

**THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF BROKENHEAD**  
**NOVEMBER 10, 2020 - COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING 5:00 PM**  
**MINUTES**

Members Present:	Reeve	Brad Saluk
	Councillor	Sean Michaels
		Bruce Modrzejewski
		Luke Ingeberg
		Jack Kowalchuk

Chief Admin. Officer Sue Sutherland, CMMA

Meeting called to order at 5:00 p.m.

**1. Council Indemnities – October 2020**

-Council members submitted their monthly indemnity forms for October of 2020.

**2. 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.

**3. 2021 Council Committee Appointments**

-The Reeve was informed that we would like to have a resolution for appointments for the first meeting in December, as we are receiving requests from the boards involved.

**4. Call for Volunteers**

-Council wishes to post in the paper and other social media a call for volunteers for some of our community boards to try to attract new members.

**5. Request for Speed Reduction on Highway 302**

-The residents on Highway 302 sent a letter requesting a speed reduction to the Infrastructure Minister and a reply was received that the RM must propose the change first, on the residents' behalf. Due to the new surfacing, it seems that public is now travelling faster. Administration to contact the Province to see what the steps are required now as the Highway Traffic Board has been removed. This issue will be brought back once a reply is received.

**6. Bandit Sponsorship**

-A request was submitted by Richard Tyslau for sponsorship for a new hockey team in Town that would bring back Junior Hockey. The team would compete in the Manitoba Major Junior Hockey League and it would give teenagers in the area an opportunity to keep playing hockey until the age of 21. The intent of the league is to provide a program for talented and competitive hockey players, as they could continue their education or to begin in their career path while playing competitive hockey. Council would write a letter of support and consider sponsorship.

**7. Bill 37**

-Bill 37, it looks like the Province is moving forward with this bill. The bill will create Metropolitan Regional Planning Board, along with the right to appeal Council's decision on subdivision and then be sent to the Municipal Board for conclusion. The Province has now mixed part of Bill 48 with this bill and we are in opposition of the Province passing this bill. There is a resolution on AMM conference agenda that opposes Bill 48, and not Bill 37. Unsure at this time if it will be moving forward.

**8. Water Treatment Plan Population Assessment**

-Council received an assessment of population of Tyndall and Garson which is a twenty-year forecast. Council discussed that the population should be compared to what was used for the wastewater lagoon as the amount of water that is used does affect the capacity of the lagoon. Administration to refer this back to the engineers to compare the population that was used for the lagoon and the water should be somewhat similar.

**9. CanWhite Sands**

-This project is a silica sand company in Springfield, Council has been concerned of the effects to the ground water and the capacity of the aquifer. The letter outline that CanWhite Sands will not have a hearing through Clean Environment Commission but will require a public meeting for inquiries. At the current time this application is for the site itself and not for the actual drilling process. There will be a second application for the refining process.

**10. Development Plan**

-An error in the Development Plan was found which effects the Tyndall Elevator property. Awaiting information from the Province, if there was an error, or the property needs to be amended.

**11. By-Law Enforcement for COVID**

-The Province has a grant for funding to hire a By-Law Enforcement Officer to enforce COVID regulation. Council determined that they were interested in having a By-Law officer do the enforcement and apply for the grant. A resolution will be required at the Council meeting that needs to be attached to the application.

**12. Septic Tank**

-A resident maybe interested in purchasing the septic tank, that was purchased some time ago in error. Council agreed to post it on Kijiji as this is a public platform. Also, the old spray truck from Agassiz Weed will be posted as well.

**13. Complaint**

-The Council discussed the complaint brought forward by Don Fiebelkorn, Administration to look after the matter and charge the offender for the repair.

**14. Tree Lighting at the Town**

-Due to COVID the Chamber of Commerce is doing the lighting virtually. They have asked that a video be done with the Council to bring Christmas greetings. Administration will look after the matter.

**15. Communications Tower**

-Information was brought forward on a communication tower in the LUD of Tyndall/Garson. Council was informed that a variation hearing needs to be applied for. It was suggested that maybe the lagoon site would be more suitable for the tower. Administration to contact the company and see if it can be moved.

**16. Request to Waive Penalties and Interest**

-Council received a letter from a resident requesting that the penalties and interest be waived for the tax account and that they would be interested in starting a payment plan. Due to COVID the business they run has not operated since last fall. It is an unfortunate situation however, if this was done for one resident, we would have to do it for all. For the tax sale system properties in 3 years in arrears go to sale, and at the current time the resident is only one year in arrears. Some discussions ensued about what do we do for farmers that have a bad year, they may not have funds to pay the taxes, hence there really is no difference, Council denied the request and Administration would reply.

**17. Tyndall Elevator**

-Administration explained that there had been complaints about the elevator as the building is not secure, doors and windows are open, and the roof material has blown off. Administration had discussed this matter with the landowner several times and it seems that he cannot find someone to do the repair. A registered letter should be sent advising him of the issues and supply a date that it must be repaired by.

**18. Donations to the move of the Elevator**

-It was asked of Administration to find out more about the donations that were given to move the Elevator.

**19. Engine Retarder Brake Signs Update**

-Council requested an update on the signs for engine retarder brakes, Administration outlined that everything was sent to the Province and an update will be supplied for the next meeting.

**20. Ground Water Interference Plan**

-Council wishes that a resolution be prepared to request that the Town complete a Ground Water Interference Plan for our residents that live near the test well site. if they plan to proceed with the new water plant. This Plan would outline how complaints would be rectified if a resident's well is affected due to the drawdown of water from the aquifer. It should outline how the complaint be dealt with, who they would contact, the investigative process, etc. Council felt by requesting this plan, our residents would be protected from any negative effects.

**Meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.**

*Brad Saluk*  
Reeve

*Sue Sutherland*  
Chief Administrative Officer