

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE R.M. OF HAZEL DELL NO. 335
HELD ON WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12TH, 2020 AT MUNICIPAL SHOP IN OKLA, SK.**

Present: Reeve - Randall Harriman

Councilors – Division 1 - Don Holowachuk
Division 2 – Allen Kreshewski
Division 3 - Collin Redman
Division 4 – Keith Galbraith
Division 6 - Brent Elmy

Administrator – Michael Rattray

The meeting was called to order at 8:01 a.m. by Reeve Randall Harriman.

ADD AGENDA ITEMS

170/20 Harriman - That the following five items be added to today's agenda:
- APAS Report – Update from Brett Spray;
- Grandfather yard site on SW 32-36-9-W2;
- Update on the estate of Darlene Burseth;
- Bryden Guy request to clear road allowance;
- Update on Lintlaw & District Fire Meeting.

CARRIED.

AGENDA

171/20 Kreshewski - That the Agenda be adopted as presented, subject to late changes.

DELEGATION 8:04 – 8:30 A.M.

The R.M.'s Foreman Mr. Aaron Serhan discussed the following with Council:

- Update on grading;
- Update on mowing;
- Request to build a def fluid stand;
- Request to purchase tools for the shop;
- Gravel crushing/hauling to start around August 17, 2020;
- Request to purchase cell phone booster for the graders;
- Reviewed Shane Hammerstrom three month probation;
- Reviewed SARM's recommendation for Johannesson Bridge.

MINUTES

172/20 Elmy - That the minutes of the July 8th, 2020 Regular Meeting be approved as circulated.

CARRIED.

CABIN ON ROAD ALLOWANCE

The report of a cabin on a road allowance north of the Siegel Bay development. was discussed. Council instructed the Administrator to contact Conservation Officers from Preeceville, SK. to inform them of this cabin so they can investigate this report.

PROPOSED CLOSE AND LEASE OF ROAD ALLOWANCE

The Administrator informed Council that he will obtain consents from all parties involved and once this is done he will prepare the Close and Lease Bylaw.

2020 GRAVEL PROGRAM

The Administrator updated Council on the 2020 Gravel Program and that T&H Trucking agreed to crush gravel for the 2021 year and possibly haul it out in June 2021. Negotiations on the payment for the 2021 gravel crushing will need to be discussed in the future.

WEIGHT RESTRICTIONS

Council discussed an email from Q-Line Trucking regarding weight restrictions on municipal roads. Council instructed the Administrator to contact Q-Line Trucking to explain that this municipality is only allowing primary weights on our CTP roads during certain times of the year and that we do not have permits available.

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REVIEW OF NEW ROAD CONSTRUCTION

Council agreed to hire a third party consultant/contractor to review a concern from Councillor Holowachuk that the new road construction was not built properly according to the road tender. The Reeve and the Administrator will arrange a meeting as soon as possible.

PAYMENT

173/20 Harriman - That the R.M. pay K&M Ditchworks \$90,200.00 for the recent road construction work and that an additional \$40,000.00 be paid in January 2021.
CARRIED.

PAYMENT

174/20 Elmy - That the R.M. pay Gary Drummond Consulting \$315.00 for providing a second survey for the new road construction.
CARRIED.

ROAD SURVEY

175/20 Galbraith - That the R.M. approve Meridian Surveys preliminary road plan survey in section 28-37-7-W2.
CARRIED.

At 10:13 a.m. ratepayer Joe Yacyshyn sat in to view the meeting.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

176/20 Holowachuk - That the Statement of Financial Activities for the month of July 2020, be approved as read.
CARRIED.

Due to items that are to be dealt with by way of an In Camera Session, Mr. Yacyshyn was excused from the meeting at 10:19 a.m.

IN CAMERA SESSION

177/20 Galbraith - That this Council Meeting go to an In Camera Session at 10:20 a.m. with the purpose being, to discuss proper procedure on dealing with municipal business with a Council Member.
CARRIED.

RETURN TO REGULAR MEETING

178/20 Harriman - That the In Camera Session end at 10:39 a.m. and that we return to the Regular Council Meeting.
CARRIED.

At 10:40 Mr. Yacyshyn returned to view the meeting.

REQUEST TO CLOSE ROAD ALLOWANCE

179/20 Harriman - That the R.M. approve a request from Mr. Kent Siegele to close a road allowance on the east side of the NE 9-36-7-W2.
THIS MOTION WAS DEFEATED.

LINE OF SITE CONCERNS

180/20 Harriman - That the R.M. contact Mr. Grant Schultz, the landowner of the SW 18-37-7-W2, and get permission to remove some bush on the southwest corner of this property due to line of site concerns at this intersection.
CARRIED.

ROAD ISSUE

181/20 Galbraith - That the R.M. instruct the Administrator to contact Paul and Leanne Christianson to explain that the fence that they erected recently is on the legally surveyed road allowance and they are to move it off the municipal right of way as soon as possible.
CARRIED.

EMPLOYEE PROBATION

182/20 Harriman - That the R.M. approve the three month probation period be removed for employee Shane Hammerstrom and his benefits for Health and Dental and Municipal Employees' Pension Plan start immediately.
CARRIED.

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CANCELLATION/ABATEMENT OF TAXES

- 183/20 Harriman - That the R.M. cancel and abate the following taxes for the property that was recently transferred from Marty Scheller:
- Lot 2, Blk 3, Plan AV5511 – Okla, SK.:
Cancelled - Municipal - \$10,755.67;
Cancelled - School - \$2,461.75;
Cancelled - Tax Enforcement - \$299.34;
Abated – Municipal - \$200.00;
Abated – School - \$11.87;
Total Taxes Cancelled - \$13,728.83;
- and whereas that Mr. Scheller will have until September 30, 2020 to remove contents from this property. **CARRIED.**

ADVERTISE PROPERTY

- 184/20 Holowachuk - That the R.M. instruct the Administrator to advertise the sale of following property and to set a deadline of October 13, 2020 to receive tenders:
- Lot 2, Block 3, Plan AV5511 in Okla, Saskatchewan. **CARRIED.**

NOXIOUS WEEDS

- 185/20 Harriman - That the R.M. instruct the Administrator to send letters to the owners of the following lands to inform them to control noxious weeds on there properties:
- SE 34-34-7-W2;
 - NE 22-34-7-W2;
 - NE 10-35-7-W2.
- CARRIED.**

WATER DRAINAGE CONCERN

The Administrator presented a letter and map from Mr. Darren Guckert regarding a water drainage concern on the NW 7-37-8-W2. Councillor Elmy will review this concern.

MEEP FUNDING

The Administrator informed Council that board members from the Organized Hamlet of Hazel Dell were asking if Council would consider transferring the hamlet's allocated population money from the Municipal Economic Enhancement Program to their reserve accounts. Council tabled this discussion until the September Council Meeting.

LUNCH BREAK

- 186/20 Harriman - That this meeting break for lunch at 12:06 p.m. **CARRIED.**
- 187/20 Harriman - That this meeting resume its deliberations at 12:34 p.m. **CARRIED.**

ASSET MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

The Administrator updated Council on the FCM's Municipal Asset Management Program grant application.

RIGHT-OF-WAY EASEMENTS

- 188/20 Holowachuk - That the R.M. approve the following Right-of-Way Easements:
- NE & SE 34-35-9-W2;
 - NW & SW 35-35-9-W2;
 - NW & SW 2-36-9-W2;
 - NE & SE 3-36-9-W2.
- CARRIED.**

HOLIDAYS

- 189/20 Elmy - That the R.M. approve the following holiday request:
- Larry Ebel – August 10th – 14th, 2020 inclusive. **CARRIED.**

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FIREARM AMENDMENT

190/20 Kreshewski - That Council lobby the Federal Government to revoke the amendments to the criminal code on May 1, 2020 under an "Order in Council" titled and referred to as "Regulations Amending the Regulations Prescribing Certain Firearms and Other Weapons, Components and Parts of Weapons, Accessories, Cartridge Magazines, Ammunition and Projectiles as Prohibited, Restricted or Non-Restricted: SOR/2020-96."

The Rural Municipality of Hazel Dell No. 335 supports initiatives to end violence; however, feels very strongly that the Government of Canada is wasting valuable resources and taking the wrong approach to gun control that will have zero effect on gun crime.

WHEREAS on May 1, 2020, the federal government amended the Criminal Code by ordering regulations prescribing certain firearms, components and parts of firearms, accessories, cartridge magazines, ammunition and projectiles as prohibited or restricted;

AND WHEREAS the Government of Canada is planning a buyback program to get guns out of circulation, which is expected to cost between \$400 million and \$600 million, and if the history of federal estimating repeats itself, will likely be in excess of \$1 Billion;

AND WHEREAS the Rural Municipality of Hazel Dell No. 335 supports the Government of Canada's commitment to end violence, whether firearms are involved or not, by taking the opportunity to be more engaged and to collaborate with the public and local stakeholders to develop more effective solutions on the issue;

NOW THERE BE RESOLVED that the Council of the Rural Municipality of Hazel Dell No. 335 urges the Government of Canada to revoke the amendment, and instead institute the following:

Target crime, and focus on enforcement through enhanced enforcement capacity for law enforcement and border services, as well as harsher punishments for firearms trafficking and crimes involving firearms. The current ban targets law-abiding owners, rather than the holders of illicit firearms, and would not greatly impact crime reduction;

Collect and share relevant data on crime involving firearms through improved collection and sharing of data on crimes involving firearms, particularly in terms of sources of illicit firearms, and the types of crime being committed. This data is critical for supporting law enforcement and border agencies efforts, as well as informing policy and legislation;

Collaborate with the firearms community and industry to support communication, training and public education regarding firearms to create a multi-faceted approach rather than implementing a ban in isolation.

CARRIED.

NORQUAY VET SERVICE

191/20 Holowachuk - That the R.M. approve the minutes from the Norquay Veterinary Service Board meeting on June 29, 2020, as presented.

CARRIED.

SASK LOTTERIES

The Administrator updated Council on the 2020 Sask Lotteries Grant.

APPROACH APPROVAL

192/20 Redman - That the R.M. approve the following approach construction:
- SE 34-35-9-W2 – Kyle Last.

CARRIED.

APPROACH APPROVAL

- A request for the construction of an approach at the SE 10-36-9-W2 was tabled until next meeting as Councilor Elmy will contact Kyle Last to review this request.

APAS

A report from Mr. Brett Spray was read by Councilor Elmy regarding recent news from APAS.

Due to pecuniary interest in the next item on the agenda Councilor Elmy left the meeting at 1:45 p.m.

GRANDFATHERING YARD SITE

A discussion was held regarding a request to grandfather in a yard site to comply with the R.M.'s building setbacks from a road allowance. Council instructed the Administrator to review this bylaw and bring back information to the September Meeting.

Councilor Elmy returned to the meeting at 1:51 p.m.

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BURSETH OUTSTANDING TAXES

With the recent passing of Mrs. Darlene Burseth Council discussed the collection of the outstanding land taxes from the estate.

REQUEST TO CLEAR ROAD ALLOWANCE

A request from Mr. Bryden Guy to clear a road allowance on the south side of section 15-37-9-W2 was reviewed. Councilor Elmy will contact Mr. Guy to review this request.

LINTLAW FIRE MEETING

193/20 Harriman - That the R.M. approve the minutes from the Lintlaw and District Fire Fighting Association meeting on July 23, 2020, as presented. **CARRIED.**

APPROVAL OF PUBLIC WORKS

194/20 Kreshewski - That the following public works be approved:
- Division 3 – Road #312W – Install a 300mm culvert in an approach;
- Division 3 – Road #348S – Remove/Replace culvert;
- Division 3 – Road #354R – Install 300mm culvert (RM to do work);
- Division 4 – SW 18-37-7-W2 – Clear bush for line of site;
- Division 4 – Road 1123W – Clear waterway (beaver dams ect);
- Division 6 – Roads #1252S, #1253S & #1254S – Mulch to widen road;
- Division 6 – Road 1227S – Unplug culvert. **CARRIED.**

ACCOUNT PAYMENTS

195/20 Elmy - That the current accounts, Cheque #'s 12769 to 12819 and seven "Other Payments", attached to and forming part of these minutes, be hereby approved for payment for a total of \$133,371.49. **CARRIED.**

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

The Administrator's Report for July/August 2020 was presented to Council.

CORRESPONDENCE


196/20 Redman - That the R.M. acknowledge the correspondence has been reviewed and filed. **CARRIED.**

NEXT MEETING

197/20 Harriman - That the next Regular Meeting be set for Wednesday, September 9th, 2020, starting at 8:00 a.m. **CARRIED.**

ADJOURN

198/20 Harriman - That this meeting be adjourned with the time being 2:40p.m. **CARRIED.**



REEVE



ADMINISTRATOR