



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

In the Province of Manitoba, held on Thursday, February 8, 2024
Commencing at 8:00 am in the Council Chambers at 329 River Rd. Arborg, MB

PRESENT

Reeve: Brian N. Johnson Deputy Reeve: Chad Johnson
Councillor: David King, Gordon Klym, Shawn Magnusson, Corey Palsson
Admin: CAO Larissa Love
ABSENT Councillor Ken Stadnek

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolution 018-2024
Moved by Councillor King
Seconded by Councillor Magnusson

Be it resolved that Council do hereby adopt the following Minutes as presented:
Regular Meeting of Council – January 11, 2024

CARRIED

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Resolution 019-2024
Moved by Councillor King
Seconded by Councillor Magnusson

Be it resolved that the Agenda be adopted and the order of the agenda is authorized to be altered as required with the following additions:

3.1 Council Requested Additions:

- 10.6 Councillor King; Office Closure Policy
- 10.12 Councillor Klym New Backhoe
- 10.13 Councillor Klym Arborg-Bifrost REC
- 10.14 Councillor Klym In camera; Personal
- 10.17 Reeve Johnson; Correspondence Re: Flood Levels

3.2 Administration Requested Additions:

- 10.7 Bison Fire Alarm Quote
- 10.8 Riverton Town Shop
- 10.9 CSLW Newsletter
- 10.10 Gimli Red River Metis Local
- 10.11 ABF&ES Budget 2024
- 10.15 ABR REC
- 10.16 BAR Waste

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4. RECEPTION OF DELEGATIONS/PETITIONS

None

5. REPORTS OF ELECTED OFFICIALS/COMMITTEES

Resolution 020-2024

Moved by Councillor Magnusson

Seconded by Councillor Klym

Be it resolved that Council hereby accept the verbal and written reports of elected official/committees as presented.

CARRIED

6. COMMUNICATIONS

Resolution 021-2024

Moved by Councillor Palsson

Seconded by Councillor King

Be it resolved that Council accept the following communications as presented:

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6.1 Chief Administrative Officer Activity Report

Resolution 022-2024

Moved by Councillor Johnson

Seconded by Councillor Magnusson

Be it resolved that Council hereby authorize administration to purchase promotional items within the budget of \$1,000.00 to \$1,500.00.

CARRIED

Resolution 023-2024

Moved by Councillor Magnusson

Seconded by Councillor Palsson

Be it resolved that Council authorize administration to purchase Meeting and Request Management software.

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Resolution 024-2024

Moved by Councillor Johnson

Seconded by Councillor Magnusson

Be it resolved that Council hereby authorize administration to research possible options for a memorial to Mr. Colin Bjarnason.

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6.2 Public Works Manager Activity Report

6.3 Evergreen Festival of the Arts, Support Request

6.4 Interlake Women's Resource Centre, Support Request

6.5 Manitoba Municipal and Northern Relations, 2025 Reassessment Dates

6.6 RCMP Quarterly Report

6.7 Riverton Transportation & Heritage Centre, Fishing Derby Donation Request

Resolution 025-2024
Moved by Councillor Johnson
Seconded by Councillor Klym

Be it resolved that Council hereby grant the Riverton Transportation & Heritage Centre \$1,000.00 towards their fishing derby.

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6.8 Sun Gro Horticulture Canada Ltd. Environment Act Proposal, Sugar Creek Peat Harvesting
Administration to schedule a meeting March 1, 2024

6.9 Westshore Community Foundation, Support Request
6.10 WSP 2023 Year End Report – 2022 Flood Remediation

7. ACCOUNTS

7.1 Authorization of Accounts for Payment

Resolution 026-2024
Moved by Councillor King
Seconded by Councillor Palsson

Resolved that Council do hereby adopt and approve total payables for expenses in the amount of \$249,655.87;

And further be it resolved that Council do hereby adopt and approve payroll & council indemnities for the pay periods ending February 2, 2024 in the amount of \$79,733.30, and January Government Remittances in the amounts of \$11,521.86 and \$10,461.47;

And further that signing officers be authorized to sign cheques for same, Cheque #'s 2437-2490 and e-cheques as listed.

CARRIED

7.2 Unaudited Financials as at January 31, 2024

Resolution 027-2024
Moved by Councillor Johnson
Seconded by Councillor Palsson

Be it resolved that Council hereby accept the January 31, 2024 Unaudited Financial Statements as presented.

CARRIED

8. BY-LAWS

8.1 By-law 07-2023, Remuneration of Employees for 2024

Resolution 028-2024
Moved by Councillor Johnson
Seconded by Councillor Palsson

Be it resolved that the Council of the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton hereby give second reading to By-Law 7-2023, being a By-law of the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton to provide for the remuneration of employees.

CARRIED

Resolution 029-2024
 Moved by Councillor Magnusson
 Seconded by Councillor Palsson

Be it resolved that the Council of the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton hereby give third and final reading to By-Law 7-2023, being a By-law of the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton to provide for the remuneration of employees.

Recorded Vote

COUNCILLOR	FOR	AGAINST	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
Brian Johnson				X
Chad Johnson	X			
Ken Stadnek			X	
David King		X		
Gordon Klym		X		
Shawn Magnusson	X			
Corey Palsson	X			

CARRIED

Reeve Johnson abstained requiring more information.

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

10. GENERAL BUSINESS

10.1 Subdivision Application 4105-24-8366 (Sigurdson)

Resolution 030-2024
 Moved by Councillor Johnson
 Seconded by Councillor King

Whereas owners Maurice & Sylvia Sigurdson have applied for Approval of a Minor Subdivision, with the intent to subdivide a 7 acre residential property from a 160 acre parcel;

Now therefore be it resolved that after careful consideration of the application, the Council of the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton approve Subdivision Application 4105-24-8366;

Municipal approval is granted subject to the following condition:

1. Submit written confirmation from the Municipality that:
 - a. 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; and
 - b. Any required variances are obtained from the Eastern Interlake Planning District to ensure compliance with the Zoning By-law.

CARRIED

10.2 Performance Bond Review (Mowat)

Resolution 031-2024
 Moved by Councillor Klym
 Seconded by Councillor Magnusson

Whereas Terrence Mowat has applied to Eastern Interlake Planning District for the relocation of an Older Home to the proposed location of SW 22-24-4E, Roll 234000 in the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton;

And whereas there are upgrades required to meet Manitoba Building Code, as set out in the Inspection Report prepared by the Eastern Interlake Planning District;

Therefore be it resolved that Council do hereby enter into a Performance Agreement with Terrence Mowat for the relocation to ensure the upgrades are completed in a timely manner.

CARRIED

10.3 Djorfung Ladies Aid, In Kind Support and Financials

Resolution 032-2024

Moved by Councillor Johnson

Seconded by Councillor Palsson

Be it resolved that Council hereby authorize a letter of support be provided and use of the municipal charitable status approved for the Djorfung Ladies Aid Pergola project on the grounds of the Riverton Transportation & Heritage Centre.

And further be it resolved Council hereby authorize the Public Works Manager to post and manage the project tendering process.

CARRIED

10.4 Riverton Transportation & Heritage Centre, Letter of Confirmation Request

Resolution 033-2024

Moved by Councillor Palsson

Seconded by Councillor Magnusson

Whereas Council is aware of a substantial 2024 commitment by a donor towards the Riverton Transportation & Heritage Centre;

Therefore be it resolved that Council confirms that they anticipate the organization will be able to provide the matching funds required by grant programs for the Reggie Leach Museum Room project.

CARRIED

10.5 Riverton Bifrost Parks & Recreation Commission, Vacant Citizen Representative

Resolution 034-2024

Moved by Councillor Magnusson

Seconded by Councillor Palsson

Be it resolved that Council hereby appoint the following citizen representatives to the Riverton-Bifrost Parks and Recreation Commission Board of Directors:

- Ross Cooper
- Caitlin Zinkowski
- Shane Sigurdson
- Bailey Magnasson
- Lauren Egesz

CARRIED

10.6 Office Closure Policy

Resolution 035-2024
Moved by Councillor King
Seconded by Councillor Klym

Be it resolved that Council hereby requires a resolution for scheduled closures during regular business hours.

CARRIED

10.7 Bison Fire

Resolution 036-2024
Moved by Councillor Palsson
Seconded by Councillor Magnusson

Be it resolved that Council hereby approve the Bison Fire Protection quote to repair the Office Fire Alarm System.

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10.8 Town Shop

Resolution 037-2024
Moved by Councillor Johnson
Seconded by Councillor Magnusson

Be it resolved that Council hereby tender the sale of the Riverton Town Shop and the construction of a New Shop.

CARRIED

10.9 Coalition to Save Lake Winnipeg

Resolution 038-2024
Moved by Councillor Johnson
Seconded by Councillor Palsson

Be it resolved that Council hereby authorize admin staff to post the Newsletter of the Coalition to Save Lake Winnipeg on their website and encourage the post be shared.

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10.10 Gimli Red River Metis Local

Discussion

10.11 ABF& ES Budget

Discussion

10.12 Councillor Klym; New Backhoe

Discussion

10.13 Councillor Klym; Arborg-Bifrost-Riverton REC

Discussion

**10.14 Councillor Klym; In-Camera
Added**

10.15 ABR Rec

Resolution 039-2024
Moved by Councillor King
Seconded by Councillor Johnson

Be it resolved that Council hereby support the proposal submitted by Arborg-Bifrost-Riverton Recreation Commission to have admin and finance duties become part of the Town of Arborg Administration.

CARRIED

10.16 BAR Waste

Resolution 040-2024
Moved by Councillor King
Seconded by Councillor Palsson

Be it resolved that Council hereby support the proposal submitted by BAR Waste to have admin and finance duties become part of the municipality of Bifrost-Riverton.

CARRIED

10.17 Letter of Support; Flood

Resolution 041-2024
Moved by Councillor Johnson
Seconded by Councillor Palsson

Be it resolved that Council hereby support the proposed letter submitted by Reeve Johnson in regards to the land/flood level requirements.

CARRIED

11. NOTICE OF MOTION

12. IN CAMERA

Resolution 042-2024
Moved by Councillor Klym
Seconded by Councillor Magnusson

Be it resolved that in accordance with The Municipal Act Section 152(3)(b)(ii) and (iv) Council do hereby close the meeting to the public and move In-Camera at 10:00 am to discuss Personnel.

CARRIED

Resolution 043-2024
Moved by Councillor Johnson
Seconded by Councillor Magnusson

Be it resolved that Council do hereby conclude In-Camera discussions and resume the regular meeting of Council at 10:15 am.

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13. BUSINESS GENERATED FROM IN CAMERA

None

14. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by Reeve Johnson at 10:22 am.



Brian N. Johnson, Reeve



Larissa Love, CAO