

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Council of the Rural Municipality of Grayson No. 184 held on Wednesday February 14, 2024 in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Office located at 131 Taylor St. at Grayson, SK

<u>Present</u>	Reeve: Dustin Grant Councillor Division 1: Jeremy Chopping Councillor Division 2: Mike Lang (Via Phone)	Councillor Division 4: Kevin Lang Councillor Division 5: Trent Duczek Councillor Division 6: Werner Schicker Administrator: Sarah Dietrich
<u>Absent</u>	Councillor Division 3: Roger Ell	
<u>Call to Order</u>	A quorum present, Reeve Dustin Grant called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.	
<u>Agenda</u>	32/24 J. Chopping: That the agenda as presented to Council be accepted.	Carried Unanimously
<u>Minutes</u>	33/24 W. Schicker: That the minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on January 17, 2024 be approved as presented.	Carried Unanimously
<u>Financial Statement</u>	34/24 T. Duczek: That the bank reconciliation and statement of financial activity for the month of January, 2024 be approved as presented.	Carried Unanimously
<u>Correspondence</u>	35/24 D. Grant: That the correspondence presented to Council, be acknowledged, and filed.	Carried Unanimously
<u>Business:</u>		
Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities (SARM) Convention	36/24 K. Lang: That members of Council and Administrator be authorized to attend the SARM Convention held in Regina March 13-15, 2024 with expenses paid as per the indemnity rates.	Carried Unanimously
March Regular Council Meeting	37/24 M. Lang: That due to the SARM Convention being held March 13-15, 2024, the March Regular Council meeting will be held March 22, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.	Carried Unanimously
R.M. of Emerald No. 277 SARM Resolution	38/24 T. Duczek: That the R.M. of Grayson No.184 support the following Resolution submitted by the R.M. of Emerald No. 277 to be read at the 2024 SARM Convention: WHEREAS there are insufficient deterrents for individuals who alter RM roadways without permits or permission; WHEREAS there are limited avenues of restitution for damages such as tree removal, cultivation and/or spraying to these specific areas; WHEREAS the cost of obtaining a court order to collect a fine/liability notice would be substantial; BE IT RESOLVED the Municipalities Act be upgraded to allow RM's by official motion to levy fines/liability notices against individuals who have breached Bylaws which prevent alteration to road allowances without a permit; BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED if such fine is not paid that it be added legally to the taxes of the land owner without securing a court order.	Carried Unanimously
Saskatchewan Municipal Hail Insurance Association (SMHI)	39/24 J. Chopping: That Council Acknowledges the March 14, 2023 SMHI Minutes and further that Reeve Dustin Grant be authorized to attend the SMHI Annual Meeting, March 13, 2024 in Regina with expenses paid as per the indemnity rates.	Carried Unanimously
Rural Municipal Administrators' Association (RMAA) Workshop	40/24 D. Grant: That the Administrator be authorized to attend the RMAA Spring Workshop, March 27, 2024 in Melville with expenses paid as per indemnity rates and a registration fee \$100.00.	Carried Unanimously
East Central Transportation Planning Committee (ECTPC)	41/24 W. Schicker: That Councillor Mike Lang be authorized to attend the ECTPC Workshop March 14, 2024 (location to be determined) with expenses paid as per the indemnity rates.	Carried Unanimously
Elections	42/24 K. Lang: That the following appointment is made: Sarah Dietrich Returning/Nomination Officer. 43/24 M. Lang: That Council request the Returning Officer to establish an Advance Poll/Polls for the convenience of persons who would otherwise be unable to cast their votes on the day fixed for the election. 44/24 W. Schicker: That the Election Officers be paid \$25.00 per hour plus mileage (\$0.70/ KM) and meals. 45/24 K. Lang: That the R.M. of Grayson No. 184 participate in mail-in ballots as per section 92 of <i>The Local Government Elections Act, 2015</i> .	Carried Unanimously Carried Unanimously Carried Unanimously Carried Unanimously
Septic Tender Opening at 9:26 a.m.	46/24 D. Grant: That tenders for Septic Services for the R.M. of Grayson No.184 located at 131 Taylor Street Grayson, SK be opened and are as follows: G & C Septic Services MACH One Septic Services	Carried Unanimously

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- Tender Award** 47/24 **T. Duczek:** That Council awards the tender for Septic Services for the R.M of Grayson No. 184 located at 131 Taylor Street Grayson, SK to MACH One Septic Services Inc. for the tender amount of \$110.00 plus GST per pump out from February 14, 2024 to December 31, 2024. **Carried Unanimously**
- RFNOW Proposed Fibre Optic Cable**
48/24 **D. Grant:** That Council acknowledges the correspondence from RFNOW, mapping the proposed Fibre Optic Cable Installation within the R.M of Grayson No. 184 (R.M.) and further that Council has no objections to the Grayson to Dubuc, Stockholm to Dubuc, and Grayson to Crooked Lake projects, furthermore the R.M. has no jurisdiction over the Dubuc Distribution nor the Grayson Distribution Projects therefore authorization will have to be obtained from those Municipalities. **Carried Unanimously**
- Hamlet Statements**
49/24 **M. Lang:** That the 2023 Annual Financial Statements for the Hamlets of Exner's Twin Bays, Greenspot, Moose Bay, and Sunset Beach be accepted as presented as per attached hereto and forming part of these minutes. **Carried Unanimously**
- SaskPower** 50/24 **K. Lang:** That Council has no objections to the electrical construction on the SW 02-19A-04 W2 as outlined in the January 25, 2024 email from SaskPower. **Carried Unanimously**
- Grader Rental** 51/24 **D. Grant:** That the R.M. of Grayson No.184 rent a CAT 160M Grader from EMCO Regina for one month for the amount of \$14,000. **Carried Unanimously**
- Loraas Disposal South Ltd.**
52/24 **W. Schicker:** That authorization is given to the Reeve to sign the Loraas Disposal South Ltd. Road Access for 2024 Spring Road Ban Period Agreement. **Carried Unanimously**
- Ficek's Gravel** 53/24 **J. Chopping:** That the R.M. of Grayson No.184 purchase 20,000 yards from Ficek Transport Ltd. **Carried Unanimously**
- Zagimē Anishinabēk First Nation: GR File No. 840.002**
54/24 **M. Lang:** That Council acknowledges the correspondence from the Indigenous Land Advisor for the Government of Saskatchewan regarding the Zagimē Anishinabēk First Nation purchase of Crown Land and Mineral rights on the NE/NW 17-19-06 W2 and further that the file be forwarded on to the Municipal Planning Consultant for review and response as per Council's direction. **Carried Unanimously**
- Permit** 55/24 **W. Schicker:** That Council acknowledges the Development/Building Permit application and supporting documentation to build a bunk house on Lot 29 Blk/Par C, Plan 61R37982 in the Hamlet of Greenspot and further that the application is denied as it does not comply with the R.M. of Grayson's Zoning Bylaw 2004:02 as per the review attached and hereto forming part of these minutes. **Carried Unanimously**
- Agenda #17 Salaries: Outside Employees**
10:31 **Councillor Kevin Lang declared a conflict of interest and left the Chambers and premise as his son-in-law is an outside employee.**
- In-Camera Session**
56/24 **M. Lang:** That Council move to an in-camera session as per Section 120 of *The Municipalities Act* and Part III of *The Local Authority Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* to discuss personnel. **Carried Unanimously**
In-camera session began at 10:31 a.m. and ended at 11:15 a.m. Dustin Grant, Trent Duczek, Werner Schicker, Mike Lang, Jeremy Chopping and Sarah Dietrich were present.
- Foreman Salary** 57/24 **W. Schicker:** That Foreman, Brad Schick's wage be increased to \$90,000 for 2024, retroactive to January 1, 2024. **Carried Unanimously**
- Outside Employees Wage Increase**
58/24 **D. Grant:** That all active Outside Employees receive a 3.5% wage increase for 2024. **Carried Unanimously**
- Administrative Assistant**
59/24 **J. Chopping:** That the Administrative Assistant receive a 3.5% wage increase for 2024 retroactive to January 1, 2024. **Carried Unanimously**
- In-Camera Session**
60/24 **J. Chopping:** That Council move to an in-camera session as per Section 120 of *The Municipalities Act* and Part III of *The Local Authority Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* to discuss personnel. **Carried Unanimously**
- Agenda #18 Administrator's Salary**
11:21 **Administrator Sarah Dietrich declared a conflict of interest and left the Chambers as she was named in the next agenda item.**
In-camera session began at 11:21 a.m. and ended at 11:40 a.m. Dustin Grant, Trent Duczek, Werner Schicker, Mike Lang, and Jeremy Chopping were present.
11:40 **Administrator Sarah Dietrich returned to the Chambers.**
- Administrator Salary**
61/24 **T. Duczek:** That Administrator, Sarah Dietrich wage be increased to \$95,000 retroactive to January 1, 2024. **Carried Unanimously**
- Special Meeting** 62/24 **W. Schicker:** That a special meeting be called February 28, 2024 at 9 a.m. to review Equipment Operator Resume's and further that interviews be held at a date determined by the Employee Relations Committee with notification being sent to all of Council. **Carried Unanimously**

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Accounts **63/24 M. Lang:** That the accounts as presented be approved for payment in the amount of \$72,775.87. **Carried Unanimously**

Adjournment **64/24 D. Grant:** That the meeting be adjourned at 12:00 p.m. **Carried Unanimously**

Reeve

Administrator