

**Rural Municipality of Excelsior No. 166**

**February 8, 2023**

The regular meeting of the Council of the Rural Municipality of Excelsior No. 166 was held on Wednesday, February 8, 2023 at the RM Office at 310 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, Rush Lake, Saskatchewan at 9:00 am.

**PRESENT:**

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

- 23-35 Agenda Moved by Councillor Mathies:  
THAT the agenda for the February 8, 2023 Council meeting be adopted as presented.  
CARRIED
- Conf. of Interest None.
- 23-36 Minutes Moved by Councillor Castle:  
THAT the minutes of the regular Council meeting held January 6, 2023 be adopted as circulated.  
CARRIED
- 23-37 Statement Moved by Councillor Spenst:  
THAT the Statement of Financial Activities for the month of January, 2023 be accepted as circulated.  
CARRIED
- 23-38 Accounts Moved by Councillor Miller:  
THAT the Accounts, as listed and attached to these minutes be approved and authorized for payment or ratification of payment along with payment to Rocky Mountain Equipment for \$4,130.98.  
CARRIED
- CORRESPONDENCE:
- 23-39 Grading Moved by Councillor Castle:  
THAT the RM of Sask Landing be hired to do grading of the Stewart Valley Bridge hill at a cost of \$300 per hour.  
CARRIED
- 23-40 Custom Work Moved by Councillor Spenst:  
THAT patrons of the Rush Lake Irrigation District be sent a letter advising that they will be charged the current RM custom work rates should it be necessary for the RM to remove snow to open roads during the off-season so that patrons can have access to their lots.  
CARRIED

- 23-41 Fire Fee      Moved by Councillor Castle:  
                         THAT the fire service fees from the Town of Herbert for \$2,255.04 for firefighting services at Rush Lake hay lot #162 be added to the taxes for that lot and the Town of Herbert paid for the same.  
CARRIED
- 23-42 SKPower      Moved by Councillor Miller:  
                         THAT the salvaging of a rural primary take off at SE12-19-11W3 by SaskPower be approved.  
CARRIED
- 23-43 Subdiv        Moved by Councillor Feil:  
                         THAT the proposed subdivision at NE31-17-12W3 be approved.  
CARRIED
- 23-44 SAMA AGM    Moved by Councillor Spenst:  
                         THAT Councillor Mathies and the Administrator be authorized to attend the SAMA AGM being held in Regina on April 5, 2023; and the Administrator training for the Administrator being held on April 4, 2023 with expenses paid by the RM and further that Councillor Mathies be appointed as the RM's voting delegation.  
CARRIED
- 23-45 AAFC         Moved by Councillor Spenst:  
                         THAT the Rural Municipality of Excelsior No. 166 would be prepared to enter into an agreement to transfer the Canada Roads within the Rush Lake Irrigation District to the Saskatchewan Ministry of Highways.  
CARRIED
- 23-46 Sun Valley   Moved by Councillor Miller:  
                         THAT the temporary road use/approach notification for TransCanada Pipelines Limited for NW22-18-10W3 be approved.  
CARRIED
- 23-47 Evolve        Moved by Councillor Feil:  
                         THAT the temporary road use/approach notification for Plains Midstream for SW26-18-13W3 be approved.  
CARRIED
- 23-48 i-Hunter      Moved by Councillor Mathies:  
                         THAT the price of the RM maps on i-Hunter be \$19.99.  
CARRIED
- 23-49 Safety Br.    Moved by Deputy Reeve Steinley:  
                         THAT authorization be given for Council members and RM employees to attend the Safety Breakfast being put on by Great Plains College with expenses paid by the RM.  
CARRIED
- 23-50 Evolve        Moved by Councillor Feil:  
                         THAT the use of approach and temporary road use for the SW27-18-10W3 and SW25-18-13W3 for Plains Midstream and the NE21-18-10W3 for TransCanada Pipelines be approved.  
CARRIED

23-51 Corresp. Moved by Councillor Castle:  
THAT the correspondence as listed and attached to these minutes be accepted as presented by the Administrator and filed.  
CARRIED

OLD BUSINESS/ROADWORK:

23-52 Hiring Moved by Councillor Spenst:  
THAT authorization be given to the Personnel Committee to hire a Utility Person for the RM and further that approval be given for this employee to attend the Pesticide Training taking place at the Great Plains College on March 20-23, 2023 and other required safety training courses with expenses paid by the RM.  
CARRIED

23-53 Clothing Moved by Councillor Miller:  
THAT the purchase of 30 hoodies to be used for public relations as well as given to the RM Council and employees be approved.  
CARRIED

23-54 Pastures Moved by Councillor Castle:  
THAT the 2023 Pasture Regulations be approved with the in-take day of June 1<sup>st</sup> and out-take day of October 16<sup>th</sup>.  
CARRIED

23-55 Moved by Councillor Mathies:  
THAT we authorize new roadwork as presented on Councillors' Project Request forms.  
CARRIED

DELEGATIONS:

- Stacey Beisel, Foreman
- Brad Cornelson, Fire Chief
- Betty Johnson, Plant Health Officer, SARM
- Grant Miller, Mike Unger, Dana Schindel, Dallas Muhle

NEW BUSINESS:

23-56 Hiring Moved by Councillor Spenst:  
THAT Kyla Thomason be hired as a Part-time Office Assistant effective March 1, 2023 at a wage of \$23.77 per hour; and further that the Municipal Administrator Internship Program through SARM be applied for with Kyla Thomason as the Trainee with an effective full-time equivalent start date of September 1, 2023.  
CARRIED

23-57 Donation Moved by Councillor Mathies:  
THAT a donation in the amount of \$1,000 be made to Westbank Bible Camp in memory of former Reeve Harold Martens.  
CARRIED

- 23-58 Cncl Mtg      Moved by Councillor Miller:  
THAT the regularly scheduled Council meeting for March be held on March 17, 2023 at 9:00 am.  
CARRIED
- 23-59 SARM Conv    Moved by Deputy Reeve Steinley:  
THAT Council members, the Administrator, Foreman and Assistant Foreman be authorized to attend the SARM Convention with expenses paid by the RM; and further that Councillors Mathies and Miller be appointed as the RM's voting delegations.  
CARRIED
- 23-60 SMHI Voting    Moved by Councillor Mathies:  
THAT Councillor Miller be appointed as the RM's voting delegation for the Saskatchewan Municipal Hail Insurance AGM.  
CARRIED
- 23-61 Road Restrict. Moved by Councillor Mathies:  
THAT we acknowledge presentation of Road Restriction Order #2 (putting the road ban back onto the Herbert oil) from the Road Ban Committee.  
CARRIED
- 23-62 Landfill      Moved by Councillor Spenst:  
THAT approved be given to hire Matrix Solutions Inc. for the Landfill Corrective Action Plan and Closure Report at a cost of \$54,397.56 provided that tendering is not required.  
CARRIED
- 23-63 Rates        Moved by Councillor Mathies:  
THAT the rate to be paid to the operators who assisted during the extreme ice conditions be \$200 per hour.  
CARRIED
- 23-64 Mutual Aid    Moved by Councillor Mathies:  
THAT Councillor Castle be removed from the Mainline Mutual Aid Committee due to lack of availability and that Councillor Spenst be appointed in his place.  
CARRIED
- 23-65 Pizza        Moved by Councillor Spenst:  
THAT approval be given to pay the invoice from Red Swan Pizza for \$299.70.  
CARRIED
- ADJOURNMENT:
- 23-66                Moved by Councillor Mathies:  
THAT this meeting be adjourned.  
CARRIED

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ADMINISTRATOR