

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF BIRCH HILLS NO. 460

March 14, 2014

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Present: Reeve Alan Evans, Councillors Chris Hovdebo, Kyle Jensen, Greg Cochet, Dean Manson and Administrator Shirley Pratchler.

Reeve Evans called to the meeting to order at 8:15 am.

39-2014 Minutes: Cochet That the minutes of the meeting held on February 12, 2014 be accepted as circulated.

Carried

40-2014 Financial Statement: Manson That the statement of financial activities as at February 28, 2014 be accepted as presented.

Carried

41-2014 Accounts Payable: Hovdebo That the accounts as per the attached list of cheques #12202 - 12237 totaling \$349,606.97 be approved.

Carried

42-2014 Correspondence: Jensen That the correspondence be filed as presented.

Carried


43-2014 Committee Reports: Manson That the following committee reports be accepted as presented:

Public Works & Maintenance: Todd Devenis attended the meeting to discuss budget items, road work during spring thaw and attendance at the Fire Chief's Convention.

Recreation Board: next meeting will be held March 25th.

Fire Department/EMO: reviewed minutes of February 24th and March 10th.

Carried


Delegation: Randy Matsalla, SaskPower attended to discuss the placement of power poles for new power installation through Divisions 3 and 4. The widths of road allowances were confirmed and recommendations made for the best placement. Recommended changes will be communicated to the SaskPower engineering technologist that drafted the plan.

Delegation: Rod Ramage, engineer with Golder Associates Ltd. attended to discuss the Geotechnical Investigation and Conceptual Design report for the road failure through the Macs Creek valley.

44-2014 Macs Creek/PDAP: Cochet That the report be accepted as presented and the project be approved to move forward conditional on PDAP's confirmation that the costs associated with the project will be covered under the program.

Carried

45-2014 Weed Management: Hovdebo That Councillor Kyle Jensen be appointed as the RM's representative on the subcommittee to develop the weed management plan for the RM and Town of Birch Hills in conjunction with Barry Swanson, Weed Inspector.

Carried

46-2014 Summer Gravel Haul: Manson That the Administrator and Reeve be authorized to develop an invitational tender for the summer haul and further send the tender to local gravel haulers.

Carried

- 47-2014 **Town/RM: Jensen** That Reeve Alan Evans and Councillor Greg Cochet be appointed as the RM's representatives on the subcommittee to work on joint issues with the Town of Birch Hills.
Carried
- 48-2014 **Wildfire Management: Hovdebo** That Reeve Alan Evans and Deputy Reeve Dean Manson be named as the authorized individuals to request fire suppression assistance on behalf of the RM of Birch Hills No. 460 from the Ministry of Environment.
Carried
- 49-2014 **Firefighting Charges: Evans** That as per Section 369 of *The Municipalities Act* and the request of the Town of Birch Hills as administrators of the Birch Hills Volunteer Fire Department, that delinquent firefighting accounts be added to the tax roll.
Carried
- 50-2014 **RCMP Annual Performance Plan: Cochet** That the Crime Reduction objectives remain the same for 2014/15.
Carried
- 51-2014 **Premier's Dinner: Evans** That the RM commit to purchasing ½ table, four tickets, for the Premier's Dinner in Prince Albert and further that the RM's policy will be to continue to attend events such as this regardless of the political party forming Government.
Carried
- 52-2014 **Adjournment: Cochet** That this meeting be adjourned at 12:05 pm.
Carried

Certified correct this 9th of April, 2014.



Administrator



Reeve