

**Minutes of the meeting of the council of the R.M. of Arm River, No. 252 held in The RM Office in Davidson, SK on Tuesday, February 15, 2022 commencing at 1:00 p.m.**

**PRESENT:** Reeve Wayne Obrigewitsch, Councillors Blaine Smith, Brian Vibert, Kris Williams, David Gregor, Allan McNabb, and CAO Yvonne Goodsman

**REGRETS:** Councillor Brian Schmidt

**045/22 Call to Order:** Wayne Obrigewitsch: That as a quorum is present the meeting is called to order. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**046/22 Agenda:** David Gregor: That the agenda be adopted as amended:  
Add under Public Works: 13) Sign posts **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Councillor David Gregor declared a Conflict of Interest at this time regarding agenda items 1 under 12. Reeve and Councillor’s forum as the discussion is concerning compensation proposal for reclamation on a previous gravel crush as this negotiation may impact his and/ or family members’ operations and income under his existing agreement pertaining to gravel crush on his land. (per section 141.1 and 143 of *The Municipalities Act*).**

**047/22 Minutes:** Brian Vibert: That the minutes from the Regular Council Meeting held on January 11, 2022 be hereby accepted as presented **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**048/22 Tender:** Brian Vibert: That the gravel crush contract be awarded to Summit Sand & Gravel for their tender quote for crushing road gravel with crushing costs of \$4.24 per cubic yard and stripping costs of \$180.00 and including a confirmation that the crush will be completed by June 1, 2022 for an estimated 50,000 cubic yards of gravel on NW 10-27-28 W2. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**049/22 STARS:** Kris Williams: That council authorizes a \$500.00 donation to STARS. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**050/22 PHO:** Allan McNabb: That the R.M. of Arm River, No. 252 appoints the following Plant Health Officers as Pest Control Officers for 2022:  
Katey Makohoniuk – PHO – SARM Division 1  
Joanne Kwasnicki – PHO – SARM Division 2  
Betty Johnson – PHO – SARM Division 3  
Lynne Roszell – PHO – SARM Division 4  
Chelsea Neuberger – PHO – SARM Division 5  
Colleen Fennig – PHO – SARM Division 6 **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**051/22 Membership:** Kris Williams: That RM 252 participate in the Hudson Bay Association and take out a 2022 Membership. **DEFEATED**

**Councillor Allan McNabb excused himself from the meeting at 1:29 p.m. and left council chambers.**

**052/22 Weeds:** Kris Williams: That administration is directed to invite Mr. Doug Patience to the March meeting of council regarding his availability to provide weed inspector services. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**053/22 CATPC:** Kris Williams: That the R.M. of Arm River, No. 252 will participate in the Central Area Transportation and Planning Committee and purchase a membership for 2022. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Councillor Allan McNabb re-attended the meeting at 1:35 p.m. and assumed his chair.**

**054/22 Sask Tip:** Kris Williams: That the R.M. of Arm River, No. 252 will purchase membership with Sask Tip for 2022. **DEFEATED**

**055/22 Correspond:** Allan McNabb: That correspondence be acknowledged as received and accepted as presented and be filed:

- 1) STARS – contribution request
- 2) Plant Health Officers – Club root Survey
- 3) Hudson Bay Route Association – membership request
- 4) Ministry of Agriculture
- 5) ADD Board
- 6) CATPC – Membership Request
- 7) SASKTIP – Membership Request **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**056/22 Financials:** **Blaine Smith:** That the Accounts Paid, Statement of Financial Activities, Employee Payroll Report for the month of January 2022 be hereby approved as presented and are attached to and form a part of these minutes. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**057/22 A/P:** **Allan McNabb:** That the Accounts Payable and Employee Payroll Report for the month of February 2022 be approved for payment and are attached to and form part of these minutes. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**058/22 Fire:** **Allan McNabb:** That council acknowledges receipt of the Sask Wildfire Act and administration presentation on council’s relative roles and responsibilities. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Button Mowing attended at 2:04 p.m. and made presentation on their custom rates and availability for 2022.**

**Button Mowing left at 2:18 p.m.**

**Councillor Blaine Smith attended the meeting at 2:27 p.m.**

**Mr. Bryon Domotor attended the meeting at 2:27 p.m.**

**Council interviewed Mr. Domotor for a position in Public Works**

**Mr. Domotor left the meeting at 3:26 p.m.**

**Councillor Blain Smith gave the fire board report at 3:28 p.m.**

**059/22 Report:** **Allan McNabb:** That the fire board report be accepted as presented. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**060/22 RCMP:** **Allan McNabb:** That there is no report on the RCMP meeting as no one was able to attend. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Councillor David Gregor vacated his chair and left council chambers at 3:31 declaring a conflict of interest as the next item to be discussed pertains to a proposed agreement regarding reclamation of an existing gravel pit and may impact his future negotiations on reclamation his pit area currently under an agreement for a gravel crush in 2022 per Sections 141.1 and 143 of the *Municipalities Act***

**061/22 Reclamation:** **Kris Williams:** That council authorizes administration to create a “Termination Agreement” for the Agreement for Gravel Excavation on NW 2-27-28 W2 with specifics on establishing a mutually agreed on payment-in-lieu of the municipality’s reclamation of the existing pit area. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Councillor David Gregor returned to council chambers and assumed his chair at 3:45 p.m.**

**062/22 Personnel:** **Brian Vibert:** That the municipality authorizes offering the seasonal foreman position to Bryon Domotor for a rate of \$38.00 per hour plus Statutory and Holiday Pay to be paid on a bi-weekly basis with a start date of March 14, 2022 and subject to a 3 months’ probation (which may be extended if required). All benefits and pensions are to be available when best practices and policies allow. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**063/22 Gravel:** **Blaine Smith:** That the cost for gravel for 2022 is established at \$22.50 per cubic yard plus haul and road maintenance cost and is to be hauled by the R.M.’s designated hauler.

Further, that gravel hauls shall be restricted to the ratepayers of the Rural Municipality of Arm River, No. 252 and shall be extended to their private property where situate for 2022. For any such gravel hauled for ratepayers of the municipality that is hauled to their private property located outside the municipal boundaries of Rm 252 an additional surcharge of \$5.00 per cubic yard will be charged. The Town of Davidson shall be exempt from this

restriction and from the \$5.00 per cubic yard surcharge and sold gravel at \$22.50 per cubic yard.

Further, there shall be no haul to commercial property situated outside the boundaries of RM 252. All requests for gravel are to be arranged through the municipal office only.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

- 064/22** **Blaine Smith:** That council authorizes the sale of 800 cubic yards of gravel to the Town of Davidson subject to conditions as stipulated in resolution 063/22.  
**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**
- 065/22 Seasonal Staff:** **David Gregor:** That council defers discussion on scheduling the return of seasonal employees until the March meeting of council.  
**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**
- 066/22 Dust Control:** **Allan McNabb:** That RM 252 ratepayers who wish to utilize calcium chloride dust suppressant or product as authorized by council on any municipal roadways must receive the written permission of the R.M. (in the prescribed form) prior to spreading same and further that the ratepayer is responsible for all arrangements and associated costs for acquisition, handling, and spreading of said product.  
**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**
- 067/22 Tires:** **Blaine Smith:** That council authorizes the purchase of two new grader tires from Kal Tire with same to be arranged as soon as possible.  
**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**
- 068/22 Sign Posts:** **Allan McNabb:** That council acknowledges receipt of the information on the availability of sign posts currently in stock at the Davidson Co-op as presented by Councillor Gregor.  
**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**
- 069/22 Post Hole Agr:** **Blaine Smith:** That council defers discussion on the acquisition of a post hole auger until the March meeting of Council.  
**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**
- 070/22 Truck:** **Blaine Smith:** That council acknowledges receipt of the quote for custom plating for the truck box received from Shamrock Manufacturing.  
**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**
- 071/22 Staff:** **Allan McNabb:** That council authorizes the Reeve to discuss with maintenance staff the expectations of council pertaining to job performance and duties.  
**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**
- 072/22 Water:** **Wayne Obrigewitsch:** That Council authorizes charging Don Wehage and Sons of Saskatoon, Saskatchewan \$45.00 for the water they consumed when they utilized the RMs' overhead tank fill at the shop.  
**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**
- 073/22 Office Comm:** **Brian Vibert:** That RM252 is available to attend the RM 253 proposed Office Committee meeting to be held on Wednesday, March 2, 2022 at 1:00 p.m. at the R.M. Office.  
**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**
- 074/22 T/E:** **Blaine Smith:** That the following Tax Enforcement property be advertised for sale in the next available paper issued by the Davidson Leader:  
Block A, Plan 101121691 (NW 02-26-29 W2 LSD 16)  
Lots 7/19, Block 15, Plan G3936  
**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**
- 075/22 Prof Bldg:** **Brian Vibert:** That the R.M. of Arm River is interested in participating in a joint meeting with the R.M. of Willner, No. 253 and the Town of Davidson regarding the Professional Building jointly owned. Councillor Blaine Smith will attend when arranged.  
**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**
- 076/22 Work Exp:** **Brian Vibert:** That the R.M. is unable to offer a work experience position for the Davidson High School students at this time.  
**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**
- 077/22 Library Rep:** **Blaine Smith:** That administration approach Emily McIvor to inquire if she is interested in being appointed as the Library Representative for the R.M. of Arm River, No. 252.  
**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**
- 078/22 Schedule 10:** **Blaine Smith:** That Council authorizes administration to advertise Schedule 10 with the 2022 Audited Financial Statement Summary.  
**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

- 079/22 Reserve:** David Gregor: That council authorizes Administration to remove \$50,000 from the Pre Buy Gravel Reserve to fund the 2022 payment. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**
- 080/22 Budget:** Blaine Smith: That further 2022 Budget discussion be deferred until the March meeting of council. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**
- 081/22 Adjourn:** Kris Williams: That the meeting be adjourned at 6:00 p.m. and the next regular meeting of council be set for Tuesday, March 8, 2022 at 1:00 pm in the RM Office in Davidson, SK. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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