

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL
OF THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF MEETING LAKE NO. 466
HELD IN MUNICIPAL COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 1 MAIN STREET,
MAYFAIR, SASKATCHEWAN ON TUESDAY NOVEMBER 7, 2023.**

Present:

Randy Aumack - Reeve
Darrell Pollard - Division No. 1
Earl Holmes - Division No. 2
Jim Allchurch - Division No. 4
Dave Penley - Division No. 5
Jack Pool - Division No. 6
Janelle Lavallee - Administrator

Vacant - Division No. 3

Call to Order: A quorum being present, Reeve Aumack called the meeting to order at 9:37 a.m.

Delegation – Murray Strain - 9:37 a.m. to 9:43 a.m. –Discussed with Council– RM offer to purchase 38ft x 50ft quonset (with natural gas and power available) in the Organized Hamlet of Mayfair.

Delegation – Curtis Hemming – APAS – 10:00 a.m. to 10:47 a.m. –Discussed with Council– Highlights of current farm policy issues and priorities such as support for livestock sector, carbon tax, and Canada rail review.

Delegation – Don Wohlberg - 11:06 a.m. to 11:23 a.m. - Telephone Conference –Discussed with Council– the permit from Water Security Agencies about upgrading boat launch at Crescent Beach.

APPROVE MINUTES **314/23. POLLARD:** That the minutes of the regular meeting held on October 19, 2023 be approved as read. CARRIED.

FINANC STATE **315/23. HOLMES:** That the statement of financial activities and bank reconciliation for October, 2023 be accepted as presented. CARRIED.

Delegation – Mike Doom - Foreman – 12:00 p.m. to 2:07 p.m. –Discussed with Council– Update on mowing and gravelling. Opened channel south of Barlow Lake. Gave council a list of repairs needed on various equipment. Removed lights from old shop and taking down cable.

VERBAL REPORTS **316/23. ALLCHURCH:** That council acknowledge the verbal reports presented by Foreman, Mike Doom. CARRIED.

VERBAL REPORTS **317/23. PENLEY:** That council acknowledge the verbal reports presented Council, Reeve and Administrator. CARRIED.

WATER REPORT **318/23. POOL:** That council acknowledge the water treatment plant monthly report for October, 2023 and the Environmental Services Analysis Report from Saskatchewan Health, collected on October 15, 2023, result was negative. CARRIED.

WASTE LANDFILL **319/23. POLLARD:** That council acknowledge the waste disposal landfill monthly reports for October, 2023. CARRIED.

CORRES **320/23. HOLMES:** That the following correspondence, have been read, be filed:

- Water Treatment Monthly Reports and Analysis Reports
- Waste Disposal Landfill - Monthly Reports
- SARM Rural Dart - October 24 and 31, 2023 (Copy by Email)
- SARM Rural Sheaf - October, 2023 (Copy by Email)
- SARM, the Voice of Rural Saskatchewan in Ottawa
- APAS Updates – October 19 and November 2, 2023 (Copy by Email)
- Mapping of Grading/Mowing – October, 2023
- Fuel Consumption Usage and Hour Summary – October, 2023 (Copy)

- North Central Transportation Planning Committee – Offers Services and Information to RM's
- New Spiritwood Fire Chief – TJ Tipton
- HELP International Shelterbelt Program – Taking Orders for 2024
- MEPP – Introducing Planner's Corporate Board. CARRIED.

EI RATE **321/23. ALLCHURCH:** That council acknowledge the reduced employment insurance premium rate for 2024, rate of 1.177 times the employee premium with employees covered by an approved benefit plan. CARRIED.

REMUNE RATES **322/23. PENLEY:** That remuneration be set at \$200.00 per diem for members of council, members of council committee, other bodies established by the council and for general and office supervision, and with 0.70¢ per km travel expense. Reimbursement of meal allowance be set up to \$75.00 per day or with receipts. Effective January 1, 2024. CARRIED.

EMPLOY RATES **323/23. POOL:** That RM employees be paid 0.70¢ per km for travel expense and a meal allowance of up to \$75.00 per day reimbursement for related RM issues only. The above mentioned does not refer to everyday practices. Effective January 1, 2024. CARRIED.

APPOINT LIST **324/23. POLLARD:** That the appointment list be approved for 2024 and be attached to form part of these minutes. CARRIED.

WORK SHOP **325/23. HOLMES:** That Janelle Lavalley, Lauren Liebaert and Jim Allchurch be authorized to attend the NCTPC Workshop in Edam, SK on February 27, 2024. CARRIED.

APAS MEMBER Recorded vote was requested by Reeve, Randy Aumack.
326/23. ALLCHURCH: That APAS membership be renewed in the amount of \$8,706.08 for the year 2024.
For: Darrell Pollard, Jim Allchurch, Dave Penley, Randy Aumack, Earl Holmes, Jack Pool
Against: CARRIED.

SARM BENEFIT **327/23. PENLEY:** That the following renewals of SARM benefits for 2024 be tabled until the next meeting: Health & Dental Coverage, Long Term Disability, Group Life Insurance, Optional Life Insurance, Property Self-Insurance, Liability Self-Insurance and Excess Liability Insurance. CARRIED.

ELECTION OFFICIALS **328/23. POOL:** That council set the remuneration to be paid to municipal election officials to be \$180.00 per day. CARRIED.

CANCEL TAXES **329/23. POLLARD:** That the balance of taxes owing from September 14, 2023 to the end of the current year on Lots 14 and 15 Block 3 Plan BM974 be cancelled. CARRIED.

Council member Jack Pool left the council chambers at 3:00 p.m.

ADVERT LOTS **330/23. HOLMES:** That Lots 14 and 15 Block 3 Plan BM974 be advertised for sale after liens are removed from the property. CARRIED.

ACCEPT TENDER **331/23. ALLCHURCH:** That the tender for the air compressor be awarded to Dave Penley, with the amount of \$320.00 plus G.S.T. CARRIED.

SUMMER JOBS **332/23. PENLEY:** That council approve that the Administrator submit application to Canada Summer Jobs Program for two summer students, with the wage of \$17.00 an hour for July and August, 2024. CARRIED.

MAYFAIR MINUTES **333/23. POLLARD:** That council acknowledge the annual meeting minutes from the Organized Hamlet of Mayfair dated October 30, 2023. CARRIED.

REVENUE DECLARA **334/23. HOLMES:** That Council of the Rural Municipality of Meeting Lake No. 466 confirms the municipality meets the following eligibility requirements to receive the Municipal Revenue Sharing Grant:

- Submission of the 2022 Audited Financial Statement to the Ministry of Government Relations;

- The municipality runs a Municipal Waterworks System that is not subject to public reporting requirements;
 - In good standing with respect to the reporting and remittance of Education Property Taxes;
 - Adoption of a Council Procedures Bylaw;
 - Adoption of an Employee Code of Conduct; and
 - All members of council have filed annually updated their Public Disclosure Statements, as required;
- and that we authorize the Administrator to sign the Declaration of Eligibility and submit it to the Ministry of Government Relations. CARRIED.

BONUS EMPLOY **335/23. ALLCHURCH:** That the following employees – Mike Doom, Robert Anhorn, Darcy King, Richard Lamontagne, Morris Woytiuk, Janelle Lavallee and Lauren Liebaert each receive a \$200.00 pre-paid visa. That Judy Kennedy, Ethan Holmes Tricia Karg, Garrett Pushee and Taryn Brochu each receive a \$100.00 pre-paid visa and that Nicholas Fournier and John Vargo receive a \$50.00 pre-paid visa - in appreciation for all the work they do. CARRIED.

SELL LOTS **336/23. PENLEY:** That Lots 12 and 13 Block 3 Plan BM974 be sold to Chris Fournier in the amount of \$1,200.00 for both lots, plus applicable taxes. CARRIED.

TRANSFER FUNDS **337/23. POLLARD:** That the administrator be authorized to transfer \$100,000.00 from RM regular account into the RM savings account. CARRIED.

PURCHASE QUONSET **338/23. ALLCHURCH:** That the RM of Meeting Lake purchase the Quonset/land on Lot 12 Block 2 Plan AM2004 in the Organized Hamlet of Mayfair for the amount of \$18,000.00 plus applicable taxes. CARRIED.

ISSUE CHEQUES **339/23. HOLMES:** That the following cheques be issued:

Lauren Liebaert	\$288.00	
Janelle Lavallee	\$288.00	
Janelle Lavallee	\$2088.30	
Martodam Motors Ltd.	\$954.70.	CARRIED.

ACCOUNT APPROVAL **340/23. ALLCHURCH:** That attached list of accounts, cheques numbered 9045-9085 and direct deposits 1565-1580, in the amount of \$179,910.38 be approved for payment. CARRIED.

ADJOURN **341/23. PENLEY:** That this meeting adjourn at 4:26 p.m. CARRIED.

Reeve

Administrator