

THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF SPRINGFIELD

COUNCIL MEETING

WEDNESDAY, April 9th, 2008

Present: Reeve Peter Skrupski
Councillor Bob Bodnaruk
Councillor Brian Thompson
Councillor Lorne Vaags
Laurent Tétrault, CAO
Colleen Draper, Recording Secretary

Absent: Councillor Lalonde
Councillor Lucko

Reeve Skrupski called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m.

AGENDA

- 08-158 SKRUPSKI BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda be amended as follows:
BODNARUK Add: 1. Request for information
2. Move consent agenda item 8.7 to By-laws on April 23
3. Development Agreement - SW 5-11-7E
4. Delegation to Ron Lemieux's open house April 18, 2008 (Lorette)
5. General Reserve Transfer
6. Defer Unfinished Business item 7.6 to April 23
7. Cooks Creek Conservation District 2008-2009 Levy
8. List of Accounts
9. Oakbank Water Public Forum
10. By-law Enforcement
11. Gravel pit inspections
12. Special Budget meeting
- CARRIED (4-0)

MINUTES

- 08-159 SKRUPSKI WHEREAS the minutes of the Council meeting held April
THOMPSON 2, 2008 have been previously distributed to Council;
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the same be and are hereby
approved. CARRIED (4-0)

REPORTS - ELECTED OFFICIALS

Councillor Bodnaruk reported on his attendance at the Manitoba Conservation District Association and Association of Manitoba Municipalities meetings on April 3, Manitoba Conservation District Association meeting and a meeting with Manitoba Hydro on April 4, Cooks Creek Conservation District presentation and Eastman Regional Development Incorporated meeting on April 8 and a Water and Waste Committee meeting on April 9.

Councillor Vaags reported on his attendance at a Cooks Creek Conservation District meeting and the Association of Rural Municipalities meeting on April 3, Regional Committee meeting, Recreation and Cultural Services Committee meeting and Public Works Committee meeting on April 7, meeting with Cooks Creek Conservation District on April 8 and a Water and Waste Committee meeting on April 9.

Councillor Thompson reported on his attendance at the Recreation and Cultural Services Committee meeting and Public Works Committee meeting on April 7, a meeting with Public Works to discuss ward works on April 8 and a Water and Waste Committee meeting on April 9.

Reeve Skrupski reported on his attendance at a Public Works Committee meeting on April 7 and a meeting with Cooks Creek Conservation District on April 8.

CAO, Laurent Tetrault reported on his attendance at a meeting with CN regarding the closure of Navin Road on April 4, a Public Works Committee meeting on April 7, a meeting with Terracon Development regarding lot frontages on April 8 and a Water and Waste Committee meeting on April 9. He reported that work is being completed on the budget and he would like to arrange a meeting with all of council to present the draft budget.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Springfield Fire and Rescue Report - February 2008 report received as information.

Maintenance Coordinator - February 2008 report received as information.

Springfield Recreation Commission - Minutes of March 31, 2008 received as information.

BY-LAWS

By-Law 08-05 - Public Cemeteries

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| 08-160 | VAAGS
THOMPSON | BE IT RESOLVED THAT second reading be given to By-law No. 08-05 being a by-law of the Rural Municipality of Springfield to govern public cemeteries.
<p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED (4-0)</p> |
| 08-161 | VAAGS
THOMPSON | BE IT RESOLVED THAT third and final reading be given to By-law No. 08-05 being a by-law of the Rural Municipality of Springfield to govern public cemeteries. |

	For	Against	Absent	Abstain	Reason
Reeve	x				
Ward 1	x				
Ward 2			x		
Ward 3	x				
Ward 4			x		
Ward 5	x				

CARRIED (4-0)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Springfield's Family Recreation Centre

Item to be added to the April 23 agenda for a decision.

Visual Communication Proposal

CAO to request further information on pricing, revenue, cost sharing and a business plan.

Inland Aggregates

08-162 BODNARUK THOMPSON WHEREAS Inland Aggregates Ltd. is requesting authority to operate gravel pits in Sections 34 and 35-11-4E from 6:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. Monday to Friday, throughout the 2008 operating season; AND WHEREAS the allowable hours of operation are from 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. daily, without permit; BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Municipality authorize the operation of the subject gravel pits an additional one hour per day (6:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.), Monday through Friday, excluding general holidays.

CARRIED (3-1)

Springfield-Tache Weed Board District

08-163 THOMPSON VAAGS BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council include the amount of \$88,580.00 in the RM of Springfield 2008 Financial Plan, being Springfield's share of the municipal contribution to the Springfield-Tache Weed Board District.

CARRIED (4-0)

Variance 08-19 - Batstone

08-164 THOMPSON VAAGS WHEREAS a Public Hearing has been conducted under The Planning Act to consider an application filed by the owner William (Bart) Batstone, for a variation of the Springfield Zoning By-law 85-26 and amendments thereto; AND WHEREAS Council is satisfied that the requirements of Sections 94, 96 and 97 have been met; BE IT RESOLVED THAT Variation Order No. 08 - 19 be granted subject to the following conditions:

1. That a building permit be obtained for the change in occupancy.
2. The business shall be carried out within the existing accessory building and shall not exceed a floor area of 1,500 square feet.

3. Outside storage of goods and materials is allowed as part of the business, subject to the following:
 - a. The storage area shall be located to the rear of the accessory building as indicated within the site plan provided.
 - b. The storage area shall be fenced or screened from public view to the satisfaction of the Development Officer.
 - c. The storage of goods shall not project above the height of the 6 foot fence or screening.
4. The business shall comply with all environmental and public health standards of the Province of Manitoba.
5. Only one vehicle for automotive repair is Permitted within the front yard.
6. No vehicle sales permitted on the subject site.
7. The business permits automobiles or trucks under Gross Vehicle Weight of less than 4526 kg (10,000 lbs) being offered for automobile service uses.
8. No tow-truck operations will be permitted on the subject site.
9. Not more than one advertising sign shall be displayed on the land and the size of the sign permitted shall not exceed 4.0 square feet in total area and shall not be illuminated.
10. Business activities shall be limited to the hours of 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Monday to Friday and 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Saturdays (excluding Public Holidays).
11. This order shall expire and become null and void on the date the land is transferred by the owner or business ceases to be in operation.
12. Not more than ten (10) vehicles or motorized equipment to be kept on the property at one time.

CARRIED (3-1)

Consent Agenda

08-165 SKRUPSKI
THOMPSON

WHEREAS a consent agenda has been submitted consisting of 11 items;
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the said consent agenda be amended as follows:
Move item 8.7 to By-law on April 23, 2008

CARRIED (4-0)

NEW BUSINESS

2009 Board of Revision

08-166 SKRUPSKI
BODNARUK

WHEREAS the Organizational By-Law requires the appointment of a Board of Revision to hear assessment appeals composed entirely of members of Council or a combination of Council and others;
AND WHEREAS the 2009 Board of Revision will be held October 22, 2008;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Revision of the RM of Springfield be composed of the Head of Council, who shall be the Presiding Officer and all Councillors who shall be members, and that Randall Znamirovski be appointed Secretary . CARRIED (4-0)

Greater Winnipeg Gas Distribution Committee - Received as information.

Land Expropriation - NW 26-11-4E

The CAO advised that the lot will have to be measured after the snow is gone. Item to be brought back as unfinished business.

Anola Over 50 Club

08-167 SKRUPSKI THOMPSON BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council accept the recommendation of the Springfield Recreation Commission and that \$10,000.00 be given to the Anola Over 50 Club for renovations, to be taken from recreation reserve. CARRIED (4-0)

Rural Matters Conference - Received as information.

Gravel Extraction Concerns

The CAO reported that the correspondence received regarding gravel extraction concerns was discussed at the Public Works Committee meeting. The CAO and Manager of Operations and Services were directed to respond.

Canada Day Committee

08-168 SKRUPSKI VAAGS WHEREAS the Rural Municipality of Springfield has been providing an annual grant of \$3,000.00 for fireworks for the Canada Day celebration; and WHEREAS this grant has been confirmed annually by resolution of Council; BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorize a grant of \$3,000.00 for the 2008 fireworks display. CARRIED (4-0)

Emergency Plan 2008

08-169 THOMPSON VAAGS WHEREAS Manitoba Emergency Measures requires municipalities to update and/or revise Emergency Plans on an annual basis; AND WHEREAS the Springfield Emergency Plan updates have now been completed; BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council accept and approve said changes. CARRIED (4-0)

Using Accounting Course

- 08-170 SKRUPSKI THOMPSON BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Municipality reimburses the registration for the Using Accounting Information University Course for Olga Esau, with payment of fees to be prior to the course being taken. Fees to be reimbursed if course is not completed. CARRIED (4-0)

Highway Traffic Board Hearing

- 08-171 SKRUPSKI BODNARUK BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following be delegated to attend the Highway Traffic Board Hearing April 22, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. in Winnipeg: Councillor Vaags CARRIED (4-0)

Anola 101st Anniversary

- 08-172 SKRUPSKI BODNARUK BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council agree, subject to Provincial approval, to the closure of PTH 15 and PTH 12 and the closure of Weiser Cres. and Gass Ave. from approximately 9:30 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. on Saturday June 7, 2008 in conjunction with the Anola 101st Anniversary event. CARRIED (4-0)

Pembina Valley Water Cooperative - Received as information.

Development Agreement

- 08-173 SKRUPSKI THOMPSON BE IT RESOLVED THAT Katherine Laurie Gower be authorized to enter into a Development Agreement with the R.M. of Springfield; AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the CAO and Reeve be authorized to sign the Development Agreement. CARRIED (4-0)

Ron Lemieux - Open House

- 08-174 SKRUPSKI THOMPSON BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following be delegated to attend Ron Lemieux's open house on April 18, 2008 in Lorette: Councillor Lucko CARRIED (4-0)

Reserve Transfer

- 08-175 SKRUPSKI THOMPSON WHEREAS proceeds from the sale of Lot 14 Plan 18405 within NE 20-12-5E were received August 22, 2007; BE IT RESOLVED THAT the net proceeds of the sale, in the amount of \$20,148.87, be transferred to General Reserve with an effective date of December 31, 2007 as per policy pertaining to the Proceeds from the Disposition of Capital Assets. CARRIED (4-0)

DELEGATIONS

Donna Pronishen along with several representatives of the parent council for the Springfield Middle School met with Council to discuss their concerns with Willow Avenue, from Main Street West to Maple Drive. Mrs. Pronishen noted that their main concerns were:

- Willow is a very busy collector road
- no sidewalk
- very icy in winter, inconsistent sanding
- speeding, not stopping at stop signs
- lack of presence of law enforcement
- increased housing will only worsen the problem

Reeve Skrupski advised the delegate that sanding could easily be corrected and the issue would be referred to both the municipal constable and the RCMP. He noted that an additional municipal constable would be starting in May.

Cooks Creek Conservation District Levy

08-176	BODNARUK SKRUPSKI	BE IT RESOLVED THAT the funding for the 2008-2009 Cooks Creek Conservation District Program in the amount of \$152,401.62 be approved and further that payment be made upon request. CARRIED (4-0)
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List of Accounts

08-177	THOMPSON VAAGS	WHEREAS disbursements have been reviewed for the period of March 13 th , 2008 to April 9 th , 2008; BE IT RESOLVED THAT all accounts listed on the attached printout from cheque #123156 to cheque #123326 totalling \$490,513.96 be approved for payment. CARRIED (3-1)
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Oakbank Water Public Forum

Reeve Skrupski advised that he would like to hold a public meeting with display boards and present the proposal for town water at the end of May. He advised that he would be meeting with Dick Mennon of Water Services with the CAO.

By-Law Enforcement

Councillor Bodnaruk requested that there be a clarification as to who is responsible for the enforcement of by-laws.

Gravel Pit Inspections

Councillor Bodnaruk noted that the municipality had met with the Province in April of 2007 and has yet to received a report of inspections completed in the gravel pits. He would like to confirm that inspections are in fact being done. The CAO advised that the municipal constable also does pit inspections on a regular basis. Councillor Bodnaruk requested a copy of inspection reports.

Budget Meeting

All of council agreed to meet while in Brandon on April 16th at 7:00 p.m. to review the draft budget.

Cooks Creek Dance Academy

- 08-178 SKRUPSKI THOMPSON BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council accept the recommendation of the Springfield Recreation Commission and that \$1,942.03 be paid to the Cooks Creek Dance Academy to complete the payment of \$4,000.00 previously approved by council in 2006. CARRIED (4-0)

Community Club Alarms

- 08-179 SKRUPSKI THOMPSON WHEREAS Community Clubs have recently experienced several break-ins that have resulted in thousands of dollars in claims and deductibles; AND WHEREAS the municipality pays for the insurance on these community clubs and a discounted insurance rate may be available to buildings equipped with alarm systems; BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council accept the recommendation of the Springfield Recreation Commission to provide alarm systems to the Cooks Creek Community Club and Dugald Community Club up to a limit of \$2,500.00 per club. CARRIED (4-0)

Springfield Recreation Commission Ward 2

- 08-180 THOMPSON VAAGS BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council accept the recommendation of the Springfield Recreation Commission that Mike Poitras be appointed as Ward 2 SRC representative effective immediately. CARRIED (4-0)

Springfield Recreation Commission Chair

- 08-181 SKRUPSKI THOMPSON BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council accept the recommendation of the Springfield Recreation Commission that Bob Hooper be appointed as Chair of the Springfield Recreation Commission. CARRIED (3-1)

In Camera

08-182 SKRUPSKI BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting recess to in camera to
THOMPSON discuss personnel issues.
AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT all matters shall
remain confidential until a report is made public.
CARRIED (3-1)

08-183 SKRUPSKI BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting reconvenes from in
BODNARUK camera.
CARRIED (4-0)

Adjournment

SKRUPSKI THAT this meeting stand adjourned the time being 2:45
p.m.
CARRIED (4-0)

Peter Skrupski
Reeve

Laurent Tétrault
Chief Administrative Officer