

The Rural Municipality of Lajord No. 128

Regular Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, June 18, 2024

Municipal Office - Lajord, Saskatchewan

ATTENDANCE	PRESENT: Armond Gervais, Reeve Martin Bechard, Councillor, Division #1 Scott Moyse, Councillor, Division #2 Todd Lewis, Councillor, Division #3 Lacey Selinger, Councillor, Division #4 Steven Leippi, Councillor, Division #5 Kris Boesch, Councillor, Division #6 Mason Resch, Councillor, Division #7 STAFF: Lynette Herauf, Chief Administrative Officer
ORDER	The meeting was called to order by Reeve Armond Gervais at 8:03am.
MINUTES 221/24	LEWIS: THAT the minutes of the regular council meeting held Friday, May 10, 2024, be approved as circulated. Carried
RESIGNATION – EMPLOYEE #5 222/24	RESCH: THAT the resignation received from Employee #5 be recognized as to receipt and filed. AND FURTHER that an exit interview be set up before June 28, 2024 with the HR Consultant. Carried
HIRE EQUIPMENT OPERATOR FULL TIME 223/24	BOESCH: THAT direction be given to the Chief Administrative Officer to advertise for a full-time equipment operator. Carried
ACCOUNTS FOR APPROVAL 224/24	SELINGER: THAT the List of Accounts for Approval as presented by cheques #18863 to #18925, and other payments totaling an amount of \$305,314.12, be approved for payment. Carried
ORDER TO REMEDY - PROPERTY CLEAN UP 225/24	LEIPPI: THAT an order to remedy was issued to ratepayer #639 to mow and clean up lot 30-34, Blk 1 Plan 4099 on May 29, 2024.

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AND FURTHER THAT on June 14, 2024 the property had not been mowed or cleaned up, that a \$750 charge be added to tax roll 2812 000 located on Lot 30-34, Blk 1 BD4099, to have the property mowed and cleaned up by a contractor.
Carried

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 226/24
MOYSE:
THAT the Statement of Financial Activities for the period ending May 31, 2024, be recorded as circulated to Council.
Carried

OYAMA DAM EASEMENT AGREEMENT 227/24
BECHARD:
THAT approval be given to the Reeve and CAO to sign the easement agreement with ratepayer #518 for the Oyama Dam.
Carried

CCBF 2023 CLAY CAPPING 228/24
BOESCH:
THAT the Rural Municipality of Lajord No. 128 being the only bid received for the Lajord grid clay capping project, having been awarded the contract in 2023.
Carried

RESCIND MOTION 189/24
229/24
RESCH:
THAT motion 189/24 be rescinded.
Carried

RURAL WATER WELL POLICY 230/24
LEWIS:
THAT the rural water well-electronic key fob system policy, be approved.
Carried

BYLAW 2024-12 – FIRST READING 231/24
SELINGER:
THAT Bylaw 2024-12 being known as a bylaw to fix the rates charged for use of bulk water, be read a first time.
Carried

BYLAW 2024-12 – SECOND READING 232/24
LEIPPI:
THAT Bylaw 2024-12 being known as a bylaw to fix the rates charged for use of bulk water, be read a second time.
Carried

BYLAW 2024-12 – THIRD READING 233/24
MOYSE:
THAT Bylaw 2024-12 being known as a bylaw to fix the rates charged for use of bulk water, be given three readings at this meeting.
Carried Unanimously

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BYLAW 2024-12 – BECHARD:
FINAL APPROVAL 234/24 THAT Bylaw 2024-12 being known as a bylaw to fix the rates charged for use of bulk water, now be adopted, signed and sealed with the effective date of this bylaw to be when final approval is received from the Local Government Committee.

Carried

DEBENTURE BOESCH:
APPLICATION MFC 235/24 THAT the Rural Municipality of Lajord No. 128 submit an offer to sell a debenture to the Municipal Financing Corporation of Saskatchewan.

Carried

BYLAW 2024-13 – RESCH:
FIRST READING 236/24 THAT Bylaw 2024-13 being known as a bylaw provide for borrowing the sum of Five Million Dollars (\$5,000,000) by way of debenture for the purpose of financing the cost of building a new RM shop, Hamlet of Kronau shop and replacement of the Estlin Bridge, be read a first time.

Carried

LAJORD GRID ECO LEWIS:
LEVELLING 237/24 THAT the quote received from Eco-Levelling for the soft spot on Lajord Grid, be denied.

Carried

RM SELINGER:
APPOINTMENTS 238/24 THAT the updated 2024 appointments, be approved and attached to and form a part of these minutes.

Carried

BYLAW 2024-14 – LEIPPI:
FIRST READING 239/22 THAT Bylaw 2024-14 being a bylaw to amend Bylaw 2022-06 being known as a bylaw to provide for minimum tax amounts, be read a first time.

Carried

BYLAW 2024-14 – MOYSE:
SECOND READING 240/24 THAT Bylaw 2024-14 being a bylaw to amend Bylaw 2022-06 being known as a bylaw to provide for minimum tax amounts, be read a second time.

Carried

BYLAW 2024-14 – BECHARD:
THIRD READING 241/24 THAT Bylaw 2024-14 being a bylaw to amend Bylaw 2022-06 being known as a bylaw to provide for minimum tax amounts, be given three readings at this meeting.

Carried Unanimously

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BYLAW 2024-14 FINAL APPROVAL 242/24	BOESCH: THAT Bylaw 2024-14 being a bylaw to amend Bylaw 2022-06 being known as a bylaw to provide for minimum tax amounts, now be adopted, signed and sealed.	Carried
CIMA – HIGHWAY 33 STUDY 243/24	BOESCH: THAT approval be given to the Chief Administrative Officer to submit the Council’s comments to CIMA regarding the passing lane planning study on Highway 33.	Carried
THE PRAIRIE PLAYHOUSE ELC - SPONSORSHIP 244/24	RESCH: THAT the request received from The Prairie Playhouse ELC, for a sponsorship request, be denied.	Carried
HAMLET OF RICETON – AGM – MAY 13, 2024 245/24	BECHARD: THAT the Hamlet of Riceton annual general meeting minutes from May 13, 2024, be recognized as to receipt and filed.	Carried
HAMLET OF RICETON - MINUTES 246/24	RESCH: THAT the Hamlet of Riceton Board meeting minutes from June 11, 2024, be recognized as to receipt and filed.	Carried
HAMLET OF KRONAU MINUTES 247/24	BOESCH: THAT the Hamlet of Kronau Board meeting minutes from June 3, 2023, be recognized as to receipt and filed.	Carried
WSA – PERMIT TO OPERATE A SEWAGE WORKS - DAVIN 248/24	LEWIS: THAT the permit to operate a sewage works in the Hamlet of Davin, received from the Water Security Agency, be recognized as to receipt and filed.	Carried
SASKPOWER FEEDBACK SUMMARY 249/24	LEIPPI: THAT the Regina Area Southeast Reinforcement feedback summary received from SaskPower regarding the building of several new power lines to support the addition of power to the provincial grid, be recognized as to receipt and filed.	Carried

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CORRESPONDENCE 250/24 MOYSE:
THAT we acknowledge the correspondence placed on the table for Council perusal and that the following list of correspondence from the June agenda and miscellaneous correspondence be filed and/or disposed of in the usual manner:

- Agricultural Health & Safety Network – Annual Report
- APAS – Your Leaders Program
- APAS Updates
- Federation of Canadian Municipalities – Membership Request
- RCMP White Butte Detachment – Treaty 4 Flag Raising – June 24, 2024
- SARM – News Release – Run for Municipal Council – Make a Difference in Rural Saskatchewan
- Southeast Climate Change Adaption Planning – June 21, 2024 – Weyburn
- TC Energy – A Milestone Achieved for TC Energy and South Bow – Creating Two Leading Energy Infrastructure Companies
- Thank You – Stars Donation

Carried

CLOSED IN CAMERA SESSION 251/24 LEWIS:
THAT we recess and continue deliberations *In Camera as a Committee of the Whole* at 10:51am, as per section 120(2)(b) of *The Municipalities Act* for a discussion on human resources.

Carried

Councillor Lacey Selinger declared a conflict of interest and left the meeting at 10:52am.

RECONVENE 252/24 MOYSE:
THAT the time being 11:27am, we come out of the closed session.

Carried

ADJOURNMENT 253/24 RESCH:
THAT the meeting be adjourned at 11:37am.

Carried

Originally Signed By

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Armond Gervais, Reeve

Lynette Herauf, Chief Administrative Officer