

THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF BROKENHEAD
OCTOBER 27, 2020 - COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING 4:45 PM
MINUTES

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| Members Present: | Reeve Councillor | Brad Saluk Sean Michaels Bruce Modrzejewski Luke Ingeberg |
| | Via Teleconference | Jack Kowalchuk |
| | Chief Admin. Officer Exec. Assistant | Sue Sutherland, CMMA Kerry Bialek, CMMA |

Meeting called to order at 5:13 p.m.

1. Miscellaneous Reports

-Service request, blading and grass cutting reports were submitted, as well as banked/sick/vacation time for employees. All reports were reviewed and received as information.

2. Project Manager Courses

-The Public Works Project Manager and Financial Officer have been enrolled in an Asset Management course. The course is available online and will result in a Capital Asset Management Plan for the Rural Municipality of Brokenhead. As the Public Works Project Manager has a full work load during the day, he has been granted permission to work on the course in the evenings with his time spent to be banked.

3. 2021 Recreation Groups Date for Meeting

-Council wishes to meet with the municipality's recreation groups to discuss how COVID-19 has affected them and their financial footing. The meeting has been set for December 1st, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. in the Rural Municipality of Brokenhead Council Chambers.

4. Administration Building Septic Service Comparison

-The Public Works Project Manager had provided a report with cost comparisons for methods of disposing of waste from the Administration Building. Of the three options researched, Council decided it would be more cost effective and practical to get a new septic field.

5. 2020-2021 Gravel Delivery

-The Rural Municipality of Brokenhead is starting to receive gravel to be stockpiled for 2021. The contract allows Council to increase the amount stockpiled by up to 15% for the same price per unit, however now they will allow any amount for the same cost. Council has decided to increase the amount stockpiled by 25% from last year.

6. Chris Mars

-A lawyer representing Chris Mars has approached the Municipality again with respect to purchasing Lots 33 and 34, Block 2, Plan 2248 however a price cannot be agreed upon. The cost would be for the land and for half the subdivision process fees which would be necessary to sell that lot.

7. Public Works Meeting Date

-A Public Works Department meeting has been scheduled for November 12th, 2020 at 2:00 p.m. to discuss ongoing projects and plans for 2021.

8. Drain at Section 14-13-6EPM

-Robert Shumilak approached the Municipality about a drain that was dug on his property to assist area farmers with field drainage. The drain had never been registered as a public drain and continues to run along the eastern boundary of his property. Mr. Shumilak claims he was never compensated for his land being used to build this drain. It is unsure whether we dug the drain as it is all on private property. Council wonder why after 20 year or more that Mr. Shumilak request compensation. Administration to contact Mr. Shumilak advising him to consult with legal counsel.

9. Christmas Festivities

-The Rural Municipality of Brokenhead staff Christmas party has been cancelled because of the COVID-19 pandemic.

10. Christmas Hours Closure

-The Rural Municipality of Brokenhead will be closed December 24th, 2020 to January 3rd, 2021 for the holiday season. Public Works equipment operators will be on-call for emergencies. The office will re-open Monday, January 4th, 2021.

11. Bodnar Quarries

-Documentation had been received from the Rural Municipality of St. Clements regarding the aggregate mining application by Bodnar Quarries for SW ¼ Section 9-13-6EPM. There are no restrictions with respect to blasting. The Rural Municipality of Brokenhead can request a seismic report during blasting events.

12. Heritage Committee Purchase

-The Rural Municipality of Brokenhead Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee is requesting the use of funds set aside for the committee for the purpose of purchasing materials for a Heritage Family Monument. The funds will be made available when the committee is ready to move forward with the project.

13. Bridge Replacement

-The bridge located on Road 36E immediately south of Hwy 435 is being replaced by the Province of Manitoba starting November 3rd, 2020 and could take up to five weeks to complete. The culvert on the east side of the intersection is also being replaced and will take a few days to complete. The information about road closures has been posted on the municipal website and Facebook page.

14. Beausejour Community Kitchen

-The Beausejour Community Kitchen is requesting a donation toward the purchase of a cooler and monthly rental fees for the facility. This request will be discussed again once the committee becomes established as a non-profit organization.

15. Eastman Regional Municipal Committee

-The Rural Municipality of Brokenhead will be sending letters of support to the Eastman Regional Municipal Committee with regard to concerns for safety on Crown Lands as well as development of a refund protocol to pay consumers back for recyclables where an environmental levy is paid at time of sale.

16. By-Law Officers to Enforce COVID-19 Restrictions

-The Province of Manitoba has made regulatory amendments to allow municipal by-law officers to enforce public health orders. Council discussed this possibility and had decided to not use by-law enforcement for this purpose.

Meeting adjourned at 6:52 p.m.

Brad Saluk

Reeve

Sue Sutherland

Chief Administrative Officer