

THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF ARMSTRONG  
MINUTES  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
October 13, 2015

The Council of The Rural Municipality of Armstrong held its regular monthly Council meeting on Tuesday, October 13, 2015 at 10:00 A.M. in the Council Chambers in the RM Office in Inwood, Manitoba.

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

Absent: Councillor Carol Lavallee

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

#1 RESOLVED THAT the agenda for the regular meeting of October 13, 2015 be adopted as  
Pfrimmer presented to council. Carried  
Smerchanski

READ AND CONFIRM MINUTES

#2 RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the regular meeting of September 8, 2015 and the minutes of  
Krochenski the Board of Revision of September 16, 2015 be adopted as circulated to council. Carried  
Sumka

BUSINESS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Nil

MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

ACCOUNTS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT

#3 RESOLVED THAT accounts payable cheque numbers 10310 to 10328 and cheque numbers  
Smerchanski 10339 to 10376 in the total amount of \$268,344.24 and payroll cheque numbers 7115 to  
Pfrimmer 7130 in the total amount of \$19,390.85 be approved for payment.

AND FURTHER THAT accounts payable cheque numbers 10329 and 10338 were voided during printing.

Carried

BY-LAWS

- Discussion regarding implementing fees and charges by-law for garbage disposal.

WARD REPORTS

Ward 1

- Beavers need to be trapped in Walker Drain will take care of.
- Looked at flooding issues at Alfred Johannesen's NE 21-18-1E. Survey needs to be completed on the North side and a illegal crossing needs to be removed because it is holding back water and may be causing some of the flooding issues. Send letter to landowner for removal of the crossing.
- Culverts on Zbruch Road need to be cleaned out.
- Need drainage licence and survey for ditch South of Inwood Rd 99 Boundary Rd.
- Bullrushes on Rd 102 need to be cut.

Ward 2

- Supplied list for gravel locations needed in Ward.

Ward 3

- Rembrandt Drain needs a flood gate have to get Water Resources to look at.
- Have to show road side cutter Harry were in the Ward that needs to be cut.

Ward 4

- Received crossing request for Devin Kohler in Fraserwood.
- Fish Lake Drain has beaver problems.
- Request for gravel on Remington Rd
- Cemetery Rd culverts are plugged on Rd 7E between Rd 110 and Rd 111.
- Demarchuk Rd ½ mile up culvert is plugged and can't find culvert. Send Wilf, Pubic Worker with metal detector.

Ward 5

- Received complaint from Sid Maksymyk regarding blocked culvert on Zbruch Road NE-15-18-2E. Will took into.
- Spoke to Roger Maksymchuk regarding culvert at Halabura's North side of 229.
- Beavers are back at Bernice Shurek's.
- Bears are a concern in the area.
- Talked to Alfred Johannesen and arranged meeting with Water Stewardship to discuss the water problems in the area.
- Talked to grader operator regarding corners not properly graded.

Reeve

- Spill piles at NE 7-18-2E from work done in 2011 and along Rd 103 were never leveled and something needs to be done.
- Dust control sites need to be graded in October grading before winter.
- Talked to Jim Swedlo and he is going to fix his flowing well.
- Received complaint for derelict barn NE 15-18-2E outside of the GD zone and location would not be included in the municipalities derelict building by-law. Need to look at options to address the problem of derelict buildings outside the GD zone.
- Received grading complaint of corners not done properly and leaving a ridge.

#4  
Pfrimmer  
Sumka

RESOLVED THAT Council of the RM of Armstrong authorize Ken Stadnik to prepare a survey profile for ditch located South of Inwood along Rd 99 between Rd 1W & Rd 0 on the North side;

AND FURTHER THAT an application be sent to Water Stewardship for the required water license.

Carried

#5  
Pfrimmer  
Sumka

WHEREAS Devin Kohler has requested for a crossing located at SE 23-19-2E Lot 17 Plan 3702 for access to property to construct new home;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the RM of Armstrong approves of this request with the following conditions:

- That the cost of the culvert and installation be the responsibility of the homeowner.
- That the size of the culvert is to be determined by Water Stewardship.

Carried

#6  
Krochenski  
Sumka

RESOLVED THAT Council of the RM of Armstrong approve of the replacement or cleanout of culvert located on Rd 7E between Rd 110 and Rd 111.

Carried

PUBLIC HEARINGS

none

RECEPTION OF PETITIONS

none

GENERAL BUSINESS

a) CAO Report – report on file

#7  
Smerchanski  
Krochenski

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Rural Municipality of Armstrong receive the monthly activity report from the CAO.

Carried

#8  
Smerchanski  
Krochenski

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the RM of Armstrong schedule the 2015 Tax Sale for Wednesday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2016 at 2:00 PM.

Carried

#9  
Smerchanski  
Pfrimmer

RESOLVED THAT Chambers, Fraser & Co. be appointed the auditors for the Rural Municipality of Armstrong for the 2015 fiscal year.

Carried

#10  
Smerchanski  
Pfrimmer

WHEREAS payment was missed for the rental of the Zbruch Hall during the 2014 municipal elections;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council awards payment of \$200 to the Zbruch Hall.

Carried

#11  
Pfrimmer  
Sumka

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council and Chief Administrative Officer of the Rural Municipality of Armstrong be authorized to attend the Association of Manitoba Municipalities (AMM) 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention to be held in Brandon, November 23-25, 2015.

Carried

#12  
Smerchanski  
Pfrimmer

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Rural Municipality of Armstrong allows the CAO to attend the Manitoba Municipal Users Group (MMUG) Conference in Portage la Prairie, MB on October 15 & 16, 2015.

Carried

#13  
Smerchanski  
Krochenski

WHEREAS the Sunova Credit Union requires the following resolution for the CAO's application for a Visa Desjardins Card;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Rural Municipality of Armstrong delegate, to the persons hereinafter identified, the authority to enter into an agreement in order to request the issuance of Visa Desjardins Card(s) (the "Cards"), including renewal thereof upon expiry and replacement thereof as needed, and this with the credit limit(s) granted by the Federation des caisses Desjardins du Quebec (the "Federation");

THAT the Rural Municipality of Armstrong be indebted to the Federation for amounts advanced and for any other debts related to use the Cards and any product related thereto, including for amounts that may exceed the applicable credit limit(s), as well as for the applicable fees and interest;

THAT the Rural Municipality of Armstrong undertakes to ensure that the Cards are used in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Federation's variable credit agreement that accompanies them and to assume liability for all debts and obligations that may result from failure to comply with such terms;

THAT the persons identified below be authorized to sign any document that is useful or necessary to give full effect to this resolution, to request any change to the issued Cards, including any increase of the credit limit(s), and that they have all of the rights and powers regarding the management and use of the account related to the said Cards;

THAT the persons identified below may indicate to the Federation the persons responsible for managing the account related to the Cards, notably including the designation and withdrawal of the company's representative who are authorized to obtain a Card, the distribution and amendment of the authorized credit limits of the Cards, and the addition and withdrawal of options related to the Card, if any;

Name of delegated persons:  
Chief Administrative Officer Corlie Larsen

Carried

b) Building Permit Report – report on file

#14  
Smerchanski  
Pfrimmer

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Rural Municipality Armstrong receive the monthly building permit activity report.

Carried

c) Carl Osioway request for gravel purchase reimbursement.

#15  
Sumka  
Krochenski

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Rural Municipality of Armstrong approves payment to Carl Osioway for the delivery of 2 loads of 4" limestone for municipal road E 19-21-1E;

Carried

d) Municipal Employees Benefits Administration Seminar

#16  
Smerchanski  
Krochenski

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Rural Municipality of Armstrong allows the Assistant CAO to attend the 2015 Benefits Administration Seminar presented by The Municipal Employees Benefits Program held on Monday, November 2, 2015 in Winnipeg.

Carried

e) KidSport Canada donation request

#17  
Smerchanski  
Pfrimmer

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Rural Municipality of Armstrong authorizes a donation to KidSport in the amount of \$300.00.

Carried

#### HEARING DELEGATIONS

1:00 P.M. – David Pomarenski discussed with council the need for a Winter Beaver Program. Trapping in the summer is difficult and winter trapping is a better time to trap and keeps the beaver population down for the year. More funding is needed to trap beavers at \$50 per beaver it doesn't cover the costs when you have to travel. If more money was spent on trapping then it would cost less for dam removals.

1:15 P.M. – Henry Hendrickson spoke to council regarding ditch along Hwy 231 that needs to be cleaned and the RM needs to send request letter to MIT for cleanout. Would like to see more trapping of beavers as trappers are catching their quotas and there are many more to trap. Needs a crossing to access property at NE 35-19-1W.

1:30 P.M. – Shaun Greer from Duck Unlimited updated council on the Shoal Lakes area. Ducks unlimited are working on existing projects and not focussing on any new projects. They monitor the lake levels and keep culverts open. Where ditches need to be cleaned out individual landowners affected are to apply. Vestfold pump houses one is in Armstrong and the other in Coldwell both RM's had an interest in taking over in the past but not much benefit in doing so unless water levels go down. Mr. Greer will take back councils concerns regarding the Narcisse Project and why decommissioned and get back to council with more information.

1:45 P.M. – Malinda Skogan has started a group called the Inwood Community Group. The group is currently trying to get daycare and doctors to the area as well as work on ideas from citizens to strengthen and beautify the community. There is lots of interest in daycare. The group would like to get support from council to talk to other organizations and to apply for grants to aid in their efforts. Council was invited to attend the groups next meeting on October 26 at 7 PM in the Old Inwood School.

2:00 P.M. – Albert Lohmer, Bernie Lussier, Engineer and John Shipley from MIT presented to council a preliminary plan and profile of Fish Lake Drain. The plan will involve the realignment of road allowance and needs council approval. They have approximately 60% of land purchased for the project and will need to get land owners approval. Road will approach through farmlands and have a gradual swing around 3 yard sites. Work to start next year.

#18  
Pfrimmer  
Smerchanski

WHEREAS Henry Hendrickson has requested for a crossing located at NE 35-19-1W on Rd 114;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the RM of Armstrong approves of this request with the following conditions:

- That the cost of the culvert installation be the responsibility of the homeowner.
- That the size of culvert is to be determined by Water Stewardship.
- That the RM of Armstrong supply the culvert.

Carried

#19  
Smerchanski  
Pfrimmer

WHEREAS Malinda Skogan is starting up a new group called the "Inwood Community Group" to work on community development;

AND WHEREAS Council of the RM of Armstrong is in support of efforts made towards community development;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the RM of Armstrong is in support of this group.

Carried

#20  
Sumka  
Krochenski

RESOLVED THAT Council of the RM of Armstrong is in support of the roadway realignment of the Fish Lake Drain as presented to council by Albert Lohmer, MIT in the Preliminary Plan & Profile of lands E & N 21-20-3E, N 24 & 23-20-2E and N 22 & 21-20-2E.

Carried

f) Safety Services Manitoba Occupational Health & Safety Conference 2016

#21  
Pfrimmer  
Smerchanski

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Rural Municipality of Armstrong allows the CAO to attend the 2016 Occupational Health & Safety Conference held on January 20 & 21, 2016 in Winnipeg.

Carried

g) Hometown Manitoba Program now accepting applications for 2016 – received as info

h) AMM Convention Meeting Request Form – Provincial Cabinet Ministers – forward to committee meeting

i) Hayduk Drain Contract Project 14-10 Phil Yoder and Sons – Invoice

#22  
Sumka  
Krochenski

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Rural Municipality of Armstrong authorizes payment to Phil Yoder and Sons in the amount of \$2,000 + GST for Project 14-9 remainder of 2014 Hayduk Drain Contract.

Carried

j) AMM – Regulatory changes pertaining to the applicability of the Non-Essential Pesticide Use Regulation – received as info

k) Don Smith – Request to cancel Forage Lease No. 133 – more info is needed on value of improvements to land

l) South West District Palliative Care, Inc – Invite to the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Gala Dinner and Dance November 14, 2015.

m) Joe Masi Executive Director AMM – 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention Info

n) John Kozera Drainage Issues Affecting NE 23-19-2E and NW 24-19-2E

o) Project 15-06 Road Side Brushing Quotes

Three (3) Quotes were received for Project 15-06 Road Side Brushing

Tri-Line Construction Ltd. Arborg, MB \$85,000

Cutting Edge Earthmoving Camp Morton, MB \$54,000

Toomey Construction Gimli, MB \$23,720

#23  
Smerchanski  
Krochenski

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Rural Municipality of Armstrong award Project 15-06 Road Side Brushing to Toomey Construction for the total tendered price of \$23,720.00 + GST on the condition that the acceptance agreement is signed;

AND FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the work must be completed by November 15, 2015.

Carried

NOTICE OF MOTION

None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

a) Roads Committee

- Roads will need to be staked before graveling.

b) Drainage Committee

- Need to see if MIT is looking into dams and beavers that need to be removed from provincial drains.
- There are many beaver dams that can't be accessed and will have to be removed only in the winter time.

#24  
Krochenski  
Pfrimmer

RESOLVED THAT Council of the RM of Armstrong approves of the following extra gravel for each Ward;

Ward 1

25 yards back lane in the town of Inwood, North of Hwy 17, back lane between First and Second Ave.

50 yards NE 9-18-1W Rd 3W off 229 going South in front of Wallace Morin's.

Ward 2

25 yards Rd 4W off the end of Hwy 17 going North between Rd 125 & 126

50 yards 7-21-1W middle of section

25 yards North of Willowview Cemetery in hole

75 yards Rd 16 W from Rd 123 going South half mile

Ward 3

25 yards Rd 124N between 13 & 14 E

Ward 4

50 yards E of 34-19-1E

25 yards N of 18-19-1E

Ward 5

50 yards Rd 15 Boundary Road between 103 and 105

50 yards Rd 8 between 107 & 108 North end working South

50 yards Rd 105 & Rd 5, end

Carried

#25  
Krochenski  
Sumka

RESOLVED THAT Council of the RM of Armstrong approves of the lowering of a culvert located N of 1-19-2E to grade at the municipalities expense.

Carried

c) Waste management Committee – Recycling Hauling Agreement

#26  
Pfrimmer  
Krochenski

WHEREAS recycle hauler Dwayne Cheadle has exceeded the maximum payout per recycling contract;

AND WHEREAS recycles still need to be hauled each month to avoid pile up;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the invoice received for September hauling in the amount of \$4,671.36 be approved for payment;

AND FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Council approves of hauling payment made once per month to Dwayne Cheadle as per supplied weight tickets.

Carried

d) Protective Services Committee

e) By-Law Committee

f) External Committees/Organizations

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

IN CAMERA

#27  
Pfrimmer  
Krochenski

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Rural Municipality of Armstrong resolve into a Committee of the Whole, In-Camera, at 4:30 PM to discuss personnel issues.

Carried

#28 RESOLVED THAT the Committee of the Whole In-Camera revert back to the regular meeting  
Pfrimmer of council in open session out of camera at 4:50 PM. Carried  
Smerchanski

#29 BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the RM of Armstrong authorize the CAO to advertise for  
Smerchanski Casual Office Help. Carried  
Pfrimmer

#30 RESOLVED THAT Council of the RM of Armstrong authorize the CAO to interview and hire for  
Sumka an Economic Development Officer. Carried  
Pfrimmer

ADJOURNMENT

#31 RESOLVED THAT the regular council meeting now be adjourned. Carried  
Pfrimmer  
Smerchanski

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Jack Cruise, Reeve

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Corlie Larsen, CAO