## **Rural Municipality of Excelsior No. 166**

## November 07, 2023

The regular meeting of the Council of the Rural Municipality of Excelsior No. 166 was held on Tuesday, November 7, 2023 at the RM Office at 310 3rd Avenue, Rush Lake, Saskatchewan at 9:00 am.

PRESENT:

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	Reeve: Councillors: Administrator:	Harvey Schulz Division 1 – Shane Castle Division 2 – Darren Steinley Division 3 – Danny Spenst Division 4 – Jordan Miller Division 5 – Don Mathies Division 6 – Jim Feil Dianne Hahn	
	Intern Administrator:		
23-246 Agenda	Moved by Councillor Mathies: THAT the agenda for the November 7, 2023 Council meeting be adopted as presented. CARRIED		
Conf. of Interest	Shane Castle re: Pasture Ma	nager	
23-247 Minutes	Moved by Councillor Spenst: THAT the minutes of the regular Council meeting held October 5, 2023 be adopted as circulated.		
		CARRIED	
23-248 Statement	Moved by Councillor Castle: THAT the Statement of Financial Activities for the month of October, 2023 be accepted as circulated.		
	as circulated.	CARRIED	
23-249 Accounts	Moved by Councillor Steinley: THAT the Accounts, as listed and attached to these minutes be approved and authorized for payment or ratification of payment.		
	autionzed for payment of fai	CARRIED	
	CORRESPONDENCE:		
23-250 Comm.Plan	Moved by Councillor Spenst: THAT the RM has no concerns regarding the proposed planned subdivision SE 1 Section of 26-10-11 W3 adjacent to RM of Excelsior No.166.		
	Section of 26-10-11 W3 adja	Cent to RM of Excelsion No. 166.	CARRIED
23-251 Comm.Plan	Moved by Councillor Mathies THAT the RM has no concer	ed at NW 6-18-	
	11 W3.	CARRIED	
23-252 Prairie Pion.	Moved by Councillor Castle: THAT a donation of \$5,000 b Kitchen Upgrades.	ority for their	

23-253 Legion	Moved by Councillor Spenst: THAT a donation of \$75 be given to The Royal Canadian Legion for their Poppy			
	Campaign.	CARRIED		
23-254 City of SC	Moved by Councillor Mathies: THAT the Rescue Services Agreement with the City of Swift Current be a signed by RM Officials.	pproved and		
	signed by RM Officials.	CARRIED		
23-255 City of SC	Moved by Councillor Steinley: THAT the Mutual Aid Agreement with the City of Swift Current be approve by RM Officials.	ed and signed		
		CARRIED		
23-256 FUS	Moved by Councillor Castle: THAT the RM be authorized to sign the petition from the Fire Underwriter	's Survey for		
	Volunteer Firefighters to increase tax credit from \$3,000 to \$10,000.	CARRIED		
23-257 Sask-Tel	Moved by Councillor Spenst: THAT approval be given for the Cable Installation request from Sask-Tel 12 W3.	at NW 14-16-		
	12 003.	CARRIED		
23-258 SaskPower	Moved by Councillor Castle: THAT the proposed work for Rural Underground Distribution rebuilds for a	Sask Power be		
	approved at NW 12-17-10 W3.	CARRIED		
23-259 WSA	Moved by Councillor Steinley: THAT the Infrastructure Crossing Replacement Program with the Water Stern NE 10, 17, 11, W2 be approved and signed by RM Officials	Security Agency		
	for NE 10-17-11 W3 be approved and signed by RM Officials.	CARRIED		
23-260 Corres.	Moved by Councillor Spenst: THAT the correspondence as listed and attached to these minutes be acc presented by the Administrator and filed.	cepted as		
	presented by the Administrator and filed.	CARRIED		
	OLD BUSINESS/ROADWORK:			
23-261 LLC	Moved by Councillor Spenst: THAT the RM approve the costs of approximately \$5,000 to \$10,000 to A Engineering to survey and prepare information to be Grant Ready for a ne 20-16-12 W3.	ew bridge at NE		
		CARRIED		
23-262 Gravel	Moved by Councillor Castle: THAT the Administrator be directed to tender for 30,000 yards of road gr	avel. CARRIED		

23-263 Call to Work Moved by Councillor Castle: THAT the RM send a letter to seasonal workers regarding the importance of returning to work when called during the off-season. CARRIED

23-264 Termination Moved by Councillor Castle: THAT the RM dismiss Alexander Moon from his position as an Equipment Operator, and that Group Benefits conclude on December 31, 2023.

CARRIED

## 23-265 Div. Rep. Moved by Councillor Mathies: THAT we authorize new roadwork as presented on Councillors' Project Request forms. CARRIED

Councillor Castle declared a conflict of interest and left the meeting at 9:55am

DELEGATIONS Mark Forsyth – Pasture Manager

Councillor Castle returned to the meeting at 10:15am

**DELEGATIONS** - continued

Arnold Giesbrecht – Pest Control Officer Stacey Beisel – Foreman

NEW BUSINESS:

23-266 Cncl Remun. Moved by Councillor Steinley: THAT the remuneration for Council members remain at \$300 with mileage reimbursement to remain at \$0.70 per km.

CARRIED

- 23-267 Remun Lib. Moved by Councillor Steinley: THAT the remuneration for the Chinook Regional Library representative be \$175.00 per meeting and \$0.70 per kilometer for the term November 23, 2023 to November 2024. CARRIED
- 23-268 Salaries Moved by Councillor Mathies: THAT a 4.5% wage increase be given to all RM employees effective with the January 1, 2024 payroll.
- 23-269 WCB Moved by Councillor Miller:
- THAT we select Saskatchewan Workers Compensation Board personal coverage for all Council members at the maximum amount in 2024.

23-270 Sign.Auth.	Moved by Councillor Castle: 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 7, 2023 to November 2024 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	
23-271 Meetings	Moved by Councillor Miller: THAT the regular Council meetings for December, 2023 to November 2024 be held the second Wednesday of every month, commencing at 9:00 am at the rural munic office in Rush Lake, SK.			
			CARRIED	
23-272 Cncl Mtg	Moved by Councillor Spenst: THAT the regularly scheduled December C	Council meeting be held Decem	nber 22, 2023. CARRIED	
23-273 Appts	Moved by Councillor Steinley: THAT the following appointments be made for the term November 7, 2023 to Novem 2024:			
	Assessor Pasture Supervisors Local EMO Committee	Dianne Hahn Councillor Steinley (North) Councillor Castle (South) 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	
23-274 Committee	Moved by Councillor Steinley: THAT the RM make the following appointments to Committees of Council for the term November 7, 2023 to November 2024, with committee functions as stated, and with the underlined name to be Chairperson:			
	Road Ban Committee Councillors <u>Mathies</u> , 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 CommitteeCouncillors Spenst, Mathies, MillerFunction: responsible to liaison with Road crew 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, workorders, 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 23-275 Board Reps Moved by Councillor Steinley: THAT the following representatives for this municipality be appointed or acknowledged for the term November 7, 2023 to November 2024: Rush Lake Recreation Board **Councillor Steinley** Herbert Recreation Board Councillor Castle Councillor Miller Main Centre Recreation Board 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 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 23-276 Snow Rem. Moved by Councillor Mathies: THAT we authorize the following snow removal operators for 2023/2024, 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 Fellinger, Chad Dirkson, Kevin Buller, Owen Wall, and Lerov Martens) Grant Miller, Michael Unger, Shane Castle, Darren Steinley, Glen Siemens, Main Centre Hutterian, Jordan Miller, Brent Klassen, Kelly Hogg, Martens Ranch. CARRIED 23-277 UMAAS Moved by Councillor Spenst: THAT Dianne Hahn be authorized to attend the UMAAS Fall Workshop on October 25, 2023 in Swift Current with all expenses paid by the RM. CARRIED 23-278 Bonus Moved by Councillor Spenst: THAT each RM employee who was actively working in 2023 be given a \$200 Christmas bonus with the exception of the new Equipment Operator.

- 23-279 Weed Report Moved by Councillor Castle: THAT the Weed Report, as submitted by Suzanne Hogg, be accepted as read. CARRIED
- 23-280 Disclosure Moved by Councillor Mathies: 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

ADJOURNMENT:

23-281 Moved by Councillor Castle: THAT this meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

REEVE

ADMINISTRATOR