

The regular meeting of the Council of the Rural Municipality of Blucher, #343 was held in the Municipal Office, 34 Struan Street, Village of Bradwell, on Wednesday, March 8, 2023 commencing at 8:00 a.m.

Those in attendance were Councillors Nicole DeCorby, Jim Appelt, Dale Chysyk, Robin Wilson, Francis Boehm and Chief Administrative Officer R. Doran Scott.

Deputy Reeve Francis Boehm assumed the chair as Reeve Cummins was absent.

Minutes 65-2023 - Appelt
That the minutes of the previous regular meeting held February 8, 2023 be approved as distributed.
Carried.

Discussion Arising out of Minutes

- ◆ Spring Ratepayer Meeting
 - ◆ Visiting Delegates
 - ◆ Guest Speaker? – tabled from February meeting – Fire Marshall
 - ◆ Municipal Community Service Award? – tabled from February meeting
 - ◆ Agenda

Ratepayer Meeting 66-2023 - Chysyk
Further to Resolution #378-2022, passed December 14, 2022, that we invite the following visiting delegates:
Reeve Charlie Smith and guest, R.M. of Lost River, #313
Reeve Jonathan Olyniuk and guest, R.M. of Dundurn, #314
Reeve Gerald Yausie and guest, R.M. of Colonsay, #342
Reeve Travis Hyniuk and guest, R.M. of Grant, #372
Reeve Martin Bettker and guest, R.M. of Aberdeen, #373
Reeve Judy Harwood and guest, R. M. of Corman Park, #344
Mayor Bonnie Lewis and guest, Mayor of Allan
Amanda Everitt and guest, Saskatoon Rural Health Rep
Bernice Obrigavitch and guest, Transfer Station Supervisor
Lamont Knittig and guest, Bylaw/Pest/Sign/Weed Control Officer
Jason Robson and guest - RM Foreman
Betty Stanford - SSA Elstow Maintenance Person
Ken Hartz – SSA Elstow Certified Water Operator
Karla Shirley and guest – Wheatland Regional Library
Carried.

Service Award 67-2023 - Chysyk
That we do present the 2023 R. M. of Blucher No. 343 Community Service Award to Barry Rugg Senior at our annual Ratepayer’s Meeting.
Carried.

Ratepayer Meeting Supper 68-2023 - DeCorby
That we order 175 meals from Food For The Crew, Bradwell, Sask. at \$23.00 per meal for the Ratepayer Supper in Allan, April 3, 2023 and that we charge \$15.00 per person.
Carried.

Monthly
Financial
Statements

69-2023 - Wilson
That the statement of Assets, Liability, Revenues and Expenditures for the month of February, 2023 be approved as distributed and also acknowledge the submission of the February, 2023 bank reconciliation.

Carried.

Bills and
Accounts for
Payment

70-2023 - Appelt
That we approve for payment, the bills and accounts as attached to these minutes

Carried.

Interviews

- ◆ Heidelberg Materials (Inland Aggregates/Lehigh Hanson)
 - ◆ Gravel pit encroachment - repay in material
 - ◆ Derek Lucik & Valerie Richaf
 - ◆ Table this to the April 2023 meeting

Chief Administrative Officer's Report

- ◆ Policy 3.7.2.2 – Employee Call into Work
- ◆ Saskatchewan Municipal Board
 - ◆ Assessment Appeals Committee’s decision re: Elizabeth Doerksen
- ◆ Canada Community-Building Fund – Settler’s Ridge Road Surface
- ◆ Canada Community-Building Fund – 3040 Road Surfacing
- ◆ Dust Control Quotes
- ◆ Paul Marciniak – request to purchase road allowance
- ◆ Zadvorny dealership license letter – LSD 16 20-35-3 W3
- ◆ Nutrien Elstow Road Closure
- ◆ Foreman Salary – passed his 3 month probation – table to April Meeting
- ◆ Foreman stop using the RM Truck for personal use
- ◆ Winter Weights off on March 14th
- ◆ SSA Elstow – combining 2 lots where one is TTP
- ◆ SSA Elstow Water Treatment Plant Operator report
- ◆ Budget Meeting
- ◆ Revenue Sharing Statutory Declaration
- ◆ RR 3040 Preconstruction Meeting – last week of March or first week of April
- ◆ Highway No. 5 passing lanes – table to April Meeting

Employee
Call To
Work Policy

71-2023 - Boehm
That we do adopt the Employee Call to Work Policy and that it be included in a new section within the policy manual titled as 3.7.2.2 Employee Call To Work.

Carried.

Canada
Building Fund
– Settler’s
Ridge Road

72-2023 - Boehm
That we do submit an Infrastructure Investment Plan to the Building Canada Fund for the restructuring and asphalt surfacing of Settler’s Ridge Road.

Carried.

Canada Building Fund – Range Road 3040	73-2023 - Boehm That we do submit an Infrastructure Investment Plan to the Building Canada Fund for the restructuring and asphalt surfacing of a portion of Range Road 3040 immediately south of Highway No. 5.	<u>Carried.</u>
Dust Control	74-2023 - Wilson That we do contract Tiger Calcium to supply and apply dust control at a cost of \$0.42 per litre.	<u>Carried.</u>
Road Closure and Sale WNW 26-35-2 W3	75-2023 - Wilson That the RM Council is willing to consider the closure and sale of the road described as WNW 26-35-2 W3 to Mr. Paul Marciniak. And further; That the Administrator be directed to begin the road closure and sale procedure.	<u>Carried.</u>
Motor Dealer License LSD 16 20-35-3 W3	76-2023 - Boehm That Resolution 211-2013 passed October 9, 2013 be repealed and replaced with the following: “Pursuant to Part IV, Schedule A, Section 2 (b) (ix) of Bylaw 4-2001, the Zoning Bylaw, that since public notice was given, and no objections were received, that permission be granted to Manhattan Motors Ltd. (Robert & Margo Zadvorny) to operate a motor dealer sales business on LSD 16 20-35-3 W3.”	<u>Carried.</u>
Road Closure and Sale NE, NW & SW 9-35-1 W3	77-2023 - DeCorby That the RM Council is willing to consider the closure and sale of the road described as through the NE 09, NW 09 and SW 09-35-1 W3 to Nutrien Elstow. And further; That the Administrator be directed to begin the road closure and sale procedure.	<u>Carried.</u>
SSA Elstow & RM Title	78-2023 - DeCorby That we do assume title of the property described as Lot 3-4, Block 3, Plan G5550 (Roll #2072) in Elstow and combine it for assessment purposes with the parcel immediately to the West (Roll # 2071). And further; That we do pay the school taxes owed in the amount of \$2,514.20.	<u>Carried.</u>
Budget Meeting	79-2023 - Appelt That we do consider the 2023 budget at our regular council meeting on April 12, 2023 in the Municipal Office, 34 Struan Street, Village of Bradwell.	<u>Carried.</u>

Revenue
Sharing
Declaration

80-2023 - Chysyk

The Council of the Rural Municipality of Blucher No. 343 confirms the municipality meets the following eligibility requirements to receive the Municipal Revenue Sharing Grant:

- ◆ Submission of the 2021 Audited Financial Statement to the Ministry of Government Relations;
- ◆ Submission of the 2021 Public Reporting on Municipal Waterworks to the Ministry of Government Relations;
- ◆ In Good Standing with respect to the reporting and remittance of Education Property Taxes;
- ◆ Adoption of a Council Procedures Bylaw;
- ◆ Adoption of an Employee Code of Conduct; and
- ◆ All members of council have filed and annually updated their Public Disclosure Statements, as required; and

That we authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to sign the Declaration of Eligibility and submit it to the Ministry of Government Relations.

Carried.

Interviews

- ◆ Billy Bentley – Road Closures
 - ◆ old service road from east approach used for material

Road Closure
and Sale Old
Service Road
16-35-3 W3

81-2023 - Appelt

That the RM Council is willing to consider the closure and sale of the road described as the old service road located South of the Esso Service Station running westerly to Highway #316. And further;

That the Administrator be directed to begin the road closure and sale procedure.

Carried.

Bylaw/Pest/Sign/Weed Control Officer Report

- ◆ Regular Report
- ◆ Request Ministry of Highways to move No Jake Brake sign to before approach and No Parking On Road on Cheviot Road
- ◆ Some dumping of grain around Cargill
- ◆ Clean out at Cargill – send letter

Correspondence

82-2023 - DeCorby

That the following correspondence, having been read, now be filed:

- a) SARM
 - ◆ Lake Diefenbaker Irrigation Project for Drought Relief
 - ◆ Support for the Saskatchewan Cattle Industry
- b) Agricultural Health & Safety Network – Annual General Meeting
- c) Agriculture in the Classroom – 2022 Newsletter
- d) SAMA – 2023 SAMA Municipal Requisition for 2023

- e) CATPC
 - ◆ 2023 Membership
 - ◆ Nov 30, 2022 Meeting Minutes
- f) Sask Tip – 2023 Membership
- g) WSP – invitation to Hospitality Room at SARM Convention
- h) TRIOD Supply – new equipment at SARM Convention
- i) Road naming request

Carried.

CATPC

83-2023 - Appelt

That we participate in the Central Area Transportation Planning Committee for 2023 at a cost of \$500.00.

Carried.

Sask Tip

84-2023 - Chysyk

That we participate in Sask Tip for 2023 for a cost of \$100.00.

Carried.**Foreman's Report**

- ◆ Road Maintenance and construction
- ◆ Employees
- ◆ Equipment Maintenance
- ◆ Proposed construction schedule
- ◆ Budget items

The meeting was adjourned for lunch at 12:00 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 12:20 p.m.

Councillor's Report

Reeve Cummins

- ◆ Not Present

Councillor DeCorby

- ◆ Ridging
- ◆ Allan spray park still planning to proceed in 2023
- ◆ Curb stops in SSA Elstow
- ◆ Elstow animals

Councillor Senger

- ◆ Not Present

Councillor Appelt

- ◆ Winging snow off shoulders of road
- ◆ Fence construction in Industrial Park
- ◆ Road stabilization trial – U of S
- ◆ Old weigh scale – with legal council
- ◆ Rural addressing – start with subdivisions

Councillor Chysyk

- ◆ Winging snow off shoulders of road
- ◆ Seismic study vehicles
- ◆ Blucher Aberdeen fire truck
- ◆ Ag Society Hall
- ◆ Fire Meeting

Councillor Wilson

- ◆ Gravel activity
- ◆ Gravel piles
- ◆ Graders not plowing properly

Councillor Boehm

- ◆ Civic numbering
- ◆ Blucher Aberdeen fire truck
- ◆ Ridges of snow on driveway
- ◆ Manhattan Motors
- ◆ Fire Meeting
- ◆ First Responder Meeting
- ◆ Updating first responder kits
- ◆ Noise at Cargill

New Business

- ◆ Review of tenders for the surfacing of Settler's Ridge Road
- ◆ Review of Tenders for the 2023 gravel crush.

Settler's
Ridge Road
Surfacing
Tender

85-2023 - Boehm

That the RM of Blucher hereby award the tender for the surfacing of Settler's Ridge Road to Lafarge for a tender price of \$350,000.00.

Carried.

Gravel
Contract

86-2023 - DeCorby

That the Municipality contract Venture Construction, Martensville, Sask. to provide gravel crushing service, in an amount equivalent to:

- ◆ Crush a minimum of 70,000 cubic yards by volume of aggregate.
- ◆ Said crushing to be completed by July 31, 2023.

Carried.

Adjourn

87-2023 - Appelt
That this meeting of Council be adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

Carried.

Reeve

Chief Administrative Officer