

THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF SPRINGFIELD

COUNCIL MEETING

WEDNESDAY, August 26th, 2009

Present: Reeve Peter Skrupski
Councillor Bob Bodnaruk
Councillor Karen Lalonde
Councillor Ken Lucko
Councillor Lorne Vaags
Laurent Tétrault, CAO
Randall, Znamirowski, CFO

Absent: Councillor Brian Thompson

Reeve Skrupski called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

AGENDA

09-417 SKRUPSKI VAAGS BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda be amended as follows:
Add: 1. Credit Card
2. Recreation Commission Minutes and resolutions
3. Gunn Road Project from consent agenda (8.1)
4. CCDA Correspondence
5. Hillside Waste Disposal (8.7)
6. Employee Retirement
7. No Parking Reimer Road
8. Street Lights
9. Letter from resident

CARRIED (4-1)

Minutes

09-418 SKRUPSKI BODNARUK WHEREAS the minutes of the Council meeting held August 12, 2009 have been previously distributed to Council;
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the same be and are hereby amended as follows:
- change page 13 - ward works from not completed to not started

CARRIED (4-0)

As per Councillor Vaags the ward works mentioned in the August 12 minutes involves a Cook's Creek Conservation ditch not a municipal ditch.

Councillor Vaags abstained from the vote as he was not present at the August 12 council meeting.

REPORTS - ELECTED OFFICIALS

Councillor Lucko reported that public works has started grading the roads and are working weekends and overtime because of the bad weather. He also noted that the RM of Gimli has just started doing drainage projects whereas the RM of Springfield started 3 years ago.

BY-LAWS

By-law 09-09 - Organizational

09-419 SKRUPSKI
VAAGS

BE IT RESOLVED THAT third and final reading be given to By-law No. 09-09 being a by-law of the Rural Municipality of Springfield to govern the organization of the R.M. of Springfield and the Council Committees thereof.

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

CARRIED (5-0)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Parking By-law

Councillor Vaags advised that no parking signs were placed on Holland Street in Dugald. Some residents were upset that the parking was restricted 24/7. Councillor Vaags would like to see school time restrictions on that street. By-law to be reviewed at next Protective Services Committee meeting.

DELEGATION

Staff Sergeant Doug Ashton met with Council along with two non-staff members, both experienced officers involved in training. Staff Sergeant Ashton noted he previously met with the CAO to go over statistics and priorities. May to November, 5 constables went on parental leave and two on disability. ATV regulation was discussed. Will meet with the Protective Services Committee to discuss further. The delegate noted he met with the ADHOC Committee after Springfield Days to discuss the event. The beer gardens were not controlled enough, a lot of damage was done (stealing, vandalism, fights). Need to have more liquor inspectors. Staff Sergeant Ashton advised that they are happy with the RM's plans and would like to be close to the new fire hall and ambulance station.

Consent Agenda

09-420 SKRUPSKI
LUCKO

WHEREAS a consent agenda has been submitted consisting of 8 items;
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the said consent agenda be amended as follows:
- remove 8.1 and 8.7 to New Business

CARRIED (5-0)

NEW BUSINESS

Dugald Utility Capital Fund

09-421 SKRUPSKI
VAAGS

WHEREAS the Dugald Utility Capital Fund owes two Reserve Funds \$592,449.77 relating to the Dugald water and distribution system completed around 1998; AND WHEREAS these amounts have been outstanding for eleven years; AND WHEREAS the July 24, 2008 Supplementary Audit Report states "with consolidation of the utility funds happening in next next few years, we suggest that the repayment arrangements be formalized"; AND WHEREAS it is not practical to collect the amount from the combined Utility Operation or from the Dugald residents;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council cancel the following amounts, totaling \$592,449.77, owed by the Dugald Utility Capital Fund to the:

- General Reserve Fund \$161,463 and the
 - Capital Requirements Reserve Fund \$430,986.77
- CARRIED (4-1)

Public Building Reserve

Councillor Lucko requested a recorded vote.

09-422 SKRUPSKI
VAAGS

BE IT RESOLVED THAT up to \$200,000.00 of the 2008 Operating Surplus be transferred to the Public Building Reserve.

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

CARRIED (3-2)

2008 Year End Financial

The CFO presented an in-depth analysis of the year end financial statements and stated that Springfield had another good year, similar to the previous year. The CFO stated "we hope you will join us in celebrating another financially successful year and encouraged people to spread the good news to ensure the municipality thrives and prospers. These past two years favourable results build on Springfield's solid financial foundation."

A concise easy to read one page financial summary compared the current year's results to the budget and to the previous year, this was accompanied with a narrative summary of the financial report, the year end financial statements and explained in the detailed PowerPoint presentation.

09-423 LALONDE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Financial Statement for the
SKRUPSKI year ending December 31, 2008 be accepted as presented.
CARRIED (5-0)

January Financial

09-424 LALONDE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Financial Statement for the
LUCKO month ending January 31, 2009 be accepted as presented.
CARRIED (5-0)

February Financial

09-425 VAAGS BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Financial Statement for the
SKRUPSKI month ending February 28, 2009 be accepted as
presented. CARRIED (5-0)

Appointment of Auditor

09-426 SKRUPSKI BE IT RESOLVED THAT the R.M. of Springfield appoints
LUCKO the Exchange chartered accountants to conduct the 2009
financial audit based on the written proposal of
\$6,125.00 plus an administrative charge of 2% for out-
of-pocket expenses, plus applicable GST and PST.
CARRIED (5-0)

Drainage Concerns

Drainage concerns from Mr. Yakubicka were discussed.

Disaster Management Conference

09-427 SKRUPSKI BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following people be delegated
LUCKO to attend the Disaster Management Conference in
Brandon, November 4-6, 2009:
Dick Vlaming
Richard Myall
Rose Sterritt
Blaine Moffat
Tony Zerucha
Randall Znamirovski
Garth Cook
and members of Council CARRIED (5-0)

Mayor of Hachioji, Japan

Reeve Skrupski read correspondence from the Mayor of
Hachioji, Japan thanking a family from Springfield for
taking in an exchange student.

Recreation Commission Appointment

09-428 BODNARUK BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Recreation Commission
LUCKO appointment for Ward 1 be Jordan Gavaga.
CARRIED (5-0)

Muscular Dystrophy Proclamation

- 09-429 SKRUPSKI
VAAGS WHEREAS the month of September has officially been declared Muscular Dystrophy Awareness Month across Canada;
BE IT RESOLVED THAT Reeve Skrupski be authorized to issue a proclamation in respect to Muscular Dystrophy Awareness month. CARRIED (5-0)

KidSport - Eastman

- 09-430 LALONDE
LUCKO BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorizes a grant in the amount of \$300.00 to KidSport - Eastman to assist children to participate in organized sporting activities. CARRIED (5-0)

Ward 1 Ward Appropriations

- 09-431 BODNARUK
LUCKO BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following work requests be approved and funded through Ward 1 ward appropriations:
1. Cleanout of east side drain on Symington Road from just South of railway to St. Boniface Road.
2. Installation of culvert for high flows on Wenzel Street at McGregor Farm Road. CARRIED (5-0)

Ward 4 Ward Appropriations

- 09-432 LUCKO
BODNARUK BE IT RESOLVED THAT \$20,000.00 be spent from Ward 4 Ward Appropriation for the upgrade of Colony Road. CARRIED (5-0)

Ward 5 Ward Appropriations

- 09-433 VAAGS
SKRUPSKI BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following projects be added to Ward 5 Ward Appropriation:
1. S1-10-6E - Cleanout along North side of Prairie Grove Rd between Stoneridge Rd & PTH 12 - \$10,000
2. S of SE 4-10-6E - Cleanout along North side of Prairie Grove Rd from Briercliff Rd ½ mile West - \$5,000
3. Misc. Brushing - \$10,000 CARRIED (5-0)

Speed Restrictions

- 09-434 BODNARUK
LALONDE WHEREAS residents in the area have requested speed restrictions;
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM reduce the speed limits on the following roads to 50 km/h;
- Symington Road from PTH 101 to Hunter Road, Sedo Drive from Plessis Road to Symington Road and Hunter Road from Plessis Road to Symington Road. CARRIED (5-0)

Engine Retarder Brakes

- 09-435 BODNARUK
LUCKO WHEREAS residents in the area have requested a prohibition of engine retarder brake signs;
AND WHEREAS the amount of truck traffic will increase dramatically with the building of riel station;
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM approve the installation of the signs north of #1 and #15 highways.
CARRIED (5-0)

Motion to Rescind Resolution 09-369

No vote was taken to rescind the resolution.

Western Canada Waste and Wastewater Conference

- 09-436 VAAGS
LUCKO BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Manager of Operations and Services be authorized to send two employees to the Western Canada Water and Wastewater Association Conference in Winnipeg on September 20-23, 2009.
CARRIED (5-0)

Credit Card

- 09-437 LUCKO
LALONDE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorize a municipal credit card for Richard Myall.
CARRIED (5-0)

Hazelridge Sports Complex

- 09-438 SKRUPSKI
VAAGS BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council accept the recommendation of the Springfield Recreation Commission and approve payment of an additional \$5,000.00 to Hazelridge Sports Complex to rectify an error made in calculating the 2009 operational grant.
CARRIED (5-0)

Jersey Policy

- 09-439 SKRUPSKI
LALONDE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council accept the recommendation of the Springfield Recreation Commission and adopt the following jersey replacement policy:
"Sports providers in the Rural Municipality of Springfield are allowed to request funding assistance from Council to allay the cost of purchasing jerseys, provided the requesting group abide by the following guidelines":
- each age group of each organization is allowed to request assistance once every seven years;
 - the requesting organization must play a sport recognized by Sport Manitoba;
 - the RM covers no more than 50% of the total cost to a maximum total of \$15,000.00 for all organizations combined in any one year;
 - requests must be provided to the Recreation Commission by October 1 of the year previous to the year in which jerseys are required;

- recipient groups must display a municipal logo on the jersey;
 - recipient organizations must include a dedicated jersey replacement surcharge that is clearly displayed on their registration forms, with evidence of such provided to the municipality on an annual basis;
 - recipient group must perform an act of community service for the municipality and provide a written summary of that activity as requested by the Council or Recreation Commission;
 - three estimates be included as part of their submission;
 - the requesting group's participants must be a maximum of 18 years of age;
 - recipient group must retain possession and ownership of the jerseys throughout the jersey's lifespan.
- DEFEATED (2-3)

Gunn Road

The CAO was directed to write a letter to the Federal and Provincial governments regarding funding received.

Cooks Creek Dance Academy Correspondence

Councillor Lalonde read correspondence she received from Mrs. Steiner. To be referred to the Recreation Commission meeting.

Hillside Waste Disposal - To be discussed at Water and Wastewater Committee Meeting.

Employee Retirement

Discussion took place regarding plans for Ron Frolick's impending retirement.

No Parking - Reimer Road

No parking on Reimer Road was discussed but not approved.

Street Lights

Councillor Bodnaruk would like to put street lights (dusk to dawn) on Chimo Place, MacGregor Farm Road and Symington Road. To get estimates.

Letter from Resident

Councillor Bodnaruk distributed correspondence received from Mr. Zadworny regarding Cook's Creek Conservation District constructing walking trails on property where their office is located. He believes it is in breach of an agreement signed prior to taking over the property.

In Camera

09-440 SKRUPSKI BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting recess to in camera to
VAAGS discuss personnel and legal issues.
AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT all matters shall
remain confidential until a report is made public.
- to discuss property issues CARRIED (5-0)

09-441 SKRUPSKI BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting reconvenes from in
VAAGS camera. CARRIED (5-0)

Adjournment

BODNARUK THAT this meeting stand adjourned the time being 9:45
p.m. CARRIED (5-0)

Peter Skrupski
Reeve

Laurent Tétrault
Chief Administrative Officer