The Council of The Rural Municipality of Armstrong held its regular monthly Council meeting on Tuesday, February 9, 2016 at 10:00 A.M. in the Council Chambers in the RM Office in Inwood, Manitoba.

Present: Reeve Jack Cruise  
Councillor Allen Pfrimmer  
Councillor Carol Lavallee  
Councillor Ted Sumka  
Councillor Adam Krochenski  
Councillor Susan Smerchanski

Absent: none

Also Present: Corlie Larsen, Chief Administrative Officer

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

With a quorum present, Reeve Cruise called the meeting to order at 10:00 A.M.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

#22/16 Krochenski Sumka  
RESOLVED THAT the agenda for the regular meeting of February 9th, 2016 be adopted as amended to include the following additions.

Delegations – 2:30 PM Darry Brocker & Jeff Yablonski - Grading Issues

Carried

READ AND CONFIRM MINUTES

#23/16 Pfrimmer Krochenski  
RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 12, 2016 be adopted as circulated to council.

Carried

BUSINESS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Nil

MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

ACCOUNTS FOR APPROVAL

#24/16 Smerchanski Lavallee  
RESOLVED THAT the accounts payable cheque numbers 10563 to 10566 in the amount of $23,784.62 for the period ending December 31, 2015 be approved for payment.

Carried

#25/16 Smerchanski Pfrimmer  
RESOLVED THAT the accounts payable cheque numbers 10558 to 10562 and 10567 to 10599 in the total amount of $104,141.25 with the exception of cheque number 10586 which has been voided and reissued under cheque number 10599 be approved for payment;

AND FURTHER THAT payroll cheque numbers 7216 to 7230 in the amount of $12,646.20 be approved for payment.

Carried
BY-LAWS

none

WARD REPORTS

Ward 1

- Received letter of request from the Pfund’s for the reimbursement of costs to install a new crossing in drain for cattle to cross and clean out of drain NE 26-19-2W and SE 26-19-2W.

WHEREAS Council has received a request from Peter & Brigitte Pfund for the reimbursement for the cost of a culvert and installation over an existing drain to rebuild a crossing for cattle;

AND WHEREAS there was no pre-approval for this work from council;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council does not approve of this request.

Carried

Ward 2

- Received request from Pavel Gula and George Ozarko for a streetlight in Chatfield.

- Request from Clifford Kopec for approx ¼ mile of road to be built up located E of corner of Rd 8W & 124N.

- Culvert damaged by grader on Rd 10W between Rd 120N & 121N.

WHEREAS Council has received a request for a streetlight in Chatfield at junction of Hwy 17 & PR 419 which are provincial roads;

AND WHEREAS Council of the RM of Armstrong feel that this is needed and a safety concern;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT a letter be sent to the province from council that a streetlight is needed at this junction.

Carried

Ward 3

- Flowing well on RM lease land NW 34-21-1E has been fixed the other well will be fixed next. Building on property is 16 x 18 looking into costs to move it.

- Received most signatures for Hayduk drainage project.

- Drainage cleaning request along Rd 119N. Profile has been done on the South side but not the North.

RESOLVED THAT Council of the RM of Armstrong authorize Ken Stadnik to prepare a survey profile for ditch located along Rd 119 between Rd 9E & Rd 10E on the N side.

Carried

Ward 4

- Received crossing request for SW 21-19-3E along Rd 14E

- Road sign missing Tomchak Rd. Cost to replace the sign would be the responsibility of the one that requested the road to be named.

- Old well along Tomchak Rd needs to be filled in.

WHEREAS Council has received a request for a crossing to access property SW 21-19-3E along Rd 14E, N of Hwy 231;
RESOLVED THAT Council of the Rural Municipality of Armstrong approves of this crossing request with the condition that the size of culvert if needed is to be determined by Manitoba Conservation and Water Stewardship and the cost of culvert and installation be the responsibility of the property owner.

Carried

Ward 5
- Receive crossing request SW 12-18-2E along Rd 11E from renter of the land. Councillor will have to check out to see if any other crossing within the quarter section. Need letter from landowner to confirm correct location of crossing.
- Still receiving complaints regarding the roadside brushing in Ward.

#30/16
Smerchanski Pfrimmer
RESOLVED THAT the RM of Armstrong charge the water licence fee of $25.00 to all residents/ratepayers for culvert crossing installations approved by council.

Defeated

PUBLIC HEARINGS

none

DELEGATIONS

1:00 PM Ralph Hazelton – Requested better gravel for NW & NE 23-18-1W Rd 1W & 2W between Rd 105N & 106N. Council will add this request to the 2016 gravel list (1 load each place ¾” down). Hazelton also requested that the RM take over the accounts for the Inwood Park.

1:15 PM Herman Olsen – Did not attend meeting. The Olsen’s contacted councillor Pfrimmer to request beaver trapping at 18-19-1E and trapper was sent out to the area.

1:30 PM David Yablonski - Discussed process for acquiring a building permit, the need for better gravel (limestone) on road E of 35-18-2E, request for a culvert to widen road at SE of 2-19-2E corner of Kuz Road and Yablonski Rd (bus route) and Rd 11E where it meets Rd 108N needs a dead end sign. The gravel request will be considered on the gravel list for 2016 and culvert does need replacing and will be put on the list of culverts that need replacing.

2:00 PM Linda Morgan - Met with Council to discuss the Economic Development Position and vision for the Municipality.

2:30 PM Darry Brocker & Jeff Yablonski – Spoke to council regarding the snow plow routes and grading issues.

#39/16
Smerchanski Pfrimmer
RESOLVED THAT Council approves to pay deducted invoice hours in the amount of 6 ¼ hrs to Broker Trucking due to a faulty time clock.

Carried

#40/16
Pfrimmer Lavallee
RESOLVED THAT the Council of the RM of Armstrong hire Linda Morgan as the Economic Development Officer for Armstrong;
AND FURTHER THAT an agreement be signed.

Carried

RECEPTION OF PETITIONS

none

GENERAL BUSINESS

a) CAO Report – report on file
RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Rural Municipality of Armstrong receive the monthly activity report from the CAO.

Carried

WHEREAS a postage meter machine saves on postage and improves on efficiency;
AND WHEREAS there is a promotion offered to receive an extra $200 in free postage;
RESOLVED THAT the Council of the RM of Armstrong authorize the CAO to sign the lease agreement with Pitney Bowes for a DM125 postage meter machine.
Carried

b) Building Permit Report – reviewed new

c) RM of Gimli – Annual Interlake Municipal Bonspiel February 26th – council that wish to attend will pay their own way

d) Lakeshore School Division – Budget Meeting February 23rd

RESOLVED THAT Council of the RM of Armstrong authorize Reeve Cruise & designate to attend the Lakeshore School Division budget meeting held on Tuesday, February 23, 2016 in Eriksdale.
Carried

e) Crown Lands and Property Agency – Vacant Parcel NW 14-18-01E

WHEREAS RM land parcel administered by Crown Lands has become vacant and Crown Lands is preparing to advertise this parcel NW 14-18-1E;
RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Rural Municipality of Armstrong direct administration to inform CLPA that the RM would like to take back the administration of this land.
Carried

f) Ann Kishka, Fraserwood Hall – Request Support Letter for Grant Applications

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the RM of Armstrong by this resolution support the Fraserwood Hall in applying for grants to upgrade the hall in the Rural Municipality of Armstrong.
Carried

g) Subdivision Application 4602-15-5462 SW 29-21-2E & SE 30-21-2E Silver Weanlings Inc.

WHEREAS Community Planning Services has submitted to the Municipality a completed Application for Approval of Proposed Subdivision File 4602-15-5462 Silver Weanlings Inc. SW ¼ 29-21-2 EPM & SE ¼ 30-21-2EPM in the Rural Municipality of Armstrong;
AND WHEREAS Selkirk Community Planning Service has received no objections nor has any concerns with the proposal subject to compliance with the livestock separation distances.
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT this subdivision be approved with the following conditions:

1) That any and all planning costs associated with this subdivision will be paid by the Developer/Applicant/Property Owner.
2) That all property taxes, arrears, penalties, and any other amount owing to the Municipality be paid.
3) That any and all legal costs and filing fees associated with this subdivision and any other costs related to this application be paid by the Developer/Applicant/Property Owner.
4) That the cost of any accesses to the subdivided lot be paid by the Developer/Applicant/Property Owner.  

Carried

h) Blessed Virgin Mary Church Zbruch Cemetery – Request for RM to pay portion of insurance deductible

WHEREAS the Blessed Virgin Mary Church is a Heritage Building in the RM of Armstrong;

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the RM of Armstrong agree to donate $1,000 to the Blessed Virgin Mary Church Zbruch Cemetery to pay the insurance deductible to get the roof replaced.

Carried

i) 2016 Small Communities Transportation Fund Grand Deadline February 28th – received as info

NOTICE OF MOTION

None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Roads Committee
- Drainage Committee
  - Ken Stadnik will be surveying the Hayduk Drain and the RM will have to get MTS locates before tendering the job.
  - Committee had meeting with Ron Kowalchuk regarding drainage issues on his land SE, SW, NW 28-18-1E, council working on the issue and the possibility of cost sharing.

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the RM of Armstrong hire Ken Stadnik to check culvert & water levels at NE 6-21-2W.

Carried

- Waste Management Committee
  - Project 16-01 Meleb Landfill Waste Maintenance Quotes – 6 quotes received

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RESOLVED THAT the Council of the RM of Armstrong award Project 16-01 Meleb Landfill Waste Maintenance to Phil Yoder & Sons for the quoted amount of $ 735.00 for monthly compacting waste and $ 3,675.00 for compacting & capping waste with earth cover on the condition that the acceptance agreement is signed.

Carried

- Protective Services Committee
  - Reeve will talk to Fire Chief regarding new fire trucks.

- By-law Committee
  - Committee had meeting to discuss the Forage Lease Policy, Forage Lease...
Agreements, Policy to Purchase RM Leased Lands, Purchasing Policy, Waste Management By-Law and the Indemnity By-Law.

- External Committees/Organizations
  - Interlake Tourism Association Travel Guide Ad
  - West Interlake Watershed Conservation District Meeting Minutes November 30, 2015 - received as info
  - Councillor Lavallee reported on attending the MEM Course held in St. Laurent.

#42/16  Smerchanski  Pfrimmer
RESOLVED THAT the RM of Armstrong authorize the annual quarter page Ad for Armstrong in the Travel Guide with the Interlake Tourism Association at a cost of $295.00 plus GST.  
Carried

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

IN CAMERA

#43/16  Smerchanski  Pfrimmer
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Rural Municipality of Armstrong resolve into a Committee of the Whole, In-Camera, at 4:55 p.m. to discuss personnel and legal issues.  
Carried

#44/16  Smerchanski  Pfrimmer
RESOLVED THAT the Committee of the Whole in Camera revert back to the regular meeting of council in open session out of camera 5:10 p.m.  
Carried

ADJOURNMENT

#45/16  Smerchanski  Pfrimmer
RESOLVED THAT the council meeting now be adjourned.  
Carried

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Jack Cruise, Reeve

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Corlie Larsen, CAO