

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
COUNCIL OF THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF McCREARY,
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8, 2014

PRESENT:

Reeve	Larry McLauchlan
Councillor	Allan Whyte
Councillor	Shawn Buchanan
Councillor	Dennis Battershell
Councillor	Gordon Evenson
Chief Administrative Officer	Margaret I. Roncin

CALL TO ORDER

Reeve McLauchlan called the Meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

#2014/01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda be adopted with the following amendments:

Correspondence:

January 7, 2014	Royal Canadian Mounted Police – Ste. Rose du Lac Detachment	Monthly Statistic Report for December, 2013 – COPIED.
January 6, 2014	Manitoba Local Government	Year End Report on use of 2013 Municipal Programs Grant (former VLT) – COPIED.
January 6, 2014	Manitoba Local Government	Year End Report on Use of 2013 General Assistance Grant – COPIED.
January 7, 2014	AMM	Member Advisory – Amalgamation legal challenge update – COPIED.

Finance: - COPIED.

Municipalities Trading Company of Manitoba Ltd. – Fuel for Dec. 19, 21, 28, 29, & 30, 2013 - \$1,621.97.

Unfinished Business

Draft By-law and agreement re: McCreary Curling Club - COPIED

East Riding Mountain Tourism Product Cluster and Marketing Initiative – Workshop Invitation and Registration – COPIED.

General Business:

5. Consideration for new bulk water rate

6. Landowner Right-of-Way Agreement between Snoman and Ste. Amelie Ridge Riders – COPIED.

7. Consideration for RHA update

Committee Reports.

Agassiz Planning District – MLA December 31, 2013 Report – COPIED.

CARRIED.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

#2014/02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Minutes for the Regular Meeting of December 11, 2013 of the Rural Municipality of McCreary be adopted as presented. CARRIED.

CORRESPONDENCE

DATE	FROM	SUBJECT	HOW DEALT WITH
Dec. 4/13	McCreary Talent Night Committee	Requesting financial support – COPIED.	Res. #2014/03. File McCreary Talent Nite.
Dec. 20/13	MB Emergency Measures Organization	Disaster Management Conference 2014 – scheduled for March 12-14, 2014 - COPIED.	Res. #2014/04. Filed MB Emergency Measures Organization – Seminars.

#2014/03

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Rural Municipality of McCreary does hereby support the McCreary Talent Night being held on March 22, 2014.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a ½ page advertisement be purchased at a cost of \$50.00. CARRIED.

#2014/04

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Rural Municipality of McCreary does hereby authorize those members of council and or Pat Blake, the Municipal Emergency Coordinator who wish to attend the Disaster Management Conference on March 12, 13 and 14, 2014 at Winnipeg, MB.

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AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT registration fee of \$300.00 per delegate, accommodations, mileage and meals be the responsibility of the municipality.
CARRIED.

#2013/05

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following correspondence be dealt with as necessary:

DATE	FROM	SUBJECT	HOW DEALT WITH
Dec. 13/13	Royal Canadian Mounted Police	Monthly Statistics Report for November, 2013 – COPIED.	Filed RCMP.
Dec. 12/13	Federation of Canadian Municipalities – Claude Dauphin, President	Thank you – Renewal of membership – COPIED.	Filed FCM.
Dec/13	Manitoba Planning Conference	Scheduled for February 26-28, 2014 at Brandon, MB – COPIED.	Filed Planning. Refer to Agassiz Planning District.
Dec. 11/13	AMM	Member Advisory – Amalgamation Legal Challenge – COPIED.	Filed AMM & Amalgamation.
Dec./13	AMM	Workshop – Strengthening Communications Skills for Difficult Situations scheduled January 27, 2014 at Winnipeg, MB – COPIED.	Filed AMM.
Dec. 16/13	MADD Canada	Request for placement of Advertisement in the MADD Message Yearbook – COPIED.	Filed Requests. Council does not wish to participate.
Dec. 17/13	Donald Saquet	Landowner Consent Form to accompany Drainage Licence Application for NW 32-21-14W – COPIED.	Filed Drainage-Requests. TABLED to obtain further information.
Dec. 16/13	Cargill Ltd. – Blake Bartram	Agreed to rental fee of \$50.00 per meeting – COPIED.	Filed Cargill Ltd. – Office.
Dec./13	Manitoba Municipal Government	Election Bulletin #2 – 2014 General Municipal Election update – COPIED.	Filed Municipal Election 2014.
Dec. 23/13	Parks Canada	Michaela Kent has been appointed as Field Unit Superintendent, Riding Mountain National Park – COPIED.	Filed Parks Canada.

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Dec. 23/13	The Property Registry	Survey Monument Restoration Program – NW 12-21-15W – claim processed in error – COPIED.	Filed Survey Monument Restoration Program. Landowner to be notified of the change.
Dec. 17/13	Village of McCreary to The Agassiz Planning District	Request for audited financial statements for 2013 – COPIED.	Filed Village of McCreary & Agassiz Planning District.
Dec. 17/13	Village of McCreary to McCreary Recreation Commission	Request for audited financial statements for 2013 – COPIED.	Filed Village of McCreary & McCreary Recreation Commission.
Dec. 17/13	Village of McCreary to Mountainview Lakeshore Agassiz Regional Planning Service	Request for audited financial statements for 2013 – COPIED	Filed Village of McCreary & MLA.
Dec.23/13	Hudson Bay Route Association	Request for 2014 membership – COPIED.	Filed Requests.
Dec. 30/13	Village of McCreary	Appointment of Cindi Berg as citizen representative to Parkland Tourism – COPIED.	Filed Village of McCreary & Parkland Tourism.
Dec. 30/13	Village of McCreary	Charge out rates for equipment and Labour for 2014 – COPIED.	Filed Village of McCreary.
Jan. 3/14	McCreary Mustang Timbits Hockey Team - Amanda Turko – Team Manager	Request Donation for Jan. 11/14 Tournament – COPIED.	Filed McCreary Centennial Arena. Provided 2 Promotional items – flasks.
Dec/30/13	Manitoba Crime Stoppers	Thank you for the 2014 Donation – COPIED.	Filed MB Crime Stoppers.
Jan.2/14	Leo Valcourt Surveying	Relocated to Brandon, MB and will no longer be offering service in our area – COPIED.	Filed Survey Services.
Jan. 7/14	Royal Canadian Mounted Police – Ste. Rose du Lac Detachment	Monthly Statistic Report for December, 2013 – COPIED.	Filed RCMP.
Jan. 6/14	Manitoba Local Government	Year End Report on use of 2013 Municipal Programs Grant (former VLT) – COPIED.	Filed Municipal Programs Grant (Former VLT). CAO to submit year-end report.
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Information Correspondence Listing for December 9, 2013 – January 6, 2014 was provided to Council with no concerns raised or items brought forward at this time.

FINANCE

Discussion was held on the compensation for attendance of meetings and mileage for the Turtle River Watershed Conservation District, Riding Mountain Biosphere Reserve and the Riding Mountain Liaison Committee and whether the Biosphere and Liaison Committees are showing a benefit to our community.

#2014/06 WHEREAS THE ACCOUNTS for the Rural Municipality of McCreary for the period of December 31, 2013 have been examined and found to be in order. THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the List of Accounts, including general cheque #8151 - 8197 in the amount of \$102,383.28 be approved as presented. CARRIED.

Unaudited Draft December 31, 2013 Financial Statement subject to PSAB requirements – not completed due to year end preparations and final audit.

#2014/07 BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Invoice Edit List for the period as of January 6, 2014 in the amount of \$14,825.44 be hereby approved for payment. CARRIED.

#2014/08 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the following invoices be paid from the General Operating Account #124-292-4:

Public School Finance	2013-3rd & final payment for education levy of school taxes	\$2,568.08
Turtle River School Division	2013 - 3 rd & final payment for submission of School Taxes	67,470.79
Mountain View School Division	2013 - 3 rd & final payment for submission of School Taxes	864.05
Munisoft	Annual Support – 2014 Software Maintenance	2,637.42
Munisoft	Annual Support – 2014 Equipment Maintenance	537.88
Lorne McNarland	Mileage for Dec, 2013	\$145.00
Municipalities Trading Company of Manitoba Ltd.	Fuel for December 19, 21, 28, 29 and 30, 2013	\$1,621.97

CARRIED.

BY-LAWS:

McCreary Emergency Plan – ongoing.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Municipal Amalgamation – Ongoing.

Tree Removal at NW 8-20-15W has been completed and to remove item from Agenda.

Water Rights Licence Application request by Gerald Walker at NE 34-20-14W – Darren Nicklin, Senior Resource Officer of MB Conservation and Water Stewardship will provide a report on his re-assessment of the drainage licence for the proposal for a ditch clean at NE 34-20-14W for the February 12, 2014 regular meeting.

Leon Majcher – request for drainage works SE 25-20-16W – Refer to the 2014 Budget and an on site visitation will be scheduled in the spring of 2014.

McCreary Community Centre – Board of Directors is still ongoing. Council agreed that once the Village of McCreary has completed their research pertaining to the requirements and by insurance providers; information on local security service companies; operating policies for other local community centers and halls that this information is provided to the interested individual(s). Council felt that once the interested individual(s) has reviewed the information that maybe they would be agreeable to find other individuals that would be interested sitting on the Board of Directors. Council felt that closing of the McCreary Community Centre would not be an option.

Approved by Resolution #2014/20 at the Regular Meeting of February 12, 2014

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Municipal Brushing Program – Hoes for Hire Ltd. has completed the brushing in Ward 1, 2 and 4. Brushing in Ward 3 to date has not been completed.

Bales located in close proximity of municipal roads were once again discussed. Bales at SW 29-21-15W and NE 29-19-15 are being removed or have been. Bales at the south end of 7-21-15W still have not been removed and the owner of the bales to be notified again. It was suggested that a notice be placed in the Property Tax Bills with a deadline for bales to be removed away from the close proximity of the municipal roads and if bales are not removed as per the deadline then By-Law #2012-05 will be enforced.

Quote for one 2013 Case IH Maxxum 140 & loader from Rocky Mountain Equipment dated January 7, 2014 was presented to Council for their review.

#2014/09 BE IT RESOLVED THAT quotes be obtained from Leo's Sales and Service Ltd. Winnipeg, MB, Chabot, Elie, MB and MazurGroup, Ste. Rose, MB for a 140 HP Tractor and Loader and a mechanical front wheel drive. CARRIED.

Draft By-Law and Agreement for McCreary Curling Club repayment of grant was discussed and will not proceed as per Resolution #2014/10.

#2014/10 BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Rural Municipality of McCreary makes the following amendment to Resolution #2013/333 regarding the grant in the amount of \$3,000.00 to the McCreary Curling Club for the Kitchen Renovation Project at the McCreary Curling Rink – THAT the Rural Municipality of McCreary will forgive the re-payment of the grant to the McCreary Curling Club. CARRIED.

Council agreed that Diana Neuman be contacted to see if she would be interested in attending the East Riding Mountain Tourism Product Cluster and Marketing Initiative Workshop scheduled for February 24 and 25, 2014 hosted by the McCreary District Economic Development Board.

The measurement for the subdivision at SW 33-20-15W – for the property of the municipal shed is 521 feet deep by 209 feet wide. The area will be marked in the spring of 2014.

10:15 a.m. - Michael Carroll, Investigator of the Manitoba Ombudsman meet with Council.

#2014/11 BE IT RESOLVED THAT a Committee of the Whole of the Rural Municipality of McCreary goes in camera for the purpose of discussing a matter as per Clause 152(3) (b) (v) of the Municipal Act. CARRIED.

#2014/12 BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Rural Municipality of McCreary close it's in camera discussion and re-open the meeting to the public. CARRIED.

Mr. Carroll departed at 10:30 a.m.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Verbal inquiry respecting mowing East and South of 32-19-15W was discussed and referred to public works department for the 2014 grass mowing program. Discussion also held on the maintenance of roads in summer and closure of roads that are not utilized in the winter.

Request for authorization from Parks Canada to clean shale from Wilson Creek just inside the Park at the SE 24-20-16W was reviewed. CAO will further review with Bobby Bennett, Manager of Turtle River Watershed prior to sending to Robert Sopuck, MP Office.

#2014/13 BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Rural Municipality of McCreary obtains the services of the Dauphin Ochre Weed District to perform the 2014 Spraying Program. AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Rural Municipality of McCreary will include spraying along the CN Rail Right of Way through the Rural Municipality of McCreary upon confirmation from CN. CARRIED.

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#2014/14 WHEREAS SECTION 11(1) of the Noxious Weeds Act provides that a Council must appoint, by resolution, as least one official to be known as the "Municipal Weeds Inspector".

AND WHEREAS THE "Municipal Noxious Weeds Inspector" shall be that the provisions of the Noxious Weeds Act are observed and carried out;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council, in their respective wards be hereby appointed to service as "municipal noxious weeds inspector" for the Rural Municipality of McCreary for the term commencing immediately and ending December 31, 2014.

CARRIED.

The Village of McCreary made an application to the Public Utilities Board for revised rates for the water and sewer (utility) for the Village of McCreary to begin September 1, 2013 as set out in the Village of McCreary By-Law #11-2013 with further increases to take effect September 1, 2014, September 1, 2015, September 1, 2016 and September 1, 2017 as per the Notice of Application posted May 6, 2013. Due to the water and sewer rates increase; the Rural Municipality of McCreary agreed that a new rate be set for the bulk water system at the Administration Office of the Rural Municipality of McCreary.

#2014/15 BE IT RESOLVED THAT the new bulk water rate be set at 60 gallons of treated water for \$1.00 to take effect immediately. CARRIED.

#2014/16 BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Rural Municipality of McCreary agrees to enter into a Landowner Right of Way Agreement with the Ste. Amelie Ridge Riders and Snoman to maintain and operate a snowmobile trail across the NE 28-21-16W in the Rural Municipality of McCreary.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Reeve and or the Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to endorse the Agreement. CARRIED.

Council agreed that a letter be sent to the Prairie Mountain Health requesting an update on their future intentions of the McCreary/Alonsa Health Centre regarding the position with the current physician, services of the current physician's assistant and the Clinic.

COMMITTEE REPORTS – All Reports are placed on File.

McCreary Recreation Commission – Meeting Minutes for November 4, 2013.

Turtle River Watershed Conservation District #2 – Meeting Minutes of October 24, 2013.

Whitemud Watershed Conservation District – Agenda and Meeting Minutes of December 19, 2013 and the Manager's Report for December, 2013.

Neepawa Veterinary Board (Shawn Buchanan)

- Meeting scheduled for January 9, 2014.

Turtle River Watershed Conservation District (Gordon Evenson)

- Reported that the Board has authorized for the manager to further investigate information regarding project technician position requirements.

McCreary Recreation Commission (Dennis Battershell)

- Meeting scheduled for tonight, January 8, 2014.

- Agassiz Planning District – MLA December 31, 2013 Expenses Report

- Development and Building Permits File – no permits for December, 2013.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORTS & COMMITTEE

RECEPTION OF PETITIONS

None.

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REEVE/COUNCILLOR/ADMINISTRATOR REMARKS

Councillor Remarks

Reeve McLauchlan advised council that he had discussion with ratepayer regarding the removal of bales and drainage matters.

Councillor Whyte will contact owner of SE 18-20-14W to see if the municipality could make a snow ridge in the field to prevent snow build up on 462 west of the bridge.

Administrator:

Chief Administrative Officer informed council that she had received an inquiry wondering why the Municipal Road off of highway #5 to the McCreary Municipal Cemetery is not snow plowed for the Christmas Season. To be referred to the Public Works Department.

NOTICE OF MOTION:

PERSONNEL:

IN CAMERA:

See Resolution #2014/11 and #2014/12.

RECEPTION OF DELEGATIONS:

None.

ADJOURNMENT

#2014/17

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this regular meeting of Council now adjourns to meet again on February 12, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. or at the call of the Reeve.

Time: 11:15 a.m.

CARRIED.

THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF McCREARY

LARRY McLAUHLAN, Reeve

MARGARET I. RONCIN, Chief Administrative Officer