Supporting Resolution**

CARDINAL

That the RM of Loon Lake Council is in support of the resolution being put forth by the RM of Emerald No. 277 to the 2024 SARM Convention pertaining to deterrents for beaches of bylaws.

Carried

43/24 <u>Interest</u>

LAVOIE

That the request to have the interested in the amount of \$58.04 abated for a tax payment that was received after December 31, 2023 be denied.

Carried

44/24 <u>Tax Enforcement</u>

CARDINAL

That the RM of Loon Lake proceed with completing and submitting FORM H from *The Tax Enforcement Act* for lot 4, block 1, plan 82B05163.

Carried

ACS

45/24 **Policy 900-23**

HUBER

That the Transfer Site Extreme Weather Policy 900-23 be approved as presented.

Carried

46/24 <u>Community Contributor</u>

SCHNEIDER

That the RM of Loon Lake donate \$300.00 as Community Contributor to the Meadow Lake & District Scholarship Committee. The funds will be presented to a student at Ernie Studer School or a Meadow Lake School.

Carried

47/24 **Outstanding Taxes**

HUBER

The RM write off the following amounts of outstanding 2021 and 2022, taxes and interest on the S $\frac{1}{2}$ 33-59-21-W3, due to Sask Ag and Food not notifying the RM of the lease changing.

SW 33-59-21-W3

Education Property Tax - \$80.19

Municipal Property Tax - \$346.14

Interest - \$214.04

SE 33-59-21-W3

Education Property Tax - \$101.08

Municipal Property Tax - \$436.32

Interest - \$266.17

Carried

48/24 Proposed Subdivision

JEANNOTTE

That the proposed subdivision of approximately 25 acres located within SE 30-56-21-W3, be approved subject to the following conditions:

- The RM of Loon Lake enter into an Approach Construction Agreement with the land owner and register it against the title of SE 30-56-21-W3.
- Municipal reserve is not required for this application.
 Carried

49/24 Adjournment

HUBER

That this meeting be adjourned at 1:54 p.m. Carried

Reeve

Administrator