

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE R.M. OF
DOUGLAS NO. 436 HELD ON WEDNESDAY THE 11th DAY OF JANUARY, 2017
IN THE MUNICIPAL OFFICE AT SPEERS, SASKATCHEWAN**

Present:

Reeve – Nick W. Partyka
Councillor Division 1 – Hugh Foster
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:

01/17 Rafuse: That we approve the agenda as prepared by Administrator for the January 11, 2017 Regular Meeting of the Council of the R.M. of Douglas No. 436.
CARRIED.

Minutes:

02/17 Jackson: That we adopt the December 14th, 2016 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:

03/17 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, 2016 be accepted as presented.
CARRIED.

Delegations & Other Reports:

04/17 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 Corp. meeting.
CARRIED.

Correspondence:

Membership in SARM for 2017

05/17 Foster: That we approve to retain membership with SARM for 2017 and pay the membership fee of \$2,129.64.
CARRIED.

Membership in HBRA for 2017

06/17 Rafuse: That we approve to retain membership with the Hudson Bay Route Association for 2017 and pay the membership fee of \$300.00.
CARRIED.

Membership in APAS for 2017

07/17 Jackson: That we approve to retain membership in the Agricultural Producers Association of Saskatchewan for 2017 and pay the membership fee of \$11,697.07.
CARRIED.

08/17 Linnell: That we approve to grant the 4-H Forever Centennial Campaign \$500.00 for 2017, in recognition of 4-H Saskatchewan's 100 year anniversary.
CARRIED.

09/17 Yasieniuk: That the following correspondence having been read now be filed in the municipal records:

- Ministry of Environment re: waste transfer station non-compliance.
- Ministry of Environment re: transfer of ownership of waste transfer station.
- PDAP re 2015 claim payment.
- Loraas re: rate increase.
- Ministry of Highways re: Highway 40 bridge replacement project.
- Gov't of Sask. re: 2017 assessment percentages of value.
- Highline Manufacturing Ltd. re: mower purchase coupon.
- S.A.M.A. re: 2017 requisition estimate.
- SARM re: 2017 membership fees.
- Hudson Bay Route Assoc. re: 2017 membership.
- APAS re: 2017 membership.
- 4-H Saskatchewan re: Centennial Campaign.
- Community Futures re: Community Economic Development.

CARRIED.

New Business:

Appointments for 2017

10/17 Foster: That we approve appointments for the R.M. of Douglas No. 436 for the year 2017 as attached hereto and forming part of these minutes. **CARRIED.**

Donate to Saskatchewan Hospital New Beginnings

11/17 Rafuse: That we approve to donate \$3000.00 to Saskatchewan Hospital New Beginnings to assist in funding the purchase of equipment and furnishings for the Saskatchewan Hospital North Battleford currently under construction. **CARRIED.**

Administrator Bond for 2017

12/17 Jackson: That we acknowledge the presentation of a valid administrator bond for 2017. **CARRIED.**

Council Remuneration for 2017

13/17 Linnell: That Council remuneration for 2017 be \$170.00 per meeting. **CARRIED.**

2017 Council Committee & Supervision per diem rate

14/17 Yasieniuk: That the year 2017 per diem rate of council remuneration for committee meetings and other authorized municipal business including supervision of public works be set at \$170.00/day and \$85.00 for a half day. **CARRIED.**

Travel reimbursement for 2017

15/17 Foster: That we set the year 2017 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.**

Administrative Assistant Wage for 2017

16/17 Rafuse: That we approve to pay Ron Tanchak, casual administrative assistant, a wage of \$28.00 per hour effective January 1, 2017. **CARRIED.**

Employee pay rates for 2017

17/17 Jackson: That we approve to continue paying outside municipal employees in the year 2017 as follows:
Dwayne Tanchak, foreman - \$29.00 per hour
Bruce Kowalchuk, grader operator - \$25.00 per hour
Rick Kindrachuk, grader operator - \$27.00 per hour
Ralph Lange, truck driver - \$24.00 per hour
Danny Kyluik, mower operator - \$24.00 per hour. **CARRIED.**

Issue mid-month advances for 2017

18/17 Linnell: That we authorize the issuance of mid-month advances for 2017 to employees requesting same, based on actual earnings to date of issuance.

CARRIED.

Fuel Supplier 2017

19/17 Yasieniuk: That we continue to purchase our fuel & oil requirements from the Hafford Co-operative Association Ltd. for 2017.

CARRIED.

Membership in Thickwood Hills Watershed Association Board No. 13

20/17 Foster: That we approve to retain membership with Thickwood Hills Watershed Association Board No. 13 for 2017 and pay the membership fee of \$200.00.

CARRIED.

Membership in FCM for 2017

21/17 Rafuse: That we approve to retain membership with Federation of Canadian Municipalities for 2017 and pay the membership fee of \$155.54.

CARRIED.

Terminate Saskatchewan Agriculture Lands Branch Lease

22/17 Jackson: That we request Saskatchewan Agriculture Lands Branch to terminate the lease on the following land if 2015 arrears of taxes are not paid in full by January 27, 2017;

Roll #1329, NW 34-45-13-W3 re Morris Tokaryk.

CARRIED.

Allocate population percentages for Sask. Lotteries Community Program for 2018

23/17 Linnell: That we allocate 50% of the R.M. of Douglas No. 436 population of 331 for the purposes of the Sask. Lotteries Community Program for 2018 to the Speers & District Recreation Board.

CARRIED.

PARM Meeting

24/17 Yasieniuk: That we authorize all members of Council and the Administrator to attend the Parkland Association of Rural Municipalities (PARM) meeting to be held Wed., January 25th, 2017 at Spiritwood Legion Hall commencing 1:00 pm.

CARRIED.

Payment of Accounts:

25/17 Foster: That the accounts as presented be approved for payment with the list of cheques numbered, 6236 to 6275 totaling \$135,935.66 as annexed hereto and forming part of these minutes.

CARRIED.

Adjournment:

26/17 Rafuse: That this meeting adjourn at 1:10 p.m.

CARRIED.

Reeve

Administrator

R.M. OF DOUGLAS NO. 436

2017 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: Hugh Foster, Nick Partyka, Ken Rebeyka, & Ted Nicholson.
8. Intermunicipal Waste Site Committee:
Nick W. Partyka & Hugh J. Foster.
9. Lakeland Library Region Board: Diane Jones
10. Lakeland Library Local Board: Phyllis Cunningham,
Diana Kindrachuk & 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.
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.