



**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD BY
THE TOWN OF MORRIS
January 12th, 2012 @ 7:05 pm**

Councillors Present: Ruth Murray
Mike Hinchey
Bruce Third
Trevor Thiessen
Bill Ginter
Scott Crick

Absent: None

Also Present: Brigitte Doerksen, Chief Administrative Officer
Jeanette Bergstresser (SEJ)

Presiding: Mayor Gavin van der Linde

02/01/12
Agenda

Moved by Councillor Ruth Murray
Seconded by Councillor Trevor Thiessen

BE IT RESOLVED that the Agenda for the January 12th, 2012 regular Council meeting be approved as presented.

(Carried)

03/01/12
Minutes
Regular
Meeting

Moved by Councillor Bill Ginter
Seconded by Councillor Bruce Third

BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the December 15th, 2011 Regular Council Meeting be adopted as presented.

(Carried)

DELEGATIONS: NONE

CORRESPONDENCE:

a) Minister of Public Safety	Vic Toews Letter	Noted
b) Manitoba Healthy Living	Service Awards 2012	Send to the School for consideration
c) Tax Payer request	Sanding of Sidewalks	Forwarded to Public Works
d) Manitoba Conservation	Inspection Report	Noted & discussed
e) Manitoba Justice	RCMP Provincial service agmt	Send letter

SEM/INARS & EDUCATION: NONE

<u>From</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Disposition</u>
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FINANCIAL:

a) Grant in Aid Funding request	#04/01/12
b) Rempel Insurance tax concession request	#05/01/12
c) Jimmy Berg- wage increase	#06/01/12
d) EFT-CAFT-on line Bill payment policy	#07/01/12
e) Purchase of new 1/2 ton truck	#08/01/12

04/01/12 Moved by Councillor Mike Hinchey
GIA Seconded by Councillor Bill Ginter
Request **BE IT RESOLVED** that Council request Grant-In-Aid funding for the following project:
Station Street (Station Street to Montreal Avenue approx. 400m)
Asphalt Concrete Paving (100mm) for an approx. cost of \$250,000.00
(Carried)

05/01/12 Moved by Councillor Trevor Thiessen
November Seconded by Councillor Mike Hinchey
Financials **WHEREAS** it is deemed necessary and in the best interest of the Town of Morris to provide a financial assistance grant to Rempel Insurance for the construction of new building along Main Street and for the promotion of economic growth in the commercial sector;
AND WHEREAS the Council of the Town of Morris enacts as follows:
That the Town of Morris agrees to provide a financial assistance grant to the Rempel Insurance Building subject to the following terms and conditions:
a. That Rempel Insurance shall pay all municipal and school taxes and water accounts when due;
b. For the taxable years of 2011 to 2017 inclusive a financial assistant grant equal to the following of the municipal portion of taxes in each year:
2011- 0%
2012-10%
2013-25%
2014-40%
2015-55%
2016-70%
2017-85%
c. Should the building be sold, damaged, destroyed or cease operation; all obligations of the Town of Morris shall cease for such periods of time as the operation of the building has ceased operation.
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Morris Council approve the above financial assistance grant.
(Carried)

06/01/12 Moved by Councillor Scott Crick
Wage increase Seconded by Councillor Bruce Third
J. Berg **WHEREAS** the Personnel Committee recommends that Public Works Employee Jimmy Berg receive a \$1.00/hr. Increase to his wages for Municipal Water and Wastewater courses taken in the 2011 year;
AND WHEREAS it be further recommended that the wage increase be effective as the first pay period in July of 2011;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Morris Council approve the above recommendation from the Personnel Committee.
(Carried)

07/11/12 Moved by Councillor Bill Ginter
Policy Seconded by Councillor Scott Crick
On-line **WHEREAS** the Administrative staff of the Town of Morris deems it advisable to establish a clear, well-supervised and audited process for payment of bill via Electronic Fund Transfer (EFT) and or Customer Automated Funds Transfer (CAFT);
Bill pymts **AND WHEREAS** an Online Bill Payment Policy has been created for review;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council adopt the Online Bill Payment Policy.
(Carried)

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(Carried)

08/01/12
Purchase of
New ½ ton

Moved by Councillor Trevor Thiessen
Seconded by Councillor Bill Ginter

WHEREAS Public Works has received 4 quotes in regards to a 2012 Ford F-150 truck;
AND WHEREAS the Transportation and Infrastructure committee recommends the purchase of a 2012 Ford F-150 truck for an approx. cost of \$20,100.00 (plus applicable taxes);

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that council approve the purchase of a 2012 Ford F-150 truck.

(Carried)

NEW BUSINESS:

- a) Minor Hockey Project proposals for 2012 #09/01/12
b) Active Transportation #10/01/12

09/01/12
Minor
Hockey
Projects

Moved by Councillor Bruce Third
Seconded by Councillor Mike Hinchey

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council authorize for Minor Hockey to go ahead with their proposed improvements to the arena.

(Carried)

10/01/12
Active
Transportation

Moved by Councillor Mike Hinchey
Seconded by Councillor Trevor Thiessen

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Morris support active transportation;
AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that we would like to actively advocate for the inclusion of a sidewalk/bike path on the bridge on Hwy 23 east.

(Carried)

BY-LAWS & POLICIES

- a) By-Law 05/09 Zoning By-Law Waiting for approval from the Province

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a) CAO Report Noted & discussed

NOTICE OF MOTION: None

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councillor Ruth Murray reported that she attended the following:

- Chamber meeting and planning session Jan. 10th, 2012

Councillor Mike Hinchey reported on the following:

- Fire Department

Councillor Bill Ginter reported on the following:

- Public Works
- Age Friendly committee- needs to be more active

Councillor Scott Crick reported on the following:

- Morris Manor Board

Councillor Bruce Third reported on the following:

- Personnel Meeting

Councillor Trevor Thiessen reported the following:

- Personnel Meeting
- SMCC
- Public Outdoor Skating arena is going very well. The comments have been well received.

Mayor Gavin van der Linde reported that it is great to be back from South Africa.

IN CAMERA ITEMS: None

Next Meeting Date: January 26th, 2012

Adjournment: There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:10p.m.

TOWN OF MORRIS

MAYOR

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

UNAPPROVED