

RM OF MIRY CREEK NO. 229
REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
IN THE MUNICIPAL OFFICE AT 143 WAYNE STREET
ABBEY, SASKATCHEWAN
ON SEPTEMBER 9, 2021
COMMENCING AT 10:00 A.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Reeve: Mark Hughes
Div. 3: Perry Andreas
Div. 6: Lindsay Nobbs
Div. 1: Murray Heron
Div. 4: Byron Weedon
Administrator: Karen Paz
Div. 2: James Haggart
Div. 5: Rick Biensch

Councillor Biensch left council chambers at 2:27 pm

GUESTS: Scott Carpenter, Foreman 10:18 am –11:45 pm

- 228/21 MINUTES **Heron:** That the minutes of the regular meeting held on August 5, 2021 be approved as distributed. **CARRIED**
- 229/21 STATEMENT **Nobbs:** That the Statement of Financial Activities and Bank Reconciliation for the month of August 2021 be accepted as presented and that the statements be attached to and form part of these minutes. **CARRIED**
- 230/21 CORRESPONDENCE **Weedon:** That the correspondence having been read now be filed and that a list of the correspondence read be listed below and form part of these minutes:
 - All Net - Mass Communication for Municipalities
 - APAS - Drought Advocacy
 - Boortmalt -Program Adjustments
 - Dr. Noble Irwin Regional Healthcare - Chase the Ace Lottery
 - FOX - SGI Grant Deadline
 - GTF - Municipal Summary
 - Heritage Sask - 2021 Lieutenant Governor of SK
 - Johnson Shoyama - Municipal Governance Program
 - Main Street Computer Solutions – Grave Marker
 - PHO - Maternity Leave
 - RM of Val Marie - Declaration of Disaster
 - RM of Webb - Declaration of Ag Disaster
 - SARM - AgriStability Announcement
 - SARM - Rural Sheaf
 - SARM - Weekly Policy Bulletin
 - SARM NR - Federal Election Priorities
 - Saskatchewan 4-H – Donation
 - SaskLander – Newsletter
 - SMHI – Scholarships
 - SPSA - Health PPE Requests
 - SPSA-Fire Dispatch Fees
 - TruGreen - Metal Recycling **CARRIED**

The Meeting Adjourned for Lunch at 12:05 pm.
The Meeting Reconvened at 12:56 pm.

- 231/21 ABC PLAYGROUND CONSTRUCT. **Andreas:** That the RM authorize Councillor Biensch to operate the dump truck free of charge for hauling clay on September 13, 2021 for Abbey Business and Community Centre Playground construction. **CARRIED**
- 232/21 DECLARING A DISASTER AREA **Andreas:** That R.M. of Miry Creek be declared an agricultural disaster area due to drought, extreme heat, strong winds, hail, gophers and grasshoppers. **CARRIED**

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233/21 FIRE FIGHTER **Biensch:** That the RM enroll the following Volunteer Fire Fighters in the
INSURANCE SARM Group Coverage of \$40,000.00 with the premium of
COVERAGE \$675.00 and Workers Compensation Statement:

- Simon Button Appointed Fire Chief
- Curtis Smith Appointed Deputy Fire Chief
- Dean Coburn Appointed Volunteer Fire Fighter
- Wade Braaten Appointed Volunteer Fire Fighter
- Jayson Braaten Appointed Volunteer Fire Fighter
- Justin Duncan Appointed Volunteer Fire Fighter
- Riley Smith Appointed Volunteer Fire Fighter
- Bruce Walker Appointed Volunteer Fire Fighter
- Dale Peterson Appointed Volunteer Fire Fighter
- Stacey Duncan Appointed Volunteer Fire Fighter
- Ryan Prentice Appointed Volunteer Fire Fighter
- Brian Bonogofski Appointed Volunteer Fire Fighter
- Douglas Pederson Appointed Volunteer Fire Fighter
- Leslie Furseth Appointed Volunteer Fire Fighter
- Ken Ens Appointed Volunteer Fire Fighter
- Jonathon Coburn Appointed Volunteer Fire Fighter
- Todd Linder Appointed Volunteer Fire Fighter
- Rick Biensch Appointed Volunteer Fire Fighter
- Bryan Clary Appointed Volunteer Fire Fighter
- Josh Hughes Appointed Volunteer Fire Fighter
- Jamie Lescard Appointed Volunteer Fire Fighter
- Kelly Bradford Appointed Volunteer Fire Fighter
- Lindsay Nobbs Appointed Volunteer Fire Fighter
- Connie Andreas Appointed Volunteer Fire Fighter
- Ian Andreas Appointed Volunteer Fire Fighter
- Marcel Andreas Appointed Volunteer Fire Fighter
- Jackson Bradford Appointed Volunteer Fire Fighter
- Jack Clary Appointed Volunteer Fire Fighter
- Jim Clary Appointed Volunteer Fire Fighter
- Rob DeFord Appointed Volunteer Fire Fighter
- Tom Dillman Appointed Volunteer Fire Fighter
- John Fehr Appointed Volunteer Fire Fighter
- Garth Green Appointed Volunteer Fire Fighter
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- Arnold Groves Appointed Volunteer Fire Fighter
- Cade Hartman Appointed Volunteer Fire Fighter
- Chad Hartman Appointed Volunteer Fire Fighter
- Cole Hartman Appointed Volunteer Fire Fighter
- Clayton Hartman Appointed Volunteer Fire Fighter
- Bud Hellman Appointed Volunteer Fire Fighter
- Kellen Murch Appointed Volunteer Fire Fighter
- Marshall Murch Appointed Volunteer Fire Fighter
- Mitch Nelson Appointed Volunteer Fire Fighter
- Todd Lamour Appointed Volunteer Fire Fighter
- Chase Nobbs Appointed Volunteer Fire Fighter
- Darren Wagner Appointed Volunteer Fire Fighter
- Ernie Wagner Appointed Volunteer Fire Fighter
- Mason Wagner Appointed Volunteer Fire Fighter
- Dave Wicks Appointed Volunteer Fire Fighter
- Perry Andreas Appointed Volunteer Fire Fighter

CARRIED

234/21 FIRE TRUCK **Biensch:** That the RM authorize Arrow Equipment from Maple Creek,
MOUNT Saskatchewan to mount the existing fire unit onto the new 2021
Ford Super Duty. CARRIED

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- 235/21 IN-CAMERA ARC **Haggart:** That Council move to an In-camera meeting to discuss Abbey Resources Corp. court orders at 1:30 pm. CARRIED
- 236/21 IN-CAMERA SESSION END **Andreas:** That Council ends the In-camera session at 1:40 pm. CARRIED
- 237/21 RESCIND 216/21 **Nobbs:** That the RM rescind resolution 216/21 as the entire Council has had the opportunity to review all documents concerning the road damage caused by Daryl Moffat. CARRIED
- 238/21 AMENDMENT TO INVOICE# 1-21RD **Andreas:** That the entire RM Council agrees to amend the road damage invoice #1-21RD to the total amount of \$7000 plus Admin Fees and Actual Repair charges according to Policy 400-16A. CARRIED
- 239/21 MEEP AGREEMENT AMENDMENT **Andreas:** That the RM submit an application amendment through Schedule B of the Municipal Economic Enhancement Program with the Province of Saskatchewan for the purpose of removing the EMT housing project and applying for funding for road reconstruction on SE 06-19-19 W3 one mile in the amount of \$28,180.00 CARRIED

Councillor Biensch declared a conflict of interest in the following matter and left Council chambers at 1:30 pm to permit discussion.

- 240/21 ABC EDO WAGE SHORTFALL **Nobbs:** That the RM contribute an additional \$1500 to the Abbey Business and Community Centre for the Economic Development Officers wage shortfall for the 2021 year. CARRIED

Councillor Biensch returned to Council chambers at 1:35 pm.

- 241/21 BYLAW 2021-7 **Biensch:** That Bylaw 2021-7 being a bylaw to amend the zoning bylaw 2012-4-Part 5 Section 4.1b be read a first time. CARRIED
- 242/21 MIDTERM RESOLUTION **Heron:** That the RM submit the following resolution to the SARM Midterm Convention prior to September 25th, 2021 along with the RM of Lacadena and the RM of Snipe Lake:
 Whereas the ability of Municipalities to collect arrears from the Resource companies is limited, and Whereas the Tax Enforcement Act and the Municipalities Act provide for the collection of tax arrears by issuing a direction to pay to the purchaser of a resource as a means of collecting arrears from a resource company, but the practices of the Ministry of Energy and Resource make utilizing this option difficult as municipalities find it difficult to source the purchaser of the resource, and Whereas there are mechanisms in place that could streamline tax enforcement procedures for Municipalities when dealing with arrears of resource companies, namely the procedures that the Ministry of Ag has in place for lease land where an administrator in a municipality notifies the ministry regarding arrears of taxes to the Ministry and the lease may be cancelled if arrears are not paid or a payment plan for the arrears of taxes is not mutually agreed upon, Thus, Be it Resolved that the Municipalities Act, the Tax Enforcement Act and the Oil and Gas Conservation Act be amended to have the operating license of a resource company suspended if they do not keep municipal taxes current. CARRIED
- 243/21 CYPRESS MOTORS **Haggart:** That the RM authorize the purchase of the 2021 Ford Super Duty F-5 in the total amount of \$72,375.33 for emergency response use. CARRIED

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| 244/21 | CANADA
COMMUNITY
BUILDING
FUNDS | Nobbs: | That the RM acknowledge the letter received from the Canada Community Building Funds formerly known as the Gas Tax Fund regarding the top up payment of \$22,218.50 and that all the 2021-22 funds will be transferred at once.
<p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p> | | | | | | | | | |
| 245/21 | HIGHWAYS –
RD MAINT
AGMT | Heron: | That the RM is aware of the crushing and stockpiling project that the Ministry of Highways will be conducting this winter and further agrees to enter into a Road Maintenance Agreement where the Hauler is responsible for the maintenance of the road further that a copy of the agreement is to be attached to and form part of these minutes.
<p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p> | | | | | | | | | |
| 246/21 | O&S FENDT
TRACTOR | Biensch: | That the RM has reviewed the Contract for Sale from Owens & Sweitzers out of Eston Saskatchewan in the amounts of \$332,228.50 for two (2) Fendt 516 G3 tractors and further agree to sign the contract for sale and pay the requested down payment of \$10,000.
<p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p> | | | | | | | | | |
| 247/21 | COSPONSOR
RESOLUTION
RM# 382 | Andreas: | That the RM has reviewed the email from the RM of Eye Hill #382 and will provide them with our oil and gas arrears and any abatements, further that Council has reviewed the resolution which will be submitted at the midterm SARM Convention and agrees to Co-Sponsor the Resolution.
<p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p> | | | | | | | | | |
| 248/21 | TLE TRUST
FUND | Weedon: | That the payment percentage of 0% currently in place for the RM's Rural Municipal Tax Loss Compensation Fund as administered by SARM, remains at 0% for the year 2021.
<p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p> | | | | | | | | | |
| 249/21 | SASKENERGY
LINE
LOWERING | Haggart: | That the RM has reviewed the plan submitted by Sask Energy regarding the line lowering request for the Nelson Coulee Road construction and further authorizes the Administrator to sign and submit the site plan.
<p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p> | | | | | | | | | |
| 250/21 | SPSA
DISPATCHING
FEES | Andreas: | That the RM has reviewed the Contract Amendments from the Saskatchewan Public Safety Agency and authorizes the Administrator to sign Amendment No.1 of Contract REC00573 which outlines the fire dispatching fees as follows:
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| January 2024 | \$2.00 per capita | CARRIED | | | | | | | | | | |
| 251/21 | EMS RENTAL
HOUSE | Andreas: | That the RM enter into an agreement to cost share the Emergency Medical Services housing expense on a per capita basis, and further that the agreement is to be attached to and form part of these minutes.
<p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p> | | | | | | | | | |
| 252/21 | TAX
ABATEMENTS | Nobbs: | That the RM abate the following taxes as they were added after SAMA'S revaluation year however are exempt as per Crown Investments Corporation policy:
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Councillor Andreas declared a conflict of interest in the following matter and left Council chambers at 2:45 pm to permit discussion.

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| 253/21 | GRAVEL HAUL
HOSPITAL
ROAD | Nobbs: | That the RM contract Perry Andreas to haul gravel to the 6.4 km road construction on the Hospital Rd for Road Warrior at a rate \$125 per hour.
<p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p> |
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Councillor Andreas returned to Council Chambers at 2:50 pm.

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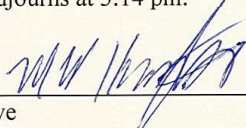
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- 254/21 SARM MID-TERM **Heron:** **That** any member including the Administrator and Assistant may attend the SARM Mid-Term Convention scheduled for November 9 & 10, 2021 in Regina and Reeve Mark Hughes and Deputy Reeve Lindsay Nobbs be appointed as voting delegates and that all expenses including remuneration be paid. CARRIED

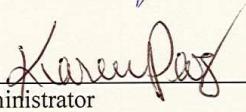
- 255/21 SWTP MEETING **Haggart:** **That** the RM authorize Councillor Lindsay Nobbs to attend the Southwest Transportation Planning Council meeting scheduled for September 24 and that all expenses including remuneration be paid. CARRIED

- 256/21 ACCOUNTS **Haggart:** **That** the Accounts in the amount of \$245,525.96 be approved for payment and further that a copy of the accounts be attached to and form part of these minutes. CARRIED

- 257/21 ADJOURN **Hughes** **That** this meeting adjourns at 3:14 pm. CARRIED



Reeve



Administrator

The next regular meeting of Council is scheduled to be held in Council Chambers in the RM office Thursday October 14, 2021 commencing at 10:00 am.