

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

Present:

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

Administrator acknowledged receiving Oath of Office from Councillor Division 1

Call to Order: A quorum being present, Reeve Nick W. Partyka called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

Agenda:

169/17 Attrux: That we approve the agenda as prepared by Administrator for the October 11, 2017 Regular Meeting of the Council of the R.M. of Douglas No. 436.

CARRIED.

Minutes:

170/17 Yasienuk: That we adopt the September 13, 2017 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:

171/17 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 September, 2017 be accepted as presented.

CARRIED.

Delegations & Other Reports:

172/17 Jackson: 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.

CARRIED.

Correspondence:

173/17 Rafuse: That we approve to inform the Ministry of Highways & Infrastructure that the R.M. of Douglas No. 436 would be interested in participating in their proposed annual Ditch Mowing Program collaboration.

CARRIED.

174/17 Attrux: That the following correspondence having been read now be filed in the municipal records:

- SARM re: rural broadband coverage.
- APAS re: submission on Federal Gov't proposed tax changes.
- Ministry of Highways re: ditch mowing program.

CARRIED.

New Business:

Explosives Demolition course

175/17 Yasieniuk: That we approve to send two outside municipal employees to the Explosives Demolition three-day course to be held in Radisson, Sask. on October 25th, 26th, 27th, 2017 and pay all expenses necessarily incurred.

CARRIED.

2017 List of Lands in Arrears

176/17 Linnell: That all land parcels that have arrears of taxes equal to one half or less of the previous year tax levy be excluded from the List of Lands in Arrears as at October 11, 2017.

CARRIED.

177/17 Jackson: That we acknowledge presentation of the List of Lands in Arrears of taxes in the R.M. of Douglas No. 436 as at October 11, 2017.

CARRIED.

178/17 Rafuse: That we approve publication of the R.M. of Douglas No. 436 List of Lands in Arrears in the Battlefords Regional Optimist.

CARRIED.

Approval to attend 2017 SARM Midterm Convention

179/17 Attrux: That we approve all members of Council and Administrator to attend the November 7th & 8th, 2017 SARM Midterm Convention at Regina, Sask. and pay all expenses necessarily incurred.

CARRIED.

Approve Meeting Date Change from November 8th to November 15th

180/17 Yasieniuk: That we approve to change the date of our November 8, 2017 regular council meeting to November 15, 2017 to be held at 9:00 a.m. at the municipal office in Speers, Sask.

CARRIED.

Approve employee lay off

181/17 Linnell: That we approve to lay-off summer maintenance employee Joseph Tanchak as of September 29th, 2017.

CARRIED.

Payment of Accounts:

182/17 Jackson: That the accounts as presented be approved for payment with the list of cheques numbered, 6605 to 6647 totaling \$204,538.24 as annexed hereto and forming part of these minutes.

CARRIED.

Adjournment:

183/17 Rafuse: That this meeting adjourn at 10:30 a.m.

CARRIED.

Reeve

Administrator