

Rural Municipality of Excelsior No. 166

August 12, 2020

The regular meeting of the Council of the Rural Municipality of Excelsior No. 166 was held on August 12, 2020 at the Rush Lake Hall, Rush Lake, Saskatchewan.

Reeve H. Martens called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

PRESENT:

Reeve: Harold Martens
Councillors: Division 1 – Charles Donnelly
Division 2 – Darren Steinley
Division 3 – Danny Spenst
Division 5 – Don Mathies
Administrator: Dianne Hahn

ABSENT: Division 4 – Harv Schulz
Division 6 – Bruce Pate

20-172 Agenda Moved by Councillor Mathies:
THAT the agenda for the August 12, 2020 Council meeting be adopted as presented.
CARRIED

Conf. of Interest No Conflicts of Interest were declared.

20-173 Minutes Moved by Councillor Donnelly:
THAT the minutes of the regular Council meeting held July 8, 2020 be adopted as circulated.
CARRIED

20-174 Statement Moved by Councillor Spenst:
THAT the Statement of Financial Activities for the month of July, 2020 be accepted as circulated.
CARRIED

20-175 Accounts Moved by Councillor Spenst:
THAT the Accounts, as listed and attached to these minutes be approved and authorized for payment or ratification of payment.
CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE:

20-176 Sign Moved by Councillor Spenst:
THAT approval be given for the installation of a Slow Watch for Children sign at the SE Pt 33-17-12W3.
CARRIED

20-177 SKPower Moved by Councillor Donnelly:
THAT the road allowances to the west of SW36-16-10W3 parcel #1432811234 be allowed to be impacted by drainage works as per the plan for SaskPower submitted for drainage application E5-2402.
CARRIED

20-178 RWE

Moved by Councillor Mathies:

THAT permission be given to RWE for a disposition where facilities cross road allowances with this eligibility being conditional on RWE presenting to the RM Council the plans for the project with required disposition locations noted.

CARRIED

20-179 Gun Control

Moved by Councillor Mathies:

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 RM of Excelsior No. 166 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 RM of Excelsior No. 166 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 THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the RM of Excelsior No. 166 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

20-180 Many Islands

Moved by Councillor Steinley:

THAT the Release for access and egress for Many Islands Pipe Lines for the NW15-17-11W3; SE15-17-11W3; and the NE15-17-11W3 be approved.

CARRIED

- 20-181 Algonquin Moved by Councillor Donnelly:
THAT approval be given for Algonquin Power & Utilities Corporation and its affiliate organization Saskatchewan Wind Development ILP for the granting of a disposition to situate wind farm related equipment in parts of the road allowances noted in their plan on the condition that a Road Use Agreement is signed.
CARRIED
- 20-182 Correspond. Moved by Councillor Spenst:
THAT the correspondence as listed and attached to these minutes be accepted as presented by the Administrator and filed.
CARRIED
- OLD BUSINESS/ROADWORK:
- 20-183 Bridge Rail Moved by Councillor Spenst:
THAT the RM advise Stantec Engineering that the bridge rails at 20-16-12W3 were not constructed and installed according to the RM's request and that the RM is seeking proper remediation of this.
CARRIED
- 20-184 Signs Moved by Councillor Steinley:
That the installation of 40 km/hour speed limit signs on the road that goes east/west located immediately north of the train tracks at the Village of Rush Lake be removed from the Councillor's Project Request form.
CARRIED
- 20-185 Holidays Moved by Councillor Steinley:
THAT Foreman Beisel be authorized to take vacation leave from August 17 to 21, 2020.
CARRIED
- 20-186 Moved by Councillor Spenst:
THAT we authorize new roadwork as presented on Councilors' Project Request forms.
CARRIED
- DELEGATIONS:
Stacey Beisel, Foreman
- NEW BUSINESS:
- 20-187 Line of Cr. Moved by Councillor Spenst:
THAT a line of credit in the amount of \$160,000.00 through the BMO Bank of Montreal be renewed,
CARRIED
- 20-188 Rd Mtce Moved by Councillor Donnelly:
THAT the RM enter into a Road Maintenance Agreement with Wiebe Contracting for the hauling of aggregate.
CARRIED

20-189 Rd Mtce Moved by Councillor Mathies:
 THAT the RM enter into a Road Maintenance agreement with Swift Current Rock
 Products for the hauling of aggregate.
CARRIED

20-190 Off. Wage Moved by Councillor Steinley:
 THAT the wage for Kaylie Steinley be increased to \$20.00 per hour effective with this
 pay period.
CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT:

20-191 Moved by Councillor Mathies:
 THAT this meeting be adjourned.
CARRIED

REEVE

ADMINISTRATOR