

**The special 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, April 19, 2023 commencing at 8:05 a.m.**

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

Addition to  
Agenda

124-2023 - Senger  
That we do add discussion of other items not included in the notice at this meeting to the agenda.

Unanimously Carried.

**Discussion Arising out of Minutes**

- ◆ Ratepayers Meeting Questions
- ◆ Heidelberg Materials (Inland Aggregates/Lehigh Hanson)
  - ◆ Gravel pit encroachment
  - ◆ Tabled from March meeting
    - ◆ Gravel Committee to look at replacement of pit run and address this in May

**Chief Administrative Officer's Report**

- ◆ Foreman Salary – passed his 3 month probation – tabled from March Meeting
- ◆ Highway No. 5 passing lanes – tabled from March Meeting
- ◆ Government of Saskatchewan – Transfer Station Code Chapter update
- ◆ Gravel pit management – Sask Water and Pit Road Well
- ◆ Building Standards Advisory – Shipping Container Information
- ◆ Town of Allan – Joint Committee Meeting
- ◆ Assessor appointment
- ◆ Prairie Steel – Prairie Steel Lane road repair
- ◆ Saskatoon Renewable Energy Park
- ◆ Ministry of Policing – Police Cost Re-distribution Formula
- ◆ Hutterites of Lost River – Irrigation Project
- ◆ CN Right-of-Way Vegetation Control
- ◆ Sask Mun Hail Withdrawal List
- ◆ PCS Patience Lake Access
- ◆ Government of Saskatchewan
  - ◆ 2023 Confirmed Education Property Tax Mill Rates

Foreman  
Wage

125-2023 - Appelt  
That we do increase our forman Jason Robson's salary by 4.5% to \$98,000.00 for the rest of 2023.

Carried.

Sale of Sand  
For Highway 5

126-2023 - Wilson  
That the RM will consider selling reject sand to contractors for the purpose of further construction on Highway #5 at a price of \$5.00 per tonne.

Carried.

127-2023 - Wilson  
 Power for Well Site That the Administrator investigate the sot of running power to the future well site.  
Carried.

128-2023 - DeCorby  
 Joint Committee Appointment That we do appoint Councillor DeCorby to the proposed Allan Area Municipalities Committee with Councillor Chysyk as an alternate.  
Carried.

129-2023 - DeCorby  
 Assessor Appointment That we do appoint Pamela Lindberg to be the SAMA Assessor.  
Carried.

130-2023 - DeCorby  
 Hutterites of Lost River Irrigation Pipeline Pursuant to Municipal Policy 3.16, that permission be granted to Hutterian Brethren of Lost River to cross municipal road allowances with a water pipeline providing as follows:  
 ♦ the crossing of 4 &5-34-1 W3 may be trenched thru the road and must be buried a minimum of 2.8 meters below the ditch bottom.  
 ♦ the owner of the water pipeline must guarantee, in writing, that they will move or lower the pipeline at their expense, to facilitate any municipal work at these locations.  
 ♦ the owner shall restore the roadways, approaches and ditch bottoms to their original states, as they were prior to the pipeline installation, or shall provide for the work to be done at their cost.  
 ♦ any pipeline shall remain the responsibility of the owner with regards to breakage, replacement, maintenance and liability.  
Carried.

131-2023- Appelt  
 Withdrawal of Municipal Hail In accordance with Sections 19 & 20 of the Sask Municipal Hail Insurance Act that we give approval for the withdrawal from the Municipal Hail assessment roll of the land contained in withdrawal numbers 343-2015 to 343-2017.  
Carried.

- ♦ **New Business**
- ♦ 2023 Budget

132-2023 - DeCorby  
 2023 Budget That the attached budget of the R. M. of Blucher No. 343 for the year 2023 be adopted and, consequently, that for 2023 we set the following mill rate on all taxable assessment in the Municipality.

RM Municipal	7.43 Mills
SSA Elstow	_____ 13.00 Mills

And that we do transfer \$1,140,00 from reserves.

Unanimously Carried

Prairie Spirit School Levy

133-2023 - Boehm

That for 2023, the Municipality recognizes the Education Mill Rates as dictated by the Government of Saskatchewan:

**Prairie Spirit School Division**

Agricultural – 1.42 Mills

Residential – 4.54 Mills

Commercial/Industrial – 6.86 Mills

Resource (oil and gas, mines and pipelines) – 9.88 Mills

Carried.

Catholic School Levy

134-2023 - DeCorby

That for 2023, the Municipality recognizes the Education Mill Rates as dictated by the Government of Saskatchewan and the Greater Catholic School Division:

**St. Paul’s Roman Catholic Separate School Division #20**

Agricultural – 1.42 Mills

Residential – 4.54 Mills

Commercial/Industrial – 6.86 Mills

Resource (oil and gas, mines and pipelines) – 9.88 Mills

Carried.

Fire Truck

135-2023 - Boehm

That we do purchase a new fire truck for the RM of Blucher and RM of Aberdeen fire area at a cost of approximately \$400,000 which includes a down payment of \$130,000.

This is contingent upon the Blucher Aberdeen Volunteer Fire Department raising \$100,000 and the further balance being split by the two municipalities.

Carried.

Adjourn

136-2023 - Chysyk

That this meeting of Council be adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

Carried.

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Reeve

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Chief Administrative Officer