

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF BIRCH HILLS NO. 460

May 7, 2014

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Present: Reeve Alan Evans, Councillors Chris Hovdebo, Steven Adams (at 8:30), Greg Cochet, Dean Manson, Gerald Olsen and Administrator Shirley Pratchler.

Reeve Evans called to the meeting to order at 8:05 am.

65-2014 Minutes: Cochet That the minutes of the regular meeting held on April 9, 2014 be accepted as circulated.

Carried

66-2014 Minutes: Cochet That the minutes of the special meeting held on April 29, 2014 and Resolution 64-2014 be accepted as presented.

Carried

67-2014 Financial Statement: Manson That the statement of financial activities as at April 30, 2014 be accepted as presented.

Carried

68-2014 Accounts Payable: Evans That the accounts as per the attached list of cheques #12266 – 12308 totaling \$116,671.71 be approved less cheque #12306 payable to the Town of Birch Hills for \$340.00 equaling total payable of \$116,331.71.

Carried

Delegation: Lorne Ridgway attended to discuss the formation and training of a First Responders group in Birch Hills and area; six people have been trained to date. Funding will be required to purchase the required items for a main kit plus individual kits. The Town of Birch Hills and the Birch Hills & District Health Foundation have also been approached for funding assistance.

69-2014 Correspondence: Hovdebo That the correspondence be accepted as presented.

Carried

70-2014 Committee Reports: Cochet That the following committee reports be accepted as presented:

Public Works & Maintenance: Todd Devenis attended the meeting and gave a verbal report. Blading, culvert and road repairs continue. Gravel truck has been repaired, some surging issues remain.

Recreation Board: meeting minutes of March 25th, AGM held April 29th. The audit is complete, have not received copy yet. An increase to the RM's capital contribution was discussed; existing agreement will need to be reviewed.

Fire Department/EMO: reviewed minutes of April 21st and May 5th and the letter from the Town of Birch Hills dated April 28th.

Health Foundation: fundraising continues for renovations and a donation has been made to the summer playground program.

Coxby Road: no further word on the agreement, Muskoday First Nation has closed the road due to condition.

Carried

71-2014 Fire Department Wages: Adams Members of the Birch Hills Volunteer Fire Department are to be paid for their emergency call-outs, bi-weekly meetings, and approved in-house training; and further a letter of clarification will be on file and sent upon approval of the Town and RM of Birch Hills.

Carried

72-2014 Fire Department Fundraising: Adams That a response be sent to the memo of May 4, 2014 received from the Birch Hills Fire Department regarding grant applications commending the fundraising efforts of the Department and further that the support of Council is inherent in the application as the joint owner of the Birch Hills Fire Department and that a letter of support is not required.


Carried

- 73-2014 Letter from Mary Miller: Evans** That the issues and concerns brought forward in the letter dated April 24, 2014 will be researched and discussed with the Council of the Town of Birch Hills and a response will be provided in writing.
Carried
- 74-2014 Subdivision: Hovdebo** That we approve the proposed subdivision request from Anne and Denny Foster for the 19 acre subdivision from the 60 acre parcel at NE 18-46-23 W2.
Carried
- 75-2014 SaskEnergy: Olsen** That the request from SaskEnergy for a road punch to provide service to NE 05-47A-24 W2 be approved.
Carried
- 76-2014 Legion Ad: Manson** That the purchase of a 1/10 page advertisement in the "Military Service Recognition Book" published by the Saskatchewan Command of the Royal Canadian Legion continue on a yearly basis.
Carried
- 77-2014 SMHI Withdrawals: Adams** That the list of applications for withdrawal of land from the SMHI Association be approved as presented.
Carried
- 78-2014 Clearing the Path: Hovdebo** That we support the RM of Invergordon No. 430 in their application to the SARM Clearing the Path program connecting Highway 3 and Highway 41 utilizing three miles of grid road in the RM of Birch Hills No. 460.
Carried
- 79-2014 Beaver Control Program: Hovdebo** That we participate in the SARM Beaver Control Program for 2014 and reimburse authorized individuals \$30 per beaver tail. Authorized individuals to remove problem beavers are as follows: Joe Lepine, Landon Cochrane, David Wilson, Brent Fenner, Andrew Boyle, David Jones, Reg Quaale, Gerry Gudelot and Todd Devenis.
Carried
- 80-2014 Gravel Sales: Evans** That gravel stockpiles are for RM use only and there will not be any further private sales unless there is a motion of Council.
Carried
- 81-2014 Road Restrictions: Manson** That road restrictions be lifted in the RM of Birch Hills No. 460 effective 12:01 am Monday, May 12, 2014.
Carried
- 82-2014 Seasonal Operator: Olsen** That the seasonal mower position be offered to Vic Doderai with a 2% wage increase to \$18.36 per hour.
Carried
- 83-2014 Adjournment: Cochet** That this meeting be adjourned at 11:25 am.
Carried

Certified correct this 11th of June, 2014.



Administrator



Reeve