

# R.M. of Victoria

# **Meeting Minutes**

December 9, 2015 - Regular Council Meeting - 9:30 am

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council of the Rural Municipality of Victoria held December 9th, 2015 at the Municipal Office in Council Chambers at Holland, Manitoba.

Present: Reeve Harold W. Purkess, Councillors William F. Rex, James H. Cassels, Reginald P. Marginet, Chief Administrative Officer Y. Ivan Bruneau, Administrative Assistant Leona De Smet and Financial Assistant Azure-Dee Sharp.

Attended via telephone conference: Deputy Reeve Raymond W. Huggart

Call to Order: Reeve Harold W. Purkess called the meeting to order at 9:30 am.

Resolution No: 1.

**Confirm Minutes** 

2015/268

**Moved by:** William F. REX

Seconded by: James H. CASSELS

BE IT RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held November 16th, 2015, hereby be adopted as circulated.

Carried

Resolution No: 2.

Adoption of Agenda

2015/269

Moved by: James H. CASSELS

Seconded by: Reginald P. MARGINET

BE IT RESOLVED that the Agenda hereby be adopted as

amended.

Carried

**Delegations** 

**Resolution No:** 3.1 10:35 am - Variation Hearing – Curtis Cabernel - 126 Russell

2015/270 Street, Cypress River Moved by: James H. CASSELS Seconded by: William F. REX

BE IT RESOLVED that Council of the Rural Municipality of Victoria open a Public Hearing to give consideration to Variation Application No: 17-15 (VAR 17-15), filed by Curtis Cabernel for a Variation Order on Lot 19 and 20, Block 2, Plan 407, being 126 Russell Street, in the Cypress River Local Urban District, under Zoning By-Law 1266/2005, Table 4.5, General Development Zone, Use and Bulk Table, to vary the minimum front yard requirement from 25 feet to 10 feet to construct a deck on a house, which has already been built.

Carried

**Resolution No:** 3.1.1 Variation Hearing - Curtis Cabernel - Adjournment 2015/271

Moved by: James H. CASSELS

Seconded by: Reginald P. MARGINET

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Public Hearing to give consideration to the application for Variation hereby be adjourned; and,

**FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED** that Council return to regular business.

Carried

**Resolution No:** 3.2 10:45 am - Variation Hearing - Alexander Contreras - 142 James 2015/272 Avenue, Cypress River

Moved by: Reginald P. MARGINET Seconded by: William F. REX

BE IT RESOLVED that Council of the Rural Municipality of Victoria open a Public Hearing to give consideration to Variation Application No: 16-15 (VAR 16-15), filed by Alexander Contreras for a Variation Order on Lot 10 and 11, Block 3, Plan 407, being 142 James Avenue, in the Cypress River Local Urban District, under Zoning By-Law 1266/2005, Table 4.5, General Development Zone, Use and Bulk Table, to vary the minimum side yard requirement from 5 feet to 2 feet to construct a landing to a side door on a house.

Carried

**Resolution No:** 3.2.1 Variation Hearing - Alexander Contreras - Adjournment 2015/273

Moved by: William F. REX

Seconded by: Reginald P. MARGINET

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Public Hearing to give consideration to the application for Variation hereby be adjourned; and,

**FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED** that Council return to regular business.

Carried

3.3 11:00 am - Wanda McFadyen - Prairie Improvement Network - Assiniboine River Basin Initiative

Wanda McFadyen of Prairie Improvement Network on behalf of the Assiniboine River Basin Initiative met with Council to introduce herself and provide Council with a brief presentation regarding the organization and their focus. The Assiniboine River Basin Initiative is comprised of stakeholders working together to achieve comprehensive integrated watershed actions that will benefit current and future generations. The mission is to achieve environmental, social and economic sustainability for all residents through collaborative actions throughout the Assiniboine River Basin area. The Assiniboine River Basin Board would like the Council of Rural Municipality of Victoria to consider including them in the 2016 Budget.

3.4 11:30 am - Les Ferris - 61111 Rd 45N - Local Creek Naming

Les Ferris, Jack Ross, Tamara Greenlay and Bill Jeffrey met with Council to review their request to name local creeks and gullies within the municipality with names of fallen soldiers who originated from the area. An original request had been forwarded from the Geographical Names Program of Manitoba Conservation and Water Stewardship, however Council declined to assign names to these features. The group met with Council to request that they reconsider their position.

3.5 1:30 pm - Fire Chiefs Brent Baete and Neil Young - Annual Fire Protection Update

Fire Chiefs Brent Baete and Neil Young met with Council to review Fire Protection Services being provided by their departments to the residents of the municipality. The Holland Department reported attending 19 fire calls last year, and had 9 new members on the fire department. The Cypress River Fire Department reported attending 12 fire calls last year, and have 13 members on their departments. Each department also reported on their equipment and programs that they hope to implement during 2016, and noted that increase costs of providing service would require a review of their budget for the upcoming fiscal year.

**Resolution No:** 

2015/274

Report of Committee

Moved by: Reginald P. MARGINET

Seconded by: William F. REX

BE IT RESOLVED that the Reports of Committees hereby be

adopted as filed.

Carried

# 5. Reception of Petitions

There were no petitions filed or received at or prior to the meeting.

### 6. Communications

6.1 Harold Reid - Sensus Partnership of Chartered Accountants - Interm Audit Report

## Noted & Filed

6.2 Minister Drew Caldwell - Manitoba Municipal Government - 2013 Statistical Information

### Noted & Filed

6.3 Jeffrey Farms - Easement Agreement - SE1/4 22-8-11 & NE1/4 15-8-11

# Noted & Filed

6.4 Minister Ron Lemieux - Manitoba Culture & Heritage - Library Technological Grant

### Noted & Filed

6.5 Des Kappel - Georgraphical Names Program - Creek Naming

### Postponded

6.6 Jay Rackham - Manitoba Conservation and Water Stewardship - Soil Disposal

# Noted & Filed

6.7 Stephen Redmond - Western Financial Group - Group Health & Dental Insurance Program

### Noted & Filed

**Resolution No:** 6.8 Norquay Potatoes - NE 13-8-11 - Land Assessment Classification 2015/275

Moved by: Reginald P. MARGINET Seconded by: William F. REX

**WHEREAS** an error occurred on the 2015 Property Tax Bill for the property described as the NE1/4 of 13-8-11 located at 44102 Road 60W owned by Norquay Potatoes;

**AND WHEREAS** the error involved the taxation of residential buildings that were removed from the property and the subsequent reclassification of the property to farm property; and,

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the amount of \$722.50 hereby be cancelled from Roll Number 95500 being the NEI/4 of 13-8-11 and located at 44102 Road 60W.

Carried

Deputy Reeve Raymond Huggart joined with Council at this time.

**Resolution No:** 6.9 Jennifer Dubois - Public Utilities Board - Holland Utility Deficit 2015/276 Board Order

Moved by: William F. REX

Seconded by: James H. CASSELS

WHEREAS Council have now had the opportunity to review Board Order No. 132/15 received from the Public Utilities Board regarding the Holland Water and Wastewater Utility Operating Deficit for 2014; and,

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the rate rider ordered by the Public Utilities Board hereby be levied immediately to affect the next eight (8) quarters and that all utility consumers be notified of the rate rider being imposed along with a copy of Board Order No. 132/15; and,

**FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED** that Council advise the Public Utilities Board that an application to revise the Holland Water and Wastewater Utility rates will be provided by December 31st, 2015; and,

**FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED** that Council advise the Public Utilities Board that a deficit is anticipated for the 2015 fiscal year and that a projected yearend financial statement be filed with the board.

Carried

**Resolution No:** 6.10 Jennifer Dubois - Public Utilities Board - Cypress River Utility 2015/277 Deficit Board Order

Moved by: James H. CASSELS

Seconded by: Reginald P. MARGINET

WHEREAS Council have now had the opportunity to review Board Order No. 131/15 received from the Public Utilities Board regarding the Cypress River Water and Wastewater Utility Operating Deficit for 2014; and,

BE IT RESOLVED that Council advise the Public Utilities Board that an application to revise the Cypress River Water and Wastewater Utility rates will be provided by December 31st, 2015; and,

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that Council advise the Public Utilties Board that a deficit is anticipated for the 2015 fiscal year and that a projected yearend financial statement be filed with the board.

Carried

6.11 Doug & Brenda Hodgins - NE 19-9-11 - New Fence

# Postponed

6.12 Steve Wiecek - W.L. Gibbons & Associates - Water Testing Results SE1/4 9-7-11

#### Noted & Filed

6.13 Kristine Hill - Emergency Measures Organization - Emergency Management Course

#### Noted & Filed

6.14 Dale Lyle - Way to Go Consulting - Water Rate Studies Summaries

#### Noted & Filed

#### 7. Accounts

**Resolution No:** 7.1 Expenditures

2015/278

Moved by: Reginald P. MARGINET Seconded by: William F. REX

WHEREAS Council of the Rural Municipality of Victoria have reviewed the expenditures for the municipality for the period ending November 30th, 2015; and,

BE IT RESOLVED that general operating and payroll cheques 20151258 to 20151371, totaling \$933,574.18 hereby be approved for payment.

Carried

**Resolution No:** 7.2 Financial Statements

2015/279

Moved by: James H. CASSELS

Seconded by: Reginald P. MARGINET

BE IT RESOLVED that the Financial Reports hereby be filed as received.

Carried

**By-Laws** 8.

Resolution No: 8.1 1386/2015 - Organizational By-Law - Second Reading

2015/280

Moved by: James H. CASSELS Seconded by: William F. REX

BE IT RESOLVED that By-Law No: 1386/2015 being a by-law of the Rural Municipality of Victoria to govern the organization of the municipality hereby be given second reading.

Carried

Resolution No: 8.2 1386/2015 - Organizational By-Law - Third Reading

2015/281

Moved by: Reginald P. MARGINET Seconded by: William F. REX

BE IT RESOLVED that By-Law No: 1386/2015 being a by-law of the Rural Municipality of Victoria to govern the organization of the municipality hereby be given third and final reading.

Name	Yes	No	Abstained Absent
Harold W. PURKESS	✓		
James H. CASSELS	✓		
Raymond W. HUGGART	✓		
Reginald P. MARGINET	✓		
William F. REX	✓		

Carried

Resolution No: 8.3 1387/2015 - Prepayment of Taxes - First Reading

2015/282

Moved by: William F. REX

Seconded by: James H. CASSELS

BE IT RESOLVED that By-Law No: 1387/2015 being a By-Law of Rural Municipality of Victoria to authorize prepayment of 2016 current year taxes hereby be given first reading.

Carried

Resolution No: 8.4 1388/2015 - Fees and Charges

2015/283

Moved by: Reginald P. MARGINET Seconded by: William F. REX

BE IT RESOLVED that By-Law No: 1388/2015 establishing the fees payable to the municipality for the provision of municipal services hereby be given first reading.

Carried

8.5 1389/2015 - Remuneration of Members of Council

Noted & Filed

Resolution No: 8.6 1390/2016 - Water & Sewer Utility Rates - Holland

2015/284

Moved by: Reginald P. MARGINET Seconded by: William F. REX

BE IT RESOLVED that By-Law No: 1390/2016 being a by-law of the Rural Municipality of Victoria to provide for Water and Sewer Utility Rates and the collection thereof within the Local Urban District of Holland, hereby be given first reading.

Carried

2015/285

Resolution No: 8.7 1391/2016 - Water & Sewer Utility Rates - Cypress River

Moved by: James H. CASSELS Seconded by: William F. REX

BE IT RESOLVED that By-Law No: 1391/2016 being a by-law of the Rural Municipality of Victoria to provide for Water and Sewer Utility Rates and the collection thereof within the Local Urban District of Cypress River, hereby be given first reading.

Carried

#### **Unfinished Business** 9.

2015/286

Resolution No: 9.1 William & Wendy Young - 135 Robeson Street - Building Incentive Application

Moved by: James H. CASSELS

Seconded by: William F. REX

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Council of the Rural Municipality of Victoria hereby ratify the application forwarded from William and Wendy Young under the Building Incentive Program for the construction of new RTM residence, located at 135 Robeson Street, being Lots 11 and 12, Block 1, Plan 41930 within the Local Urban District of Cypress River.

Carried

9.2 Linda Truelove - Cypress River Resident - Traffic Issues

Noted & Filed

9.3 Gerard De Smet - Cypress Estates - Maintenance Request

Noted & Filed

**Resolution No:** 9.4 Curtis Cabernel - Variation Application – 126 Russell Street 2015/287

Moved by: James H. CASSELS

Seconded by: Reginald P. MARGINET

WHEREAS Curtis Cabernel filed a Variation application to vary the minimum front yard requirement from 25 feet to 10 feet, to construct a deck onto the existing residence on part of Lot 19 and 20, Block 2, Plan 407, according to Zoning By-Law No: 1266/2005 General Development Zone Table 4.5;

**AND WHEREAS** there were no presentations or objections received or heard regarding the application; and,

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Council of the Rural Municipality of Victoria hereby approve Variation Permit (VAR 17-15) according to Zoning By-Law No: 1266/2005 of the Rural Municipality of Victoria.

Carried

**Resolution No:** 9.5 Alexander Contreras - Variation Application - 142 James Avenue 2015/288

**Moved by:** William F. REX

Seconded by: James H. CASSELS

WHEREAS Alexander Contreras filed a Variation application to vary the minimum side yard requirement from 5 feet to 2 feet, to construct a landing to a side door onto the existing residence on part of Lot 10 and 11, Block 3, Plan 407, according to Zoning By-Law No: 1266/2005 General Development Zone Table 4.5;

AND WHEREAS there were no presentations or objections received or heard regarding the application; and,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Rural Municipality of Victoria hereby approve Variation Permit (VAR 16-15) according to Zoning By-Law No: 1266/2005 of the Rural Municipality of Victoria.

Carried

#### 10. General Business

**Resolution No:** 10.1 Christmas Holiday Hours

2015/289

Moved by: Reginald P. MARGINET Seconded by: William F. REX

BE IT RESOLVED that Council of the Rural Municipality of Victoria hereby authorizes the Chief Administrative Officer to close the Municipal Office to allow the employees an opportunity to enjoy the upcoming Christmas Season with their families on the following dates:

Closed – December 24 @ 12:00 noon; Closed – December 25th, and 28th; Closed – December 31st @ 12:00 noon; Closed – January 1st, 2015

Carried

10.2 Emergency Plan - Annual Review - Meeting Date

# Postponed

Resolution No: 10.3 2016 Interim Budget

2015/290

Moved by: James H. CASSELS Seconded by: William F. REX

BE IT RESOLVED that Council of the Rural Municipality of Victoria hereby adopt the following estimates for their interim operating budget for the fiscal year 2016:

General Operating Fund	\$200,000.00
General Capital Fund	\$120,000.00
Holland Utility Operating Fund	\$ 50,000.00
Holland Utility Capital Fund	\$ 75,000.00
Cypress River Utility Operating Fun	d \$ 50,000.00
Cypress River Utility Capital Fund	\$ 75,000.00
Holland LUD Operating	\$ 50,000.00
Cypress River LUD Operating	\$ 50,000.00

#### Carried

**Resolution No:** 10.4 President Robert Graham - Holland Hall Board Committee - 2015/291 Proposed Kitchen Renovations

Moved by: Reginald P. MARGINET Seconded by: James H. CASSELS

WHEREAS the Holland Community Hall Inc are in the planning stages of renovations of the kitchen at the Holland Community Hall and are applying for grants from the Province of Manitoba as well as various other agencies and organizations in an attempt to secure funding for the project;

**AND WHEREAS** in order to apply for funding from the government departments, the Holland Community Hall Inc have requested funding from the Rural Municipality of Victoria for the kitchen renovations being planned;

**AND WHEREAS** the Holland Community Hall Inc have requested Council to include in their 2016 budget an amount of \$50,000 to help finance the costs of the renovations planned for the Holland Community Hall; and,

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Council hereby ratifies the amount of funding requisitioned and includes the requested amount of \$50,000 from the Building Reserve in their 2016 Budget as their contribution towards the kitchen renovation at the Holland Community Hall Inc.

#### Carried

**Resolution No:** 10.5 Reynald Bourdeaud'hui - Growth & Prosperity Group - Natural 2015/292 Gas Development Proposal

Moved by: James H. CASSELS Seconded by: William F. REX

WHEREAS the Growth & Prosperity Group are a group of municipalities in preliminary planning stages of attempting to deliver natural gas to the south central area of the province;

**AND WHEREAS** the Growth & Prosperity Group would like to secure funding from the associated municipalities to provide for the administration work involved with the development of a project of this nature;

**AND WHEREAS** the Growth & Prosperity Group have requested Council to include in their 2016 budget an amount of \$10,000 representing our share of the costs of the administration

involved with the development of natural gas project in our area; and,

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Council hereby ratifies the amount of funding requisitioned and includes the requested amount of \$10,000 to the Growth & Prosperity Group in their 2016 Budget as their contribution towards the development of natural gas distribution for the Rural Municipality of Victoria.

Carried

# 11. Notice of Motion

No Notice of Motion filed or delivered before or during the meeting.

Resolution No: 12. Adjournment

2015/293

Moved by: Reginald P. MARGINET Seconded by: William F. REX

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Council hereby adjourns. Time of day 3:40 pm.

Carried

*****		Reeve
	Chief Admin	istrative Officer