



**TOWN OF MORRIS**

**MINUTES OF THE  
REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL  
Held January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2019 @ 7:00 pm**

Councillors Present: Tim Lewis  
Margaret Johnson  
Mel Baxter  
Trevor Thiessen  
Ruth Murray  
Chris Hamblin

Also Present: Brigitte Doerksen, CAO  
Gallery in attendance: Lou Erikson and Lionel Mason

Absent: None

Presiding: Mayor Scott Crick

**01/01/19**  
Agenda

**Moved by Councillor Tim Lewis**  
**Seconded by Councillor Chris Hamblin**  
**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Agenda for the January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2019 regular Council meeting be approved as presented

**(Carried)**

**02/01/19**  
Minutes

**Moved by Councillor Ruth Murray**  
**Seconded by Councillor Trevor Thiessen**  
**BE IT RESOLVED** the minutes for the December 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018 Regular Council meeting be adopted as presented.

**(Carried)**

**03/01/19**  
P/H Min.

**Moved by Councillor Margaret Johnston**  
**Seconded by Councillor Mel Baxter**  
**BE IT RESOLVED** that Council accept the following Members from Council for January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Regular Council Meeting as;

In attendance: Everyone

Excused: None

Unexcused: None

**(Carried)**

**DELEGATIONS:** Lorne Hamblin- Morris Curling Club

- a) Lorne Hamblin presented a letter to Council with an announcement of the upcoming 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Manitoba Deaf Open Bonspiel March 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2019.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

- a) Stars Air Ambulance Noted and discussed

- b) Manitoba Senior Health & Active Living Noted and discussed

**SEMINARS & EDUCATION:**

- a) AMM-Mayors, Reeves and CAO Mtg. #04/01/19
- b) MB. Good Roads Assoc. Awards and Banquet #05/01/19
- c) FCM's Annual Convention no interest
- d) AMM Educational Seminars & Webinars #06/01/19
- e) Municipal Officials Seminar #07/01/19

**04/01/19**  
AMM  
MTG

**Moved by Councillor Trevor Thiessen**  
**Seconded by Councillor Chris Hamblin**

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mayor and CAO be authorized to attend AMM's Mayor, Reeve and CAO meeting held March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2019 in Winnipeg;

**AND FURTHER** that expenses be reimbursed as per Bylaw 07/14

**(Carried)**

**05/01/19**  
MB. Good  
Roads

**Moved by Councillor Ruth Murray**  
**Seconded by Councillor Margaret Johnston**

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that 1 Council and 1 Staff member be authorized to attend the annual Manitoba Good Roads Association Banquet and Awards Night held March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2019 in Winnipeg;

**AND FURTHER** that expenses be reimbursed as per Bylaw 07/14

**(Carried)**

**06/01/19**  
AMM  
Sessions

**Moved by Councillor Mel Baxter**  
**Seconded by Councillor Ruth Murray**

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that 5 Council and 1 Staff member be authorized to attend the AMM Educational Seminars/Webinars held February and March, 2019;

**AND FURTHER** that expenses be reimbursed as per Bylaw 07/14

**(Carried)**

**07/01/19**  
MOS

**Moved by Councillor Tim Lewis**  
**Seconded by Councillor Chris Hamblin**

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that 5 Council and 3 Staff member be authorized to attend the Municipal Officials Seminar held March 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>, 2019 in Winnipeg;

**AND FURTHER** that expenses be reimbursed as per Bylaw 07/14

**(Carried)**

**TOWN OF MORRIS FINANCIAL**

- a) Town of Morris Accounts for December #05/12/18
- b) Town of Morris Financials #06/12/18
- c) PW- Purchase of ½ ton truck #07/12/18
- d) Handi-Van new Purchase #08/12/18

**08/01/19**  
T. of Morris  
Accounts

**Moved by Councillor Mel Baxter**  
**Seconded by Councillor Trevor Thiessen**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the January accounts, being Cheque #'s 17031 to 17077 in the amount of \$210,930.69, Electronic Payments of \$114,180.14 and Payroll Direct Deposits of \$60,638.57 be approved as presented.

**09/01/19**  
P.W ½ Ton

**Moved by Councillor Tim Lewis**  
**Seconded by Councillor Mel Baxter**

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that Council authorize the purchase of a 2013 Dodge Quad Cab Truck from JSG Ventures for \$15,000.00.

**(Carried)**

10/01/19  
Class 3

**Moved by Councillor Tim Lewis**  
**Seconded by Councillor Chris Hamblin**  
**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that Council authorize for up to 4 Public Works employees to get their Class 3 with Air Brakes licenses for an approximate cost of \$160.00 each.

(Carried)

**MORRIS MULTIPLEX FINANCIAL:**

a) Multiplex List of Accounts. December #09/12/18

11/01/19  
MultiPlex  
List of Accts

**Moved by Councillor Margaret Johnston**  
**Seconded by Councillor Mel Baxter**  
**BE IT RESOLVED** that the accounts for the Morris MultiPlex, being Cheque #'s 10477 to 10526 in the amount of \$18,497.97 and Electronic Payments of \$4,900.05 be approved as presented.

(Carried)

**TOWN OF MORRIS NEW BUSINESS: none**

**MORRIS MULTIPLEX NEW BUSINESS: None**

**BY-LAWS & POLICIES:**

a) Policy #11 Amendment #12/01/19  
b) Organizational By-Law #13/01/19  
c) Indemnity By-Law #14/01/19

12/01/19  
Policy #11

**Moved by Councillor Trevor Thiessen**  
**Seconded by Councillor Ruth Murray**  
**WHEREAS** it should be a goal of Town Government to be responsive to the needs of its Citizens, and remove barriers to access;  
**AND WHEREAS** not every citizen has the means or ability to submit issues of concern or questions to the Town in writing only;  
**AND WHEREAS** it is deemed advisable to create a policy to clarify to the tax payers within the Town of Morris what is required if they do wish to have an issue of concern or questions responded to;  
**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that Council replaces the text of Administrative Policy #11 as follows:

“The Town of Morris values contact with its Citizens and welcomes any questions or concerns they may have. These inquiries may be submitted as follows:

- In person to the Town Office during general office hours
- By e-mail to [info@townofmorris.ca](mailto:info@townofmorris.ca)
- By mail to Town of Morris, Box 28, Morris, MB. R0G 1K0
- By telephone to 204-746-2531 during general office hours

The Town will respond to all inquiries that meet the following criteria:

- The individual clearly identifies themselves
- The inquiry includes return contact information, which may be any of the following:
  - An e-mail address
  - A phone number
  - A street address
  - A mailing address
- The inquiry contains specifics that require a response

As a general courtesy, staff will acknowledge the receipt of any inquiries that meet the above criteria. When possible, staff should also provide an expected date by which the inquiry will be addressed.

(Carried)

**13/01/19  
By-Law  
01-19**

**Moved by Councillor Margaret Johnston  
Seconded by Councillor Chris Hamblin  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT BY-LAW 01-19** being a By-Law for the organization of Town of Morris and Committees be given 1<sup>st</sup> reading.

**(Carried)**

**14/01/19  
By-Law  
02-19**

**Moved by Councillor Trevor Thiessen  
Seconded by Councillor Tim Lewis  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT BY-LAW 02-19** being a By-Law for the remuneration of Council Members for the Town of Morris be given 1<sup>st</sup> reading.

**(Carried)**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None

**NOTICE OF MOTION:** None

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Councillor Ruth Murray

- Red River Basin Commission Conference in Grand Forks

Mayor Scott Crick

- Valley Fiber Agreement to be delivered

Councillor Trevor Thiessen

- Valley Weed Mtg. -currently elected President

Councillor Margaret Johnston

- Changes in Recreation and upcoming restructuring proposals

**IN CAMERA ITEMS:** None

Adjournment: There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:38 p.m.

**TOWN OF MORRIS**

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**MAYOR**

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**CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE**