THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF ARMSTRONG

BY-LAW NO. 4/2017

BEING A BY-LAW OF THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF ARMSTRONG TO PROVIDE FOR THE PAYMENT OF INDEMNITIES AND EXPENSES TO MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

WHEREAS Section 124(2) of The Municipal Act provides as follows:

"A council may by by-law set types, rates and conditions of payments to be made to or on behalf of members of the council and council committees, other than the committee of a local urban district,

- (a) as compensation for attending to municipal business;
- (b) for expenses incurred while attending to municipal business; and
- (c) for any other purpose relating to municipal business that the council considers appropriate."

AND WHEREAS Council considers it expedient and in the best interest of The Rural Municipality of Armstrong to provide for the payment of indemnities and expenses to Members of Council;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of The Rural Municipality of Armstrong enacts as follows:

A. INDEMNITIES

- The Reeve of The Rural Municipality of Armstrong shall be paid a monthly indemnity of \$759.75, which covers attendance at regular meetings and one other meeting either special Council meeting or meeting of committees of Council, and regular duties unless otherwise identified in this By-law.
- Each Councillor of The Rural Municipality of Armstrong shall be paid a
 monthly indemnity of \$658.45, which covers attendance at regular meetings
 and one other meeting either special Council meeting or meeting of committees
 of Council, and regular duties unless otherwise identified in this By-law.
- 3. Each Member of Council shall be paid \$16.71 per hour to a maximum of \$133.68 per day for attending the following regular external organization's meetings whether held within or outside of the Rural Municipality of Armstrong, as well as other meetings authorized by a resolution of Council, in all cases providing the external organization does not already provide an indemnity for attendance, in which case the amount paid shall be limited to the difference between what the member would have been paid by the Rural Municipality of Armstrong and what the member was paid by the organization:
 - a) For the Member of Council who attends a meeting of an external organization for which they are appointed to;
 - b) For Members of Council who attend the following meetings:
 - a. Association of Manitoba Municipalities Convention;
 - b. Association of Manitoba Municipalities June District Meeting;
 - Association of Manitoba Municipalities Mayor/Reeve & CAO Meeting; and
 - d. Association of Manitoba Municipalities Municipal Officials Seminar.
- 4. Each Member of Council shall be paid \$16.71 per hour to a maximum of \$133.68 per day for attending special Council or committees of Council meetings above the one special or one committee meeting specified above which is included in the monthly indemnity.

- The Reeve may authorize Members of Council to attend meetings that are not able to be authorized by a resolution of Council. i.e. meetings called and held between regular Council meetings.
- 6. Each Member of Council shall be paid \$16.71 per hour for public works inspections as follows:
 - a) Public Works inspections where indemnities are claimable are for:
 - inspecting public works that are in the process of being constructed, maintained or repaired as authorized by resolution of Council; and
 - b. inspecting proposed public works outside the ward of election;
 - b) Public Works inspections where indemnities are not claimable are:
 - for inspecting proposed public works in the ward of election, as time spent by Members of Council for inspecting proposed public works in the ward of election is included in the monthly indemnities;
 - c) Public works inspections within the ward in which they were elected, which shall be to a maximum of 2 hours per job site per day;
 - d) Public works inspections outside of the ward in which they were elected, which shall be to a maximum of 2 hours per job site per day;
 - e) for the Reeve, for public works inspections within the municipality, which shall be to a maximum of 2 hours per job site per day; and
 - f) for other inspections by a Member of Council as preauthorized by Council by resolution.
- 7. Each Member of Council shall be paid \$16.71 per hour for inspecting roads for snowplowing.
- 8. Each Member of Council shall be paid \$16.71 per hour for hauling culverts, hauling road signs and flagging roads.
- 9. Time spent by Members of Council for inspecting roads for maintenance other than snowplowing is included in the monthly indemnities.
- 10. One third of the indemnities provided for in Clauses A.1. to A.9. shall be deemed to be expenses incident to the discharge of duties as a Member of the R.M. of Armstrong Council.
- Here after council indemnities shall increase by the yearly cost of living increase.

B. EXPENSES

- Each Member of Council shall be paid the Provincial Government rate per km for travelling expenses for attending Council meetings, meetings authorized by a resolution of Council and Council Committee meetings.
- 2. Each Member of Council shall be paid the Provincial Government rate per km for travelling expenses for public works inspections and for hauling culverts, hauling road signs and flagging roads.
- Each Member of Council shall be paid actual expenses, verified by submission
 of paid receipts, for attending Council meetings, meetings authorized by a
 resolution of Council and Council Committee meetings.
- 4. Travel time to and from meetings is considered part of the meeting time.
- Meal expenses shall be paid at (1) one meal for meeting lasting 4 hours and (2) two meals for meetings lasting 8 hours. All meal expenses shall be verified by receipts.
- Meals for conventions where receipts are not submitted will be paid flat rates as follows: Breakfast \$15.00, Lunch \$20.00 and Dinner \$25.00 to a daily maximum not to exceed \$80.00.

 Communication Expense shall be paid for cell phones at a rate of \$50.00 for a cell with answering services or \$25.00 for a cell phone with no answering service.

C. APPROVAL FOR PAYMENT

- 1. Members of Council shall submit an account of their indemnities and expenses verified by statutory declaration.
- 2. Payment of indemnities and expenses shall be authorized by a resolution of Council.
- 3. Indemnities and expenses are to be submitted monthly, one week prior to the regular council meeting (the first Tuesday of each month) in order to be included within the monthly payables. Failure to submit indemnities and expenses over two (2) months will not be considered for payment and will result in loss of payment.
- D. By-Law Number 2/2016 is hereby repealed.

DONE AND PASSED as a By-Law of The Rural Municipality of Armstrong at Inwood, in the Province of Manitoba, this 13th day of June, 2017.

THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY
OF ARMSTRONG

Reeve

Read a first time this 9th day of May, 2017. Read a second time this 13th day of June, 2017. Read a third time this 13th day of June, 2017.