Rural Municipality of Buchanan No. 304

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Council of the Rural Municipality of Buchanan No. 304, held at the R.M. of Buchanan office at 200 George Wilson Dr., Buchanan, SK on Friday, February 21, 2025.

Present were Reeve-Don Skoretz by telephone, Acting Administrator-Nicole Morrison and the following Councilors: Division 1 – Terry Zavislak by telephone, Division 2 – Myron Kopec, Division 3 – Eugene Prychak, Division 5 - Brian Brodziak, Division 6 - Brent Pelechaty joined the meeting by telephone at 8:45 a.m. and mentor Diane Jamieson

Regrets: Chris Walker – Division 4

The Deputy Reeve, Myron Kopec called the meeting to order at 8:29 a.m.

025/2025 **MINUTES**

ZAVISLAK

That the minutes of the January 21, 2025 Council Meeting be adopted as

presented.

Carried

026/2025 **FINANCIAL**

SKORETZ That the Statement of Financial Activities and Bank Reconciliation for January 2025 be accepted as presented pending further review.

Carried

027/2025 LIST OF ACCOUNTS

PRYCHAK That the list of accounts as attached to and forming part of these minutes be approved for payment as presented by cheques numbered #19101 to #19128 inclusive and other payments totaling \$87,769.19.

Carried

Curtis Sliva met with council from 9:00 a.m. to 9:20 a.m. to report on shop activities.

EQUIPMENT

Reeve Skoretz will have discussions with CAT to determine what warranty, if any, will be provided for the three faulty tires.

028/2025 KEVIN BARON AND TATE BARON FOR ASSISTING WITH TIRE REPAIR

PELECHATY That two Co-Op gift cards in the amount of \$200.00 each be purchased with one gift card to be given to Kevin Baron and one to be given to Tate Baron in appreciation of their assistance with replacing tires on the graders in extreme weather conditions.

Carried

REPORTS

Reeve and Division reports were verbally presented.

029/2025 DAVE WOOD - RENOVATIONS

BRODZIAK That Dave Wood be provided with an office key and alarm code to allow him complete office renovations.

Carried

030/2025 BYLAW #2025-01 OFFICAL COMMUNITY PLAN

KOPEC That Bylaw 2025-01 Official Community Plan be introduced and given first reading and further that a Public Hearing be set for Friday, April, 11, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. with advertising placed on March 7, 2025 and March 14, 2025 in the Canora Courier, on the RM website and be posted in the RM office.

Carried



031/2025 BYLAW #2025-02 ZONING BYLAW

ZAVISLAKThat Bylaw 2025-02 Zoning Bylaw be introduced and given first reading and further that a Public Hearing be set for Friday, April, 11, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. with advertising placed on March 7, 2025 and March 14, 2025 in the Canora Courier, on the RM website and be posted in the RM office.

Carried

032/2024 BYLAW 2025-03 FEES BYLAW

PELECHATY

That Bylaw 2025-03 Fees Bylaw be introduced and given first reading.

Carried

TERM DEPOSIT RENEWAL

The Term Deposit rolled over on its February 11, 2025 renewal date and interest in the amount of \$23,415.48 was paid to the RM of Buchanan Chequing Account.

033/2025 SARM HIGH INTEREST SAVINGS ACCOUNT

SKORETZ That the RM of Buchanan add a further \$500,000.00 in to the SARM High Interest Savings Account.

Carried

034/2025 GRAVEL SALES TO RATEPAYERS

PRYCHAK That the RM of Buchanan No. 304 discontinue gravel sales to ratepayers effective immediately as a result of the gravel supply being depleted.

Carried

035/2025 MUNICIPAL HAIL INSURANCE DELEGATE APPOINTMENT

KOPEC That Don Skoretz be appointed as the RM of Buchanan No. 304's delegate to attend the Municipal Hail Insurance Annual Meeting being held in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan on Tuesday, March 11, 2025.

Carried

036/2025 RH ELECTRIC - RENOVATION QUOTE

BRODZIAK That the RH Electric quote in the amount of \$12,466.80 plus taxes with respect to the office renovations be approved as presented.

Carried

037/2025 NICOLE MORRISON – STORM EFFECTING TRAVEL

ZAVISLAK That Nicole Morrison be authorized to work from home with prior approval being received from the Reeve or Deputy Reeve in severe inclement weather.

Carried

038/2025 RMAA BUILDING AND TECHNICAL STANDARDS WORKSHOP, SARM MAIP TRAINING AND RMAA CONVENTION

PELECHATY That Nicole Morrison be registered to attend the RMAA Building and Technical Standards Workshop being held in Melville on March 26, 2025, and be registered to attend the MAIP Training Session in Regina on April 10, 2025 and further be registered to attend the RMAA Convention being held in Saskatoon May 12 through 15, 2025.

Carried

039/2025 NICOLE MORRISON FINAL EXAM – APRIL 23, 2025

SKORETZ That a leave of absence with pay be approved for Nicole Morrison for April 23, 2025 to allow her to write her final exam for the University of Regina Basic Accounting and further that the RM office be closed on this day.

Carried

040/2025 NICOLE MORRISON UNIVERSITY COURSE REGISTRATION

SKORETZ That Nicole Morrison be authorized to registered for 1-week intensive LGA course at the University of Regina with dates and name of course to be determined at a later date with travel, accommodation, meals covered and the office to be closed for that same time period.

Carried

041/2025 2024 AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENT

KOPEC That the 2024 Audited Financial Statements prepared by Prairie Strong Chartered Professional Accountants including all statements, notes and schedules be approved as circulated.

Carried

AMSTERDAM WATERWORKS COMPLIANCE INSPECTION

The results of the Amsterdam Waterworks Compliance Inspection were reviewed by Council. Rick Sheichuk from the Water Security Agency be invited to attend the March 24, 2025 Council Meeting at 10:30 a.m.to discuss water operation requirements in the hamlets.

COUNCIL PICTURES

Nicole Morrison advised Council that arrangements have been made for updated council pictures to be taken on March 24, 2025 at 8:10 a.m. prior to the Regular Council Meeting beginning.

042/2024 SEASONAL EMPLOYEE

BRODZIAK That the Reeve – Don Skoretz, Deputy Reeve – Myron Kopec and Administrator – Nicole Morrison be authorized to conduct interviews for the seasonal employee position and make a hiring recommendation to Council.

Carried

043/2024 <u>CULVERT STEAMER</u>

KOPEC That the RM of Buchanan purchase a culvert steamer at a maximum price of \$20,000.00 with Reeve Skoretz to investigate prices.

Carried

044/2025 CORRESPONDENCE

PELECHATY That the correspondence as listed be acknowledged and filed:

- a) SARM 2025 Service Fees
- b) CUPW Industrial Inquiry Commission Reviewing Canada Post
- c) Myron Kopec Letter of Intent
- d) Government of Saskatchewan Clubroot Distribution in Saskatchewan Map
- e) SARM Liability Self-Insurance Plan Statement of Individual Member Account at December 31, 2024
- f) Emergency and Community Support Email Emergency Preparedness Days
- g) Municipal Hail Insurance Letter and 2024 Annual Meeting Minutes
- h) Resterra Land and Road Reclamation 2025 Price List
- i) ATL Group iHunter Landownership Digital Map 2024 Report
- j) SaskTel Preparing for Road Construction
- k) SARM Annual Convention Draft Agenda
- I) SEDA Saskatchewan Investment Readiness Initiative
- m) WSP Invitation to Hospitality Night at SARM Convention
- n) Brandt Invitation to Hospitality Night at SARM Convention
- o) SARM Benefit Plan changes
- p) SARM News Release re: Derelict or abandoned buildings and yard sites
- q) Royal Canadian Legion Recognition Book Ad request
- r) Sean Wilson News Letter Ad request
- s) SaskTip

Carried

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 24, 2025 at 8:30 a.m.

045/2025 ADJOURNMENT

KOPEC

That the meeting be adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

Carried

Minutes approved this 24th day of March, 2025.

Don Skoretz

Reeve

Nicole Morrison/ Acting Administrator