Rural Municipality of Armstrong
Meeting Minutes
Regular Council Meeting February 11, 2020 - 10:00 AM

The Council of The Rural Municipality of Armstrong held its regular monthly Council meeting on February 11, 2020 at 10:00 AM in the Council Chambers in the RM Office in Inwood, Manitoba.

Present: Reeve Susan Smerchanski
Councillor Ralph Hazelton
Councillor Paul Humeny
Councillor Ted Sumka
Councillor Adam Krochenski
Councillor Allen Evanchyshin

Also Present: Corlie Larse, Chief Administrative Officer

1 Call the Meeting to Order
With a quorum present, Reeve Smerchanski called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM.

2 Adoption of Agenda
Councillor Hazelton
Councillor Evanchyshin
RESOLVED THAT the agenda for the regular meeting of February 11, 2020 be adopted as amended to include the following.

General Business
East Interlake Regional Municipal Roundtable Meeting March 13th in Arborg
CARRIED

3 Adoption of Minutes
Councillor Krochenski
Councillor Humeny
RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the January 14, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes be adopted as circulated to council.
CARRIED

4 Business from Previous Minutes

5 Accounts for Approval

5.1 Financial Statement
Councillor Krochenski
Councillor Humeny
WHEREAS the Draft Audited Financial Statements have been received from Chambers Fraser Professional Accountants for Year Ending December 31, 2018 for Council's review;
RESOLVED THAT Council authorizes the payment of Invoice in the amount of $15,386.00 to Chambers Fraser Professional Accountants for the 2018 Audit.

CARRIED

5.2 Accounts for Approval

Councillor Humeny
Councillor Hazelton

RESOLVED THAT the following cheques in the total amount of $129,060.16 be approved for payment:

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CARRIED

6 By-Laws

6.1 By-law 1/2020 - Participation in the East Interlake Watershed District - First Reading

Councillor Krochenski
Councillor Humeny

RESOLVED THAT By-Law #1/2020 being a by-law to participate in the East Interlake Watershed District be read a first time.

CARRIED

6.2 By-law 2/2020 - Participation in the West Interlake Watershed District - First Reading

Councillor Hazelton
Councillor Humeny

RESOLVED THAT By-Law #2/2020 being a by-law to participate in the West Interlake Watershed District be read a first time.

CARRIED

7 Ward Reports

7.1 Ward 1

Snow plowing

7.2 Ward 2

Ward 2 Submitted Report - January 14 - February 10, 2020

Met and discussed road and drainage options with surveyor and contractor focusing on options and costs for Road 0.

Requested a survey for the provincial drain on Road 125 between 2E and 7E.

Requested meeting with Coldwell to discuss future of Narcisse Ducks Unlimited Project.

Snow cleaning procedures and priorities could be re-examined and adjusted as required.

Request from lease holder of Section 5 for an access road.

Reviewed the grant application process and concluded that I need a lot more information on the types - terms - conditions - application lengths and deadline dates to ensure that future opportunities are not missed.
Received a couple more calls regarding no one answering office phone.
Periodically checked road conditions as required throughout the month.
Request from rate payer for a survey on SE 20-21-3E Road 16W.
Beavers busy working on culvert at Road 0, trapper contacted.
Attended Fraserwood Firemen’s Ball.

7.3 Ward 3
Jan 1 - 31 Ward 3 Submitted Report
Jan. 2 - Checked Meleb Waste if rat bait stations were out. Checked new building in Meleb SW 23-20-2E across from the Park. Checked if the burnt house on Rd 118N was cleaned up.
Jan. 10 - Resident called too much snow on the road and washboard also west of No. 7 Rd 120N was plowed too narrow by a tractor and now can’t pass a car. Checked Rd 124N from 9E to 15E there was a lot of snow called the office and talked to CAO.
Jan. 13 - Received call that Meleb Waste wasn’t plowed inside and checked the rest of the roads south and east of Meleb.
Jan. 14 - Regular Meeting
Jan. 20 - Call from resident that school bus can’t get to pick up children for school approx. 9:05 went to check the roads east of No. 7 and the plow was plowing the Silver Hall parking lot.
Jan. 25 - Went with the Inwood Fire Chief to J. Brandt Ent. to see if the Inwood tanker truck frame could be fixed.

7.4 Ward 4
- Received request from Lundar Sports Riders Snowmobile Club to snow plow 1 mile of road on Willowview Rd for emergency purposes. It would give access to the 9 mile stretch across the Narcisse Community Pastures if needed by an ambulance.
- Dealt with snow plow issues including the Silver Hall parking lot and a resident trying to stop the plow from plowing the road.

7.5 Ward 5
- Attended the Conservation District Meeting and discussed the following:
  - Fish Lake water quality is good compared to others.
  - Grow Fund projects for Watersheds.
  - Paying people for acres to hold water on their land.
  - They would like list of provincial drains to lobby to get done.
  - Flowing well program, flowing wells cause problems with freezing culverts and filling drains.

7.6 Reeve
Reeve’s Submitted Report - February 11, 2020
Jan. 7 - EMO Trauma Training / Stonewall Presentation included how to effectively support communities through difficult situations.
Jan. 16 - WIWD AGM / Ashern Presentations on New Watersheds, Projects, Member Recognition, Elections and General Business.
Jan. 21 - 23 - Safety Services Conference and Trade Show / Winnipeg Focus on Mental Health, Training and Education. Picked up info/handouts
Jan. 23 - Disaster Management Conference/Awards Banquet / Winnipeg - Our volunteer co-ordinator Patricia Stein was nominated and received recognition as the Volunteer of the Year. Nyla Klatt from the RM of Grahamdale received the MEC of the year Award. I submitted a photo and information to our local newspapers - The Express & Tribune. Congratulations and Thank you for the work you both do to keep our communities safer.

Jan. 27 - Interlake Healthcare Sustainability Committee / Teulon - Presentation on Healthy Living Programs and updates.

Jan. 29 - WIWD Meeting / Ericksdale - Focus on the new funding opportunities through the GROW and Conservation Trust Funds. Presentation on programming and value of grassroots input and involvement. Discussion on project proposals.

Jan. 30 - Interlake Tourism Association Board Meeting / Teulon - Reviewed survey results, budget, succession planning, program updates and opportunities.

- A variety of calls and concerns from residents about snow plowing and the proposed Crystal Springs Hutterite Colony. Working on the recycling program. Thank you to everyone for your battery recycling. We have had some recent Break Ins - please report any suspicious activity to the local RCMP in Arborg 204-376-5253.

8 Public Hearings

9 Delegations

9.1 1:00 PM - Edward Kleinsasser, Crystal Spring Colony - To meet with Council and discuss request to purchase lands N 1/2 29-18-3E.

Edward Kleinsasser, David Kleinsasser and Jerry Waldner from Crystal Spring Colony in Ste Agathe, MB attended the meeting to introduce themselves to Council and discuss their plans to build a colony on the land they purchased in Section 28-19-3E off Rd 106N. They chose this land in Armstrong because of the setting, close to Winnipeg and other lands they own. They also purchased land in the RM of Gimli for grain farming. They have submitted a second request to Council to purchase RM owned lands NE & NW 29-18-3E which is next to their property and would like to use it for nature enjoyment. Their plans on their lands (section 28) include having a building for their manufacturing of hog equipment, barns for animals such as (chickens, steers, sheep, horses) a school, a church and many residential homes maybe starting with 5 and expanding over the years as it takes time. Their colony has not been into raising pigs for over 20 years and have no plans on having pigs/hogs as it would interfere with their equipment manufacturing because of the possible transfer of diseases. They are still in the planning stages and have to plan where everything will go and are aware that there is rules and regulations to follow. They enjoy nature and having bush better than flat fields, having clean drinking water with clean lakes and rivers to fish and swim. They don’t see a large increase in traffic other than to initially build and also don’t want to see the roads damaged as they have to use them as well.

Council did not make a decision on what the future plans are for RM owned lands NE/NW 29-18-3E. If council decides to sell it would have to go to public tender.

9.2 1:30 PM - Henry Hendrickson - To discuss roads, snowplowing and requesting to purchase leased lands Lot 5 Plan 490P in the NW 36-19-1W.

- Delegation called to cancel unable to attend.
9.3 1:45 PM - Jeff Yablonski, Armstrong Construction - To discuss snowplowing.

Delegation started at 1:35 PM. Discussed the last snowstorm and miss communications on plow start time. Discussed when to plow the hall parking lots. Reinforced that the snow plow contract requires the nose plow to be on when plowing. Jeff noted that the plowing is still being completed within the 48 hrs. Council agreed to set up a group email to include all parties involved and enhance communications. Jeff brought to council's attention that his liability insurance for snowplowing has significantly increased which he didn't budget for.

9.4 2:00 PM - Ken Stadnek - To discuss project at Road 0 between Rd 125N and 126N.

Delegation started at 2:15 PM. Discussed work required for the job and estimated costs at approximately $100,000. Number one issue is the job can't fit within the profile. Would need landowners approval to sign off on giving up approx. 4 acres of land per quarter or project can't be done. Ken also dropped off any surveys he had on file for Armstrong and suggested that all the RM's surveys be scanned and saved electronically for backup.

10 Reception of Petitions

11 General Business

# 2020-000000024

11.1 CAO Report

Councillor Krochenski
Councillor Sumka

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

CARRIED

# 2020-000000025

11.2 Building Permit Report

Councillor Humeny
Councillor Hazelton

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

CARRIED

# 2020-000000026

11.3 Federation of Canadian Municipalities - Membership Renewal Invoice

Councillor Humeny
Councillor Hazelton

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Rural Municipality of Armstrong approve the 2020-2021 membership renewal to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) for the population based fee of $200.00 plus the per capita dues of $341.38 plus GST.

CARRIED

11.4 Bring Your Love Festival of Arts - Request for designation as a signature event in Armstrong. (only one event can be designated by the RM)

# 2020-000000027

11.5 AMM - 2020 Municipal Officials Seminar and Municipal Trade Show - April 15 & 16, 2020 in Brandon.

Councillor Humeny
Councillor Krochenski

RESOLVED THAT Council do hereby approve that the following individuals be authorized to attend the 2020 Municipal Officials Seminar and Municipal Trade Show at the Keystone Centre in Brandon on April 15 and 16, 2020;

Reeve Smerchanski
AND FURTHER THAT registration, mileage and applicable indemnities and expenses be authorized for payment.

CARRIED

# 11.6 2020-000000028

Ag Action Manitoba Program - Farmland Beaver Damage Control Grant
Councillor Krochenski
Councillor Sumka

RESOLVED THAT Council authorise the CAO to apply for a grant to the Ag Action Manitoba Program Assurance for Farmland Beaver Damage Control which has an application deadline of February 14, 2020.

CARRIED

# 11.7 2020-000000029

AMM - 2020 Mayors, Reeves and CAO’s Meeting April 14, 2020 in Brandon.
Councillor Hazelton
Councillor Humeny

RESOLVED THAT Council do hereby approve that Reeve Smerchanski be authorized to attend the 2020 Mayors, Reeves and CAO’s meeting at the Keystone Centre in Brandon on April 14, 2020;

AND FURTHER THAT registration, mileage and applicable indemnities and expenses be authorized for payment;

AND FURTHER THAT the Regular Council Meeting for April be moved to be held on April 17, 2020 at 10 AM.

CARRIED

11.8 Canada/Manitoba/MASC - News Release - Manitoba Agricultural Services Corporation’s Hay Disaster Benefit Activated for 2019. (for info)

# 11.9 2020-000000030

Councillor Hazelton
Councillor Sumka

RESOLVED THAT Council do hereby approve that Reeve Smerchanski be authorized to attend the Town Hall Meeting with Gimli RCMP at the Waterfront Centre in Gimli on February 6, 2020;

AND FURTHER THAT mileage and applicable indemnities and expenses be authorized for payment.

CARRIED

# 11.10 2020-000000031

Second Nature Adventures in Discovery - Invoice Deposit on Fraserwood Interpretive Panels.
Councillor Krochenski
Councillor Sumka

WHEREAS the RM of Armstrong has been approved for a $5,000 maximum grant through the Community Futures Build Interlake Growth Program to build interpretive signs for the Community of Fraserwood to be displayed in the Park;

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the RM of Armstrong authorize a 50% deposit in the amount of $3,372.50 to Second Nature, Adventures in Discovery, Inc to start with the design of interpretative panels;

AND FURTHER THAT the CAO be authorized to sign the Contract between the RM of Armstrong and Second Nature, Adventures in Discovery.

CARRIED
11.11 Interlake Tourism Association - 2020 Membership Contribution.
Councillor Humeny
Councillor Sumka
BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Rural Municipality of Armstrong approve to renew the 2020 membership with the Interlake Tourism Association for the per capita based amount of $752.64 plus GST.
CARRIED

11.12 Inwood & Meleb Interpretive Signage Project - Extension for Community Futures Build Interlake Growth Program.
Councillor Hazelton
Councillor Humeny
RESOLVED THAT Council of the RM of Armstrong agrees to extend expense of the printing and installation of the Inwood and Meleb Interpretive Signs Project to be completed before June 30, 2020;
AND FURTHER THAT the Reeve and CAO be authorized to sign agreement for this extension with Community Futures for the Interlake Growth Program Grant.
CARRIED

11.13 Allen Pfrimmer request to have administration returned back to RM from Crown on his leased lands NE 2-18-2W and NE/NW 12-18-2W to lease through RM.
Councillor Hazelton
Councillor Evanchyshin
WHEREAS Council has received a request from Allen Pfrimmer to have his RM owned / Crown administered leased lands Roll 228000 NE 2-18-2W, Roll 230100 NE 12-18-2W and Roll 230200 NW 12-18-2W returned back to the municipality for administration from Crown Lands (Real Estate Services Division);
RESOLVED THAT Council agrees to have this land returned back to the Municipality for administration;
AND FURTHER THAT Allen Pfrimmer be responsible for the transfer fees of $225 per roll associated with the transfer;
AND FURTHER THAT once the RM receives back the administration from Crown the RM of Armstrong Council agrees to enter into a lease agreement with Allen Pfrimmer so he can remain the lessee of these properties;
AND FURTHER THAT the Reeve and CAO be authorized to sign and execute the lease.
CARRIED

11.14 Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA) - Designate Access and Privacy Officer. (update required)
Councillor Krochenski
Councillor Humeny
WHEREAS, Section 80 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act requires that each local public body designate a person or group of persons as its Head for the purposes of this Act;
AND WHEREAS the RM of Armstrong is a local public body under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the RM of Armstrong hereby designates the Chief Administrative Officer as the Head of the RM of Armstrong for the purpose of The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act effective February 11, 2020.
CARRIED
BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Rural Municipality of Armstrong approve to renew the 2020 Manitoba Municipal Administrators Association membership for the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) and Assistant Chief Administrative Officer (ACAO) in the amount of $275.00 per person;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the CAO and ACAO be authorize to attend the Annual Manitoba Municipal Administrators Association (MMAA) Conference held in Brandon at the Victoria Inn on April 26th to 29th, 2020;

AND FURTHER THAT registration, mileage and applicable expenses be authorized for payment for the MMAA Conference.

CARRIED

RESOLVED THAT Council do hereby approve that the following individuals be authorized to attend the East Interlake Regional Municipal Roundtable Meeting at the ConneXion in Arborg on March 13, 2020;

Councillor Hazleton
Councillor Humeny
Reeve Smerchanski

AND FURTHER THAT registration, mileage and applicable indemnities and expenses be authorized for payment.

CARRIED

RESOLVED THAT Council of the RM of Armstrong agrees to advertise to receive hourly equipment rates for 2020:

AND FURTHER THAT the deadline to receive these rates be Friday March 6, 2020;

AND FURTHER THAT these rates and listing of contracting businesses is to be used by the Council of the RM of Armstrong when selecting a contractor for hourly work or for when receiving 3 quotations for a project as per the purchasing policy that are not otherwise advertised for tender separately.

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| 2020-00000039 | Councillor Krochenski  
Councillor Hazelton                                                                 |
|           | RESOLVED THAT Council of the RM of Armstrong authorise to have snow cleared at the Community Centres/Halls parking lots in Armstrong that are insured by the Municipality; |
|           | AND FURTHER THAT snow clearing is only preformed when authorized to do so by the Ward Councillor of that area when it is needed. |
| CARRIED   |                                                                                                 |

| 13.1.3    | Snowplowing/Grading Contract                                                                    |
| 13.2      | Drainage Committee                                                                             |
| 13.3      | Waste Management Committee                                                                     |
| 13.3.1    | Multi-Material Stewardship Manitoba (MMSM) - 2020 Municipal Payments (info)                     |
| 13.3.2    | Phil Yoder - Contract Extension for Push and Capping Waste at the Meleb Landfill.              |
| 2020-00000040 | Councillor Humeny  
Councillor Hazelton                                                                                 |
|           | WHEREAS Phil Yoder and Sons has been contracted to push, cap and cover waste at the Meleb Waste Disposal Grounds; |
|           | AND WHEREAS the contract expired at December 31, 2019;                                           |
|           | AND WHEREAS Council feels that it is in the best interest of the municipality to renew the contract for another year at the current rates; |
|           | RESOLVED THAT the contract be renewed for one year expiring on December 31, 2020 at the current rates of $825.00 for pushing/compacting waste and $4,400.00 for capping waste plus GST. |
| CARRIED   |                                                                                                 |

| 13.4      | Protective Services Committee                                                                  |
| 13.4.1    | E911/Police Emergency Communications - Enhanced 9-1-1 Service Fee For 2020. (info)             |
| 13.4.2    | Manitoba Association of Fire Chiefs - 2020 MAFC Membership Renewals for Fire Chief's and Deputy Chief's. |
| 2020-00000041 | Councillor Krochenski  
Councillor Sumka                                                                                   |
|           | BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Rural Municipality of Armstrong approve to renew the 2020 memberships of the Inwood and Fraserwood Fire Chiefs and Deputy Chiefs to the Manitoba Association of Fire Chiefs in the amount of $170.00 plus GST per person. |
| CARRIED   |                                                                                                 |

| 13.4.3    | Quote to Install Snow Guard on Metal Roof of Inwood Fire Hall.                                 |
| 2020-00000042 | Councillor Sumka  
Councillor Krochenski                                                                              |
|           | RESOLVED THAT Council of the RM of Armstrong authorize the expense to install snowguards on the Inwood Firehall's metal roof at the quoted cost of $646.16 plus GST. |
| CARRIED   |                                                                                                 |

| 13.4.4    | Fire Protection Workshop for Elected Officials and CAO's - March 18, 2020                      |
13.4.5 Inwood Fire Department - Tanker Repairs
Councillor Sumka
Councillor Krochenski
RESOLVED THAT Council of the RM of Armstrong authorize the expense to repair the Inwood Fire Department Tanker at the cost not more than $2,300.00 from J. Brant Enterprises in Arborg.
AND FURTHER THAT J. Brant Enterprises complete the vehicle safety of the tanker.
CARRIED

13.5 By-Law Committee

13.6 External Committees/Organizations


14 Unfinished Business

15 In Camera

15.1 In Camera
Councillor Krochenski
Councillor Humeny
BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council close the meeting to the public to meet as a Committee of the Whole-In Camera to discuss personnel and legal issues;
AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT any matters discussed while in camera be held confidential until such time as discussed in open council.
CARRIED

15.2 Out of Camera
Councillor Krochenski
Councillor Humeny
WHEREAS subsection 152(4) of "The Municipal Act" provides for Council to only pass a resolution to re-open a closed meeting to the public;
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Committee of the Whole in Camera revert back to the regular meeting of council in open session out of camera.
CARRIED

16 Adjournment
Councillor Sumka
Councillor Evanchyshin
RESOLVED THAT the council meeting now be adjourned at 5:45 PM.
CARRIED