



**Rural Municipality of Reynolds**

**Meeting Minutes**

**Regular Meeting of Council December 4, 2024 - 06:00 PM**

**RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF REYNOLDS-REGULAR MEETING- MINUTES  
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2024**

**PRESENT**

**REEVE: RUSS GAWLUK**

**DEPUTY REEVE: BLAINE WEBSTER**

**COUNCILLORS:**

**MICHAEL HUZEL**

**KIM ZALITACH**

**HARRIET YARMILL**

**JESSICA THURSTON**

**CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER: KIM FURGALA**

**ASSISTANT CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER: SHERRI PEARCH**

**REGRETS: COUNCILLOR BULEY**

**COUNCILLOR STELMACK**

**1 CALL TO ORDER**

The December 4, 2024, Regular Meeting of Council was Called to Order by Reeve Gawluk at 6:00 pm.

**2 ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**Res. 24/387 M/S** Councillor Thurston/ Councillor Zalitach

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Agenda of the December 4, 2024, Regular Meeting of Council be adopted as presented.

**CARRIED**

**3 NOTICE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

**4 MINUTES**

**Res. 24/388 M/S** Councillor Zalitach/ Councillor Huzel

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the November 12, 2024, Regular Meeting of Council be approved as presented.

**CARRIED**

**4.1 Regular Meeting of Council - November 12, 2024 Minutes - Draft**

**5 DELEGATIONS / HEARINGS**

**6 PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT**

**6.1 Rocoda Inc. - Development Agreement**

**Res. 24/389 M/S** Councillor Zalitach/ Councillor Huzel

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council authorizes the Reeve and CAO to sign the Development Agreement and Statutory Easement for Rocoda Inc.

**CARRIED**

**7 COMMITTEES / REPORTS**

**Res. 24/390 M/S** Councillor Huzel/ Councillor Zalitach

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Committee and all other reports be accepted as presented.

**CARRIED**

**7.1 Northeast Red Watershed District Minutes - September 19, 2024**

**7.2 North Eastman Community Health Committee - Minutes May 30, 2024**

**7.3 Whitemouth-Reynolds-North Whiteshell Waste Management Minutes - September 27, 2024**

**7.4 Eastman Regional Municipal Committee - Minutes Oct 21, 2024**

**7.5 Seine Rat Roseau Watershed District Minutes - Oct 15, 2024, Nov 4 & 7, 2024**

**8 BY-LAWS**

**8.1 By-Law 04/2024 - Remuneration & Reimbursement of Expenses to Members of Council - First Reading**

**Res. 24/391 M/S** Councillor Yarmill/ Councillor Zalitach

**BE IT RESOLVED** that By-Law 04/2024, being a By-Law to provide remuneration and reimbursement of expenses to Council, be read a first time.

**CARRIED**

**8.2 By-Law 04/2024 - Remuneration & Reimbursement of Expenses to Members of Council - Second Reading**

**Res. 24/392 M/S** Councillor Yarmill/ Councillor Zalitach

**BE IT RESOLVED** that By-Law 04/2024, being a By-Law to provide remuneration and reimbursement of expenses to Council, be read a second time.

**CARRIED**

**8.3 By-Law 05/2024 - General Reserve - First Reading**

**Res. 24/393 M/S** Councillor Thurston/ Councillor Zalitach

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-Law 05/2024, being a By-Law to provide for a General Reserve Fund, be read a first time.

**CARRIED**

**8.4 By-Law 05/2024 - General Reserve - Second Reading**

**Res. 24/394 M/S** Councillor Thurston/ Councillor Zalitach

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-Law 05/2024, being a By-Law to provide for a General Reserve Fund, be read a second time.

**CARRIED**

**8.5 By-Law 06/2024 - Fire Equipment Reserve - First Reading**

**Res. 24/395 M/S** Councillor Zalitach/ Councillor Yarmill

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-Law 06/2024, being a By-Law to provide for a Fire Equipment Reserve Fund, be read a first time.

**CARRIED**

**8.6 By-Law 06/2024 - Fire Equipment Reserve - Second Reading**

**Res. 24/396 M/S** Councillor Zalitach/ Deputy Reeve Webster

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-Law 06/2024, being a By-Law to provide for a Fire Equipment Reserve Fund, be read a second time.

**CARRIED**

**8.7 By-Law 07/2024 - Drainage Reserve - First Reading**

**Res. 24/397 M/S** Councillor Zalitach/ Deputy Reeve Webster

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-Law 07/2024, being a By-Law to provide for a Drainage Reserve Fund, be read a first time.

**CARRIED**

**8.8 By-Law 07/2024 - Drainage Reserve - Second Reading**

**Res. 24/398 M/S** Councillor Zalitach/ Deputy Reeve Webster

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-Law 07/2024, being a By-Law to provide for a Drainage Reserve Fund, be read a second time.

**CARRIED**

**9 UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**10 NEW BUSINESS**

**10.1 Fire Agreement - RM of Whitemouth**

**Res. 24/399 M/S** Councillor Yarmill/ Deputy Reeve Webster

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the RM of Reynolds enter into a Fire Protection Agreement with the RM of Whitemouth as per the attached agreement;

**FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Reeve and CAO be authorized to sign the agreement.

**CARRIED**

**10.2 Community Emergency Response Team Training**

**Res. 24/400 M/S** Deputy Reeve Webster/ Councillor Yarmill

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the RM of Reynolds approve the attendance of the EMO Coordinator and two team members at the Community Emergency Response Team Training;

**AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the cost of training, totaling \$375 per person for two days, be approved with all expenses reimbursed.

**CARRIED**

**10.3 2025 RM of Reynolds Emergency Management Plan**

**Res. 24/401 M/S** Deputy Reeve Webster/ Councillor Yarmill

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Council accepts the 2025 RM of Reynolds Emergency Management Plan as presented.

**CARRIED**

**10.4 Eastman Regional Municipal Committee - Resolution of Support for Small Modular Reactor Proposal in Pinawa**

**Res. 24/402 M/S** Deputy Reeve Webster/ Councillor Yarmill

**WHEREAS** the RM of Reynolds is a municipality supported by Community Futures Winnipeg River (CFWR);

**AND WHEREAS** CFWR is a member of the Whiteshell Laboratories Community Regeneration Partnership with the mandate to develop economic opportunities for the Whiteshell Laboratories site located in the Local Government District of Pinawa;

**AND WHEREAS** the Whiteshell Laboratories is currently operating under a Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission decommissioning license making it an ideal site for a future nuclear project.

**AND WHEREAS** the development of Small Modular Reactors (SMRs) on the Whiteshell Laboratories site would be an excellent economic development activity for the region creating many jobs for the local economy.

**AND WHEREAS** the federal government have stated that it will pursue the development of Small Modular Reactors, primarily to support remote off-grid northern indigenous

communities or industrial operations,

**AND WHEREAS** Small Modular Reactors have the potential to have a significant impact on reducing Green House Gas emissions both domestically and in foreign countries.

**AND WHEREAS** StarCore Nuclear is conversing with CNSC concerning the scheduling of the Vendor Design Review process, followed by the licensing process;

**AND WHEREAS** the estimated economic activity for the proposed Demonstration Reactor and Demonstration Remote Community project includes 265 full-time continuing jobs, 450 spinoff jobs, 2,400 man-years of construction work, and an injection of \$600 million of economic development activity into the Eastern Manitoba economy over the first 10 years of a 25-year project;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the RM of Reynolds Council on behalf of its residents, supports the development of Small Modular Reactors at the Whiteshell Laboratories site in the Local Government District of Pinawa;

**AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED** that the RM of Reynolds Council supports the proposed StarCore Nuclear proposal to build their Demonstration Small Modular Reactor at the Whiteshell Laboratories site and the Local Government District of Pinawa's proposal to become the Demonstration Remote Community.

**CARRIED**

#### **10.5 Reynolds Community Club - Letter of Support**

**Res. 24/403 M/S** Councillor Yarmill/ Deputy Reeve Webster

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Rural Municipality of Reynolds supports the Reynolds Community Club in its application to register as a charitable organization;

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** the Reeve, on behalf of the Council, be authorized to provide a letter of support for the application.

**CARRIED**

#### **10.6 LGD AdHoc Committee - Lobby Document Endorsement**

**Res. 24/404 M/S** Councillor Yarmill/ Deputy Reeve Webster

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the RM of Reynolds Council accepts the finalized LGD AdHoc document as presented.

**CARRIED**

#### **10.7 Municipal Standards Policy Review**

##### **10.8 Road Allowance Access - Road 48E**

**Res. 24/405 M/S** Councillor Yarmill/ Deputy Reeve Webster

**WHEREAS** the Steinbach Game and Fish Gun Range Inc. are proposing to build a new gun range in the RM of La Broquerie on NE-36-06-08-E;

**AND WHEREAS** they are requesting to develop the road allowance of 48E for approximately 600 meters to access the range;

**AND WHEREAS** the boundary road 48E falls under the RM of Reynolds jurisdiction;

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** council grants permission to the Steinbach Game and Fish Gun Range Inc. to develop the road allowance on road 48E;

**AND FUTHER BE IT RESOLVED** that the proposed road will be constructed to Municipal Standards complete with an engineered drainage plan to be reviewed by Municipal engineers at the developers cost.

**CARRIED**

#### **10.9 Opportunities for Watershed District Partnerships**

**10.10 2025 Budget Draft - Whitemouth-Reynolds-North Whiteshell Waste Management**

**Res. 24/406 M/S** Councillor Thurston/ Councillor Huzel

**WHEREAS** the 2025 Budget for the Whitemouth-Reynolds-North Whiteshell Waste Management has been presented;

**AND WHEREAS** the cost to the RM of Reynolds amounts to \$80,728.51;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council approves the 2025 Budget.

**CARRIED**

**10.11 Illegal Structure on Municipal Right of Way**

**Res. 24/407 M/S** Councillor Huzel/ Councillor Thurston

**WHEREAS**, it has come to the attention of the Council that an unpermitted, non-engineered bridge has been constructed on municipal right-of-way located at RD 49E;

**AND WHEREAS**, the unpermitted structure poses potential risks to public safety, including but not limited to structural failure, lack of proper engineering, and compliance with safety standards;

**AND WHEREAS**, the presence of the unpermitted structure has resulted in liability and insurance concerns for the Municipality, as the structure is not authorized, inspected, or maintained in accordance with applicable engineering and safety standards;

**AND WHEREAS**, the Municipality has a duty to mitigate risks and ensure compliance with applicable laws, regulations, and insurance requirements regarding the use of public property;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Council of the RM of Reynolds hereby authorizes the removal of the unpermitted, non-engineered bridge located on the municipal right-of-way at RD 49E..

**CARRIED**

**10.12 42nd Annual Red River Basin Commission Land & Water International Summit Conference**

**WHEREAS** the 42nd Annual Red River Basin Commission Land & Water International Summit Conference is on January 14-16, 2025 in Grand Forks, North Dakota, United States of America;

**AND WHEREAS** the registration cost is \$400.00;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council authorizes the Reeve to attend the 42nd Annual Red River Basin Commission Land & Water International Summit Conference with all expenses reimbursed.

**DEFEATED**

**11 FINANCIAL / ACCOUNTS**

**11.1 Combined A/P Payroll Cheque Register Report**

**Res. 24/408 M/S** Councillor Huzel/ Councillor Thurston

**BE IT RESOLVED** that cheques numbered 24634 to 24658 including the Electronic Fund Transfer payments, for a total payment of \$ 86,903.33 be hereby approved for payment on this day.

**CARRIED**

**11.2 October 2024 financial statement**

**Res. 24/409 M/S** Councillor Thurston/ Councillor Huzel

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the October 2024 Financial Statement be approved as presented.

**CARRIED**

**12 CORRESPONDENCE**

- 12.1 Town of Beausejour - Fire Agreement Response
- 12.2 Temporary Water Use Permit for TransCanada Pipeline
- 12.3 RM of Springfield - Development Plan Amendment By-Law 24-11
- 12.4 Eastman Tourism - Guide 2025
- 13 AGENDA ADDITIONS
- 14 NOTICE OF MOTIONS
- 15 IN CAMERA

15.1 Move In Camera

**Res. 24/410 M/S** Councillor Huzel/ Councillor Thurston

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Council now move “In Camera” as per Section 152(3) of The Municipal Act to discuss **Legal Matters**;

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that all matters discussed while in Camera are to remain confidential as per Section 83(1)(d) of The Municipal Act.

**CARRIED**

15.1.1 Legal Matters 1

15.1.2 Legal Matters 2

15.1.3 Legal Matters 3

15.2 Move Out of Camera

**Res. 24/411 M/S** Councillor Thurston/ Councillor Huzel

**BE IT RESOLVED** that as per Section 152(4) of the Municipal Act, Council now re-opens the meeting to the public;

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that all matters discussed are to remain confidential as per Section 83(1)(d) of the Municipal Act.

**CARRIED**

16 ADJOURNMENT

**Res. 24/412 M/S** Councillor Huzel/ Councillor Thurston

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the next Regular Council Meeting be held on December 17, 2024;

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that Council does now adjourn at 7:17pm.



FOR **Russ Gawluk, Reeve**



**Kim Furgala, CMMA, CMML**  
**Chief Administrative Officer**