

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE R.M. OF
DOUGLAS NO. 436 HELD ON WEDNESDAY THE 8th DAY OF JANUARY, 2020
IN THE MUNICIPAL OFFICE AT SPEERS, SASKATCHEWAN**

Present:

Reeve – Nick W. Partyka
Councillor Division 1 – Jim Attrux
Councillor Division 2 –
Councillor Division 3 – Leonard Yasieniuk
Councillor Division 4 – Howard Linnell
Councillor Division 5 – Blair Jackson
Councillor Division 6 - Wayne A. Rafuse
Administrator Charles W. Linnell

Call to Order: A quorum being present, Reeve Nick W. Partyka called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Agenda:

01/20 Rafuse: That we approve the agenda as prepared by Administrator for the January 8th, 2020 Regular Meeting of the Council of the R.M. of Douglas No. 436.

CARRIED.

Minutes:

02/20 Jackson: That we adopt the December 11th, 2019 minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the R.M. of Douglas No. 436 as prepared and presented by Administrator.

CARRIED.

Financial Report:

03/20 Linnell: That the statement of cash receipts and cash payments and the bank reconciliation statement for the R.M. of Douglas No. 436 for the month of December, 2019 be accepted as presented.

CARRIED.

Delegations & Other Reports:

04/20 Yasieniuk: That we acknowledge delegations and presentation of verbal reports as follows:
Verbal Reports:
1. Dwayne Tanchak re: municipal maintenance operations.
2. Charles W. Linnell re: miscellaneous municipal matters.
3. Nick Partyka re: 16-43 Waste Management.

CARRIED.

Correspondence:

Membership in SARM for 2020

05/20 Attrux: That we approve to retain membership with SARM for 2020 and pay the membership fee of \$2,463.23 GST included.

CARRIED.

Membership in FCM for 2020

06/20 Rafuse: That we approve to retain membership with Federation of Canadian Municipalities for 2020 and pay the membership fee of \$206.51 GST included.

CARRIED.

Membership in HBRA for 2020

07/20 Jackson: That we approve to retain membership with the Hudson Bay Route Association for 2020 and pay the membership fee of \$300.00.

CARRIED.

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Grant for Battleford Union Hospital Foundation Inc.

08/20 Linnell: That we approve to grant \$1,000.00 to the Battleford Union Hospital Foundation Inc.

CARRIED.

16 to 43 Waste Management Loan Repayment.

09/20 Yasieniuk: That we approve to pay the R.M. of Douglas No. 436 portion of the demand loan guaranteed for 16 to 43 Waste Management Corporation in amount of \$17,000.00 and issue a cheque in this amount payable to 16 to 43 Waste Management Corporation.

CARRIED.

10/20 Attrux: That the following correspondence having been read now be filed in the municipal records:

- SARM re: 2020 membership fees.
- FCM re: 2020/21 membership.
- Hudson Bay Route Assoc. re: 2020 membership.
- BUH Foundation Inc. re: request for financial support.
- Federal Trade Commission re: refund – A1 Janitorial Supply lawsuit.
- Sask Municipal Hail re: 2019 hail claims.
- Brandt Tractor re: skid-steer quote.
- 16 to 43 Waste Management re: demand loan repayment.

CARRIED.

New Business:

Appointments for 2020

11/20 Rafuse: That we approve appointments for the R.M. of Douglas No. 436 for the year 2020 as attached hereto and forming part of these minutes.

CARRIED.

Retain Membership with the Agricultural Producers Association for 2020

12/20 Jackson: That we approve to retain membership in the Agricultural Producers Association of Saskatchewan for 2020 and pay the membership fee of \$11,578.92.

CARRIED.

Grant to Canadian Fallen Heroes Foundation

13/20 Linnell: That we approve to grant \$1,000.00 to the Canadian Fallen Heroes Foundation for the development of individual metal art memorials for Speers and area fallen soldiers.

CARRIED.

Administrator Bond for 2020

14/20 Yasieniuk: That we acknowledge the presentation of a valid administrator bond for 2020.

CARRIED.

Council remuneration for 2020

15/20 Attrux: That council remuneration for 2020 be \$200.00 per meeting.

CARRIED.

2020 Council Committee & Supervision per diem rate

16/20 Rafuse: That the year 2020 per diem rate of council remuneration for committee meetings and other authorized municipal business including supervision of public works be set at \$200.00 per day and \$100.00 for a half day.

CARRIED.

Travel Reimbursement for 2020

17/20 Jackson: That we set the year 2020 reimbursement rate for meeting travel and any other travel necessarily incurred on authorized municipal business for members of council and municipal employees at \$.50 per kilometer.

CARRIED.

Employee pay rates for 2020

18/20 Linnell: That we approve to continue paying outside municipal employees in the year 2020 as follows:

- Dwayne Tanchak, foreman - \$32.00 per hour
- Bruce Kowalchuk, grader operator - \$28.00 per hour
- Rick Kindrachuk, grader operator - \$30.00 per hour
- Ralph Lange, truck driver - \$28.00 per hour
- Danny Kyluik, mower operator - \$28.00 per hour.
- Joseph Tanchak, truck driver/maintenance man- \$25.00 per hour.

CARRIED.

Issue mid-month advances for 2020

19/20 Yasieniuk: That we authorize the issuance of mid-month advances for 2020 to employees requesting same, based on actual earnings to date of issuance.

CARRIED.

Fuel Supplier 2020

20/20 Attrux: That we continue to purchase our fuel & oil requirements from the Hafford Co-operative Association Ltd. for 2020.

CARRIED.

Terminate Saskatchewan Agriculture Lands Branch Lease

21/20 Rafuse: That we request Saskatchewan Agriculture Lands Branch to terminate the lease on the following land if 2018 arrears of taxes are not paid in full by January 28th, 2020: Roll #1329, NW 34-45-13-W3 re Morris Tokaryk.

CARRIED.

Advertise for Administrator Position

22/20 Jackson: That we advertise in the Battlefords Regional News-Optimist for the position of administrator of the R.M. of Douglas No. 436 with duties to commence May 1st, 2020.

CARRIED.

Thickwood Hills Watershed Association Membership for 2020

23/20 Linnell: That we approve to retain membership with the Thickwood Watershed Association for 2020 and pay the membership fee of \$200.00.

CARRIED.

Allocate population percentages for Sask Lotteries Community Program for 2021

24/20 Yasieniuk: That we allocate 50% of the R.M. of Douglas No. 436 population of 350 for the purposes of the Sask. Lotteries Community Program for 2021 to the Speers & District Recreational Board.

CARRIED.

PARM Meeting

25/20 Attrux: That we authorize all members of Council and the Administrator to attend the Parkland Association of Rural Municipalities (PARM) meeting to be held Wednesday, January 15th, 2020 at Spiritwood & District Recreation Centre commencing 1:00 pm.

CARRIED.

Payment of Accounts:

26/20 Rafuse: That the accounts as presented be approved for payment with the list of cheques numbered, 7776 to 7815 totaling \$175,501.39 as annexed hereto and forming part of these minutes.

CARRIED.

Adjournment:

27/20 Jackson: That this meeting adjourn at 1:20 p.m.

CARRIED.

Reeve

Administrator

R.M. OF DOUGLAS NO. 436

2020 APPOINTMENTS

1. Legal Counsel: Migneault Law Office.
2. Pest Control Officer: Don Heide.
3. Agricultural Councillor: Nick Partyka
4. A.D.D. District Board # 34: Wayne A. Rafuse,
5. Redberry Mutual Aid Area: Howard L. Linnell.
6. E.M.O.Coordinator & Deputy Coordinator : Charles Linnell & Dean Nicholson.
7. EMO Committee: Jim Attrux, Nick Partyka, Ken Rebeyka, & Ted Nicholson.
8. 16 to 43 Waste Management Corporation: Nick Partyka
9. Lakeland Library Region Board: Diane Jones
10. Lakeland Library Local Board: Phyllis Cunningham, Diana Kindrachuk,
Marlene McDonald & Jeanette Partyka.
11. R.M. of Douglas No. 436 machine supervisor: Howard Linnell.
12. Auditor: Suzanne Odishaw – Vantage, Chartered Professional Accountants.
13. Hafford & Area Primary Health Care Community Advisory Network: Irene Attrux.
14. Occupational Health & Safety Employer Representative: Nick W. Partyka.
15. Building Inspection Services: The Construction Code Authority.
16. Administrator for Stray Animals Act: Charles W. Linnell.
17. North Sask River Water Resource Committee: Blair Jackson
18. Redberry Biosphere Reserve: Nick Partyka, alternate Howard Linnell.
19. Board of Revision Members: Village of Speers Council members T.E. Nicholson,
Ken Rebeyka, Chola McCabe.
20. Board of Revision Secretary: Dean Nicholson.
21. Road Committee: Nick Partyka, Howard Linnell & Blair Jackson.
22. Joint Planning Committee re; Co-operation Agreements with First Nations
Leonard Yasieniuk, Howard Linnell & Blair Jackson.
23. Weed Inspector: Alana Gunsch.
24. Thickwood Hills Watershed Association Board: Leonard Yasieniuk.
25. Redberry Lake Biosphere Reserve District Sustainability Planning Board: Nick Partyka.
26. Fire Ban Designated Committee: Nick Partyka, Wayne Rafuse, Howard Linnell.