

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 AUGUST 14, 2024, AT 8:00 A.M.

Present:

Reeve Greg Cardinal

Councillors:

Division 1: Grant Preece

Division 3: O'Neil Lavoie

Division 5: Rodney Schneider

Division 2: Maurice Jeannotte

Division 4: Grant Huber

Division 6: Larry Lantz

Administrator: Erin Simpson

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

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

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Agenda

LANTZ

That the agenda for the August 14, 2024, Council meeting be used as a guideline with the following additions:

Pest Control Officer

Ministikwan Speed Bumps

Carried

At 8:07 a.m. Foreman Nick Honish provided his Public Works report for the month.

At 8:40 a.m. Mike Lenko entered the Council meeting to inform Council of his dissatisfaction that the RM will not pay for wolves out of the allotted hunting season.

Mike Lenko left the meeting at 8:44 a.m.

170/24

Village of Makwa Road Maintenance

PREECE

At the request of Mayor Nydegger, the RM of Loon Lake will resume maintenance of the portion of range road 3202 within the Village of Makwa at no cost to the Village of Makwa. This will include grading, graveling, snow removal and dust control so long as the RM is applying the dust suppressant in other locations within the RM. A custom work form will be required if any additional streets require maintenance, and costs will be incurred as specified in the Custom Work Policy 300-04.

FURTHER any concerns from the Village of Makwa residents regarding the road maintenance must be brought to the RM office or to the division councillor and not the equipment operator.

Carried

At 9:20 a.m. Colin Warnecke, CIP - Manager of Risk Management for SARM joined the meeting by telephone to discuss and provide options regarding the Property Damage Release from SGI for the damage that occurred to the bridge located at 04-02-57-21-W3Mer, on range road 3212.

9:36 a.m. the phone conversation with Colin Warnecke ended.

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Property Damage Release

CARDINAL

Upon advice from legal counsel and insurance provider the RM of Loon Lake accept the \$30,682.96 offered as payment for the bridge damage that occurred at 04-02-57-21-W3Mer on range road 3212 and that the Administrator be authorized to sign the Property Damage Release.

Carried

172/24

Road Maintenance Request

LAVOIE

That the request to have the vegetation pushed back either by a mower or a grader on a portion of township road 582, south of Christie developments be denied. The driving portion of the road only goes a short distance before travelling onto private land. FURTHER the RM does not want to risk damaging our equipment due to rocks and or large trees and other vegetation that has grown up and may damage the equipment.

Carried

173/24

Release of Lease Land

LANTZ

That the following list of land have been checked for gravel and the RM of Loon Lake has no concerns with the sale of the land.

NW 35-59-22-W3

NE 36-59-22-W3

SW 35-59-22-W3

SW 36-59-22-W3

NW 12-58-22-W3

Pt 1. NE 07-58-21-W3

Pt 2. NE 07-58-21-W3

Carried

Foreman Nick Honish returned to the meeting at 10:06 a.m.

174/24

Minutes

HUBER

That the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of the R.M. of Loon Lake No. 561 held on July 10, 2024, be approved as presented.

Carried

175/24

Correspondence

JEANNOTTE

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

SAMA Looking ahead to 2025

Certificate of Safety Fitness

MIPL – Information regarding pipeline safety

Village of Makwa Compliance with Government Relations

Carried

176/24

List of Accounts for Approval

SCHNEIDER

That the list of payments cheque # 25491 to cheque # 25529 and other payments totaling \$271,416.35 be approved for payment. The Lists of Accounts for Approval is attached and form part of these minutes.

Carried

177/24

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 June 23, 2024 to July 6, 2024 = \$15,967.90

Payroll July 7, 2024 to July 20, 2024 = \$16,301.79

Carried

178/24

Council Indemnity

LANTZ

That the July Council Indemnity cheque # 1164 to cheque # 1170 totaling \$2,632.46 be approved for payment.

Carried

179/24

Bank Reconciliation

PREECE

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

Carried

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Statement of Financial Activity

LAVOIE

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

Carried

Reports

Councillor Larry Lantz gave a report on the Northwest Regional Waste. The Contract for the operation of the facility is currently out for tender.

181/24

R1 & R2 Ministikwan Lake

LAVOIE

That the RM of Loon Lake Foreman fly the drone over R1 and R2 at Ministikwan Lake to determine what improvements could be made on the walkways for foot traffic. Bring back the pictures and recommendations to the next meeting.

Carried

182/24

First Reading Bylaw 02-2024

LAVOIE

That Bylaw No. 02-2024, a bylaw to provide for the Rural Municipality of Loon Lake No. 561 to enter into an agreement to transfer provincial roads and undeveloped road allowances, be read a first time.

Carried

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Second Reading Bylaw No. 02-2024

PREECE

That Bylaw No. 02-2024, a bylaw to provide for the Rural Municipality of Loon Lake No. 561 to enter into an agreement to transfer provincial roads and undeveloped road allowances, be read a second time.

Carried

184/24

Approval to read Bylaw No. 02-2024 be read a third

LANTZ

That Bylaw No. 02-2024, a bylaw to provide for the Rural Municipality of Loon Lake No. 561 to enter into an agreement to transfer provincial roads and undeveloped road allowances, be given three readings at this meeting.

Carried unanimously

185/24

Third Reading Bylaw No. 01-2018

JEANNOTTE

That Bylaw No. 02-2024, a bylaw to provide for the Rural Municipality of Loon Lake No. 561 to enter into an agreement to transfer provincial roads and undeveloped road allowances, be read a third time and approved.

Carried

186/24

List of Lands in Arrears

PREECE

That the RM of Loon Lake acknowledge the presentation of the *List of Lands in Arrears* and the administrator be directed to proceed with advertising in the newspaper.

Carried

187/24

Commercial Tax Abatements

LAVOIE

That the RM of Loon Lake abate 50% of the commercial taxes levied in 2024 for the following properties.

2024 Commercial Abatements				
Roll #	Taxable Assessment	Levy	Adjusted Levy	Abatement
3594	471,410	\$ 15,839.38	\$ 7,919.69	\$ 7,919.69
3190	133,960	\$ 4,501.06	\$ 2,250.53	\$ 2,250.53
3194	150,280	\$ 5,049.41	\$ 2,524.70	\$ 2,524.70
3309	442,765	\$ 14,876.90	\$ 7,438.45	\$ 7,438.45
5151	169,150	\$ 5,683.44	\$ 2,841.72	\$ 2,841.72
3437	82,790	\$ 2,781.74	\$ 1,390.87	\$ 1,390.87
5361	96,985	\$ 3,258.70	\$ 1,629.35	\$ 1,629.35
5152	122,060	\$ 4,101.22	\$ 2,050.61	\$ 2,050.61
5153	67,235	\$ 2,259.10	\$ 1,129.55	\$ 1,129.55
3187	328,015	\$ 11,021.30	\$ 5,510.65	\$ 5,510.65
5087	83,980	\$ 2,821.73	\$ 1,410.86	\$ 1,410.86
1318	46,920	\$ 1,576.51	\$ 788.26	\$ 788.26
5145	340,255	\$ 11,432.57	\$ 5,716.28	\$ 5,716.28
3384	208,250	\$ 6,997.20	\$ 3,498.60	\$ 3,498.60
4978	89,505	\$ 3,007.37	\$ 1,503.68	\$ 1,503.68
3070	107,355	\$ 3,607.13	\$ 1,803.56	\$ 1,639.28
5324	18,190	\$ 611.18		\$ 111.18
4742*	37,910	\$ 1,328.24		\$ 328.24
5258*	25,330	\$ 851.09		\$ 351.09
			<i>Penny adjustment</i>	-0.01
			*Minimum tax applies \$500	\$ 50,033.59

Carried

188/24

Property Tax Abatements

HUBER

That a portion of taxes be abatements for roll number 5319 and 5364 as the land is intended for public use and no money is collected to offset the taxes.

85% of the taxes for roll number 5319 be abated as follows:

Municipal tax = \$1,370.88

Education property tax = \$740.93

100% of the taxes for roll number 5364 be abated as follows:

Municipal tax = \$1,197.50

Education property tax = 647.22

Carried

189/24

Property Tax Abatement

HUBER

That the following taxes be abatements for roll number 1203 as the land is utilized by multiple people and can be used to land STARS in an emergency.

Municipal tax = \$264.38

Education property tax = \$59.59

Carried

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Closed Session (11:07 am)

CARDINAL

That this meeting be closed to the public for discussion regarding legal concerns.

Carried

191/24

Out of In Camera

PREECE

That this meeting rise from the closed session at 11:14 am.

Carried

192/24

First Reading Bylaw 04-2024

HUBER

That Bylaw No. 04-2024, a bylaw of the Rural Municipality of Loon Lake No. 561 to provide for fire prevention, fire protection, fire suppression, fire band and burn permits, be read a first time.

Carried

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Second Reading Bylaw No. 04-2024

PREECE

That Bylaw No. No. 04-2024, a bylaw of the Rural Municipality of Loon Lake No. 561 to provide for fire prevention, fire protection, fire suppression, fire band and burn permits, be read a second time.

Carried

194/24

Approval to read Bylaw No. 04-2024 be read a third

LAVOIE

That Bylaw No. No. 04-2024, a bylaw of the Rural Municipality of Loon Lake No. 561 to provide for fire prevention, fire protection, fire suppression, fire band and burn permits, be given three readings at this meeting.

Carried unanimously

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Third Reading Bylaw No. 04-2024

SCHNEIDER

That Bylaw No. No. 04-2024, a bylaw of the Rural Municipality of Loon Lake No. 561 to provide for fire prevention, fire protection, fire suppression, fire band and burn permits, be read a third time and approved.

Carried

196/24

Jumbo Beach Back Alley

PREECE

That the RM of Loon Lake contract Meridian Surveys out of Lloydminster to survey the back alley within block 5, plan BQ4721 of the Jumbo Beach subdivision to identify existing encroachments onto the municipal road allowance.

Carried

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Adjournment

HUBER

That this meeting be adjourned at 12:02 p.m.

Carried



Reeve



Administrator