



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

In the Province of Manitoba, held on Thursday, May 9, 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: Shawn Magnusson, Ken Stadnek, David King, Gordon Klym, Corey Palsson
Admin: CAO Larissa Love
ABSENT ACAO Tanis Wyant

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolution 101-2024
Moved by Councillor Magnusson
Seconded by Councillor Stadnek

Be it resolved that Council do hereby adopt the following Minutes as presented:
Special Meeting of Council – April 18, 2024

CARRIED

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Resolution 102-2024
Moved by Councillor Johnson
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:

10.17 Hnaua Lots
10.18 Current State of Roads
10.19 Town Shop

3.2 Administration Requested Additions:

4.2 Eric Vigfusson, Drainage – 9:45am
10.14 Arborg Bifrost Parks & Rec Commission, Refurbish Tennis Courts Project
10.15 Manitoba Hydro, Proposed Electric Work
10.16 Tender Results, Asphalt Paving Rbfd

CARRIED

4. RECEPTION OF DELEGATIONS/PETITIONS

- 4.1 Samantha Hampton, Creative Community Promotions – 9:30am**
Ms. Hampton presented a Tourism & Community Engagement Coordinator proposal.
- 4.2 Eric Vigfusson, Drainage – 9:45am**
Council authorized Mr. Vigfusson to pump water through a municipal culvert.

5. REPORTS OF ELECTED OFFICIALS/COMMITTEES

Resolution 103-2024
Moved by Councillor King
Seconded by Councillor Klym

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

- i) East Interlake Watershed District Executive Board Minutes Mar. 14, 2024

CARRIED

6. COMMUNICATIONS

Resolution 104-2024
Moved by Councillor Palsson
Seconded by Councillor King

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

- 6.1 Public Works Manager Activity Report
- 6.2 Minister of Municipal and Northern Relations, Survey
- 6.3 Assoc. of Manitoba Municipalities, Apr. 26, 2024 Bulletin
- 6.4 Assoc. of Manitoba Municipalities, April Director's Update
- 6.5 Assoc. of Manitoba Municipalities, June District Registration
- 6.6 Assoc. of Manitoba Municipalities, June District Resolutions
- 6.7 Assoc. of Manitoba Municipalities, Response to 2023 Resolutions
- 6.8 Brandon Chamber of Commerce, State of the Province Luncheon Invitation
- 6.9 Eastern Interlake Planning District, 2023 Audited Financial Statements
- 6.10 Evergreen Regional Library, 2023 Annual Report & Audited Financial Statements
- 6.11 Manitoba Assoc. of Watersheds, Mar. 12, 2024 Minutes

CARRIED

Resolution 105-2024
Moved by Councillor Palsson
Moved by Councillor King

Be it resolved that Council authorize all members of Council to attend the June District Meeting held on June 19th beginning at 8:45am at the Heritage Arts Centre, Quarry Park, 166 Main Street in Stonewall, MB.

CARRIED

7. ACCOUNTS

7.1 Authorization of Accounts for Payment
Resolution 106-2024
Moved by Councillor Klym
Seconded by Councillor Palsson

Resolved that Council do hereby adopt and approve total payables for expenses in the amount of \$310,530.09;

And further be it resolved that Council do hereby adopt and approve payroll & council indemnities for the pay periods ending May 3, 2024 in the amount of \$20,485.56, and April Government Remittances in the amounts of \$11,725.19 and \$16,625.49;

And further that signing officers be authorized to sign cheques for same, Cheque #'s 2622-2653 and e-cheques as listed.

CARRIED

7.2 Unaudited Financials as at April 30, 2024

Resolution 107-2024

Moved by Councillor Johnson

Seconded by Councillor Magnusson

Be it resolved that Council hereby accept the April 30, 2024 Unaudited Financial Statements as presented.

CARRIED

7.3 March 2024 – Bank Statement

8. BY-LAWS

**8.1 By-Law 01-2024 Zoning By-law Amendment - Commercial to Urban Residential
Public Hearing – 9:00am**

Resolution 108-2024

Moved by Councillor Stadnek

Seconded by Councillor King

Be it resolved that Council hereby adjourn their regular meeting of Council to enter into a Public Hearing on By-Law 01-2024, a Zoning By-law Amendment.

CARRIED

Public Hearing Minutes

Reeve Johnson called the Public Hearing to order at 9:00 am.

Reeve Johnson confirmed that the Notice of Public Hearing for By-law 01-2024 was given in accordance with The Planning Act and explained the purpose of the hearing.

Representation was received in person as follows:

In Favour: Trevor Rempel, Peter Dueck, Sid Dueck

Opposed: None

For Information: None

Reeve Johnson called for adjournment of the Public Hearing at 9:10 am.

Resolution 109-2024

Moved by Councillor Klym

Seconded by Councillor King

Be it resolved that Council of the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton hereby adjourn the Public Hearing on By-Law 01-2024, a Zoning By-law Amendment at 9:10am.

CARRIED

Resolution 110-2024

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 01-2024, being a By-law of the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton to provide for the Zoning By-Law Amendment – Commercial to Urban Residential.

CARRIED

Resolution 111-2024
 Moved by Councillor Johnson
 Seconded by Councillor Magnusson

Be it resolved that the Council of the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton hereby give third and final reading to By-Law 1-2024, being a By-law of the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton to provide for the Zoning By-Law Amendment – Commercial to Urban Residential

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

8.2 By-Law 02-2024 Tax Levy

Resolution 112-2024
 Moved by Councillor King
 Seconded by Councillor Klym

Be it resolved that Council hereby adjourn their regular meeting of Council to enter into a Public Hearing for the purpose of presenting the 2024 Financial Plan time being 9:15am.

CARRIED

Public Hearing Minutes

Reeve Johnson called the Public Hearing to order at 9:15 am.

Reeve Johnson confirmed that the Notice of Public Hearing for the Financial Plan was given in accordance with The Municipal Act and explained the purpose of the hearing.

Representation was received in person as follows:

- In Favour: None
- Opposed: None
- For Information: None

Reeve Johnson called for adjournment of the Public Hearing at 9:30 am.

Resolution 113-2024
 Moved by Councillor Magnusson
 Seconded by Councillor Klym

Be it resolved that Council of the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton hereby adjourn the Public Hearing on the 2024 Financial Plan at 9:30am.

CARRIED

Resolution 114-2024
Moved By Councillor Johnson
Seconded By Councillor Palsson

Be it resolved that the Council of the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton hereby give first reading to By-Law 02-2024, being a By-law of the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton to provide for the 2024 Tax Levy.

CARRIED

Resolution 115-2024
Moved By Councillor Johnson
Seconded By Councillor Magnusson

Be it resolved that the Council of the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton hereby give second reading to By-Law 02-2024, being a By-law of the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton to provide for the 2024 Tax Levy.

CARRIED

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

9.1 Valley Fiber, Request for Right of Way Use

Resolution 116-2024
Moved by Councillor Johnson
Seconded by Councillor Stadnek

Be it resolved that Council approve the request for the Right of Way Use as submitted by Valley Fiber.

CARRIED

9.2 Subdivision Application 4105-23-8364

TABLED

10. GENERAL BUSINESS

10.1 Financial Plan Public Hearing – 9:15am

Held before Agenda Item 8.2 – Tax Levy By-law.

10.2 Performance Bond Review (McCue)

Resolution 117-2024
Moved by Councillor Klym
Seconded by Councillor Palsson

Whereas Chad and Rhonda McCue have applied to Eastern Interlake Planning District for the relocation of an older detached garage to the proposed location of Desc. NE 17-23-1E, Roll 114050 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 Chad and Rhonda McCue for the relocation to ensure the upgrades are completed in a timely manner.

CARRIED

10.3 Subdivision Application 4105-24-8366 Revised

Resolution 118-2024

Moved by Councillor Johnson

Seconded by Councillor King

Whereas the Community Planning Branch has issued a revised report for File No. 4105-24-8366, an application by owners Maurice & Sylvia Sigurdson to subdivide a residential parcel from a ±160 acres parcel;

Now therefore be it resolved that after careful consideration of the revised application, the Council of the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton hereby amend resolution 030-2024 approving Minor Subdivision Application 4105-24-8366 to increase the proposed lot size to 10 acres and decrease the residual lot size to ±150 acres;

CARRIED

10.4 Ashern Rodeo Inc., RCMP Musical Ride Sponsorship Request

10.6 B.A.R. Waste Authority Co-op Inc. Dissolution

Resolution 119-2024

Moved by Councillor King

Seconded by Councillor Johnson

Whereas the Municipality has deemed it expedient and in the best interest of the Municipality to purchase certain assets from BAR Waste Authority Co-op Inc. (the "Vendor"), the purpose of which is on a cooperative basis to receive, handle and process waste, market the by products, and provide any other related services to members which results in reduction in landfill use, for the ongoing use and benefit of the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton and the Town of Arborg pursuant to an asset purchase and sale agreement made among the Municipality, the Town of Arborg and the Vendor dated May 17, 2024 (the "Purchase Agreement");

And whereas, in connection with the Purchase Agreement, the Municipality has deemed it expedient and in the best interest of the Municipality to enter into a form of beneficial ownership agreement with the Town of Arborg (the "Beneficial Ownership Agreement") dated of even date of the Purchase Agreement, in order to establish certain beneficial ownership matters in relation to the assets acquired pursuant to the Purchase Agreement, on the terms set forth in the Beneficial Ownership Agreement;

And whereas, in connection with the Purchase Agreement, the Municipality has deemed it expedient and in the best interest of the Municipality to enter into a form of shared services agreement with the Town of Arborg (the "Shared Services Agreement") dated of even date of the Purchase Agreement, in order to establish certain shared services matters with the Town of Arborg in relation to the assets acquired pursuant to the Purchase Agreement, on the terms set forth in the Shared Services Agreement;

Now therefore be it resolved that:

1. the execution and the delivery of the Purchase Agreement, the Beneficial Ownership Agreement and the Shared Services Agreement, together with any ancillary documents required thereunder, be and are hereby approved, ratified, sanctioned, and confirmed;
2. the purchase of the assets with the Town from the Vendor on the terms set forth in the Purchase Agreement is hereby approved, ratified, sanctioned, and confirmed;

3. the Chief Administrative Officer is hereby authorized and directed, for and on behalf of the Municipality, to execute and deliver the Purchase Agreement, the Beneficial Ownership Agreement and the Shared Services Agreement, with such amendments, alterations, additions or deletions thereto as may be approved by the person or persons executing same whose execution thereof shall be conclusive evidence of such approval and that the documents so executed are those authorized by this resolution; and
4. the Chief Administrative Officer is hereby authorized and directed, for and on behalf of the Municipality, to execute and deliver, such additional agreements, documents, elections, undertakings, instruments and assurances, and to take all such further action and do all such things as such person may, in such person's discretion, consider necessary or desirable in order to effectuate the foregoing and to carry out the intent of this resolution; and all such additional agreements, documents, elections, undertakings, instruments and assurances executed and delivered and all such action and things so taken or done shall be deemed conclusively to be authorized and approved hereby.

CARRIED

10.7 Memorial Bench Request

Resolution 120-2024

Moved by Councillor Palsson

Seconded by Councillor Johnson

Be it resolved that Council approve the request from Rosanna Cuthbert for the purchase and placement of a memorial bench to honour Margaret and Victor Wishnowski in the community of Riverton.

CARRIED

10.8 RM of Riding Mountain West, Special Service Levies

Admin staff directed to write a letter of support.

10.9 RM of West Interlake, MTI Roads Within Towns

Administration staff directed to write a letter of support.

10.10 Structure Rehabilitation Projects

Resolution 121-2024

Moved by Councillor King

Seconded by Councillor Magnusson

Be it resolved that Council lobby the Provincial Government for the following Infrastructure Projects;

Structure Rehabilitation

- Rd138 between Rd13E & Rd14E (Road sluffing along Washow Bay Drain)
- Icelandic River SE19-22-3E
- Washow Bay Drain NE7-25-4E
- Progress Drain (pump Station) N4-24-4E
- Angle Drain 24, 25, 26, 27-25-3E, 19-25-4E
- Sylvan Drain 20,29, 32-23-1E, 5-24-1E
- Washow Bay Drain 11, 10, 3, 4, 5-25-3E
- Bump Drain S5-25-3E
- Drunken River 19, 20, 21 -21-4E

Surface Reconstruction

- PR329 2.4km East of PR233
- PA603 - PR329

Structure Rehabilitation

-At Icelandic River: .4km North of PTH68 (Arborg)

Grade Improvements

-PTH8 – 1.0km East of PTH8

CARRIED

10.11 Tender Results, Riverton Garbage Pick-Up

Resolution 122-2024

Moved by Councillor Stadnek

Seconded by Councillor King

Be it resolved that the Council of the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton hereby award the Tender for Riverton Garbage Pick up to 4570732 Manitoba Ltd. At a cost of \$3,200 per month plus GST.

CARRIED

10.12 Tender Results, Riverton-Bifrost Fire Dept. Wildfire Truck

Resolution 123-2024

Moved by Councillor Johnson

Seconded by Councillor King

Be it resolved that Council of the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton hereby award the Tender for a Wildland Fire Truck to Chudd's Chrysler at a cost of \$149,978 plus GST.

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10.13 The King's Bench File No. CI24-01-46047 & 46127

Resolution 124-2024

Moved by Councillor Johnson

Seconded by Councillor Stadnek

Be it resolved that Council acknowledge receipt of the Statement of Claim File No. CI24-01-46047 & 46127.

CARRIED

10.14 Arborg Bifrost Parks & Rec Commission, Refurbish Tennis Courts Project

10.15 Manitoba Hydro, Proposed Electric Work

Resolution 125-2024

Moved by Councillor Stadnek

Seconded by Councillor Palsson

Be it resolved that Council approve the Manitoba Hydro proposed Electric Work as attached.

CARRIED

10.16 Tender Results, Asphalt Paving Rbfd

Resolution 126-2024

Moved by Councillor King

Seconded by Councillor Stadnek

Be it resolved that Council of the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton hereby award the Tender for Asphalt Paving at the Riverton Bifrost Fire Hall to Maple Leaf Construction at a cost of \$223,000 plus GST.

CARRIED

10.17 Hnausa Lots

10.18 Current State of Roads

10.19 Town Shop

11. NOTICE OF MOTION

12. IN CAMERA

Resolution 127-2024

Moved by Councillor Palsson

Seconded by Councillor King

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 10:45 am to discuss a Personnel & Legal Matters.

CARRIED

Resolution 128-2024

Moved by Councillor Magnusson

Seconded by Councillor King

Be it resolved that Council do hereby conclude In-Camera discussions and resume the regular meeting of Council at 11:10am.

CARRIED

13. BUSINESS GENERATED FROM IN CAMERA

14. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by Reeve Johnson at 11:15am.



Brian N. Johnson, Reeve



Larissa Love, CAO