



January 18, 2024

**Rural Municipality of Beaver River No. 622
Regular Meeting of Council held in the RM Council Chambers
159 Main Street, Pierceland, Saskatchewan
Thursday January 18, 2024 at 8:30 am**

Present:

Reeve: Absent
Councillors: Div. 1 – Matthew Wiatr Div. 2 – Brian Sawatzky
Div. 3 – Dwayne Degenhardt Div. 4 – Absent
Div. 5 – Lorne Wyss Div. 6 – Wayne Rewega
Administrator: Nicole Neufeld

A quorum being present, Deputy Reeve Rewega called the meeting to order at 8:32 AM.

001-24 Consolid. Sawatzky: That the request to consolidate lots PT 14 & 15 Block 2 Plan 79B02314 be approved due to the residence being constructed across both lots.
Carried.

002-24 Minutes Sawatzky: That the minutes of the December 21, 2023 regular meeting of Council be approved as presented.
Carried.

Maintenance Supervisor Mike Coolidge entered the meeting at 8:58 AM.

Delegation #1 – RM Maintenance Supervisor – Mike Coolidge – 9:00 AM

Mike Coolidge attended the meeting to discuss various maintenance plans and ongoing projects in the RM.

003-24 Grader Repair Degenhardt: That the RM orders parts from Finning CAT to complete repairs on the 160 grader as per quote #01Q836967 (Attachment “A”) and that Braun Equipment Services Inc. be contracted to complete the repairs.
Carried.

004-24 Trans. Site Wyss: That the RM order and have installed one 3-500 gallon propane tank for the Pierceland Transfer Site and one 3-500 gallon propane tank for the Goodsoil Transfer Site from the Meadow Lake Co-op.
Carried.

005-24 Blades Wiatr: That Maintenance Supervisor Mike Coolidge be authorized to purchase mower blades needed for the 2024 season.
Carried.

006-24 Tractor Repair Degenhardt: That Braun Equipment Services Inc. be contracted to complete all necessary repairs on the 7710 John Deere tractor.
Carried.

Council thanked Mike for attending and he exited the meeting at 9:45 AM.

007-24 Financial Stmt. Sawatzky: That the December 2023 Monthly Financial Statement be approved as presented. (Attachment “B”) *Rescinded by res.# 026-24*
Carried.

Planner Robin Bloski entered the meeting at 10:03 AM via Zoom.

Delegation #2 – Northbound Planning – Robin Bloski (via Zoom) – 10:00 AM

Robin Bloski presented the December Development Report for discussion.

Council thanked Robin for attending the meeting and she exited the meeting at 10:21 AM.

008-24 In-camera **Wiatr:** That the Council go to an in-camera session for the purpose of discussing legal counsel and human resources (10:23 AM).
Carried.

Names of the parties present during closed session: Matthew Wiatr, Brian Sawatzky, Dwayne Degenhardt, Lorne Wyss, Wayne Rewega and Nicole Neufeld.

Closed session authority as per Section 16 of *The Local Authority Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

009-24 Out-cam. **Sawatzky:** That the Council return to the regular Council meeting (11:08 AM).
Carried.

010-24 Wage Reviews **Degenhardt:** That the employee wage reviews be tabled until the budget meeting.
Carried.

011-24 Office Clerk **Degenhardt:** That the RM hire Bridie Durovick to fill the position of Office Clerk starting February 5, 2024 as per terms set out in the Employment Agreement.
Carried.

012-24 Planner **Sawatzky:** That an advertisement be posted for an individual interested in working in-house on planning and development in the RM of Beaver River No. 622.
Carried.

013-24 Accounts Payable **Wyss:** That the accounts payable listed on Attachment "C" in the amount of \$278,832.34 cheque #'s 23662 to 23686 including online payments and December 2023 payroll presented.
Carried. *Rescinded by Res. # 028-24*

014-24 WTP Log **Sawatzky:** That the December 2023 Lauman's Landing water treatment plant log report (Attachment "D") be accepted as presented.
Carried.

015-24 Corresp. **Degenhardt:** That the correspondence listed on Attachment "E" be accepted as presented and filed.
Carried.

016-24 Admin. Report **Wiatr:** That the Administrators Report and attachments be accepted as presented. (Attachment "F")
Carried.

017-24 Recess **Wyss:** That Council recess for a 30 minute lunch break (11:59 AM).
Carried.

Deputy Reeve Rewega reconvened the meeting at 12:33 PM.

018-24 Appts. **Sawatzky:** That the 2024 Committee Appointments as listed on Attachment "G" be approved as presented.
Carried.

- 019-24 Fire Agree. **Degenhardt:** That the RM enter into a contract for fire protection services with the Village of Pierceland and the Village of Goodsoil from January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024 for a total retainer fee of \$20,000.00 each.
In favor: Sawatzky, Wyss, Rewega, Degenhardt
Opposed: Wiatr
Carried.
- 020-24 Fidelity Bond Ins. **Wyss:** That the following 2024 SARM Fidelity Bond Insurance coverages be approved as presented:
 - Fidelity Bond Insurance: \$10,000.00 coverage;
 - Registered Mail (coverage included): \$50,000.00 coverage; and
 - Money & Securities (coverage included): \$2,500.00 coverage.Carried.
- 021-24 Lease **Wiatr:** That the SE-01-60-27 W3 Sask. Ag & Food Parcel 2023 property taxes in the amount of \$129.81 be written off and that the property be re-classified as non-agricultural due to no fence and little access to the quarter, deeming it unleaseable.
Carried.
- 022-24 Policy **Degenhardt:** That General Government Policy #100-04 Council Indemnity & Mileage (Attachment "H") be amended to include:
 - Meals for Council and Employees while at meetings – 100% reimbursement upon original receipts being submitted and Council approval at the next regular meeting. Alcoholic beverages do NOT qualify for any re-imbursement.Carried.
- 023-24 Meeting **Wyss:** That a special meeting to discuss budget be scheduled for 4:00 PM on February 22nd, 2024.
Carried.
- 024-24 Adjourn **Wiatr:** That the meeting be adjourned (1:59 PM).
Carried.



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ADMINISTRATOR