

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Council of the Town of Russell, held in the Council Chambers, Russell, Manitoba on Tuesday, March 28th, 2006 at 7:00 P.M.

Mayor Merrill Kiliwnik presiding and Councillors Bonita Bily, Eldon Montgomery, Willis Pushka and Chris Radford in attendance.

Mr. Nick Dohie met with Council to discuss water drainage on Augusta Street around and near his property.

Messrs. Terry Rolfe and Bob Ross representing the Lions Club met with Council to discuss Lake of the Prairies Fishing Derby.

Mr. Terry Rolfe, Chairman of APED met with Council to discuss the potential of a Canada Business Service Centre satellite office in Russell.

Resolution #47/06

Moved by Councillor Bily

Seconded by Councillor Pushka

WHEREAS a copy of the minutes of the last regular meeting dated March 14th, 2006 have been provided to each member of Council;

AND WHEREAS a copy of the minutes of the last regular of the Town of Russell have been posted in the municipal office;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the reading of the minutes be dispensed with;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the last regular meeting dated March 14th, 2006 be adopted as presented.

Carried.

Resolution #48/06

Moved by Councillor Bily

Seconded by Councillor Radford

The Council of the Town of Russell approves payment from the Town of Russell General Account, at the Vanguard Credit Union Ltd., Russell Branch, of Cheque #14467 to Cheque #14519 inclusive in the amount of \$45,702.38 less Cheque #14504 in the amount of \$1000.

Carried.

Resolution #49/06

Moved by Councillor Bily

Seconded by Councillor Pushka

THAT By-law No. 1459/02/06 of the Town of Russell to create a Gas Tax Reserve as read a second time be passed.

Carried.

Resolution #50/06

Moved by Councillor Radford

Seconded by Councillor Montgomery

THAT By-law No. 1459/02/06 of the Town of Russell to create a Gas Tax Reserve as read a third time be passed and signed and sealed by the Mayor and CAO.

Carried.

IN FAVOUR: Bily, Kiliwnik, Montgomery, Pushka, Radford

OPPOSED: None

Resolution #51/06

Moved by Councillor Montgomery

Seconded by Councillor Bily

THAT By-law No. 1460/03/06 of the Town of Russell to provide for the participation of the Town of Russell Fire Department in Mutual Aid be introduced and read a first time.

Carried.

Resolution #52/06

Moved by Councillor Bily

Seconded by Councillor Pushka

That the Town of Russell appoint Terry Haslbeck as a non-ticketed labourer/operator for the Town effective April 1st, 2006 at a salary of \$1,838.34 per month.

Carried.

Resolution #53/06

Moved by Councillor Radford

Seconded by Councillor Montgomery

WHEREAS the Town of Russell Recycling Program is facing major financial issues;

AND WHEREAS the Town must examine cost cutting measures in order to ensure the program can continue at a sustainable level;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Russell reduce the recycling assistant position to a .6 effective April 1st, 2006.

Carried.

Resolution #54/06

Moved by Councillor Pushka

Seconded by Councillor Bily

That the Town of Russell appoint Dennis Joss as a .6 Recycling Assistant for the Town effective April 1st, 2006 at a wage of \$7.60 per hour.

Carried.

Resolution #55/06

Moved by Councillor Montgomery

Seconded by Councillor Radford

WHEREAS Mervin Cherowka has filled the position of Nuisance Grounds Operator/Attendant for a number of years;

AND WHEREAS chronic health problems prevent Mervin from completing all aspects of the job;

AND WHEREAS the Town of Russell along with the Russell-Silver Creek Nuisance Grounds Committee need to find an individual who can perform all aspects of the position;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Russell appoint Kiley Robin as the Russell-Silver Creek Nuisance Grounds Operator/Attendant effective April 1st, 2006 at a salary of \$1,646.90 per month.

Carried.

Resolution #56/06

Moved by Councillor Montgomery

Seconded by Councillor Bily

WHEREAS the Town of Russell has had a competition for the hiring of a Senior Public Works Staff person;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Russell approve the appointment of Mike Twardoski as Public Works Assistant Foreman for the Town of Russell effective April 1st, 2006 subject to the following conditions:

- at a salary of \$2,753.34 per month during a six month probationary period ending September 30th, 2006
- Blue Cross as provided by the Town of Russell plan is to commence effective September 30th, 2006
- Pension, Disability Coverage and Insurance Programs to start effective September 30th, 2006
- remaining benefits as per Town of Russell Personnel Policy #1.
- Eligibility for Retirement Compensation Allowance as per Town of Russell Personnel Policy #6 to begin April 1st, 2006.

Carried.

Resolution #57/06

Moved by Councillor Radford

Seconded by Councillor Montgomery

WHEREAS the Department of Highways had indicated they plan to proceed with the upgrade of Highway #16 from the junction of Highway #83 to the junction of Highway #45;

AND WHEREAS a portion of the upgrading project includes the installation of service roads on both the north and south sides of the highway;

AND WHEREAS the Department of Highways has indicated their desire to have the Town become responsible for the ownership and maintenance of the service roads upon their completion;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Town of Russell agree to accepting ownership of the service roads to be developed by the Department of Highways as part of their Highway #16 upgrade subject to the following conditions:

- That the service road on the south side of Highway #16 be paved from the intersection of the service road and Government Road east to a distance of 100 meters west of the Twin Valley Co-op access.
- That the service road on the north side of Highway #16 be paved from the relocated Highway #83 to Brendonn Holdings.
- That the service road on the north side of Highway #16 from Brendonn Holdings to Alexandria Avenue be paved.

Carried.

Resolution #58/06

Moved by Councillor Bily

Seconded by Councillor Radford

WHEREAS the Town of Russell is part of the Quest Emergency Measures Region;

AND WHEREAS the Town of Russell and RM of Russell currently have no permanent EMO Coordinator in place;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Russell appoint Geordie Daneliuk as EMO Coordinator effective April 1st, 2006.

Carried.

Resolution #59/06

Moved by Councillor Montgomery

Seconded by Councillor Radford

That the financial statement for the month of February, 2006 as submitted to and examined by Council be approved.

Carried.

Correspondence was then read and considered.

Council adjourned.

Adopted this 11th day of April A.D., 2006.

Mayor, Town of Russell

C.A.O., Town of Russell