# 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 MARCH 19, 2025, AT 9:00 A.M.

## **Present:**

Reeve Greg Cardinal

Councilors:

Division 1: Grant Preece – Absent
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 8:52 a.m.

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

No conflict of interest was noted.

# 44/25 **Agenda**

## **LANTZ**

That the agenda for the March 19, 2025, Council meeting be used as a guideline for the meeting.

Carried

# 45/25 Road Inquiry Township Road 580

### HUBER

At the request of the adjacent landowners, the RM of Loon Lake agrees not to open the portion of township road 580 east of range road 3211 in the spring, allowing the snow to melt naturally at its own rate. However, the request to install a gate to restrict traffic on the public road allowance is denied.

Carried

## 46/25 Brushing Township Road 583

## **HUBER**

That the RM of Loon Lake provides \$1000.00 to Kelly Meagher as compensation for the completion of brushing along township road 583 adjacent to NE 15-58-21-W3.

Carried

## 47/25 Gravel Exploration

## **LANTZ**

That the RM of Loon Lake proceed with hiring JD Mollard and Associates Ltd. to conduct gravel exploration within the RM of Loon Lake, at the quoted price of \$28,500.00 plus tax, for Option One as outlined in the provided quote.

Carried

# 48/25 <u>Grader Maintenance</u>

## **CARDINAL**

That the RM of Loon Lake proceed with purchasing the repair and teardown manual for our graders at a cost of \$1,500, to provide the necessary information to the public works staff, enabling them to perform minor repairs, provided they are comfortable with the tasks.

FURTHER, staff and the foreman will not be held responsible for repairs that are incomplete, inadequately done, or beyond their comfort level.

Carried

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

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#### 49/25 **Minutes**

**HUBER** 

That the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of the R.M. of Loon Lake No. 561 held on February 12, 2025, be approved as presented.

Carried

#### 50/25 Minutes Public Hearing

## **LAVOIE**

That the minutes of the public hearing regarding the proposed development on the NW 13-58-24-W3 held on February 12, 2025, be approved as presented.

Carried

#### 51/25 **Minutes**

## **JEANNOTTE**

That the minutes of the special Council Meeting of the R.M. of Loon Lake No. 561 held on February 24, 2025, be approved as presented.

Carried

#### 52/25 Ag in the Classroom

## **SCHNEIDER**

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

#### 53/25 Correspondence

## **HUBER**

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

Managing Municipal Right of Ways

Ag Extension Services North Battleford Regional Office

SARM Blue Cross change benefits

Ag in the Classroom

SAMA Reval Info

Scott Moe Tariffs

SGI - Business Assessment

Carried

#### 54/25 **List of Accounts for Approval**

## **LAVOIE**

That the list of payments including cheque # 25730 to cheque # 25761 totaling \$304,243.27 be approved for payment. The Lists of Accounts for Approval are attached and form part of these minutes.

Carried

Foreman Nick Honish returned to the meeting at 10:18 a.m.

#### 55/25 **Gravel Haul and Spread Contract 2025-02**

# **JEANNOTTE**

That the RM of Loon Lake award the 2025-02 Gravel Haul and Spread contract to CJR Freedom Trucking Ltd. to haul approximately 9,000-10,000 cubic yards of gravel as well as approximately 1,300 cubic yards of reject sand and spread it onto various roads throughout the RM at a rate of \$165.00 per hour per truck and \$145.00 hour for loading.

FURTHER that the Administrator and Reeve be authorized to enter into a contract with CJR Freedom Trucking Ltd. for the gravel haul and spread.

Carried

Foreman Nick Honish left the meeting at 10:20 a.m. and did not return.

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# 56/25 Payroll

## **LAVOIE**

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

Payroll February 2, 2025 to February 15, 2025 = \$12,684.83 Payroll February 16, 2025 to March 1, 2025 = \$12,001.34

## 57/25 **Bank Reconciliation**

## **SCHNEIDER**

That the Bank Reconciliation for the month of February 2025 be accepted as presented.

Carried

# 58/25 <u>Council Indemnity</u>

## **HUBER**

That the February Council Indemnity cheque # 1215 to cheque # 1221 totaling \$4,416 be approved for payment.

Carried

# 59/25 Statement of Financial Activity

## **LANTZ**

That the Statement of Financial Activities for the month of February 2025 be accepted as presented.

Carried

## Council Reports

Councilor Larry Lantz provided an update from the Northwest Regional Waste Management Authority, and there is a meeting coming up on March 27, 2025.

Councilor Grant Huber provided minutes from the Loon Lake Library AGM.

# 60/25 **Budget Meeting**

# CARDINAL

That the RM of Loon Lake schedule a budget meeting to be held at the municipal office on Monday March 24, 2025, at 1:00 p.m.

Carried

# 61/25 TSS Grant – Regional Co-operation

## **LAVOIE**

That the RM of Loon Lake, in partnership with the Village of Loon Lake, make application to the Target Sector Support (TSS) Grant under stream two, to engage North Bound Planning in updating the existing Official Community Plan (OCP) and Zoning Bylaw (ZB) for both municipalities. Additionally, the project will include the development of a joint plan aimed at attracting new residents and enhancing our community's appeal.

FURTHER, the RM is willing to commit the necessary money to complete the project.

Carried

# 62/25 <u>Auditor Engagement – Pinnacle Business Solutions</u>

## **LANTZ**

That the RM of Loon Lake Council has reviewed the engagement letter from Pinnacle Business Solutions and authorizes the Reeve to sign the letter on behalf of the RM, accepting the terms as outlined.

Carried

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# 62/25 **Proposed Development**

## **LANTZ**

That the RM of Loon Lake request the developer of the proposed project on NE 13-58-24-W3 to conduct an additional study that is more relevant to Fowler/Hoffman Lake, using current, Canadian-based data and comparisons to lakes within the same region and soil type. Furthermore, Council requests that the company conducting the study visit Fowler/Hoffman Lake in person to observe the conditions and environment firsthand. Carried

# 63/25 Adjournment

**HUBER** 

That the meeting be adjourned at 11:06 a.m. Carried

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