



Council Committee as a Whole

MINUTES

April 11th, 2019

6:30 pm in the Council Chambers

In attendance: Mel Baxter, Margaret Johnston, Tim Lewis, Chris Hamblin, Ruth Murray, Trevor Thiessen

Also in attendance: CAO Brigitte Doerksen, CFO Chris Janke

Not in attendance: None

Delegations:

6:30- Stars Ambulance presentation

7:00- EMS- Scott Noble Regional Director

7:30 – Matt Schulz and Corey Dyck

Approval of Council members in attendance/absent/excused for Committee as a Whole:

Moved by Margaret Johnston

Seconded by Chris Hamblin

Be it resolved that Council accept the following:

Council members who are in attendance: everyone

Absent: no one

Excused: no one

Council Round Table (Committee, Board, and Personal Reports):

- Mayor Scott Crick

Mayor's Report

For Committee as a Whole – April 11, 2019

Events attended or Mayoral activities (paid):

Mar 13-19: Golf Course Board Meeting (1.5 hours)
Mar 14-19: Meeting with PW Foreman (1 hour)
Mar 18-19: AMM Reeves and CAO Meeting (4.5 hours)
Mar 25-19: HR/Public Works Interview (2 hours)
Mar 29-19: Flood meeting with premier and area Reeves and Mayors (1.5 hours)
Apr 3-19: Town Office Staffing Meeting (1 hour)
Apr 4-19: RM of Morris/Town of Morris joint Breakfast Meeting (1.5 hours)
Apr 4-19: Chamber of Commerce Meeting with Council (2.0 hours)
Apr 9-19: Town meeting with AMM Executive (1.5 hours)
Apr 10-19: Meeting with Minister Schuler – MB Infrastructure (2.0 hours)
Apr 10-19: Golf Course Board Meeting (1.5 hours)

Events attended or Mayoral activities (unpaid):

Apr 5-19: In the Mayor's Chair Interview (.5 Hours)
Mar-April: Interviews, Flood Research, etc. (20-30 Hours)
Mar-April: Meeting and Interview Preparations (10-15 Hours)

Items of Interest to Report on:

1. Town communication: It came up last month with the boil water advisory, as well as with the Chamber of Commerce regarding flood information. Can we leverage e-mail and text to provide better communication to those who do not use social media.
2. The Dog Park Committee has been working hard to try and secure a space in Morris, with not much luck as of yet. I have written a letter to Esso, as I believe that any organization that gives up property for this will want some form of indemnification from the Town. Hopefully we will hear back late this week or next if there is a move forward direction for them.
3. Flooding continues to be the hot topic, and much of my activity the last month has centered around this. Hopefully we will be past the worst of this in the next few weeks, and if any closures happen, I hope they will be short.
4. Lobbying for 75 to be raised has suddenly become a very current topic, despite the response from the Province regarding 246. I did pass over the information to Ruth Eden regarding the federal money available for critical trade infrastructure – possibly this may be able to help close the funding gap. I will also be sending a letter to Ms. Bergen's office as this is a federal program.
5. With the near miss at the cross walk a few weeks ago, I have sent a letter to the School, RCMP, and Infrastructure to discuss what can be done immediately, and also moving forward to help improve long-term safety. So far, infrastructure has taken the issue under consideration, and the RCMP have stepped up their presence at the crosswalk. I have yet to hear back from the

School. Regardless, I am planning to follow up on this issue next week, and try and facilitate a meeting.

Deputy Mayor Chris Hamblin

-Webinar -Code of Conduct

-Budget-

-Assisted Living-

-5 Year Capital Plan

- **Councillor Mel Baxter**

The new Toyota Sienna van was received on March-25th and is now in service. A few minor problems occurred (i.e. battery and locking wheel nuts). These are being resolved. Everyone seems to like the new Crestline bus. Carmen Ford has provided any service required. No word on whether Rosenort Motors has sold the old bus yet. Drivers are being advised of routes to follow in the event of flooding. A small mishap on the bus occurred and preventative measures have been discussed for future avoidance. The audited financial statements were presented at the AGM.

- **Councillor Margaret Johnston**

Red River Valley Interagency

April 2, 2019

This was my first introduction to this committee. The committee is loosely structured and is meant for sharing information about resources available in the area. Anne Vermette, from Industry Training and Employment Services, Randi Bourke, Healthy Living Facilitator, and Melonie Aldred, Community Mental Health were present. It has been quite some time since a member from town council has attended. And they were pleased that I was there.

A couple of programs that are offered in the region are SEGUE Career Options (an employment branch of Eden Health Care Services) and Regional Connections (providing, Settlement, Employment and Language Services for newcomers in South Central Manitoba). Also CVITP a Community Volunteer Income Tax Program and A Get Better Together Program were discussed.

The Blue W initiative was shared as well. It is a tap water refilling network within communities across the world. It is a community based program dedicated to promoting municipal tap water as a healthy, easily accessible alternative to purchasing bottled drinks. There is a website, once the program is initiated that will have our town information and businesses that offer this service. I will bring this info to the Chamber for them to address.

Melonie gave a brief review of what happened during the 2009 flood. She indicated that care providers were impacted while attempting to travel to their clients. There is a registration form drafted by the

town and the interagency, for identifying the vulnerable. The next meeting is scheduled for July 23rd at the Morris Hospital.

Municipal Officials Seminar and Trade Show

March 19-20th, 2019

After opening remarks, the keynote speaker, Randy Grieser, spoke about leadership and workplace performance. He advises to take time to develop as a leader and in order to develop as a leader one must first have a desire to lead.

The first breakout session that I attended was The Basics of Understanding Financial Statements and Financial Plans. It was a basic look at some of the critical points of Municipal Financial Statements, internally generated financial statements and the annual budget. Explanation of audited financial statements, Manitoba schedules, surpluses, general operating fund, asset management plans was presented.

I attended the Session called Defamation and Defense of Qualified Privilege. As counsellors, comments made during meetings, through media, or on social media may cause someone to believe that their reputation has been tarnished. A lawsuit may ensue. As council Qualified privilege may be used as a defense unless malice was intended. The Municipal Act provides protection from liability as well as our Municipal Insurance Coverage.

Ernie Epp gave a presentation on the Art of Council Leadership using 7 habits of a defective council and 7 habits for an effective council.

On the 2nd day, a presentation was given by the minister of health, Cameron Friesen, a vision of Better Health Care Sooner, Better Care closer to Home. The team shared that this is a coordinated plan by a team of experts. They didn't expand on this, so I wonder who the experts all are? I believe that they are going on a "road show" in June to further explain. Our District meeting is June 19th in the RM of Tache, so it was mentioned that this may be a venue for sharing more information.

The last breakout session that I attended was on Economic Development in Your Community. It discussed the elected official's role in developing and supporting that development. Goals of creating and increasing employment, increasing locally owned business, increasing investment into the community and generating wealth and reducing poverty.

The last presentation of the seminar was on Municipal operating basket, which received an increase of 10.6 million over the 2018 level. Increased operating funding includes recreation opportunities, infrastructure needs, mobility transportation disadvantaged program funding, urban policing services, and water and wastewater need.

March 25th, 2019

Emergency Social Services Workshop

A presentation was given on defining emergency services, roles and responsibilities, activation levels, types of evacuations and activation of the provincial ESS. These services are provided on a short term basis to preserve the emotional and physical wellbeing of people affected by an emergency or disaster. We as local authorities are responsible for ESS within our jurisdictions. The decision to evacuate is done in consultation with EMO. Coordinating the evacuation is done in collaboration with our municipal emergency coordinator. Communicating the information to the residents and giving priority to the most vulnerable are important factors to consider.

It was a great opportunity to meet with some members of the Southern Emergency Response Committee, a representative from the Dept. of Families, as well as the coordinator for the provincial ESS.

Was asked if the Walking Track/trail could be maintained and improved

- **Councillor Tim Lewis**

Date: April 1, 2019

Place: CF Triple R Office Morris, MB

The Schedule will tentatively be as follows

5:00 pm BIRC
6:00 pm Dinner
6:45 pm Finance
7:00 pm Board Meeting

Please note the times for meetings may change due to length

Please notify the office at least one business day in advance if you will not be attending.

Please find attached the Agenda for the April 1, 2019 Board meeting, along with the

Minutes from the March 4, 2019 Finance, Board & Foundation (if any).

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COMMUNITY FUTURES TRIPLE R BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

CF Triple R Office 220 Main St N

Morris, Manitoba

Board Meeting Agenda

April 1, 2019

5:00 pm BIRC

6:00 pm Dinner

6:45 pm Finance

7:00 pm Board Meeting

1. Call To Order
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Review / Adoption of Board of Directors Meeting Minutes from March 4, 2019.
4. Acceptance of absent Board member
5. Finance Committee Meeting Report
6. Motions to be ratified from BIRC Committee recommendations, if any
7. CFM/WED – forwarded to Board.

Questions or comments

8. Reports:
 - Staff report
 - Chairperson report
 - Board Member
9. New / Other Business:
 - Change in signing authorities
10. Next Meeting: May 6, 2019 @ CF Tripler R Office. Morris, MB
11. Adjourn

COMMUNITY FUTURES TRIPLE R

BUSINESS INVESTMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE (BIRC)

Dominion City Legion

Dominion City Manitoba

March 4, 2019

In attendance: Ray Maynard, Randy Eros, Ralph Groening, Ken Prociw, Ivan Normandeau, Doug Dobrowolski, Bruno Hebert, Todd Nichols.

Staff: Debbi Fortier, Shelley Johnston, Dave Smith, Shelley Zilkie

Randy calls the meeting to order at 5:03 pm.

1) # 82 BIRC agenda

R. Groening / R. Maynard: Motion to approve the March 4, 2019 Business Investment Review Committee (BIRC) agenda as amended. Addition # 8- Loan #18-10, and under other business to include allowance for doubtful. Carried

2) #83 BIRC Minutes

K. Prociw / R. Maynard: Motion to adopt the January 21, 2019 Business Investment Review Committee minutes as presented. Carried

3) Loan 15-05 RM of Rhineland – update

Dave is in the process of collecting our collateral with the assistance of a Bailiff. Client has been in contact with Dave saying that there may be a possible payout. If not legal seizure will commence.

4) Loan 17-06 City of Steinbach – update

Dave discusses his conversation with the client. She is in extreme delinquency with her landlord for past rent to the amount of approx. \$24,000.00. Dave did meet in person with the client and her father to discuss possible options. They would like to make some payments to the landlord to show good faith. It was made clear that we cannot offer any more funding to the loan but Dave did give the options of either suspended payments or interest only payments for a few months. Final suggestion was to go with 3 months of interest only.

84 R. Groening / K. Prociw: Motion to offer client three months of interest only payments. Carried

5) Loan 18-07 RM of Ritchot – update

This business is no longer in operation. The client is three payments in arrears and the bank account has been frozen. No contact from the client however we do have a guarantee by the client's common law spouse. Dave will attempt to contact the father of the client as he was in previous discussions. If there is no response from anyone, Dave will call the loan and proceed with legal paperwork.

6) Loan 18-08 RM of Macdonald – update

This loan was to be a joint loan with CF Whitehorse Plains. The client is withdrawing his loan application as the price on the building he was trying to purchase keeps changing, cannot come to any resolution with the real estate agent.

7) Loan 18-10 City of Steinbach – update

This loan was to be a secured GIC with the RBC in Steinbach which was to help re-establish the client's wife's credit as she is listed on the loan. Dave discovered some problems in working with RBC as things were not being done. RBC is unable to provide the GIC for the line of credit. Dave proposes that we continue with the loan for \$4800.00 so the client can afford his payroll. The client is currently working on a \$51,000.00 project and expects a quick payout upon his completion of the job. We have very good collateral for the loan amount, and in the future, Dave plans to continue to work with the RBC and the client to make some improvements for the client's business.

#85 R. Maynard / K. Prociw: Motion to accept the loan conditions (from a secured GIC with the RBC) to a \$4800.00, 3 year loan term with sufficient collateral. Carried

8) Discussion on Creditor Life and disability insurance policies and requirements

Dave provides a slide presentation to the committee. Application amounts vs Insurance needs, using our loan portfolio as an example. Dave explained the different types of insurances We have used in the past. Currently we ask that the clients purchase their own insurance. Discussion followed. If he should have any further questions or need clarification he is to bring the item back to BIRC.

#86 R. Maynard / K. Prociw: Motion to have the decision on insurance for loans will be at Dave's discretion on a case by case basis. Carried

9) Other Business – Allowance for Doubtful

Dave presents recoveries vs doubtful.

#87 R. Groening / K. Prociw: Motion to accept the allowance for doubtful for 2018-2019. Carried

10) Adjournment:

#88 R. Eros / R. Maynard: Motion to adjourn the March 4, 2019 Business Investment Review Committee (BIRC) meeting. Carried

Meeting adjourned at 5:30pm.

Council Report

For Committee as a Whole – Apr 11, 2019

By: Councillor Tim Lewis

Committees, Boards, and Activities Attended:

Museum requested meeting

Items of Interest to Report on:

The museum requested a meeting on April 3 between themselves, the VAS, the Town and the RM. There were 4 museum reps, 4 VAS reps, 1 Town rep and 3 RM reps.

The museum and campground are operated by a volunteer board of about 12 people and an aging volunteer base. The campground is on land owned by the VAS but the museum runs it. Their shower and washroom building is on VAS land. The museum itself is on land owned by the museum and has no washroom facilities. Two of their main volunteers for outdoor maintenance are not there any longer. They make about \$7000 to \$10000 annually in camping fees and get approximately 500 visits per year at the museum. They also have trouble filling out government paper work and need help with promotion. The loss of all service groups in town makes finding volunteers much more difficult.

They are wondering if they are still relevant and should keep operating. They are committed to running the campground for at least one more year. They would like to do more outreach to schools and community groups, add more online promotion and start a social media campaign.

If they are looking for the VAS to take over the campgrounds, the VAS would like to see an actual request come to their board so they can discuss it.

The RM is willing to possibly help them out with government forms that need to be filled out.

Possible Resolutions for Council Consideration:

They may be looking for representation on their board from Town, RM and VAS.

The most important thing that they see for the immediate future is continued communications between the groups.

- **Councillor Ruth Murray**

Report for CAW meeting for April 4, 2019

AMM Official Seminar- @RBC Convention Centre in Winnipeg, Mb. March 18-20 By Ruth Murray March 18,2019- I attended the Manitoba Good Roads Association Annual Dinner & Awards Presentation on Scott Crick's behalf. The dinner was excellent and the company enjoyable. I accepted the Western Financial Group Shield for Urban Beautification for town population of 1001-2000, for the Town of Morris. I do not know who does the judging or who submitted the photos but I was disappointed I really couldn't see any photos of Morris. I know Morris CIB could easily have submitted photos if required.

March 19- After the official remarks, a presentation on Leadership Insights was given by Randy Grieser, CEO of Achieve Centre for Leadership & Workplace Performance. This was followed by a coffee break & visit through the Trade Show Area, with a Session on Making Better Decisions presented by Wendy Loewe from Achieve Centre. She spoke of poor discussions and ways to view problems & figure out ideas, bringing in consultants as needed. Be honest, keep focused, look for info to validate your idea build a counter argument, choose your people wisely, & let people voice their concern. Planning- understand time, money, benefits to complete. We also learn from failures...no one is perfect.

In the second Session, Assertive Communication was again given by Wendy Kroeker also from ACHIEVE Centre from Winkler. First you analyze, Interact, harmonize, & actualize. You need to express your needs & this is done through body language, ownership & clarity of idea, & don't apologize or intimidate. Describe the situation, express your emotions & how you are impacted, specify the facts, and give outcomes. Let's all pitch in.

This was followed by The Art of Council Leadership by Ernie Epp who has lots of years of experience in the municipal field.

We joined the Municipality of Emerson Franklin for supper. It was great to network with a fellow municipality.

March 20-presentation about Manitoba's Health System by MLA Cameron Friesen, Dr. Wright, Lanette Siracusa & Ian Shaw.

I missed the session on municipal roads funding due to time change in my dental appointment. Am very glad the event was changed from 3 to 2days. I felt it was a worthwhile seminar

Report for CAW on April 4,2019

March 25-2019- Attended the ESS seminar in Morden with Margaret Johnson. A guide was provided in setting up a reception center, rules for registration, ESS kit, etc. The purpose of ESS is to work with EMO to provide some of these services to the people.

Chamber meeting

Councillor Trevor Thiessen
Animal Control

Project Board Reports:

Morris Manor Project – Trevor Thiessen

Manor Board had a meeting last week.

Assisted Living Project – Chris Hamblin

- any additional specific Board reports that need in-depth discussion outside of Mayor's/Councillors' Reports
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New Business:

- Budget Planning- financial presentation is complete and ready to go
- Town Website – working on it. Facebook videos need to be removed
- Industrial Land Purchase
 - Everyone is in favor to purchasing the land. Let's make a negotiation.

Old Business:

- Multiplex Governance Discussion

Meeting adjourned at 10:15 pm.