

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE R.M. OF
DOUGLAS NO. 436 HELD ON WEDNESDAY THE 15th DAY OF, 2020
IN THE SPEERS RECREATION CENTRE AT SPEERS, SASKATCHEWAN**

Present:

Reeve –
Councillor Division 1 – Jim Attrux
Councillor Division 2 – Randy Bohun
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, Deputy Reeve Leonard Yasieniuk called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Agenda:

78/20 Attrux: That we approve the agenda as prepared by Administrator for the April 15th, 2020 Regular Meeting of the Council of the R.M. of Douglas No. 436.

CARRIED.

Minutes:

79/20 Bohun: That we adopt the March 18th, 2020 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:

80/20 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 March, 2020 be accepted as presented.

CARRIED.

Delegations & Other Reports:

81/20 Rafuse: That we acknowledge delegations and presentation of verbal reports as follows:

Verbal Reports: 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.

Delegations re Seasonal Gravel Truck Driver interviews:

1. Nicholas Duncan – 9:30 a.m.
2. George Yerex - 10:00 a.m.
3. Robert Anhorn – 10:30 a.m.

CARRIED.

Correspondence

Cell Tower Consultation

82/20 Attrux: That we acknowledge Sask Tel conducted a 30 day Public Consultation period from March 5, 2020 to April 3, 2020 regarding the proposed Sask Tel 106.7 metre guyed Cellular Tower and Equipment Building to be located at Parcel A - NW 23-43-12-W, (9.34 acre), and furthermore that we acknowledge the R.M. of Douglas No. 436 received no public questions or concerns regarding the proposed project.

CARRIED.

School Division Mill Rates

83/20 Bohun: That we acknowledge the 2020 Confirmed Education Property Tax Mill Rates as follows:

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| Agricultural Property | 1.43 Mills |
| Residential Property | 4.12 Mills |
| Commercial/Industrial Property | 6.27 Mills |
| Resource (oil & gas, mines, pipelines) | 9.68 Mills |

CARRIED.

Rivers West Membership

84/20 Linnell: That we approve to retain membership with Rivers West District for Sport, Culture & Recreation for 2020 and pay the membership fee of \$ 20.00.

CARRIED.

85/20 Jackson: That the following correspondence having been read now be filed in the municipal records:

- SARM re: SaskLander app.
- iHunter re: iHunter app.
- Sask Construction Assoc. re: construction industry update.
- Innovation Credit Union re: preferred account interest change.
- SaskTel re: proposed cell tower.
- Minister of Gov't Relations re: 2020 Education mill rates.
- Rivers West District for Sport, Culture & Recreation Inc re: 2020 membership
- DBF Law – Danny Spence Estate.

CARRIED.

New Business

Truck Driver

86/20 Jackson: That we approve to employ George Yerex as seasonal gravel truck driver/machine operator for the R.M. of Douglas No. 436 for 2020 at the rate of \$ 25.00 per hour with duties to commence at the discretion of the foreman; and furthermore that we designate him as non-permanent employee pursuant to the Municipal Employees Pension Plan Act.

CARRIED.

Outside Employee Wages

87/20 Attrux: That we approve to pay outside municipal employees the following wages effective April 1st, 2020:

- Dwayne Tanchak, foreman - \$33.00/hour
- Bruce Kowalchuk, grader operator - \$29.00/hour
- Rick Kindrachuk, grader operator - \$31.00/hour
- Ralph Lange, truck driver - \$29.00/hour
- Danny Kynuik, mower operator/maintenance man - \$29.00/hour
- Joseph Tanchak, truck driver/maintenance man - \$27.00/hour

CARRIED.

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Administration Orientation

88/20 Bohun: That we approve to employ future administrator Darrin Beaudoin commencing April 27th, 2020 to facilitate orientation by retiring administrator at the approved salary of \$5,840.00 per month.

CARRIED.

Casual Administrative Assistant

89/20 Linnell: That upon the retirement of Administrator Charles W. Linnell, April 30th, 2020, we employ him as Casual Administrative Assistant at a wage of \$28.00 per an hour, to be used at the discretion of the incoming Administrator Darrin Beaudoin.

CARRIED.

Pest Control Officer

90/20 Jackson: That we approve to appoint Colleen Fennig as the R.M. of Douglas No. 436 Pest Control Officer for the purpose of dealing with Clubroot in the municipality.

CARRIED.

Mill Rate

91/20 Rafuse: That we adopt the 2020 operating and capital budget for the R.M. of Douglas No. 436 as attached hereto and forming parts of these minutes with a mill rate of 5.4 mills, with the following mill rate factors in effect:

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| Agricultural Property | 1.00 Mills |
| Residential Property | 1.30 Mills |
| Commercial/Industrial Property | 1.00 Mills |

which when applied to our 2020 unconfirmed taxable assessment of **\$118,479,720** produces a municipal tax levy of \$ 646,120.00, and a cash basis budgeted surplus of \$ 143,940.00.

CARRIED.

Meridian Cheques

92/20 Attrux: That we approve to place a “Cheque Stop” on cheque No. 7726 issued November 20th, 2019 to Meridian Surveys Ltd. in amount of **\$3,324.83** as the cheque is outstanding and deemed lost in the mail; and furthermore that we approve to issue a replacement cheque.

CARRIED.

Richard Hall

93/20 Bohun: That we approve to acknowledge that Richard Community Hall located in the Village of Richard, Saskatchewan provides direct Sport, Culture, Recreation and Social services to the residents of the R.M. of Douglas No. 436.

CARRIED.

16-43 Loan

94/20 Linnell: That we approve to loan \$8,500.00 to “16 to 43 Waste Management Corporation” as the R.M. of Douglas No. 436 portion of a demand loan with Innovation Credit Union for 2020 operations; and furthermore that we issue a cheque for the above to Innovation Credit Union to be applied to the said demand loan.

CARRIED.

Spring Weight Restriction Order

95/20 Jackson: That we acknowledge as per Ministry of Highways & Infrastructure “Sixth Order-2020”, Spring Weight Restrictions on the R.M. of Douglas No. 436 roadways came into effect on April 10th, 2020.

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Payment of Accounts

96/20 Rafuse: That the accounts as presented be approved for payment with the list of cheques numbered, 7898 to 7934 totaling \$ 383,393.04 as annexed hereto and forming part of these minutes.

CARRIED.

Adjournment:

97/20 Attrux: That this meeting adjourn at 12:30 p.m.

CARRIED.

Reeve

Administrator