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 MONDAY MARCH 11, 2024 AT 8:00 A.M.

Present:

Reeve Greg Cardinal

Councilors:

Division 1: Grant Preece
Division 2: Maurice Jeannotte
Division 3: O'Neil Lavoie
Division 4: Grant Huber
Division 5: Rodney Schneider
Division 6: Larry Lantz

Administrator: Erin Simpson

Reeve, Greg Cardinal called the meeting to order at 7:55 a.m.

No conflict of interest was noted.

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

50/24 Agenda

LAVOIE

That the agenda for the March 11, 2024 be used as a guideline for this meeting.

Carried

Foreman Nick Honish gave his report at 7:57 a.m. on the public works operations.

51/24 **Brushing Policy**

PREECE

That the RM of Loon Lake approve policy 300-11 the Brushing Policy as presented.

Carried

52/24 **Dopko Bridge Replacement**

PREECE

That the RM of Loon Lake defer the replacement of the Dopko bridge until 2025. FURTHER the RM Administrator try to obtain an extension for the RIRG project to extend the deadline until spring of 2026.

Carried

53/24 Backhoe Repair

LANTZ

That the RM of Loon Lake hire Greg Brown to repair our backhoe, at the RM shop. Carried

54/24 **2% on Credit Card Transactions**

LAVOIE

That effective September 1, 2024 the RM of Loon Lake will charge 2% on credit card transactions. Payments made on taxes via credit card before the August 30, will not be subject to the 2% charge.

Carried

55/24 **Budget Meeting**

CARDINAL

That the RM of Loon Lake schedule a budget meeting to finalize the 2024 budget and to review proposed tax rates to March 21, 2024 at the RM Office starting at 1:00 p.m. Carried

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56/24 Grader Blades

SCHNEIDER

That the Foreman Nick Honish be authorized to purchase approximately \$4,500.00 of grader blades from Lazars in Meadow Lake.

Carried

Foreman Nick Honish left the meeting at 10:18 a.m. and did not return.

57/24 **Minutes**

HUBER

That the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of the R.M. of Loon Lake No. 561 held on February 14, 2024 be approved as presented.

Carried

58/24 **Ag in the Classroom**

CARDINAL

That the RM of Loon Lake make a \$100.00 donation to Ag in the Classroom.

59/24 Correspondence

LAVOIE

That the following correspondence having been read can now be filed.

Project Information Sheet - Culvert Replacement

STARS -

National Police Federation – 2024 Pre-Budget Submission

SARM New Release – Health Care

Agriculture in the Classroom

SGI – Business Recognition Assessment Carried

Carried

60/24 List of Accounts for Approval

SCHNEIDER

That the list of payments cheque # 25318 to cheque # 25349 and other payments totaling \$429,749.54 be approved for payment. The Lists of Accounts for Approval is attached and form part of these minutes.

Carried

61/24 Payroll

JEANNOTTE

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

Payroll February 4, 2024 to February 17, 2024 = \$13,010.61 Payroll February 18, 2024 to March 2, 2024 = \$11,655.04 Carried

62/24 <u>Council Indemnity</u>

LAVOIE

That the January Council Indemnity cheque # 1129 to cheque # 1135 totaling \$2,732.79 be approved for payment.

Carried

63/24 Bank Reconciliation

HUBER

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

Carried

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64/24 Statement of Financial Activity

SCHNEIDER

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

Carried

Reports

Councillor Larry Lantz gave a report on the Northwest Regional Waste Management and they are preparing to Tender the Operation of the site.

Councillor O'Neil Lavoie provided an update on culverts that need to be steamed in division 3.

65/24 Taxes on Tax Title Property

CARDINAL

That the RM of Loon write off the following taxes for tax title property lot 4, block 1 plan 82B05163 as follows:

Municipal Taxes - \$1,372.99 Education Property Taxes - \$773.05 Tax Enforcement Costs - \$853.92 Carried

66/24 Civic Addressing Policy

PREECE

That the RM of Loon Lake approve policy 100-20 the Civic Addressing Policy as presented.

Carried

Nick returned to the meeting at 11:27 a.m. to review the results of the gravel.

Two tenders were received and reviewed by Council and Staff.

67/24 Gravel Haul and Spread Contract 2024-01

LAVOIE

That the RM of Loon Lake award the 2024-01 Gravel Haul and Spread contract to Steen Lake Ventures to haul approximately 17,000-20,000 cubic yards of gravel and spread it onto various roads throughout the RM at a rate of \$178.00 per hour per truck and \$145.00 hour for loading.

FURTHER that the Administrator and Reeve be authorized to enter into a contract with Steen Lake Ventures for the gravel haul and spread.

Carried

68/24 Sheep's Foot Packer

PREECE

That the RM of Loon Lake Foreman be authorized to spend up to \$10,000 to purchase a pull behind sheeps foot packer or pull behind wobblies.

Carried

69/24 **Adjournment**

HUBER

That this meeting be adjourned at 11:49 a.m.

Carried

Reeve

Administrator