

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the Rural Municipality of Whiska Creek No. 106 held in the municipal office at 1201 Dominion St. in Vanguard, SK on Thursday February 9, 2023

Attendance:

Reeve: Kelly Williamson
Division One: Albert Hapke
Division Two: Randy Schultz
Division Three: Tania Demencuik
Division Four: Doug Ostrander
Division Five: Rene` Seemel
Division Six: Blaine Friesen
Administrator: Teresa Richards

Call to Order

A quorum being present, Reeve Williamson called the meeting to order at 9:34 a.m.

136/23

Agenda

Seemel: That the agenda be hereby adopted as presented. CARRIED

137/23

Minutes

Ostrander: That the minutes of the regular meeting of the council held January 17, 2023 be approved as amended. CARRIED

138/23

Financial Statement

Schultz: That the Statement of Financial Activities for the month of January be accepted as presented. CARRIED

139/23

Bank Reconciliation

Friesen: That the Bank Reconciliation for the month of January be approved as presented. CARRIED

140/23

March Meeting Date Change

Hapke: That as the March meeting date is scheduled during the SARM Convention that it be hereby changed to Tuesday March 7, 2023 commencing at 9:30 a.m. in the municipal office. CARRIED

141/23

Annexation Public Meeting Date

Ostrander: That the date for the public meeting concerning the annexation be held Tuesday March 21, 2023 at the Vanguard Community School commencing at 7 p.m. and that Keith Carleton be asked to chair the meeting. CARRIED

Delegation

Lawrence and Mark from the Spring Lake Colony attended the meeting at 10:30 a.m. to discuss the pending decision on their proposed irrigation development. Discussion took place concerning how the water rights are allocated.

142/23

2023 CAT 140-15 Motor Grader Purchase

Ostrander: That the 2023 CAT 140-15 Motor Grader be hereby purchased and that the funds in the amount of three hundred and seventy thousand and fifty-two dollars and eighteen cents (\$370,052.18) be transferred from the CTF and the Term Deposit Accounts. CARRIED

143/23

2023 SAMA Requisition

Demencuik: That the 2023 SAMA Requisition in the amount of eleven thousand three hundred and thirty dollars (\$11,330) be hereby paid. CARRIED


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Administrators and Reeve signatures

M-11 (a)

- 144/23 ConX Wireless Road Segment Analytics  
Ostrander: That the ConX Wireless Road Segment Analytics – Mile by Mile Segment Reporting be hereby purchased and activated on the Text2Car System.  
CARRIED
- 145/23 Development Permit 2023-002 North American Helium  
Schultz: That Development Permit 2023-002 submitted by North American Helium to use an existing approach on the SE-02-10-11-W3M for the construction of an access road to a wellsite for a helium well be hereby approved with the following conditions: that the municipality will construct the approach as per the direction of Foreman Paul Martens and that North American Helium must provide the date that the access will be required, the size of the approach required and furthermore that all costs for construction will be invoiced to North American Helium.  
CARRIED
- 146/23 Development Permit 2023-003 North American Helium  
Schultz: That Development Permit 2023-003 submitted by North American Helium to construct an approach on the SW-02-10-11-W3M for the construction and operation of a wellsite for drilling of a helium well be hereby approved with the following conditions: that the municipality will construct the approach as per the direction of Foreman Paul Martens and that North American Helium must provide the date that the access will be required, the size of the approach required and furthermore that all costs for construction will be invoiced to North American Helium.  
CARRIED
- 147/23 Certificate of Approval NW-22-11-12-W3M  
Seemel: That the Certificate of Approval for the subdivision on the NW-22-11-12-W3M be hereby acknowledged.  
CARRIED
- Pambrun Water Operation  
Contractor Richard Bueckert attended the meeting at 11:30 a.m. to discuss the Pambrun Water Operation with the council. Richard presented the January waterlog to the council. Richard stated that it had been a quiet month and that he was ordering chlorine, pricing a turbidimeter, measuring the water level in the well, and purchasing a curb stop to have in inventory.
- 148/23 Pambrun Water Log – January  
Seemel: That the Pambrun Water Log for the months of January as presented by Water Operator Richard Bueckert be hereby accepted as reviewed.  
CARRIED
- 149/23 Safety Breakfast  
Friesen: That the outside crew be hereby authorized to attend the Safety Breakfast at the Great Plains College to be held March 22, 2023.  
CARRIED
- 150/23 SMHI Voting Delegate  
Hapke: That Councillor Schultz be hereby designated as the SMHI voting delegate for this municipality.  
CARRIED
- 151/23 Development Permit 2023-001 Millar College - Chalet Addition and Renovation  
Seemel: That the Development Permit submitted by Millar College of the Bible to build a 36'X36' addition onto the chalet and do some renovations to the existing structure be hereby approved.  
CARRIED
- 152/23 Recess Meeting  
Williamson: That as it is 12:10 p.m. that we hereby recess for lunch.  
CARRIED
- 153/23 Reconvene Meeting  
Williamson: That as it is 1:00 p.m. that we hereby reconvene.  
CARRIED
- Delegation  
Curtis Hemming, Brennan Heebner, Mark Heebner, Wes Kirby and Myron Finlay attended the meeting at 1:00 p.m. to discuss the benefits of a membership in APAS.

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Administrator

  
Reeve

M-11 (a)

Operator Report

Operator Paul Martens attended the meeting at 2:00 p.m. to discuss municipal business with the council. Discussion took place concerning the first curve WSW-04-11-11-W3M and the need for it to be built up, ripping up the clay at SE-21-11-12-W3M to use in the curve, and the incident with the shop door.

154/23

MuniSoft Computer Quote

Schultz: That the quote received from MuniSoft for the computer upgrade in the amount of three thousand five hundred dollars (\$3,500) be hereby accepted.

CARRIED

155/23

Transfer for Lateral Upgrades

Ostrander: That a transfer of thirty two thousand four hundred and seventy seven dollars (\$32,477) be made from the Pambrun Water Infrastructure Account to the General Bank Account to account for the lateral upgrades to the well.

CARRIED

156/23

Letter of Support – Vanguard Community School Council

Demencuik: That a letter of support be provided to the Vanguard Community School Council for the upgrade of the school playground.

CARRIED

157/23

Overweight Permitting – Hay Hauling

Seemel: That any requests for overweight permitting for hauling hay during the spring road restriction be hereby dealt with on a case by case basis by the road committee.

CARRIED

158/23

Paul Martens – Additional Pay

Friesen: That Operator Paul Martens be paid an additional fifty dollars per year in his interim position of Foreman.

CARRIED

159/23

Correspondence

Friesen: That the correspondence as read and listed on the agenda be hereby filed.

CARRIED

160/23

Accounts

Schultz: That the List of Accounts for Approval with cheques and EFT's numbering 21053 to 21089 totaling one hundred and eight thousand and thirty dollars and forty two cents (\$108,030.42) be hereby paid and attached hereto and form part of these minutes.

CARRIED

161/23

Reports

Ostrander: That the verbal reports given on the affairs of the Ponteix Library, the Vanguard Library, Ponteix Primary Health Care, Ponteix Ambulance, Prairie Pioneer Independent Housing, Vanguard and District Fire Board, RM Shop, OWWA, ground disturbance and first aid be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

162/23

Adjourn

Williamson: That this meeting be hereby adjourned. (Adjourned @ 4:59 p.m.)

CARRIED

Adopted this 7<sup>th</sup> day of March 2023

  
Administrator

  
Reeve

**AGENDA FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE R.M. OF WHISKA CREEK NO. 106 TO BE HELD FEBRUARY 9, 2023**

**ATTENDANCE RECORDING: REEVE WILLIAMSON, COUNCILLORS: HAPKE, SCHULTZ, DEMENCUIK, OSTRANDER, SEEMEL, FRIESEN, AND ADMINISTRATOR RICHARDS**

**APPOINTMENTS TO MEET WITH COUNCIL:**

**10:30 SPRING LAKE COLONY**

**11:30 RICHARD BUECKERT**

**1:00 WES KIRBY & APAS REPS**

**1:30 PAUL MARTENS**

**1. MOTION TO ADOPT AGENDA**

**2. MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL: January 17, 2023**

**3. FINANCIAL STATEMENT: January 2023**

**4. BANK RECONCILIATION: January 2023**

**5. PAMBRUN WATER LOG: January 2023**

**6. NEW BUSINESS:**

1. \*Meeting Date Change – March 7 or 8
2. \*Annexation – Public Meeting Date – March 20, 21, or 22
3. \*New Grader Arriving Mid to Late February – Leasing Options
4. \*Capital I – Quote on 6-way Dozer Blade
5. \*SAMA Municipal Acquisition
6. \*Conx Wireless Text2Car – Road Segment Analytics
7. \*Proposed Irrigation Development – NE-29-10-11-W3 & NW-29-10-11-W3
8. \*Development Permit – Consent to Construct an Approach – SW-02-10-11-W3
9. \*Development Permit – Consent to Utilize an Existing Approach – SE-02-10-11-W3
10. \*Certificate of Approval - NW-22-11-12-W3
11. \*Safety Breakfast – March 22
12. \*2023 SMHI Voting Delegate
13. \*2023 SARM Annual Convention Agenda
14. \*HR Policy Review
15. \*Harassment Prevention Policy – Councillor Acknowledgement & Declaration Form
16. \*Development Permit – Millar College of the Bible
17. \*Applications for Foreman
18. \*Bridge Repair Quotes – Prairie Dog Rural Services
19. \*Gravel Crush 2023
20. \*Gravel Haul 2023
21. \*MuniSoft – Computer Replacement Quote
22. Acknowledgement Letter from Community Planning
23. \*Transfer for 2022 Pambrun Lateral Project - \$28,516.48 without pump/fittings or \$32,477.08 with pump/fittings (These amounts do not include any administration)

**7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

1. Equipment Purchases: Backhoe/Scraper/Crane/Packer Transport/Truck/Snow Plow/Handy Hitch/Buggy
2. New Shop – Trees/Planting Grass/Fencing in shop yard
3. Oil Recycling at the Landfill
4. Gravel Strategy – Exploring Options to Source a Reliable Supply of Gravel
5. \*Overweight Permitting – General Rules re: Hay Hauling
6. \*Pambrun Landfill - Submission of the CAP and D & R Due February 2023
7. \*Fencing Saskatchewan Water Corporation Easement to Vanguard Weir
8. \*Gravel Extraction Royalty
9. \*Solution to Overspray onto the Municipal Ditches by Farming Activity
10. \*SPSA Launches Fire Services Minimum Standard Guide
11. \*RM of Whiska Creek Regional Waste Management Facility Proposal Discussion – Donnie Howe

- 12.\*NE-09-10-12-W3M–Fence in Road Allowance Removal Required by Dec 1/22  
North side done; east side needs to be done
- 13.\*Unauthorized Approach – Division 6 Spring Lake Inc.
- 14.\*ICIP Application Pambrun Water Raw Water Storage
- 15.\*Surface Water Tank Load & Irrigation Project – Spring Lake
- 16.\*Spring Lake Pivot and Dugout Expansion Dev Permit – N ½ -32-10-11-W3M
- 17.\*Spring Lake Pivot Development Permit – N ½ -29-10-11-W3M
- 18.\*Village of Vanguard – Boundary Roads in Asset Registry – Tabled until after  
Annexation process
- 19.\*Millar College of the Bible – Development Permit Application – Road Cross
- 20.\*Capital I – One Way Plow or 6 Way Plow
- 21.\*Retirement Recognition – Fred Wall & Wes Kirby
- 22.\*TSS Initiative Grant – EMO Regional Plan
- 23.\*Terra Sine Resources – Road Repairs
- 24.\*Evolution Training
- 25.\*Grader Operator Training for Councillors
- 26.\*Insurance on the Equipment at the Vanguard Load Out

#### **8. CORRESPONDENCE:**

1. SARM –SARM Weekly Policy Bulletin/SARM Supports the Province in introducing  
*The Saskatchewan Firearms Act*
2. SMHI is Hiring
3. Advancing Women in Agriculture
4. Lac Pelletier Regional Park – Guinness World Record Holder
5. Farm & Food Care Saskatchewan
6. Agriculture in the Classroom
7. Hudson Bay Route Association
8. Ombudsman Saskatchewan – 50 Years of Fairness
9. Ag Awareness Summit
10. In the Know – Mental Health Literacy Workshop
11. Ponteix Ambulance Monthly Stats – Dec/Jan
12. SAW February Newsletter

#### **9. ACCOUNTS:**

**AS PER STATEMENT**

#### **10. REPORTS:**

#### **11. IN CAMERA:**

*The Municipalities Act*

120 (2) Councils and council committees may close all or part of their meetings to the public if the matter to be discussed:

- (a) Is within one of the exemptions in Part III of *The Local Authority Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*; or
- (b) concerns long-range or strategic planning

#### **12. ADJOURN**