# THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF BROKENHEAD SEPTEMBER 12, 2017 - COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING 4:45 PM MINUTES

Members Present: Reeve Brad Saluk

Councillor Bruce Modrzejewski

Luke Ingeberg Sean Michaels

CAO Sue Sutherland, CMMA Executive Asst. Kerry Bialek, CMMA

Regrets Debra Litke

Meeting called to order at 4:45 p.m.

## 1. Tyndall Grain Elevator – Matthew Bialek & Dr. Gordon Goldsborough

-Matthew Bialek and Dr. Gordon Goldsborough, along with owner Randy Bialek, attended Committee of the Whole to make a presentation on the preservation of the Tyndall Elevator. Two options were presented: leaving the elevator in Tyndall where it is currently situated and making minor changes to fortify it, or to re-locate it to the Pioneer Village Museum in Beausejour. There are 131 grain elevators left in Manitoba, after 5 had been demolished this past summer. Of that, 54% are still in use and 33% are abandoned. M. Bialek has met with the Beausejour Brokenhead Development Corporation with respect to the Heritage Grants Program from the provincial government, which grants funds for structural use. A survey has been available for people to complete, with results so far showing people in favour of preserving the elevator. Dr. Goldsborough recommends designating the elevator a historical site. A presentation is to be made to the Local Urban District of Tyndall-Garson committee in the future.

#### 2. Golden Bay Topsoil Farms – Jonathan Feldman

-Council met with Jonathan Feldman, the new owner and operator of Golden Bay Topsoil Farms, who is requesting a letter of legal non-conformance with his name on it granting him the same privileges as the previous owner to remove and sell topsoil. Administration will draft the letter for signing.

#### 3. Splash Pool Annual Statistical Report - 2017

-The Splash Pool Annual Statistical Report for 2017 was received from the Brokenhead River Recreation District Commission and has been received for information by Council. It contains the statistics for the usage and staffing of the outdoor pool for the 2017 season.

## 4. Rural Animal Management Services – August 2017 Invoice & Report

-The monthly invoice and report has been received by Council for the month of August 2017 from Rural Animal Management Services for animal control services in the municipality.

## 5. Road Renewal Project – Public Works Project Manager Report

-Public Works Project Manager Doug Murray prepared a report for Council following receipt of correspondence from L. Chabot Enterprises Ltd. listing extra materials used in the renewal project of Miles 67N and 68N between Roads 36E and 39E this summer. Council requested seeing the scale tickets for aggregate used in the road renewal. The municipality will pay \$40,000.00 for the extra materials required to complete the project.

## 6. Lagoon Levy Charges

-Expenses had been calculated for the complete lagoon project and the costs have been broken down for rural and Local Urban District of Tyndall-Garson property owners. A by-law will be drafted by Administration stating the costs and the option to pay it all up front or to put it on the property taxes over 10 years.

## 7. Bridge Report

-The bridge inspection report, conducted and composed by Denis Andrews in 2011, has been circulated to Council. It was agreed that a cost of \$7,250.00 would be spent for each the Green Bay Bridge and the Zachar Bridge for hydraulic studies and reports which are recommended for planning purposes. Chief Administrative Officer Sue Sutherland to contact engineer.

#### 8. Personnel Report – Vacation Time

-A report of vacation time had been prepared for Council and had been received as information.

# 9. Cancellation of November 28<sup>th</sup>, 2017 Council Meeting

-Due to the Association of Manitoba Municipalities holding their annual convention in Brandon from November 27<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup>, 2017, the November 28<sup>th</sup> regular meeting of Council will be cancelled. A resolution is to be prepared for the next council meeting.

#### 10. Christmas Holidays

-The Rural Municipality of Brokenhead will be closed over the winter holidays from December 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2017 to January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018. Staff is to use holidays and banked time for the days not covered by Stat Holidays. Public Works staff will be on-call in the event of an emergency. A resolution is to be prepared for the next council meeting.

## 11. Federal Tax Changes for Small Businesses

-The City of Steinbach has put forth a resolution to ask the Federal government to stop its plans to remove tax benefits for small businesses. The Rural Municipality of Brokenhead has many small businesses and Council feels it is important to help those businesses thrive, and so will also pass a similar resolution in support of keeping current tax benefits for small businesses.

#### 12. Prairie By-Law Enforcement – Daily and Summary Reports

-Prairie By-Law Enforcement has provided reports for each 8-hour shift worked for the Rural Municipality of Brokenhead. By-law enforcement will continue working in the

rural area and Local Urban District of Tyndall-Garson one day a week until the end of October 2017.

#### 13. Brokenhead River Game & Fish Association – Letters to Petitioners

-The Brokenhead River Game & Fish Association had sent letters to all those residents that signed a petition in favour of closing the gun range, notifying them of changes to hours of operation, rescheduling of events to days other than Sundays and range closures during civic and religion holidays to cooperate with the wishes of those living nearby. Only 6 major shooting events will take place between May and December 2017.

#### 14. Budget Meeting

-Council will begin the working on the 2018 municipal budget on November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

Meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.	
Brad Saluk	Sue Sutherland
Reeve	Chief Administrative Officer