

Rural Municipality of Excelsior No. 166

November 23, 2022

The regular meeting of the Council of the Rural Municipality of Excelsior No. 166 was held on Wednesday, November 23, 2022 at the RM Office at 310 3rd Avenue, Rush Lake, Saskatchewan.

Administrator Hahn called the meeting to order at 9:05 am.

PRESENT:

Reeve:	Vacant
Councillors:	Division 1 – Shane Castle Division 2 – Darren Steinley Division 3 – Danny Spenst Division 4 – Jordan Miller Division 5 – Don Mathies Division 6 – Jim Feil
Administrator:	Dianne Hahn

Oath of Office Oath of Office was taken by Councillors Steinley, Miller and Feil.

22-228 Dep Reeve Moved by Councillor Mathies:
THAT Councillor Steinley be appointed as Deputy Reeve for the period of November 2022 to November 2023.
CARRIED

Deputy Reeve Steinley chaired the remainder of the meeting.

Agenda Moved by Councillor Mathies:
THAT the agenda for the November 23, 2022 Council meeting be adopted as presented.
CARRIED

Conf. of Interest None.

22-229 Minutes Moved by Councillor Castle:
THAT the minutes of the regular Council meeting held October 12, 2022 be adopted as circulated.
CARRIED

22-230 Statement Moved by Councillor Mathies:
THAT the Statement of Financial Activities for the month of October, 2022 be accepted as circulated.
CARRIED

22-231 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:

22-232 SARM Res. Moved by Councillor Mathies:
THAT Darren Steinley's name be put forward for appointment to the SARM Resolutions Committee.

CARRIED

22-233 Books Moved by Councillor Castle:
THAT two of the five "A Harvest Story" books received from Ag in the Classroom be donated to Herbert and Waldeck Schools and one book donated to Stewart Valley School.

CARRIED

22-234 Corresp. 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:

22-235 Gravel Moved by Councillor Feil:
THAT the RM re-tender for gravel.

CARRIED

22-236 Cornelson Moved by Councillor Mathies:
THAT Council approve the Personnel Committee report to Sask WCB indicating that the RM cannot accommodate Carey Cornelson with the physical limitations that he has.

CARRIED

22-237 Salaries Moved by Councillor Spenst:
THAT a 12% wage increase be given to all RM employees effective with the January 1, 2023 payroll.

CARRIED

22-238 Bldg Val. Moved by Councillor Castle:
THAT the RM place the Appraisal Replacement Cost insurance on the Machine Shop, Office and two sheds and that the Main Centre Hall have \$50,000 insurance placed on it for clean-up purposes should something happen to it in the future.

CARRIED

22-239 Moved by Councillor Mathies:
THAT we authorize new roadwork as presented on Councillors' Project Request forms.

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS:

Stacey Beisel, Foreman
Arnold Giesbrecht, Pest Control Officer
Mark Forsyth, Pasture Manager

NEW BUSINESS:

- 22-240 Election Moved by Councillor Mathies:
THAT the results from the November 9, 2022 Election for Divisions 2, 4 and 6 be received as information.
CARRIED
- 22-241 Disclosure Moved by Councillor Castle:
THAT the RM is in compliance with the requirements for Municipal Revenue Sharing as they have: 1) submitted the Audited Annual Financial Statement to the Ministry; 2) is in good standing with respect to the reporting and remittance of Education Property Taxes; 3) has adopted a Council Procedures Bylaw; 4) has adopted an Employee Code of Conduct; and 5) all members of Council have filed and annually updated their Public Disclosure Statements as required.
CARRIED
- 22-242 Cncl Remun. Moved by Councillor Mathies:
THAT the remuneration for Council members be increased to \$300 from \$280 with mileage reimbursement to remain at \$0.70 per km.
CARRIED
- 22-243 Remun Lib. Moved by Councillor Spenst:
THAT the remuneration for the Chinook Regional Library representative be set at \$175.00 per meeting and \$0.70 per kilometer for the term November 23, 2022 to November 2023.
CARRIED
- 22-244 Sign.Auth. Moved by Councillor Spenst:
THAT the Reeve or Deputy Reeve and the Administrator be authorized to sign documents on behalf of the Rural Municipality of Excelsior No. 166, with Council's approval, for the term November 23, 2022 to November 2023 and that Councillor Steinley or Councillor Miller and the Administrator be authorized to sign cheques on behalf of the Rural Municipality of Excelsior No. 166.
CARRIED
- 22-245 WCB Moved by Councillor Miller:
THAT we select Saskatchewan Workers Compensation Board personal coverage for all Council members at the maximum amount in 2023.
CARRIED
- 22-246 Meetings Moved by Councillor Spenst:
THAT the regular Council meetings for December, 2022 to November 2023 be held on the second Wednesday of every month, commencing at 9:00 am at the rural municipal office in Rush Lake, SK.
CARRIED
- 22-247 Appts Moved by Councillor Mathies:
THAT the following appointments be made for the term November 23, 2022 to November 2023:
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| Assessor | Dianne Hahn |
| Pasture Supervisors | Councillor Steinley (North) |
| | Councillor Castle (South) |
| Local EMO Committee | Council as a Whole |

Poundkeepers:

Division 1: Charles Donnelly
Division 2: Stuart Wall
Division 3: Curt Chickoski

Division 4: Niel Block
Division 5: Cameron Laing
Division 6: Jordan Wittman

CARRIED

22-248 Committee

Moved by Councillor Feil:

THAT we make the following appointments to Committees of Council for the term November 23, 2022 to November 2023, with committee functions as stated, and with the underlined name to be Chairperson:

Road Ban Committee

Councillors Mathies, Feil, Steinley

Function: to issue weight restriction orders in accordance with the regulations and terms of Bylaw No. 2-98 of the R.M. of Excelsior No.166

Machine Committee

Councillors Spent, Mathies, Miller

Function: responsible to liaison with Roadcrew members as follows:

- authorize minor repairs on municipal equipment
- gather data for Council regarding equipment purchases, sales or repairs
- communicate with suppliers as needed to provide information re: invoices, work orders, or any other equipment related issue.

Personnel Committee

Councillors Miller, Castle, Mathies

Function: responsible to liaison with all municipal employees as follows:

- authorize minor requests for time off (1 day or less)
- receive communication from employees regarding concerns, suggestions or grievances on employment or personal issues
- report all employee issues or requests to Council at the next regular meeting for approval
- interview prospective employees, or meet with current employees to discuss any issues, only as directed by Council at a properly called meeting
- deal appropriately with emergency employee situations, only after consulting with all councillors, and receiving a majority opinion regarding course of action.

Asset Management Committee

Councillor Steinley

CARRIED

22-249 Board Reps

Moved by Councillor Feil:

THAT the following representatives for this municipality be appointed or acknowledged for the term November 16, 2021 to November 2022:

Rush Lake Recreation Board

Councillor Steinley

Herbert Recreation Board

Councillor Castle

Main Centre Recreation Board

Councillor Miller

Prairie Pioneer Independ.Housing

Councillor Feil

Mainline Mutual Aid Area

Councillor Castle

Chinook Library

Gladys Wozny-Siemens

Herbert Ferry Regional Park

Councillor Castle, Richard Crowe

Swift Current Watershed Stewards

Councillor Mathies

South West Municipal Govt Committee

Councillor Steinley

SW Transportation Planning

Councillor Castle

Rush Lake Irrigation District

Councillor Castle (as required)

Farm & Food Care

Bruce Pate

CARRIED

22-250 Snow Rem. Moved by Councillor Miller:
THAT we authorize the following snow removal operators for 2022/2023, providing they complete the required agreement, and that each be notified of the requirements of the Occupational Health & Safety Regulations:
R.M. of Excelsior Road Crew (Stacey Beisel, Brian Zilkowsky, Allen Fellingier, Chad Dirkson, Kevin Buller, Tyson Hall, Leroy Martens, Cole Peters)
Grant Miller, Michael Unger, Shane Castle, Darren Steinley, Glen Siemens, Main Centre Hutterian, Jordan Miller, Brent Klassen, Kelly Hogg, Martens Ranch.
CARRIED

22-251 Door Prizes Moved by Councillor Castle:
THAT the RM purchase four \$50 gift cards for door prizes for the Christmas supper.
CARRIED

22-252 Bonus Moved by Councillor Spenst:
THAT each RM employee who was actively working in 2022 be given a \$200 Christmas bonus.
CARRIED

22-253 Farewell Gift Moved by Councillor Castle:
THAT a \$1,000 VISA card be given to Harold Martens, Harvey Schulz and Bruce Pate in recognition of their years of service on Council with a bouquet of flowers presented to their spouses; and that a \$200 VISA card be given to Brent Klassen and Carey Cornelson in recognition of their years of service as an employee.
CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT:

22-254 Moved by Councillor Castle:
THAT this meeting be adjourned.
CARRIED

REEVE

ADMINISTRATOR