

Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of the council of the R.M. of Arm River, No. 252 held in Council Chambers at the R.M. Office in Davidson, SK on Tuesday, February 11, 2025 commencing at 8:30 a.m.

Present: Reeve Wayne Obrigewitsch, Councillors Blaine Smith, David Gregor, Kris Williams, Allan McNabb, Brian Vibert and Administrator Michelle Bublish

Regrets: Councillor Brian Schmidt

32/25 Call to Order: Wayne Obrigewitsch: That as a quorum is present the meeting is called to order. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

33/25 Agenda: Allan McNabb: That the agenda be adopted as amended:
Under 8. Pub Works Add:
4) Girvin Issues
Under 10. Unfinished Business Add:
2) JD Grader Insurance Repairs **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

No Conflict of Interest declared at this time regarding agenda items

34/25 Minutes: Allan McNabb: That the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on January 14, 2025 at 8:30 a.m. be hereby accepted as presented. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

35/25 Minutes: Blaine Smith: That the minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on January 20, 2025 at 1:00 p.m. be hereby accepted as amended as follows:
Replace candidate's name with "Candidate #1" **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Mr. Scott Kirsch attended Gravel Crush Tender Opening at 8:52 am

Gravel Crush Tenders reviewed

36/25 Crush: Allan McNabb: That council awards gravel crush tender to Kirsch Construction (2008) Ltd. for \$6.48 per cubic yard for approximately 50,000 cu yards of standard road gravel plus GST and stripping at \$300.00 per hour plus GST. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Mr. Taylor Muirhead attended the meeting at 9:20 am

Mr. Muirhead left the meeting at 10:22 am

37/25 Snow Issues: Kris Williams: That council directs administration to send a letter to Ms. Linda Judd and Mr. Ralph Judd regarding snow removal practices affecting Township Road 250. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Ms. Karen Souchotte and Mr. Greg Hazzard representatives for Provincial Crack Sealing attended the meeting at 10:23 am

Ms. Souchotte and Mr. Hazzard left the meeting at 10:48 am

Mr. Jason Surkan representing Metis Nation of Saskatchewan (MN-S) attended the Meeting at 10:50 am

Mr. Surkan left at 11:03 am

Ms. Souchotte and Mr. Greg Hazzard reattended the meeting at 11:08 am and left the meeting at 11:17 am

38/25 Crack Seal: Blaine Smith: That council authorizes contracting Provincial Crack Sealing to perform crack sealing on the paved portion of Grid 653 and paved portion of Grid 747 for the 2025, 2026 and 2027 seasons. Further, payments will be established at \$25,000.00 (plus tax) for 2025 and 2026 each and \$20,500.00 for 2027. Provincial Crack Sealing indicated that RM252 will be the first customer on their list the 2025 season. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

- 39/25 Correspond:** David Gregor: That correspondence be acknowledged as received and accepted as presented and be filed:
 Ministry of Agriculture – update to Weed Control Act
 Stoon Agri-Auto Parts – Info.
 Davidson Library – AGM Minutes
 SARM Rural Dart – Feb 4/25
 SAMA – Notice of AGM April 9/25 in Regina
 Resterra Land & Road – 2025 Mulching Prices
 CUPW – Industrial Inquiry Commission reviewing Canada Post
 SK Public Safety Agency – Change in policy
 re: dispatching emergency service providers to Motor vehicle collisions
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 40/25 Financials:** David Gregor: That Accounts Paid, Statement of Financial Activities, and Employee Payroll Summary for the month of January be hereby approved as presented and are attached to and form a part of these minutes. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**
- 41/25 Bank Recs:** Blaine Smith: That council approves the January 2025 Bank Reconciliation as presented. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**
- 42/25 A/P:** David Gregor: That the Accounts Payable and Employee Bi-weekly Pay for the month of February be approved for payment and are attached to and form part of these minutes. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**
- 43/25 Unaudited F/S:** Blaine Smith: That council acknowledges receipt of and approves the Draft Audited Financial Statement for 2024. Further, Reeve and Administrator are authorized to sign same. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**
- Councillor Gregor left the meeting at 11:40 am and returned at 11:42 am**
- 44/25 RIRG:** Brian Vibert: That Council acknowledges notice from SARM of available funding for the Girvin West RIRG Project in 2026. Council defers discussion on same until March Council Meeting. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**
- 45/25 RM222:** Allan McNabb: That RM252 council directs administration to create a “Work Share Agreement” with the RM of Craik No. 222 regarding Township Road 250 and any other roads, within municipal boundaries, directed by RM252 council. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**
- 46/25 RSC:** Allan McNabb: That RM252 council accepts proposed lease agreement costing to be presented to Saskatchewan Government for the Rural Service Centre, provided RM of Willner agrees to same. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**
- Councillor Smith presented the Fire Board Meeting Report**
- 47/25 Fire Board:** David Gregor: That council accepts Fire Board Meeting Report as presented. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**
- Councillor Vibert left the meeting at 12:12 pm and returned at 12:15 pm**
- 48/25 JD Grader:** David Gregor: That council acknowledges information presented on Capital I Snow Wing and repairs required to the 2024 JD 770 GP Grader. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**
- 49/25 Culverts:** Allan McNabb: That RM252 council authorizes purchasing required culverts for the Grid 653 RIRG Project from Titan Environmental Containment Ltd for \$32,716.98. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**
- Councillor Williams left the meeting at 12:49 pm and returned at 12:50 pm**
- 50/25 Dev. Permit:** Blaine Smith: That discussion on Development Permit DP-252-01-2025 be deferred, more information required, until March Council Meeting. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

- 51/25 Cemetery: **Blaine Smith:** That RM252 Council directs administration to contact previous Girvin Cemetery Maintenance individuals regarding 2025 maintenance. Further, Mr. Layne Abrahamson to be contacted regarding spraying weeds in Girvin Cemetery. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

- 52/25 Cemetery: **Blaine Smith:** That RM252 declines having RM Employees digging or filling in graves at Girvin Cemetery. Further, administration to create a policy on same, to be reviewed at March Council Meeting. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

- 53/25 ORC: **Brian Vibert:** That council authorizes advertising in local newspaper for an ORC Attendant for the 2025 Season. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

- 54/25 Compensation: **David Gregor:** That council establishes compensation for production loss/crop loss/landscaping as follows:
 Compensation rate of \$500.00/acre for crop loss and/or hay land and \$400.00/acre for summerfallow and /or pasture land.

 Landscaping is defined as the removal of material outside of the legal right-of-way and is to be compensated at \$600.00/acre. Wasteland is to be compensated at landscaping rates. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

- 55/25 Gravel: **Wayne Obrigewitsch:** That Councillor Smith be designated as Gravel Crush Supervisor/Contact. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

- 56/25 Adjourn: **Kris Williams:** That the meeting be adjourned at 1:12 p.m. and the next regular meeting of council be scheduled for Monday, March 10, 2025 at 8:30 am in the RM Office in Davidson, SK. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Reeve

Administrator