

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD
June 22nd, 2006 AT 7:00 P.M.**

Councilors present: Cliff Peters
Dale Hoffman
Ruth Murray

Presiding: Mayor Barrie Stevenson

Absent: Jeannette Bergstresser
Bill Fulford
Egon Grossman

20/06/06
Agenda

Moved by Councilor Ruth Murray
Seconded by Councilor Dale Hoffman
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Agenda for the June 22nd, 2006 regular Council meeting be approved as amended.
Carried.
For: 4 Against: 0 Absent: 0

21/06/06
Minutes
Regular
Meeting

Moved by Councilor Cliff Peters
Seconded by Councilor Ruth Murray
BE IT RESOLVED that the Minutes of the June 8th, 2006 regular meeting of Council be adopted as presented.
Carried.
For: 4 Against: 0 Absent: 0

DELEGATIONS:

ACTION REQUIRED:

a)	PVWC	Water Supply Project	22/06/06
b)	Assessment Branch	Reduction	23/06/06
c)	RM of Ritchot	Request	24/06/06
d)	Riverview Gold Club	July 8 th Tournament	25/06/06
e)	James Janzen	Variation Application	26/06/06

22/06/06
Pembina
Water
Co-op

Moved by Councilor Dale Hoffman
Seconded by Councilor Cliff Peters
WHEREAS the Pembina Valley Water Coop, of which the Town of Morris is a member; has applied for an environmental and water rights license for a project which proposes to Move groundwater by pipeline from the Sandilands area to a pumping station at Morris; AND WHEREAS the purpose of the project is to alleviate water shortage during periods of drought;
BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Town of Morris authorize two members of Morris Council to register as a participant in the public hearing process for this water project.
AND FURTHER, that expenses be reimbursed as per by-law 09/05.
CARRIED.
For: 4 Against: 0 Absent: 0

23/06/06
Assessment
Branch

Moved by Councilor Ruth Murray
Seconded by Councilor Cliff Peters
WHEREAS the Assessment Branch has sent Reduced assessment for Roll# 72000 in the Town of Morris for 2006;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council authorize the attached assessment and tax reduction due to fire for the 2006 tax roll as per Section 300 (6) and 326 of the Municipal Act.

<u>Roll#</u>	<u>Owner Name</u>	<u>Assmnt</u>	<u>Portioned Assessmnt</u>	<u>Tax Reductn</u>
72000	4705387 Manitoba Ltd.	-118,100	-53,150	\$-3,272.45

Carried.
For: 4 Against: 0 Absent: 0

24/06/06
RM of
Ritchot

Moved by Councilor Dale Hoffman
Seconded by Councilor Ruth Murray

WHEREAS the Manitoba Floodway Authority (MFA) has proceeded with the expansion of the floodway (hereinafter known as the "project") but the Province has not addressed the detrimental effects of the 700 year flood in the R.M. of Ritchot caused as a result of the operation of the floodway and its expansion;

AND WHEREAS once the project is completed, the MFA will have the ability to raise the flood water levels to 780 feet above in the R.M. of Ritchot and its residents;

AND WHEREAS in the event of a 700 year floodway event, the floodway expansion will create artificial flooding to the extent that all present community and private dykes in the R. M. of Ritchot will be overtopped by as much as 6 feet;

AND WHEREAS the R. M of Ritchot is the only Municipality in the Red River Valley which will not be protected from a 700 year flood because of this artificial flooding;

AND WHEREAS the Province of Manitoba passed The Red River Floodway Act which purports to provide 100% compensation to residents artificially flooded but the legislation is flawed. It limits the ability for an individual to file a claim through the court system. The Federal Government has not agreed to participate in funding of this Act through the normal Disaster Financial Assistance program;

AND WHEREAS this legislation actually legislates the right for the Province of Manitoba to artificially flood and damage private property without obtaining the rights in advance;

AND WHEREAS this legislation also proves that the Province of Manitoba is designing the expanded floodway to cause artificial flooding in the R. M. of Ritchot in order to save significant amounts of money on the project costs in the short term;

AND WHEREAS if the 700 year flood occurs and all of the flood protection infrastructure is overtopped in the R.M. of Ritchot, most residents will not likely return but will seek a buyout and the Municipality will not to survive in its current state;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Morris respectfully requests the Province of Manitoba and the Government of Canada to:

- Provide the R.M. of Ritchot with the same level of flood protection that other municipalities in the Red River Valley currently enjoy.
- Resolve this artificial flooding issue with the R. M. of Ritchot before this potential disaster occurs by enhancing flood protection works within the R. M. and obtaining the right to artificially flood land and damage property through negotiations with the affected landowners.

Carried.

For: 7 Against: 0 Absent: 0

25/06/06
Riverview
Golf Club

Moved by Councilor Cliff Peters
Seconded by Councilor Dale Hoffman

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that 4 members of Council and/or staff be authorized to attend the Riverview Gold & Country Club golf tournament on July 8th, 2006 in Morris, MB.

Carried

For: 4 Against: 0 Absent: 0

26/06/06
Variation
Appl.

Moved by Councilor Ruth Murray
Seconded by Councilor Cliff Peters

BE IT RESOLVED that a Hearing date for the variation application from James Janzen #V03/06 be set for July 13th, 2006 at 7:00 pm.

Carried.

For: 4 Against: 0 Absent: 0

FINANCIAL:

Account

27/06/06

27/06/06
Cheques

Moved by Councilor Ruth Murray
Seconded by Councilor Cliff Peters
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the accounts, being cheque#'s 22933-23018 and manual cheques #M0360-M0365, and cancelled cheque #23009, in the amount of \$156,836.81 be approved as presented
Carried.
For: 4 Against: 0 Absent: 0

NEW & UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Pass codes for offices week of July
- Tenders –Land Drainage 28/06/06
- CAO Report

28/06/06
Tender
A. Brunet

Moved by Councilor Cliff Peters
Seconded by Councilor Dale Hoffman
WHEREAS tenders have been received for the excavation of storm sewer and Land drainage for Willow Drive.;
BE IT RESOLVED that the following tender be accepted by the Council of the Town of Morris:
A. Brunet Ltd. - \$1,120.00 plus GST
Carried.
For: 4 Against: 0 Absent: 0

Next Meeting Date: July 13th, 2006 at 7:00 p.m.

Adjournment: There being no further business the meeting was adjourned @ 10:05 p.m.

TOWN OF MORRIS

MAYOR

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER