

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Council of the Rural Municipality of Edenwold No. 158 held on Tuesday, March 17th, 2020 in the Council Chamber of the Municipal Building, 100 Hutchence Road, Emerald Park, Sask. called pursuant to section 123(1) of *The Municipalities Act*. The following were present:

Reeve: Mitchell Huber

Councillors: Division #1 Craig Strudwick
 Division #2 Stan Capnerhurst
 Division #3 Wayne Joyce
 Division #5 Dwayne Radmacher
 Division #6 Tim Brodt

Administrator & CAO: Kim McIvor

Manager of Planning & Development Jana Jedlic

Joel Peterson of Hill+Knowlton Strategies

Quorum With a quorum present, Reeve Huber called the meeting to order @ 3:00 p.m.

Minister Meeting 3:00 to 3:20 p.m. Joel informed Council that due to the Covid 19 pandemic Minister Carr has had to postpone the March 24th, 2020 meeting. Council discussed when the meeting is rescheduled, they will take the opportunity to inform the Minister of the concerns and frustrations the RM has and is dealing with as a result of White City's Annexation attempt. Among the issues Council is dealing with is the SMB process and its lack of transparency. Other issues include, the annexation impact on the RM's resources, budgets, capital plans, development and growth plan, not to mention the impact the Annexation is having on the community and the businesses within the RM. Council also would like to take this opportunity to provide suggestions as to how the government could look at dealing with municipal restructuring in the future, provide alternatives options and suggest legislative amendments.

Covid 19 Pandemic 3:20 - 3:50 pm Council roundtable discussion topics were in regards to COVID 19 Pandemic preparations, Essential service continuation, social distancing, public events and other prevention measures as per the recommendations of the Government of Saskatchewan. Administrator McIvor presented emails from the three Division 4 nominated candidates whom are all in favor of postponing the By-election during the Covid 19 pandemic.

176/2020 Bylaw #2020-12 1st Reading **Councillor Joyce:** THAT Bylaw No. 2020-12 being a bylaw to postpone the scheduled By-election due to the pandemic public safety measures, be given first reading.
Carried.

177/2020 Bylaw #2020-12 2nd Reading **Councillor Strudwick:** THAT Bylaw No. 2020-12 being a bylaw to postpone the scheduled By-election due to the pandemic public safety measures be given second reading.
Carried.

178/2020 Bylaw #2020-12 3 Readings **Councillor Capnerhurst:** THAT Bylaw No. 2020-12 be given three readings at this meeting.
Carried Unanimously.

179/2020 Bylaw #2020-12 3rd Reading **Councillor Brodt:** THAT Bylaw No. 2020-12 being a bylaw to postpone the scheduled By-election due to the pandemic public safety measures, be given third and final reading.
Carried.

180/2020 Covid 19 Measures **Councillor Brodt:** THAT we put the following Covid 19 preventive measures in place:

- Municipal Office closed to the Public as of 9:00 a.m. March 18th
- Postpone the Fire hall focus group meeting of March 24th
- Postpone Coffee with the Councillors meeting of March 26th
- Promote & Follow all Covid 19 Provincial Health Guidelines

 **Carried.**

181/2020
Emergency
Preparedness
Public Works

Councillor Capnerhurst: THAT we acknowledge the email inquiry from Kevin Faul – Manager RBOM - SCH Maintenance Services Ltd. (Hwy #1 maintenance contractor) and confirm we are fully prepared and committed to regional public works support with our municipal neighbors and SCH Maintenance Services Ltd for any public works support requirements during the Covid 19 pandemic.

Carried.

180/2020
ICIP Program
Application
Multi –Use
Recreation
Facility

Councillor Brodt: That the RM of Edenwold proceed with the steps require for the development of a multi-use recreation facility to serve the community and the region.

And

That the RM of Edenwold commits to allocate the required funds to pay for the planning, construction and operation of the facility. The RM of Edenwold commits to contribute its share of all eligible and ineligible costs and overages for this project. The financial requirement for the RM will be committed from collected development levies, future development levies, municipal reserve funds and financed as required to cover the future contributions.

And

That the appropriate steps will be taken and approved by council in a phased approach to ensure prudent management of the project. This item is brought before council at this time as the RM is pursuing Federal and Provincial Grant money through the *Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP)* to contribute towards this project which the RM has been working towards and is incorporated in the *Servicing Agreement Policy*. Any money obtained from this grant would lessen the financial burden on the RM’s share of the costs.

Carried.

181/2020
ICIP Program
Application
Storm Water

Councillor Capnerhurst: That the RM of Edenwold proceed with the steps require for the redevelopment of the decommissioned lagoon to act as a key element of the RM’s storm water disaster management plan. Futuremore, the project will contribute positively to the growing need for action on climate concerns.

And

That the RM of Edenwold commits to allocate the required funds to plan, construction and maintain the project. The RM of Edenwold commits to contribute its share of all eligible and ineligible costs and overages for this project. The RM contribution will be allocated from collected and future development levies and financed as required.

And


This item is brought before council at this time as the RM is pursuing Federal and Provincial Grant money through the *Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP)* to contribute towards a project that the RM is committed to complete. Any money obtained from this grant would lessen the burden on the RM and allow reallocation of funds to other projects or reduce financing requirements.

Carried.

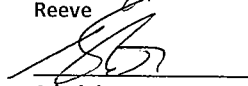
182/2020
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Councillor Brodt: THAT this meeting be hereby adjourned at 4:14 p.m.

Carried.



Reeve



Administrator