

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL JOINT MEETING OF COUNCILS OF THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF ALEXANDER AND THE RM OF VICTORIA BEACH HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS IN ST. GEORGES, MANITOBA ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 17th, 2011 AT 1:00 P.M.

RM of Alexander:

Reeve: Ed Arnold
Councillor: Cheryhl Corrie
Alvin Yosyk
Kim Robertson
Mac Kinghorn

Administration: Scott Spicer, CAO
Michele Stefaniuk, Asst. CAO

RM of Victoria Beach:

Reeve: Tom Farrell
Councillor: Karin Boyd
Kathy McKibbin
Penny McMorris
Bruce Morrison

Administration: Raymond Moreau, CAO

Notice of Special Meeting was given to each member of Council in accordance with the requirements of Section 151(2) of the Municipal Act.

With a quorum present Reeve Arnold called the meeting to order at 1:20 P.M.

1. Call the Meeting to Order

a) Approval of Agenda

#607/11 Moved by: Alvin Yosyk
Seconded by: Mac Kinghorn

BE IT RESOLVED that the Agenda of October 17th, 2011 Joint Special Meeting be adopted as presented.

(CARRIED)

2. RM of Victoria Beach

a) Lakefront Erosion / Flooding

- The RM of Victoria Beach advised that they have an Advisory Committee on Shoreline & Beach Management. They have hired an engineer from Ontario and have made a submission to the Manitoba Clean Environment Commission which will be holding public hearings on Manitoba Hydro's Lake Winnipeg regulation final license request. The Council of the RM of Victoria Beach encourages the RM of Alexander and their ratepayers to make a submission to the commission.

b) Sewage Lagoon Capacity / Tipping Fees / Landfill

- The Traverse Bay sewage lagoon current capacity, as well as the proposed lagoon fees was discussed. The RM of Alexander administration to send a copy of the 2006 sewage study to the RM of Victoria Beach. The landfill requires more fill, and the overall site is in need of cleaning up. Each Council to discuss the proposed Traverse Bay Landfill/Lagoon Committee and advise each Council of their appointed members.

c) Parking on Pitt Road

- Reeve Arnold advised that the Albert Beach Cottage Association had requested “no parking” signs to be erected along Pitt Road and the RM of Alexander Council will not be erecting any “no parking” signs.

d) Garbage / Litter – Albert Beach

- The RM of Victoria Beach has concerns with garbage/litter around Albert Beach. The RM of Alexander provides garbage receptacles within our boundaries surrounding Albert Beach. The RM of Victoria Beach to review further.

e) Age-Friendly Communities – Recreation Issues

- The RM of Victoria Beach is not listed on the Edgewater Recreation Inter-Municipal Agreement. A general discussion occurred regarding the recreation commission, the fees, possible grants to make application for, and a possible presentation by Councillor Corrie. The RM of Alexander Council also requested the RM of Victoria Beach Council to consider a possible Director for the Regional Arts Council.

Councillor Robertson excused herself from the meeting at 3:05 p.m. and did not return.

3. RM of Alexander

a) Albert Beach Drainage

- A general discussion occurred regarding the current pump system, and a suggestion was made that a drainage study be performed on the drainage of Albert Beach. Once the study was performed the Councils could meet with Province (Highways) for sharing of costs.

b) Drainage Under Causeway

- Reeve Arnold wants the two municipalities to work with the Province (Highways) to open the two plugged drains. Councils want Province to put in culvert under Highway, and to aide in marsh revival, and possible opportunity to piggy back with the Lake Winnipeg Foundation.

c) Emergency Response

- Currently the Victoria Beach Fire Department responders cover from Zebrun Road to Fey Road. The RM of Alexander requested the possibility to expand their emergency responder's coverage in our municipality. The RM of Victoria Beach will discuss with their Fire Chief to see if their department can handle the expansion.

d) Mutual Aid Memorandum of Understanding

- The Victoria Beach Fire Chief had concerns with the MOU; however administration has already fixed the concerns.

e) Landfill/Recycling

- See 2.b) above.

f) Library

- A general discussion occurred regarding the current libraries, as well as the per capita fees paid by each jurisdiction.

4. Adjournment

#608/11 Moved by: Mac Kinghorn
Seconded by: Bruce Morrison

BE IT RESOLVED that Council do now adjourn at 3:50 p.m.

(CARRIED)

Ed Arnold
Reeve

Scott Spicer
Chief Administrative Officer