

Minutes of the Village of Bulyea Council Meeting
 Wednesday, June 17, 2020 held electronically at Bulyea, Saskatchewan.

Present:

Mayor: Darren Cameron Administrator: Sherry Beatty-Henfrey
 Councillors: Rodney Glass
 Jessica Donnelly
 Cynthia Lovequist **Spectators:** Linda Dmyterko
 Brian Gorrill

Call to Order:

A quorum being present, Mayor Cameron called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Minutes:

74/20 Glass That the minutes of the council meeting held on May 20, 2020 be approved and posted to the website. **Carried**

Delegation:

1. Linda Dmyterko – Fees charged for documents

Linda felt that the fees charged for Admin Printing Services & Labour/Research on the Village pricing list wasn't fair. It is set at \$30.00 minimum and after 15 minutes.

As per the below resolution 33/20 in February.

-33/20 Glass That the Village of Bulyea Price List is revised to add Admin Printing Services Labour & Research to \$30 for first 15 minutes then charged every hour. That Tax Enforcement is charged at \$50 per hour and billed to the property owner that's in arrears. **Carried**

Linda said she contacted Strasbourg about their fees and LAFOIP for fairness. She was having a hard time accessing the office to examine the Village documents while the Admin was working from home during a pandemic. She felt like our fees weren't reasonable when the Admin doesn't make that much. She would like council to review our price list more.

- Tabled

Staff Report:

75/20 Lovequist That the verbal staff report provided by Administrator is accepted. **Carried**

Correspondence:

1. ASL Paving Quote for cold mix

76/20 Gorrill That we approve the quote from ASL Paving for 2 cubic yards of cold mix and the delivery charge totalling \$484.06. **Carried**

77/20 Glass That the following correspondence be filed and accepted as read.

2. Highways Maintenance Ltd. – J Manning – Free Estimates on repairs
3. Municipal Revenue Sharing Grant total of \$27,608.00. **Carried**

Financial Reports:

78/20 Glass That we approve the May 2020 Financial Statement and Bank Reconciliation for the Village. **Carried**

Accounts:**79/20****Donnelly**

That the list of May accounts be approved for payment and attached for the Village, Hall & Cemetery.

Carried**Committee Reports:***Transportation Services:* Councillor Glass gave a verbal report.

- Cut trees and cleaned up with Mayor Cameron. The town is looking good.
- Didn't grade, was too dry.
- There is very little dust – don't have to put speed bumps up again
- Fixed main street with Darren, there is still a hump but it will settle down.
- Received a lot of good comments.
- Gravel is not delivered yet.
- Streets are in good shape.

Health: Councillor Glass gave a verbal report.

- Councillor Rodney passed along Health to Councillor Lovequist.
- There was a meeting that was held, couldn't make it.

Utilities: Councillor Gorrill and Mayor Cameron gave a verbal report.

- There was a boil water advisory/power outage.
- Tim, Darren and Brian worked in the Water Treatment Plant. The issue ended up being the transfer pump. They phoned municipal and got it figured out and switched.
- 2 tanks are right full now when he goes in to check every morning. Happy to see them full.
- There has been more watering around town, which means more chlorine. The meter reads should be high.
- There was some yellowing of the water, with the rigged-up pump temporarily. It should improve quite a bit now.

Hall: Councillor Donnelly gave a verbal report.

- They had a meeting. They decided to re-open the hall with 15 people max right now. They can't do 50% capacity. They lowered price to rent the whole hall to \$63.00 (half price) as of Monday then can go to 30 people max.
- There is a cheque coming for the outstanding invoice.
- They made a motion to not be doing a budget with the Hall, because they don't have a reliable income.
- Mayor Cameron asked how they will know when they will be going bankrupt if they don't have a budget to explain to the Auditor.
- The hall doesn't agree with the guide lined budget that the Admin prepared and compared to 2019.
- Covid-19 has reduced a lot of revenue in the last few months.
- Admin to gather the previous 3 years of expenses and give to Councillor Donnelly for their next hall meeting to discuss.

Last Mountain Regional Landfill: Mayor Cameron gave a verbal report

- We had a landfill meeting in Silton with social distancing.
- Had an issue with recycling – let taxpayers know what we can or cannot recycle. There has been more garbage than recycling, more than normal.

- There were some issues discussed with paying of invoices. We get charged regardless for all bins, whether they are out on the street or not.
- They now accept grain bags – must be rolled and tied. There is a drop off point for bags.
- Councillor Donnelly asked why they stopped accepting number 1 plastics. There is no where for them to go.

Old Business:

Audited Financial Statements

80/20 **Lovequist** That we approve the 2019 Audited Financial Statements. **Carried**

Sidewalk Tender

81/20 **Glass** That we Tender for a sidewalk for 3 local companies. Admin to send to Myers Concrete, Solid Works Carpentry and Wiers Construction after acceptable changes added. **Carried**

MEEP – Municipal Economic Enhancement Program

82/20 **Lovequist** That we apply for the MEEP Grant for a generator in the Water Treatment Plant, electrical costs, and the costs to plumb in for natural gas to the building. **Carried**

Building Permit – #20-003 Greenhouse – Lot 2, Block 16, Plan FK699

83/20 **Donnelly** That we accept and record the electronic approval of Permit 20-003 made on May 26, 2020. **Carried**

New Business:

Building Permit – #20-004 Deck – Lot 5, Block 16, Plan FK699

84/20 **Gorrill** That we approve Building Permit – #20-004 for a deck. **Carried**

Tax Enforcement – Lot 6-8, Block 6 E2775 – Letter regarding tax arrears payments

85/20 **Donnelly** That the Administrator makes a contract for payments of \$800.00 per month for the resident to pay to the Village for Tax Arrears. If the resident misses a payment it immediately goes back into the tax enforcement process. **Carried**

Aged Account Analysis - Utility

86/20 **Donnelly** Tabled to July meeting after 2nd Quarter Utility is sent out. Victor to come July-August to fix curb stop and possibly put one in. **Carried**

Plans for re-opening office due to Pandemic

87/20 **Donnelly** That the office is now open to the public on Tuesdays from 9-3 and Thursdays from 9-12 and will be closed and locked around these hours. If residents choose to come in during the prescribed public hours they are asked to wear a mask, use hand sanitizer at the front table and do not pass the front table to keep 6 foot social distancing. One person in the office at a time. Everything can still be done electronically as Admin was always doing before. **Carried**

Holiday Request - Admin

88/20 **Glass** That we approve the Admin holiday request and close the office on Tuesday July 21 and Thursday July 23. Admin to post notice. If immediate assistance is needed, residents are asked to reach out to the councillors. **Carried**

Closed session at 9:14
Open session at 9:39

Letter from Resident – Admin hours and correspondence involved

89/20 **Gorrill** All consolidations that are granted will be handled through the Village Office in a prioritized way. Admin to work up to 30 hours if needed. **Carried**

Letter from Resident- Council Procedures Bylaw

Code of Ethics - Formal complaint against Councillor

90/20 **Cameron** That the Ethics Bylaw and Council Procedures Bylaw will be sent to all the councillors to review and it will be discussed at the next meeting. **Carried**

Other:

Tree pickups

- Administrator to send a bill to Ross McGerrigle, for picking up and hauling 1 load of trees at Ross’ request.
- Administrator to reach out to Dean Hack that there will be no charge for pickup of trees with all the work they have done for the greenhouse. Going forward; Council can drop off the town truck if they need to load the trees up to be hauled to the burn pit.

Bulyea Rec Board

91/20 **Gorrill** That the Administrator deposits the mis-pointed cheque from Sask Lotteries to the Village of Bulyea and re-issues the cheque to the Bulyea Rec Board. **Carried**

Tree Trimming

92/20 **Lovequist** That Councillor Donnelly and Councillor Glass work on receiving quotes for the Village of Bulyea tree trimming. **Carried**

Announcement:

- Administrator to post notices to the public to access the next council meeting on July 15, 2020 at 7:00 to be held electronically due to the social distancing of Covid-19.

Adjournment:

93/20 **Donnelly** That this meeting adjourn. (10:04 p.m.) **Carried**

Mayor

Administrator