

THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF SPRINGFIELD

COUNCIL MEETING

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 10<sup>th</sup>, 2008

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Present: Reeve Peter Skrupski  
Councillor Bob Bodnaruk  
Councillor Karen Lalonde  
Councillor Brian Thompson  
Councillor Ken Lucko  
Councillor Lorne Vaags  
Laurent Tétrault, CAO  
Randall Znamirovski, CFO and Manager of  
Administration

Reeve Skrupski called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

**AGENDA**

08-621 SKRUPSKI BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda be amended as follows:  
BODNARUK Delete: Delegation 3:00 p.m. - Gord Barton  
Add: Accounts Payable  
Computer Purchase - Planning Department  
Petro-Canada Service Agreement  
Vendor Invoice Service Credit  
Seine River School Division Meeting  
Springfield Kinsmen Youth Centre  
Delegation - All Council Meeting  
Delegation - 2:15 p.m. Chuck Chappell  
CARRIED (6-0)

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

Animal Control - Report for November 2008 received as  
information.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

LSL Aggregates

Item was discussed at the Public Works Committee  
meeting.

**Consent Agenda**

08-622 SKRUPSKI WHEREAS a consent agenda has been submitted consisting  
THOMPSON of 1 item;  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the said consent agenda be adopted  
as circulated. CARRIED (6-0)

**NEW BUSINESS**

Mosquito Larviciding

- 08-623 SKRUPSKI  
VAAGS WHEREAS the Provincial-Municipal Support Services Division of Manitoba Intergovernmental Affairs and the City of Winnipeg request payment for 2008 Mosquito Larviciding;  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the R.M. of Springfield remit the amount of \$20,000.00 as in previous years.  
CARRIED (6-0)

Manitoba Crimestoppers - Received as information.

Penalty Cancellation Request

Requests were denied.

Matching Grants - Received as information.

Road Conditions - Information to be forwarded to Manager of Operations and Services.

Asphalt Petition

A petition was received as information. However there was no information as to who submitted this petition and there has been no application for an asphalt plant.

Financial Statement

- 08-624 SKRUPSKI  
THOMPSON BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Financial Statement for the month ending October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2008 be accepted as presented.  
CARRIED (6-0)

Eastern Manitoba Guide

- 08-625 THOMPSON  
LALONDE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the R.M. of Springfield place a ¼ page advertisement in the 2009 Eastern Manitoba Tourism Association Guide.  
CARRIED (6-0)

Interim Operating Budget

- 08-626 SKRUPSKI  
THOMPSON BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve an Interim Operating Budget of \$11,015,524.00 being the 2009 forecasted budget as reported in the 2008 Financial Plan.  
CARRIED (6-0)

Transfer Station Policy

- 08-627 VAAGS  
BODNARUK BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Transfer Station Policy be adopted as revised to include commercial trailers.  
CARRIED (5-1)

Springfield Food Bank

08-628 LUCKO  
LALONDE

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Springfield Food Bank be provided a grant of \$2,500.00 per year for rent of the facility and if required a grant to sustain the food bank (ie. supplies, food) that is not to exceed \$2,500.00 per year. CARRIED (6-0)

DELEGATIONS

Claude Roeland, on behalf of Springfield Tache Weed District, met with Council to give an update of the work performed in 2008. There would be no increase requested for 2009.

Chuck Chappell met with Council to discuss Manitoba Hydro purchasing land from Mr. and Mrs. Maes for the Riel Substation development.

08-629 BODNARUK  
SKRUPSKI

WHEREAS Norman Maes and Constance Maes own two 5 acre lots being Lots 1 and 2, Plan 44645 and also a residual Lot 3 of Plan 44645 comprising 30 acres;  
AND WHEREAS the Council of the Rural Municipality of Springfield by its motion 93-59 carried February 2, 1993, attached hereto, approved the subdivision of the 40 acres of Maes' property;  
AND WHEREAS the Council of the Rural Municipality of Springfield by its Resolution 02-285, attached hereto, approved the creation of Lots 1 and 2, Plan 44645;  
AND WHEREAS Manitoba Hydro proposes to acquire as part of the Riel Substation the total holdings of Mr. and Mrs. Maes comprising 39.6 acres;  
AND WHEREAS the appraiser for Mr. and Mrs. Maes has determined that the highest and best use of the 39.6 acres represent a subdivision into eight 5 acre lots of which two 5 acre lots have now been created by virtue of Plan No. 44645;  
AND WHEREAS Mr. and Mrs. Maes are desirous of having Council approve in principal the concept of subdividing the remainder of their holding into six 5 acre lots for the purpose of determining a market value utilizing the highest and best use of the lands as rural residential 5 acre lots;  
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Rural Municipality of Springfield support in principal the use of the remainder 29.6 acres of land at the highest and best use of rural residential 5 acre lots. CARRIED (5-1)

**NEW BUSINESS CONT'D**

Lease of Skid Steer

08-630 LUCKO  
LALONDE

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the R.M. of Springfield lease to purchase a 2009 Bobcat Skid Steer and attachments from Bobcat of Central Manitoba for the monthly sum not to exceed \$2862.35 plus applicable taxes.

CARRIED (6-0)

**DELEGATIONS CONT'D**

Diane Dumas, Gladys Hayward-Williams, Karen Carey and Don Nichols, School trustees for the Sunrise School Division, were invited to meet with Council to discuss several issues.

- Council questioned the policy of no smoking on school property as it just transferred the problem to municipal property.
- Sunrise School Division budget is \$200,000 to improve school fields and playgrounds for 20 schools.
- Council questioned poor appearance of Anola School and the continued use of huts, asked for school to be power washed and painted and south sidewalk to be repaired. Sunrise School Division stated 3 schools were power washed last year due to budget restraints.
- Council asked what the total assessment was for the school division and what portion the RM of Springfield was of the total. Sunrise will provide Council a list of this.
- Council questioned what the Sunrise School Division 5 year capital budget requests were, if any new schools were to be built to keep up with the growing population (121 homes built in 2008). Sunrise School Division stated in future a new gym and science lab is requested for Dugald, and new science lab and library for Anola. Sunrise School Division stated the Anola School addition request is a decade old but Public Schools Finance Board feels the catchment area is declining.
- Sunrise School Division budget meeting is February 24 for municipalities and February 25 for the public.
- Council asked how much money the school division spent on the tri-school area grounds for the last 3 years. School division to report back to Council.
- Council asked for the school division's support for the \$100,000 Willow West sidewalk project in the tri-school area. School division stated they provided funding to an RM for widening a road in Whitemouth.

- Council questioned what the budget is on a per pupil basis and requested it for the last 5 years. School division will provide the information to Council and stated last year the figure was \$9,673 with a population of approximately 5,000 students.
- Council asked if the school division will support the tri-school area Field of Visions project in the 2009 & 2010 budget. The school division feels they do not have financial resources to fund any land and recreational projects and are concerned about the ongoing operational costs for this project.

Willow West Sidewalk

08-631 SKRUPSKI BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Sunrise School Division be  
LALONDE asked to contribute \$35,000 towards the Willow West  
sidewalk project in 2009. CARRIED (6-0)

Regional Lagoon Expansion

08-632 LUCKO BE IT RESOLVED THAT the R.M. of Springfield enter into  
LALONDE an agreement with Stantec Consulting Ltd. for the  
Engineering Services for the Regional Lagoon Expansion  
Design for the sum of \$15,600 plus fees and  
disbursements. CARRIED (6-0)

Cell Phones

The CFO reported on successful negotiations on cell phone plans which should save the municipality \$400 - \$500 a month.

Library Renovations

Proposals are expected soon.

Ambulance Building

The CAO reported that a new two bay ambulance station was announced by North Eastman Health Association to be built on the land provided by the municipality on section 9-11-5E. The Reeve asked the CFO to arrange a press release with North Eastman Health Association officials.

Seniors Housing

Discussion arose on a Manitoba Housing and Renewal Corporation and North Eastman Health Association, 10-12 person assisted living seniors housing complex.

08-633 VAAGS  
BODNARUK

WHEREAS Resolution of Council No. 08-588 resolved that the R.M. of Springfield partner with Manitoba Housing and Renewal Corporation (MHRC) for the establishment of a supportive care seniors facility in either of the communities Dugald or Oakbank with the RM providing serviced land at no cost;  
AND WHEREAS the proposed Springfield Public Library (Dugald Building) is considered by the residents to be located between Springfield's two largest communities;  
AND WHEREAS there are complimentary facilities on that location being the library and memorial park;  
AND WHEREAS the timeframe for MHRC is extremely tight (Spring 2009);  
AND WHEREAS it is important that the land be easily serviceable with infrastructure (road, drainage, utilities);  
AND WHEREAS the land has proper drainage;  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the R.M. of Springfield provide a substantial portion of the land (separate title or lease) behind the Public Library parking lot to be used for the establishment of a supportive care seniors facility. CARRIED (6-0)

Accounts Payable

08-634 SKRUPSKI  
THOMPSON

WHEREAS disbursements have been reviewed for the period of November 13<sup>th</sup>, 2008 to December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2008;  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT all accounts listed on the attached printout from cheque #124721 to #124937 totalling \$1,339,278.01 be approved for payment. CARRIED (6-0)

Computer Purchase

08-635 BODNARUK  
VAAGS

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council accept the recommendation of the Planning & Development Department to approve the purchase of a desktop computer, software, related accessories and installation & setup from MicroAge Computer Centre of Winnipeg, to a maximum amount of \$2,200.00 plus applicable taxes. CARRIED (6-0)

Petro-Canada Service Agreement

08-636 VAAGS  
BODNARUK

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Petro-Canada be authorized to enter into a Services Agreement with the R.M. of Springfield;  
AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the CAO and Reeve be authorized to sign the Servicing Agreement. CARRIED (6-0)

Vendor Invoice Service Credit

Discussion arose on use of a credit note for \$321.10 from Scheme a Dream.

Meeting Delegation

08-637 SKRUPSKI THOMPSON BE IT RESOLVED THAT Councillor Vaags attend the All Councils meeting in Headingley on December 8 (Mayors and Reeves). CARRIED (5-0)

*Councillor Vaags abstained from the vote.*

In Camera

08-638 VAAGS SKRUPSKI BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting recess to in camera to discuss personnel issues. AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT all matters shall remain confidential until a report is made public. CARRIED (5-1)

Out of Camera

08-639 SKRUPSKI BODNARUK BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting reconvenes from in camera. CARRIED (6-0)

Adjournment

THOMPSON THAT this meeting stand adjourned the time being 4:45 p.m. CARRIED (6-0)

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Peter Skrupski  
Reeve

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Laurent Tétrault  
Chief Administrative Officer