The Council of The Rural Municipality of Armstrong held its regular monthly Council meeting on Tuesday, November 10, 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 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

#1 Smerchanski Krochenski

RESOLVED THAT the agenda for the regular meeting of November 10, 2015 be adopted as amended with the following additions:

8) Ward Reports
   - Beaver Control

12) General Business
    t) Economic Development

Carried

READ AND CONFIRM MINUTES

#2 Pfrimmer Sumka

RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 13, 2015 and the minutes of the Special Meeting of October 27, 2015 be adopted as circulated to council.

Carried

BUSINESS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Nil

MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Review of Monthly Financials

ACCOUNTS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT
RESOLVED THAT accounts payable cheque numbers 10382 to 10428 in the total amount of $558,295.98 and payroll cheque numbers 7131 to 7146 in the total amount of $21,467.99 be approved for payment;

AND FURTHER RESOLVED THAT accounts payable cheque numbers 10377 to 10381 were voided during printing.

Carried

BY-LAWS

none

PUBLIC HEARINGS

10:30 A.M.  Conditional Use 3/2015

RESOLVED THAT the regular meeting of Council be closed to convene as a Public Hearing for Conditional Use 3/2015 for Edward Waluk, to consider the erection of a storage building/garage on Lot 2 Plan 44062 in SW-02-18-01-W General Development Zone.

Carried

RESOLVED THAT the Public Hearing for Conditional Use 3/2015 be closed.

Carried

Ed Waluk was in attendance and presented his plans to build a storage garage.

No one spoke for or against his application for conditional use.

WHEREAS a Conditional Use is needed to erect a building for storage on Lot 2 Plan 44062 SW-02-18-01W in the General Development Zone when a storage building is not an accessory to a dwelling;

AND WHEREAS Council has held a public hearing for this request and notice given as required by the Provincial Planning Act;

AND WHEREAS no objections were received;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves Conditional Use Application #3/2015 subject to all building permit requirements being met and Conditional Use Application fee of $150.00 be paid.

Carried

WARD REPORTS

Council discussed the beaver control budget and outstanding jobs to be completed. Trappers need to be sent out only by the Ward Councillor where the councillor sees a problem.

Ward 1

- Received request from Peter and Bridget Pfund for the reimbursement of the costs of a 30” culvert including installation over the existing drain and the rebuilding of a walkway for the cows to access feed and water. The Pfund’s would also like to have the ditch cleaned out NE 26-19-2W and SE 26-19-2W along the road allowance to help move the increase water coming from the North-West.
- Ron Kowalchuk digging ditch on his property and dug too deep. The RM could adjoin his ditch and put a flood gate on it. Consent form would be needed to have gate remain open at a minimum of 1/3 at all times. This work could also help A. Johannesen’s property.
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Ward 2
- Checked out Ward brushing.
- Spill piles from previous ditch cleanout were left along south side of road and need to be leveled. Rd 124 between 4E & 5E
- Checked Kempa Drain clean out with Roger Maksymchuk, Water Resource Officer Project 15/05 and everything looks good.
- Went with Roger Maksymchuk, Water Resource Officer to check proposed ditch cleanout for Ivan Johnson.
- Culvert at intersection of Rd 123 & 3W needs to be shortened approx. 1 meter.

Ward 3
- Jeff Abuda needs 3 culverts for crossing NE 32-21-2E Rd 126 & 13 he is willing to do the work himself for improvements.
- Received call regarding cattle getting into grain field but RM has no pound keeper.
- Received call that a road on gravel list was not gravelled E 32-21-3E, will have to check with gravel checker.
- Checked out complaint on Rd 120 Halabura Rd regarding wood chip left on road from brushing job but didn’t see any real concerns.

Ward 4
- Two Hydro poles on Rd 8E going E of 113N need reflector tape, poles close to road.
- M. Gill SW 28-19-3E north side Burma Rd. has drainage issues and cleaning out ditch 231 would make matters worse. Brought to councils attention but nothing can be done at this time.
- Received call that spill pile on NE 33-19-3E was to be leveled and not done.

Ward 5
- Zbruch Church roof is tarped and waiting on insurance claim.
- Working with Roger Maksymchuk on various drainage issues.
- Received calls regarding the road side brushing. The degelman mower is leaving behind spear like sticks and sod on the road.
- Received complaints on brushing job along Rd 105 regarding the mess left behind and sticks left on fences. Not all trees and vegetation are being mulched.

Reeve
- Would like all of council to regularly check messages to return calls in a timely manner.

#7 Lavallee  
Sumka  
RESOLVED THAT Council of the RM of Armstrong approves to have the spill piles leveled along the South side of Rd 124 between Rd 4E & 4.5 E (1/2 miles).
Carried

#8 Sumka  
Krochenski  
RESOLVED THAT Council of the RM of Armstrong approves to have a survey completed by Ken Stadnik at NW 32-21-3E on the Southside;
AND FURTHER THAT the RM apply for the water licence.
Carried

#9 Pfrimmer  
Smerchanski  
RESOLVED THAT the Council of the RM of Armstrong approves of the removal of a stone crossing & burm located in SE 21-18-1E.
Carried

#10 Cruise  
Krochenski  
WHEREAS it is important for members of Council to communicate with each other as well as ratepayers and other levels of government;
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the cell phone allowance be increase to $50 per month effective immediately;
AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT in order to collect this allowance members of Council
must have an answering machine on their cell phone that is checked on a regular basis.

Carried

**RECEPTION OF PETITIONS**

none

**GENERAL BUSINESS**

a) CAO Report – report on file

#11
Smerchanski
Krochenski

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

Carried

b) Notice to File with the CAO Statement of Assets and Interests for Council – Deadline Nov. 30th

**DELEGATIONS**

1:00 PM – Hans Alof spoke to council regarding drainage issues flooding his property NE 12-18-1W he is unable to work fields. Drainage work done in the RM of Rockwood may be causing water to back up on his property, his issues started after work was done on Norris Lake. Councillor Smerchanski will talk to Water Stewardship to find out more information.

1:15 PM – Malinda Skogan from the Inwood Community Group approached council with the groups upcoming plans. The group is looking to apply for a grant to purchase welcome signs for Inwood and would like a donation from council. They received 2 quotes for signs approximately 5ft x 8ft and would like them placed along Hwy 17 coming into town from both directions. Council would like more info on design and would like to see one large sign as opposed to 2 smaller signs and maybe located in the park area. Council would like to see some fundraising done for the signs. The group would also like to start an Inwood Newsletter in 2016 to be distributed at the Post Offices. Since the copies would be made at the RM office more info would be needed as to how many copies in order to consider the time and cost factor. The newsletter could also be posted on the municipal website. Ms. Skogan also spoke of the annual Doctor Retreat in September 2016 where towns can showcase their communities to show what they have to offer in order to bring doctors to the area to work and live. The cost per table is $1,000. Council has already put $1,000 for 2015 towards the Interlake Healthcare Sustainability Committee to show case the community of Teulon and surrounding areas which includes Inwood. Council suggested that if the group was to show case the community that all areas of Armstrong should be included.

4:00 PM – Travis Toomey met with council to discuss work completed for Project at RD 110 and work done at flooded areas. Council also discuss the brushing work for Project 15-06.

#12
Pfrimmer
Krochenski

RESOLVED THAT Council approves payment of invoice #’s 305720 & 305717 to Toomey Construction.

Carried

c) Building Permit Report – report on file

#13
Smerchanski
Krochenski

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

Carried

**ADJOURNMENT**

#14
Smerchanski
Pfrimmer

RESOLVED THAT the regular council meeting now be adjourned to meet again Nov. 17th at 1:00 P.M. and continue with the November 10th regular meeting starting at General Business (d).

Carried
Jack Cruise, Reeve

Corlie Larsen, CAO