THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF BROKENHEAD FEBRUARY 22, 2022 - COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING 5:00 PM MINUTES

Members Present: Reeve Brad Saluk

Councillor Sean Michaels

Luke Ingeberg
Jack Kowalchuk

Youth Member Aaron Linke

CAO Sheila Mowat, CMMA Executive Asst. Kerry Bialek, CMMA

Regrets: Councillor Bruce Modrzejewski

Meeting called to order at 5:05 p.m.

1. 2022 Municipal Budget

-Financial Officer Michelle Ramsden was in attendance to review the 2022 municipal budget. The various annual conferences were discussed to determine which would be attended by Council. The Administrative Staff budget has increased due to a Public Works Project Assistant that will be hired for the summer. A portion of the wages may be reimbursed if the federal grant is awarded. A plan to move to virtual council meeting packages will increase the Office and Building budget. Recreation and community organizations grant requests were reviewed as well.

3. EastMan Men's Shed

-Vince Reidy and Robert Small of the EastMan Men's Shed attended to make requests to Council. The group found a building they would like to purchase and move onto the Pioneer Village Museum grounds to use as their workshop for manufacturing the products they sell at the Trading Post, located at Guardian. As the RM of Brokenhead is a joint owner with the Town of Beausejour, Council's permission is required. They would also like permission for the Pioneer Village Museum to enter into a Lease Agreement with EastMan Men's Shed for the placement of the workshop.

4. James Bezan, MP

-Member of Parliament James Bezan attended to meet Council and discuss any upcoming projects that he may be in a position to assist with at a federal level. Two positions have been applied for under the federal student employment program. The upgrade to the water treatment plant in Henryville does not meet criteria for any federal grant programs, as it fits more under provincial programs.

5. Joint Council Meeting Agenda and Date

-The next Joint Council meeting with the Town of Beausejour is scheduled to be in March. Council is putting forth the date of March 21st, 2022 for the meeting. Agenda items to include joint service agreements for the old and new fire halls, Pioneer Village

Museum, Brokenhead River Regional Library and CPTC, as well as discussion of rental agreements for the Brokenhead River Planning District, Beausejour Brokenhead Development Corporation and Emergency Measures.

10. 2022 Dust Control Program

-Council decided that they will make the same number of dust control applications available as in 2021. Price is to be determined once cost from Fort Distributors is obtained.

6. Building/Fire Inspector Report – February 2022

-A report prepared and submitted by the Building Inspector for February 2022 has been received as information.

2. Miscellaneous Reports

-A report of employee banked/sick/vacation time was presented to Council for review. The report was received as information.

7. Eastern Regional Municipal Forum

-The next Eastern Regional Municipal Forum is scheduled to be hosted by the Rural Municipality of Brokenhead. The forum will take place May 16th, 2022 in the Garson Centennial Community Centre with food to be provided by a local business.

8. Brokenhead River Regional Library – Citizen Representative

-Citizen representative Karen Zirk had given notice that she would be resigning from the Brokenhead River Regional Library Board as of December 31st, 2021. Alice Young had expressed interest in being a citizen representative for the library board.

9. Tractor Rental

Meeting adjourned at 6:59 p.m.

-Leo's Sales and Service has been able to provide the same rate for tractor rental as last year at \$33.05 per hour for the next two years. Tractors have been difficult to find. With the market being high in demand, rates and supply may be hard to find.

Brad Saluk	Sheila Mowat
Reeve	Chief Administrative Officer