

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF BLAINE LAKE
HELD IN THE TOWN OFFICE
Monday, December 16, 2019

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Al Sorenson called the meeting to order at 8:05 a.m.

ATTENDANCE

Attending Mayor Sorenson, Councilors Breland, Larson, Onishenko, Weber, and Woytiuk; and CAO Anna Brad

Councilor Rodwin arrived at 8:07 am

APPROVE AGENDA

2019-237 Breland

That the agenda be approved.

CARRIED

APPROVE MINUTES

2019-238 Larson

That the Minutes of the November 18, 2019 Regular Council meeting be approved as presented.

CARRIED

FINANCIAL REPORTS

2019-239 Woytiuk

That the Financial Statement for November 2019 and the October, 2019 CIBC Bank Reconciliation be approved as presented.

CARRIED

Councilor Weber declared a pecuniary interest and left Council Chambers

APPROVE ACCOUNTS

2019-240 Onishenko

That Affinity Credit Union cheques numbered 706 – 794; CIBC cheque #'s 10240-10241 and "Other (EFT)" payment 2902-2905 - in the amount of \$298,264.60 be approved for payment.

CARRIED

Councilor Weber returned to Council Chambers.

REPORTS

2019-241 Rodwin

That the reports be accepted and filed:

1. Water Analysis Reports
2. Council Reports:- 16-43 Waste – Dec/19 - Breland
- Library - Nov 20/19 – Breland
- Hafford/Blainelake & Area Primary Health Care
Dec 5/19 - Rodwin

CARRIED

Bylaw 2019-05 – A bylaw to amend the Zoning Bylaw 2013-05 to disallow the use of creosote fencing material

2019-242 Breland

That Bylaw 2019-05 be read a first time.

CARRIED

2019-243 Weber

That Bylaw 2019-05 be read a second time.

CARRIED

2019-244 Woytiuk

That Bylaw 2019-05 be given third and final reading.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2019-245 Rodwin

That Bylaw 2019-05 be read a third time.

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE

2019-246 *Weber*

That the following correspondence having been read be filed:

1. RM of Blaine Lake – request joint meeting
2. RM of Blaine Lake – Rural Crime Watch meeting
3. Prairie Spirit School Division – Thank you
4. BLCA Minutes – November 5 & 26, 2019
5. Blaine Lake Library Minutes – October 16, 2019
6. 16-43 Regional Waste – demand loan
7. Sask Health Authority

CARRIED

2019-2020 SASKATCHEWAN LOTTERIES GRANT

2019-247 *Breland*

That we disburse the 2019-2020 Saskatchewan Lottery Grant money as follows:

- \$2,075.00 – to the Blaine Lake Seniors
- \$3,862.00 – to the Blaine Lake Community Association

CARRIED

APPROVE GREG GLADSTONE HOLIDAY REQUEST

2019-248 *Weber*

That we approve Greg Gladstone's holiday request from January 13 to February 14, 2020.

CARRIED

Councilor Weber declared a pecuniary interest and left Council Chambers

HIRE ALTERNATE GRADER OPERATOR

2019-249 *Onishenko*

That in the event of an emergency and Town Foreman, Russ Krysak, is not available to operate the grader that we hire Weber Excavating to operate our grader.

CARRIED

Councilor Weber returned to Council Chambers

PAY LIBRARY CLEANING FEES FOR 2019

2019-250 *Weber*

That we issue payment of \$1,200.00 to the Blaine Lake Library for 2019 library cleaning.

CARRIED

2019 CHRISTMAS BONUSSES FOR STAFF

2019-251 *Rodwin*

That we give staff the same bonuses as they received in 2018. (Ginther - \$50.00; Brad, Coutu, Gladstone, Glencross, Krysak - \$100.00).

CARRIED

2020 JANUARY TO JUNE COUNCIL MEETING DATES

2019-252 *Larson*

That 2020 Council meeting dates be set as follows:

- Monday, January 20th
- Friday, February 21st
- Monday, March 16th
- Friday, April 17th
- Monday, May 11th
- Monday, June 15th

CARRIED

HUMAN RESOURCE POLICY AMENDMENTS

2019-253 *Larson*

That the Human Resource Policy be amended as follows:

Section 12. Sick leave – maximum sick days that can be accumulated is 15 days (120 hours)

Section 12.1a – “If employee decides to stay on the plan the Town will pay 50% of the employee's monthly Group Benefits Premium while the employee is on short term disability. If the employee goes onto long term disability the employee is responsible for 100% of the monthly premium.”

Section 14 Compassionate leave – immediate family shall include spouse, child, parent, sister, brother, and common-law spouse.

CARRIED

COLOUR FOR NEW WATER TREATMENT PLANT

2019-254 Breland

That the new water treatment plant have “bone white” exterior walls with “Grey Berry” roof.

CARRIED

MUNICIPAL REVENUE SHARING GRANT – DECLARATION OF ELIGIBILITY

2019-255 Larson

That the Town of Blaine Lake meets the following eligibility requirements to receive the Municipal Revenue Sharing Grant:

- Submission of the 2018 Audited Financial Statement to the Ministry of Gov’t Relations;
- Submission of the 2018 Public Reporting on Municipal Waterworks to the Ministry of Gov’t Relations;
- In Good standing with respect to the reporting and remittance of Education Property Taxes; Adoption of a Council Procedures Bylaw;
- Adoption of an Employee Code of Conduct; and
- All members of council have filed and annually updated their Public Disclosure Statements as required; and

That we authorize the CAO to sign the Declaration of Eligibility and submit it to the Ministry of Government Relations.

CARRIED

CONCRETE AT TRANSFER STATION

2019-256 Weber

That if our “permit to operate a transfer station” allows us to take used concrete that we take it at our Transfer station.

CARRIED

DELEGATION

- Foreman Russ Krysak attended. Would like Council to consider purchasing a spare pump for the lift station as it takes about 4 months to order in a new pump. Has been doing some repairs at the skating rink; is grading the streets to clean them up. Will trim the trees by the golf course.

DISCUSSIONS HELD REGARDING:

- EMO Committee would like to meet with Deedra Coutu and Mike Linsley to discuss EMO policy and coordinator position. Councilor Breland will set up the meeting.
- HR Committee will interview for CAO position on Tuesday, December 17th, 2019
- Drawings for the new Water Treatment Plant should be forwarded to all of Council.
- The lumber that was purchased at M & R Lumber should be billed to the BLCA as it was for repairs done at the skating rink.
- Joint RM/Town Committee will agree to meet with the RM Council on Monday, January 20th, 2019 at 1:00 pm.
- That we advertise the Rural Crime Watch meeting being hosted by the RM of Blaine Lake in our newsletter.
- Residents and Business owners are responsible for the removal of snow from the sidewalk in front of their residence/business.

ADJOURN

2019-257 Breland 11:15 am

That this meeting adjourn.

CARRIED

Date Approved: _____

Mayor: _____

CAO: _____