

THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF SPRINGFIELD

COUNCIL MEETING

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2009

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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, Chief Financial Officer  
Dan Doucet, Development Officer

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

**AGENDA**

09-602 SKRUPSKI  
VAAGS

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda be amended as follows:  
Unfinished Business - Springfield Recreation Center  
Add: 1. Defer Ward Boundary Public Hearing to January  
6, 2010  
2. Minutes of Council meeting held November 19/09  
3. Ward Appropriation - Ward 1  
4. Extension of Lease for Pineridge Pit to Mulder  
5. Gravel Crushing Tender  
6. Springfield Utility Communication Tower  
7. CP Agreement - Culvert Crossing  
8. Ward Appropriation - Ward 5  
9. Recreation Commission Minutes of November 16/09  
10. Remove 8:00 p.m. delegation  
11. Remove 9.14 Springfield Curling Club  
(duplicated)  
12. Pit Bull Attack  
13. Torch Run  
14. Library Rebate  
15. Property Tax Penalty  
16. Pine Ridge Speed Restriction / Truck Route  
17. Springfield Agricultural Society  
18. Meeting Delegations

In Camera Re: Bob Handler

CARRIED (6-0)

**DELEGATION**

Springfield Public Library Chairman Jack Stafford and Librarian Vanessa Sobkowich-Wiebe, met with Council to make a presentation showing several options for service levels and to discuss municipal financial commitments. The Chairman asked that a meeting be arranged with RM officials to discuss the 2010 budget. Mrs. Sobkowich-Wiebe presented numerous statistics which demonstrated that Springfield Public Library is exceeding all milestones according to library statistics. Although the library has only been open for 6 months it is already or almost meeting statistics for 1 year of service.

Harry Harding and Norm Tchir on behalf of the Hazelridge/Springfield Legion met with Council to request that the road leading to the Memorial Park be named after the former Chief Constable and driving force behind the Memorial Park, "Morfoot Way".

09-603 THOMPSON  
LALONDE

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council designate the driveway road access to the Springfield Memorial Park, Public Library, Pioneer House and Assisted Living Housing Complex to "Morfoot Way" in honor of former Chief Constable, Public Safety Officer Warren Morfoot.

DEFEATED (3-3)

**PUBLIC HEARINGS UNDER THE PLANNING ACT**

Variance 09-88 - Todd Pope & Cheryl Tougas - SE ¼ 13-10-6E

Purpose: To permit the maintenance of a 34'x 30' accessory building (detached garage) having a front yard setback of 85(+/-) feet instead of the required 125 feet within the "A" Rural & Agricultural Zoning District.

Representations:

In Support: Todd Pope

In Opposition: None

The Development Officer read his report.

The Chair closed the evidentiary portion of the meeting.

09-604 VAAGS  
LUCKO

WHEREAS a Public Hearing has been conducted under The Planning Act to consider an application filed by the owners Todd Pope and Cheryl Tougas (Lot 3 Plan 42068 within SE ¼ 13-10-6EPM) for a variation of the Springfield Zoning By-law No. 85-26 & 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. 09 - 88 be granted subject to the following conditions:

- 1. That the building permit fees be doubled for the pre-constructed accessory building.

CARRIED (6-0)

Variance 09-89 - Chris & Holly Fjeldsted - SW ¼ 31-12-6E

Purpose: To permit the construction of a 24'x 50' addition (porch & attached garage) to the pre-existing non-conforming single-family dwelling having a front yard setback of 85.7(+/-) feet instead of the required 125 feet, within the "A" Rural & Agricultural District. (Variation Order 08-55 expired)

Representations:

In Support: Chris Fjeldsted  
In Opposition: None

The Development Officer read his report.

The Chair closed the evidentiary portion of the meeting.

09-605 THOMPSON  
BODNARUK

WHEREAS a Public Hearing has been conducted under The Planning Act to consider an application filed by the owners Chris & Holly Fjeldsted (Lot 1 Plan 37309 within SW ¼ 31-12-6EPM) for a variation of the Springfield Zoning By-law No. 85-25 as amended;  
AND WHEREAS Council is satisfied that the requirements of Sections 94, 96 and 97 have been met;  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT Variation Order No. 09 - 89 be granted. CARRIED (6-0)

Variance 09-90 - Neil & Gail Cornock and NHC Plumbing & Heating Ltd. - SW ¼ 27-10-4E

Proposal: To permit a horse boarding business on the land as a "Home Occupation", within the "A" Rural District. (Proposed number of livestock - thirty-five(35) horses, 17.5 Livestock Waste Units)

Representations:

In Support: Neil Cornock  
In Opposition: None

For Information: Robert Elliot

The Development Officer read his report.

The Chair closed the evidentiary portion of the meeting.

09-606 BODNARUK  
THOMPSON

WHEREAS a Public Hearing has been conducted under The Planning Act to consider an application filed by the owners Neil & Gail Cornock and NHC Plumbing & Heating Ltd. (SW ¼ 27-10-4EPM) for a variation of the Springfield Town Planning Scheme By-law 1575 & 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. 09 - 90 be granted subject to the following conditions:  
1. No livestock other than horses shall be permitted on the land.  
2. No livestock shall be permitted on the land other than up to a maximum of 17.5 Livestock Waste Units (35 horses), which are to be kept no closer than 100 feet to any well or septic field.

- 3. This order shall expire and become null and void on the date the land is transferred by the applicant or business ceases to be in operation.

CARRIED (6-0)

Variance 09-91 - Mary Kirkwood on behalf of David & Joanne Nelson - SE ¼ 9-12-5E

Purpose: To permit a "Home Occupation" on the land, to include the following:

- Individual & Group Music Lessons, within the "A20" Limited Agricultural District.

Representations:

In Support: Mary Kirkwood

In Opposition: None

The Development Officer read his report.

The Chair closed the evidentiary portion of the meeting.

09-607 VAAGS  
THOMPSON

WHEREAS a Public Hearing has been conducted under The Planning Act to consider an application filed by Mary Kirkwood on behalf of the owners David & Joanne Nelson (Lot 13 Plan 15867 within SE ¼ 9-12-5E) for a variation of the Springfield Zoning By-law No. 85-25 as amended; AND WHEREAS Council is satisfied that the requirements of Sections 94, 96 and 97 have been met;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Variation Order No. 09 - 91 be granted subject to the following conditions:

1. All business activities shall be conducted within the existing single-family dwelling.
2. Business activities shall be limited to the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Monday to Friday and 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Saturdays (excluding Public Holidays).
3. A building inspection shall be conducted for the single-family dwelling to ensure that all life safety building and fire code requirements are met based on the maximum occupant load.
4. Not more than one advertising sign shall be displayed on the land and the size of the sign permitted shall not exceed 6 square feet in total area.
5. All personal and business related vehicles shall be parked on site.
6. The Home Occupation Business shall be owned and operated by the member(s) of the family, residing within the dwelling unit.
7. This order shall expire and become null and void when the business ceases to be in operation at the subject site.

CARRIED (6-0)

Variance 09-73 - Eulaluia Swiderski - SE 4-11-8E  
(RECONVENED)

Proposal: To permit the placement of an accessory building (storage building) prior to the erection of the main dwelling, within the "A" Rural & Agricultural Zoning District.

Representations: None

The Development Officer advised that he completed a site visit and noted that the well is not properly secured. Item deferred to next Planning meeting. Development Officer to contact Manitoba Conservation.

Pit Bull Attack

09-608 THOMPSON LALONDE BE IT RESOLVED THAT a dangerous dog (pit bull) be put down for public safety reasons, as per the recommendation of the RCMP and Animal Control Officer, for the incident which occurred at 66152 Willowdale Road and that this be done promptly.  
CARRIED (6-0)

Minutes

09-609 SKRUPSKI BODNARUK WHEREAS the minutes of the Council meeting held November 18, 2009 have been previously distributed to Council;  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the same be and are hereby approved.  
CARRIED (6-0)

09-610 SKRUPSKI VAAGS WHEREAS the minutes of the Council meeting held November 19, 2009 have been previously distributed to Council;  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the same be and are hereby amended as follows:  
Remove all comments after note "left the meeting", on Page 1.  
CARRIED (6-0)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Springfield Recreation Complex

Councillor Lucko requested a recorded vote.

09-611 SKRUPSKI THOMPSON WHEREAS Stantec Architecture Ltd. was retained by the RM of Springfield to provide a conceptual design of the Springfield Community Recreation Complex;  
AND WHEREAS the RM of Springfield is now prepared to proceed with the schematic design of the said recreation complex;  
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Springfield retain the services of Stantec Architecture Ltd. to provide a schematic design of the Springfield Community Recreation Complex for a fee of \$159,042.00 plus taxes and the funds to come from the Park and Recreational

Facilities Reserve Fund and further more that the Reeve and CAO be authorized to enter into a contract with Stantec Architecture Ltd. for the said services.

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

CARRIED (4-2)

**BY-LAWS**

By-law No. 08-18 - Aspen Lakes Development Corp.

09-612 SKRUPSKI LALONDE BE IT RESOLVED THAT third and final reading be given to By-law No. 08-18 being a by-law of the Rural Municipality of Springfield to re-designate the lands generally located within the South Eastern 232.0 feet by 343.0 feet of Lot 21 Block 1 Plan 43725 within SW ¼ 22-11-5EPM from Commercial to Residential.

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

CARRIED (5-1)

By-law No. 09-28 - RM of Springfield

09-613 SKRUPSKI VAAGS BE IT RESOLVED THAT first reading be given to By-law No. 09-28 being a by-law of the Rural Municipality of Springfield to re-designate the lands generally located within the NW ¼ 15-11-5EPM as described within Ct #2345439 from Agricultural Preserve Area to Institutional.

CARRIED (5-1)

**Consent Agenda**

09-614 SKRUPSKI BODNARUK WHEREAS a consent agenda has been submitted consisting of 14 item;  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the said consent agenda be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED (6-0)

**NEW BUSINESS**

Legion Memorial Parks

09-615 SKRUPSKI LUCKO BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorize payment of an additional \$6,359.70 incurred in building a needed sidewalk extension at the Legion Memorial park to Doug Shaver. Funds to come from Parks.

CARRIED (5-1)

Hillside Pit Lease

09-616 LUCKO  
VAAGS

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Chief Administrative Officer and the Manager of Operations and Services be authorized to negotiate a two year lease of the gravel pit located at NE ¼ 5-12-5E with L. Chabot Enterprises Ltd.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Reeve and Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to enter into an agreement with L. Chabot Enterprises Ltd.

CARRIED (5-1)

Manitoba Crimestoppers

09-617 BODNARUK  
THOMPSON

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council provide a grant to Manitoba Crime Stoppers for \$1,260.20 for 2009.

CARRIED (6-0)

Unsightly Premises Complaint

Correspondence regarding an unsightly premises complaint was discussed.

Municipal Excellence Award

Reeve Skrupski advised the CAO to apply for the 2010 excellence award through the AMM for the library and archives.

Water Control Improvements

Reeve Skrupski advised that Manitoba Highways officials have indicated that funds are available for some projects however they may not have the resources to undertake the project.

Manitoba Good Roads Association

09-618 SKRUPSKI  
VAAGS

BE IT RESOLVED THAT all of Council and the CAO be delegated to attend the Manitoba Good Roads Association banquet on April 13, 2010 in Brandon and the Municipal Officials Seminar and Trade Show on April 14 & 15, 2010 in Brandon.

CARRIED (6-0)

Springfield Curling Club Grant

09-619 VAAGS  
LUCKO

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorize a grant of up to \$20,000.00 to the Springfield Curling Club for Rink upgrades as budgeted in the 2009 financial plan (community club grants). Payable upon receipt of invoices (to be paid in 2 installments).

CARRIED (6-0)

Springfield 98's

09-620 THOMPSON BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council sponsor the Springfield  
LALONDE 98's Hockey Club for the 2009-2010 Season, in the  
amount of \$150.00. CARRIED (6-0)

Deputy Reeve Appointment

09-621 SKRUPSKI WHEREAS the Organizational By-Law requires the  
LALONDE appointment of a Deputy Reeve and outlines associated  
duties;  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT Councillor Lorne Vaags be appointed  
Deputy Reeve of the Rural Municipality of Springfield.

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

CARRIED (4-2)

Committee Appointments

09-622 SKRUPSKI WHEREAS the municipality has established a number of  
VAAGS committees over the years composed of both elected  
officials and citizen representatives;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following committee  
appointments be made for the period ending on or about  
November 15, 2010:

**Association of Rural Municipalities (Capital Region):**  
Reeve Peter Skrupski, Alternate Councillor Brian  
Thompson (all members of council may attend at their  
discretion)

**Springfield Resource Centre:** Councillor Lorne Vaags,  
Alternate Councillor Karen Lalonde

**North East Agassiz Water Management Association:**  
Councillor Ken Lucko, Alternate Councillor Lorne Vaags

**Seniors Housing (including EPHs):** Councillor Karen  
Lalonde, Councillor Lorne Vaags

**Manitoba Association of Regional Recyclers:** Councillor  
Ken Lucko, Councillor Lorne Vaags

**Floodway Expansion Committee:** Reeve Peter Skrupski,  
Alternate Councillor Bob Bodnaruk

**Public Cemeteries Committee:**  
Elected Officials: Councillor Bob Bodnaruk, Councillor  
Lorne Vaags

**Citizen Representatives:** Jack Mavins, Mr. and Mrs.  
Dale Brown, Bill & Diane Heather, Richard Kuffner, Fred  
Emms, Jeff Hudson, Lawrie Kyle

**Springfield Taché Weed Control District:**  
Elected Officials: Councillor Ken Lucko, Councillor  
Brian Thompson

**Citizen Representatives:** Lorne Kyle, Ed Bredin

**Cooks Creek Conservation District:** Councillor Thompson, Councillor Bob Bodnaruk, Councillor Ken Lucko, Councillor Lorne Vaags

**Workplace Health and Safety:**

Elected Officials: Councillor Ken Lucko, Alternate Councillor Brian Thompson

Employee Representatives: Doug Murray, Blaine Moffat

**Brokenhead River Restoration:** Councillor Ken Lucko, Alternate Lorne Vaags

**Red River Basin Commission/North Chapter:** Councillor Ken Lucko, Reeve Peter Skrupski

**Seine Rat River Conservation District:** Councillor Bob Bodnaruk, Alternate Councillor Lorne Vaags

Sub-District No. 9 Lower Seine

Ratepayer: Claude Roeland

**Handi Transit:** Councillor Karen Lalonde, Alternate Councillor Brian Thompson

**Winnipeg River Brokenhead Community Futures:** Councillor Bob Bodnaruk, Alternate Reeve Skrupski

**Red River Trails Association:** Councillor Bob Bodnaruk, Alternate Councillor Lorne Vaags

**Springfield Public Library Board:** Councillor Karen Lalonde

**Citizen Representatives:** Jack Stafford, Anne McCombe, Ron Burek, Sally Colomy

CARRIED (6-0)

Standing Committee Appointments

09-623 SKRUPSKI  
BODNARUK

WHEREAS the Organizational By-law establishes six Standing Committees composed of not less than two members of council on each;

AND WHEREAS due consideration has been given to recommendations submitted by the Head of Council relative to the appointment of said standing committees;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following appointments be made to Standing Committees for the period ending on or about November 15, 2010

**Legislative, Finance, Personnel Services Committee (LFP)**

Chair: Reeve Peter Skrupski  
Councillor Karen Lalonde  
Councillor Brian Thompson

**Public Works (Transportation, Drainage, and Environmental Protection) Services Committee (PWS)**

Chair: Councillor Ken Lucko  
Councillor Karen Lalonde  
Reeve Peter Skrupski

**Water and Waste Water Utility Committee (WWU)**

Chair: Councillor Lorne Vaags  
Councillor Ken Lucko  
Councillor Bob Bodnaruk

**Protective Services Committee (PS)**

Chair: Councillor Brian Thompson  
Councillor Bob Bodnaruk  
Councillor Ken Lucko

**Recreation and Cultural Services Committee (RCSC)**

Chair: Councillor Karen Lalonde  
Councillor Brian Thompson  
Councillor Lorne Vaags

**Economic Development and Planning Services Committee (EDPS)**

Chair: Councillor Bob Bodnaruk  
Councillor Lorne Vaags  
Reeve Peter Skrupski

CARRIED (6-0)

Assets and Interests

Council submitted their completed statements of assets and interests to the CAO. Councillor Vaags had previously done so.

September Financial Statement

- 09-624 SKRUPSKI THOMPSON BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Financial Statement for the month ending September 30, 2009 be accepted as presented. CARRIED (5-1)

2008 Audited Financial Statement

- 09-625 SKRUPSKI VAAGS BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council accept the Auditor's Financial report for the year ended December 31, 2008. CARRIED (6-0)

Municipal Office

Reeve Skrupski gave written notice to rescind Resolution of Council No. 09-595 dated November 19, 2009.

Line of Credit

- 09-626 SKRUPSKI BODNARUK BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Reeve and CAO be authorized to renew a line of credit in the amount of \$600,000.00 at the Oakbank Credit Union. CARRIED (6-0)

Ward Appropriation - Ward 1

- 09-627 BODNARUK THOMPSON BE IT RESOLVED THAT an additional \$15,000.00 be allocated to the Ward 1 Ward Appropriation list of projects for miscellaneous drainage projects as recommended by the Public Works Committee. CARRIED (6-0)

Pineridge Pit Lease

- 09-628 LUCKO VAAGS BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Chief Administrative Officer and the Manager of Operations and Services be authorized to negotiate a lease extension of the gravel pit located at N ½ 6-12-5E with Mulder Construction Ltd. ;  
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Reeve and Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to enter into an agreement with Mulder Construction Ltd.  
CARRIED (5-1)

Gravel Crushing Tender

- 09-629 LUCKO VAAGS BE IT RESOLVED THAT the tender from Hugh Munro Construction Ltd. for the Supply of Traffic Gravel - South be accepted as submitted. CARRIED (6-0)
- 09-630 LUCKO VAAGS BE IT RESOLVED THAT the tender from L. Chabot Enterprises Ltd. for the Supply of Traffic Gravel - North be accepted as submitted. CARRIED (6-0)

Utility Tower

- 09-631 LUCKO VAAGS BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorizes Skyline Tower Ltd. to complete supply and installation of a utility communication tower at the Oakbank Public Works Shop for \$62,000.00 plus applicable taxes. Funds are budgeted in 2009 Capital Budget. CARRIED (6-0)

Culvert Crossing

- 09-632 BODNARUK THOMPSON BE IT RESOLVED THAT the R.M. of Springfield enter into an agreement with Canadian Pacific Railway for the installation of a culvert crossing under the CP Rail Line at Pine Ridge Road subject to the approval of the Public Works Department and Municipal Solicitor;  
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Reeve and Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to sign the Agreement. CARRIED (6-0)

Ward Appropriation - Ward 5

- 09-633 VAAGS SKRUPSKI BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorizes the Public Works Department, against the recommendation of the Department, to proceed with the installation of gravel on Briercliff Road Right of Way to act as a dyke with expenditures not to exceed \$2,000.00, with funds being withdrawn from Ward 5 Ward Appropriation.  
DEFEATED (3-3)

Defibrillators

09-634 LALONDE  
THOMPSON

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council accept the recommendation of the Springfield Recreation Commission to purchase defibrillators at a cost not to exceed \$1,700.00 per unit for Dugald, Anola, Cooks Creek and Hazelridge recreation facilities (price to include training). Funds to come from Community Clubs;  
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a defibrillator also be provided for the Anola Over 50 Club if deemed necessary. CARRIED (6-0)

Oakbank Community Club Zamboni

09-635 LALONDE  
THOMPSON

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council accept the recommendation of the Springfield Recreation Commission that 50% of the costs incurred by the Oakbank Community Club in fixing their zamboni chargers be funded up to a maximum of \$3,000.00. Funds to come from Community Clubs. CARRIED (6-0)

Olympic Torch Run

The Adhoc Committee has requested that all of Council be present for a photo with the athletes on January 5 when the torch goes through Dugald and Oakbank.

Library Rebate

Library rebate policy was discussed.

Tax Penalties

Councillor Lucko requested a recorded vote.

09-636 BODNARUK  
LUCKO

BE IT RESOLVED THAT penalties for late remittance of taxes be cancelled if done within 3 days after tax deadline.

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

DEFEATED (2-4)

Pineridge Speed Reduction

Item to be forwarded to the Public Works Department.

Springfield Agricultural Society

Councillor Lucko reported on his attendance at the annual Springfield Agricultural Society dinner.

Meeting Delegations

09-637 SKRUPSKI BE IT RESOLVED THAT Councillors Lucko and Vaags be  
BODNARUK delegated to attend a meeting with Dillon Engineering  
on November 17 and Councillor Lucko for a meeting with  
the RM of Brokenhead on November 19.  
CARRIED (6-0)

In Camera

09-638 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.  
CARRIED (6-0)

09-639 SKRUPSKI BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting reconvenes from in  
VAAGS camera.  
CARRIED (6-0)

Adjournment

SKRUPSKI THAT this meeting stand adjourned the time being 10:50  
p.m.  
CARRIED (6-0)

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Peter Skrupski  
Reeve

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Laurent Tétrault  
Chief Administrative Officer