

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF BIRCH HILLS NO. 460

February 12, 2014

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Present: Reeve Alan Evans, Councillors Chris Hovdebo, Steven Adams (at 8:50), Greg Cochet, Dean Manson and Administrator Shirley Pratchler.

Reeve Evans called to the meeting to order at 8:00 am.

26-2014 Minutes: Cochet That the minutes of the meeting held on January 8, 2014 be accepted as circulated.

Carried

27-2014 Financial Statement: Manson That the statement of financial activities as at January 31, 2014 be accepted as presented.

Carried

28-2014 Audited Financial Statement: Cochet That we accept the 2013 financial statements as prepared by the accounting firm of Ingram & Yeadon Accountants.

Carried

29-2014 Accounts Payable: Hovdebo That the accounts as per the attached list of cheques #12164 - 12201 totaling \$72,465.22 be approved.

Carried

30-2014 Correspondence: Manson That the correspondence be filed as presented.

Carried

31-2014 Committee Reports: Hovdebo That the following committee reports be accepted as presented:

Public Works & Maintenance: staff reviews completed on January 16th and analysis of needed equipment repairs has begun.

Recreation Board: reviewed minutes of January 28th meeting.

Fire Department/EMO: reviewed minutes of January 13, 27 and February 10th.

Coxby Road: email update from Dean Bear of MFN, agreement is moving through the required Provincial and Federal government departments.

Carried

32-2014 Fire Department: Adams That the members of the Birch Hills Fire Department be appointed as volunteer fire fighters of the RM of Birch Hills No. 460 as per the attached list.

Carried

33-2014 SARM Convention: Evans That Councillor Greg Cochet and Public Works employee Todd Devenis be authorized to attend the SARM Convention in Regina on March 11 and 12, 2014 with associated costs reimbursed by the RM.

Carried

34-2014 Library: Evans That the RM continue to contribute \$200 to the local library for programming and in addition fund one staff hour per week at a cost of \$850.

Carried

35-2014 Gravel Stockpiling: Manson That if municipal equipment and staff are unable to stay ahead of the gravel haul at the NE 32-47-23 W2 stockpile, Braaten Construction be contracted to assist.

Carried

36-2014 **Safety Allowance: Cochet** That the policy of reimbursing public works employees for the purchase of safety clothing up to \$250.00 per year and further that unused funds can be carried forward for a maximum of one year be adopted.

Carried

37-2014 **2014 Wages: Hovdebo** That we offer Administrator Shirley Pratchler \$51,000 per year as per the RMAA/SARM wage schedule; Gaylen Torgunrud \$25.50 per hour; Todd Devenis \$24.00 per hour; Pat Lepine \$21.00 per hour; and Cherie Opseth \$16.00 per hour for the 2014 fiscal year.

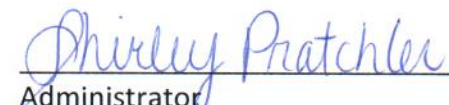
Carried

Delegation: Barry Swanson, Weed Inspector met with RM Council to discuss his appointment for 2014 and the process he would like to develop for this first year. Further discussion and planning to be held in conjunction with the Invasive Plant Workshop scheduled in Birch Hills on February 26, 2014.

38-2014 **Adjournment: Cochet** That this meeting be adjourned at 10:30 am.

Carried

Certified correct this 14th of March, 2014.



Administrator



Reeve