



***Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council
of the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton***

In the Province of Manitoba, held on Wednesday, June 10, 2020
Commencing at 8:00 AM at the Council Chambers at 329 River Rd. Arborg, MB

PRESENT

Reeve: Brian N. Johnson

Councillors: Frode Andersen, Chad Johnson, Morley Nordal, David King, Gordon Klym and
Colin Bjarnason

Admin: CAO Jordan Willner and ACAO Tanis Johnson

1. CALL TO ORDER

Reeve Johnson called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

2. ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

Reeve Johnson called for any additions to the agenda.

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Resolution 1

Moved by Councillor Klym

Seconded by Councillor King

Be it resolved that Agenda be adopted, with the following additions:

7.1 Petition – Dust Control Road 6E

11.8 James Bezan, MP – Dredging the Icelandic River

11.9 ABR CDC – Request to Council

13.6 Lease Agreement – Sigurdson, Fulsher and Fulsher

13.7 Sandy Bar Washroom

CARRIED

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Resolution 2

Moved by Councillor Andersen

Seconded by Councillor King

Be it resolved that Council do hereby adopt the following Minutes as presented:

Regular Meeting of Council - May 13, 2020,

Special Meeting of Council - May 27, 2020.

CARRIED

5. REPORT OF CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER & PUBLIC WORKS MANAGER

5.1 Public Works Manager Activity Report

Resolution 3

Moved by Councillor Klym

Seconded by Councillor King

Be it resolved that Council accept the Public Works Manager Activity Report for June 10,
2020 as presented.

CARRIED

*Reeve Johnson indicated it was 8:30 am and the meeting agenda was amended to commence
item 8.1 2020 Financial Plan Hearing.*

8. PLANNING/HEARINGS

8.1 2020 Financial Plan Public Hearing – 8:30 A.M.

Resolution 4

Moved by Councillor Bjarnason

Seconded by Councillor Andersen

Be it resolved the Council of the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton hereby adjourn the regular meeting of Council to allow for the 2020 Financial Plan Public Hearing at 8:30 AM.

CARRIED

As required under Section 162(2) of *The Municipal Act*, all notices of the 2020 Financial Plan Public Hearing have been given. The Public Hearing minutes are an independent document and will be posted on the municipal website and available for public review in the same way as municipal minutes.

Resolution 5

Moved by Councillor King

Seconded by Councillor Klym

Be it resolved the Council of the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton hereby adjourn the 2020 Financial Plan Public Hearing and resume the regular meeting of Council at 8:57 AM.

CARRIED

5. REPORT OF CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER & PUBLIC WORKS MANAGER

5.2 CAO Activity Report

Resolution 6

Moved by Councillor Klym

Seconded by Councillor King

Be it resolved that Council accept CAO Activity Report for June 10, 2020 as presented.

CARRIED

6. REPORTS OF ELECTED OFFICIALS/COMMITTEES

Resolution 7

Moved by Councillor Bjarnason

Seconded by Councillor Andersen

Be it resolved that Council accept the verbal reports of elected officials/committees as presented.

CARRIED

7. RECEPTION OF DELEGATIONS/PETITIONS

7.1 Dust Control Rd 6E

Council was provided the opportunity to review the petition but is not required to act on it.

8. PLANNING/HEARINGS

8.2 Subdivision Application #4105-20-7936 (Barylski)

Resolution 8

Moved by Councillor Nordal

Seconded by Councillor Klym

Whereas the Applicant, Lloyd Barylski, has applied for Approval of Subdivision (SD File # 4105-20-7936), with the intent to subdivide a 10 acre vacant lot from an 80 acre holding for the construction of a residence for an individual actively involved in the farm operation.

Now therefore be it resolved that after careful consideration of the application, the Council of the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton approves Application SD # 4105-20-7936.

Municipal approval is granted subject to the following conditions:

1. taxes on the land to be subdivided, for the current year plus any arrears, have been paid or that an arrangement satisfactory to Council has been made;
2. the owner/applicant obtain a minor variance to vary the site area of the residual from the minimum 80 acres to \pm 70 acres.

CARRIED

8.3 Subdivision Application #4105-20-7941 (Friesen)

Resolution 9

Moved by Councillor Bjarnason

Seconded by Councillor Klym

Whereas the Applicant, Roland Friesen, has applied for Approval of Subdivision (SD File # 4105-20-7941), with the intent to subdivide an 8 acre surplus farmstead from a \pm 78.6 acre holding, and consolidate the residual with the neighbouring property to create a 149.27 acre residual.

Now therefore be it resolved that after careful consideration of the application, the Council of the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton approves Application SD # 4105-20-7941.

Municipal approval is granted subject to the following conditions:

1. taxes on the land to be subdivided, for the current year plus any arrears, have been paid or that an arrangement satisfactory to Council has been made;

CARRIED

9. BY-LAWS & POLICIES

9.1 By-law 2-2020 – Tax Levy

Resolution 10

Moved by Councillor Andersen

Seconded by Councillor Bjarnason

Be it resolved that By-Law 2-2020 for the 2020 Municipal Property and Education Tax Levy be now given second reading.

CARRIED

Resolution 11

Moved by Councillor Johnson

Seconded by Councillor Andersen

Whereas there were no objections to By-law 2-2020 for the 2020 Municipal Property and Education Tax Levy at the scheduled Public Hearing on June 10, 2020 at 8:30 AM;

Therefore be it resolved that By-law No. 2-2020 be read a third and final time.

Recorded Vote:

NAME	FOR
Reeve Brian N Johnson	X
Councillor Colin Bjarnason	X
Councillor Gordon Klym	X
Councillor Morley Nordal	X
Councillor David King	X
Councillor Chad Johnson	X
Councillor Frode Andersen	X

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10. FINANCE

10.1 Authorization of Accounts for Payment

Resolution 12

Moved by Councillor Johnson

Seconded by Councillor Bjarnason

Be it resolved that Council do hereby adopt and approve total payables for general operating expenses in the amount of \$1,616,358.63;

And further be it resolved that Council do hereby adopt and approve payroll & council indemnities and expenses for the pay periods ending June 5, 2020 in the amount of \$32,326.83;

And further be it resolved that Council hereby adopt and approve total Payroll Deductions in the amount of \$26,887.06 for the month of May, 2020;

And further be it resolved that signing officers be authorized to sign cheques for same. Cheque #'s 8980 - 9040 and e-cheques as listed

CARRIED

10.2 Closure of Ambulance Reserve Account

Resolution 13

Moved by Councillor Bjarnason

Seconded by Councillor Andersen

Whereas the pre-amalgamation municipality of the Village of Riverton brought with it an Ambulance Reserve Account that was previously allocated for the Riverton and District Ambulance Service prior to its amalgamation into the local Health Authority;

Therefore be it resolved that the Council of the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton hereby authorize the Assistant Chief Administrative Officer to close Account #940005760035 at Noventis Credit Union;

Further be it resolved that the balance of \$0.33 be transferred to the Municipality's operating chequing account.

CARRIED

10. FINANCE

10.3 Operating Line of Credit

Resolution 14

Moved by Councillor Bjarnason

Seconded by Councillor Johnson

Whereas Section 173(1) of *The Municipal Act* states: A council may by resolution borrow money for operating expenses during a fiscal year, but the amount borrowed must not exceed the amount collected in taxes and grants in lieu of taxes in the previous fiscal year;

And whereas the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton's 2019 taxes and grant in lieu total was \$3,579,694 with an outstanding amount of \$392,556, providing an available amount of \$3,187,138;

Therefore be it resolved the Council of the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton set the 2020 line of operating credit with Noventis Credit Union Ltd at the amount of \$3,000,000 and authorize the Reeve and CAO to sign a Municipal Pledge of Taxes with the financial institution.

CARRIED

10.4 Unaudited Financials of the Municipality as at May 31, 2020

Resolution 15

Moved by Councillor Klym

Seconded by Councillor King

Be it resolved that Council accept the May 31, 2020 Unaudited Financial Statements as presented.

CARRIED

11. CORRESPONDENCE

- 11.1 A/Assistant Deputy Minister Ruth Eden, Progress Drain
- 11.2 AMM, Responses to 2019 AMM Resolutions
- 11.3 Honourable Rochelle Squires, Operation Safe Apart
- 11.4 Honourable Rochelle Squires, Building Sustainable Communities Funding
- 11.5 RCMP, Acknowledgement of Consultation
- 11.6 TAXervice, Suspension of Tax Sale Proceedings
- 11.7 Town of Arborg, Recreation Review Committee Appointment Change
- 11.8 James Bezan, MP – Dredging the Icelandic River
- 11.9 ABRCDC – Request to Council

Resolution 16

Moved by Councillor Johnson

Seconded by Councillor Andersen

Be it resolved Council do hereby accept the following Correspondence:

- 11.1 A/Assistant Deputy Minister Ruth Eden, Progress Drain
- 11.2 AMM, Responses to 2019 AMM Resolutions
- 11.3 Honourable Rochelle Squires, Operation Safe Apart
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CARRIED

12. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

13. NEW BUSINESS

13.1 Chamber of Commerce Training Centre Letter of Support

Resolution 17

Moved by Councillor Bjarnason

Seconded by Councillor Klym

Be it resolved that Council provide a letter of support to the Central Interlake Chamber of Commerce to include with grant applications for their facility upgrade for the Licensed Practical Nursing program.

CARRIED

13.2 Lease Agreement – SLB Investments Inc.

Resolution 18

Moved by Councillor Bjarnason

Seconded by Councillor Johnson

Be it resolved that Council do hereby authorize the Reeve and CAO to sign the Lease Agreement with SLB Investments, with respect to Public Road Plan 21681 WLTO.

CARRIED

13.3 Office Clerk Term Position

Resolution 19

Moved by Councillor Bjarnason

Seconded by Councillor Klym

Be it resolved the Council of the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton approve the hiring of Francine Honoway for the vacant Office Clerk - Temporary Maternity Leave position at the wage of \$15.00/hr with a six-month probationary period.

CARRIED

13.4 Road Rehabilitation Project Tender

Resolution 20

Moved by Councillor Klym

Seconded by Councillor Nordal

RESOLVED THAT Council accept the following Road Rehabilitation Project 2020 tender:
Tri-Line Construction for \$138,432.00 (plus GST)

CARRIED

13.5 Fire Department

Motion to move to unfinished business. Motion passed.

13.6 Lease Agreement – Sigurdson, Fulsher and Fulsher

Resolution 21

Moved by Councillor Johnson

Seconded by Councillor Andersen

Be it resolved that Council do hereby authorize the Reeve and CAO to sign the Lease Agreement with Sigurdson, Fulsher, and Fulsher, with respect to Roll No. 98600.

CARRIED

13.7 Sandy Bar Bathroom

Resolution 22

Moved by Councillor Johnson

Seconded by Councillor Bjarnason

Be it resolved that the Council of the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton hereby agree to:

- The installation of the bathroom at Sandy Bar shall be at the edge of the right of way on PR 329 to not impact traffic nor the public;
- All construction and future maintenance will be the responsibility of the Municipality.

CARRIED

14. IN CAMERA

Resolution 23

Moved by Councillor Andersen

Seconded by Councillor Klym

Be it resolved that this regular meeting now adjourns at 11:08 AM to an “in camera” meeting to discuss matters in the preliminary stages as per Subsection 152(3)(b)(iii) of *The Municipal Act* and all matters discussed in-camera are confidential until discussed in an open meeting as per Section 83(1)(d) of *The Municipal Act*.

CARRIED

Resolution 24

Moved by Councillor King

Seconded by Councillor Klym

Be it resolved that Council hereby move out of in camera and resume the regular meeting at 11:18 AM.

15. NOTICE OF MOTION

None

16. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution 25

Moved by Councillor Klym

Seconded by Councillor King

Be it resolved that Council do hereby adjourn at 11:19 AM, to meet again on June 25th for a special meeting of Council at 5 PM and on July 8, 2020 at 8:00 AM for their next scheduled regular meeting of Council.

CARRIED



Brian N. Johnson, Reeve



Jordan Willner, C.A.O.