

The Rural Municipality of Lajord No. 128

Regular Meeting Minutes

Friday, May 10, 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 8:00am.

The Public Works Department attended the meeting from 8:03am to 8:16am to provide a public works update.

RENTAL OF
GRADER
174/24

LEWIS:

THAT approval be given to the Manager of Public Works to rent a grader for two months as of May 13, 2024 from Brandt for \$12,000 per month plus tax.

Carried

WESTERN POTASH
175/24

SELINGER:

THAT the notice of Milestone Site shutdown of operations received from Western Potash on May 9, 2024, be recognized as to receipt and filed.

Carried

WP LOW LEVEL
CROSSING
176/24

LEIPPI:

THAT the Rural Municipality of Lajord No. 128 complete the unfinished culvert project on the Western Potash haul road.

AND FURTHER THAT a request be made to amend the road haul agreement to add a section in that the RM will be completing to project and Western will be invoiced for all associated costs paid by the RM.

AND FURTHER THAT All North be contracted to engineer and tender the completion of the project, upon advice from legal counsel.

Carried

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MINUTES
177/24

BOESCH:
THAT the minutes of the regular council meeting held Tuesday, April 9, 2024, be approved as circulated.

Carried

MINUTES – PUBLIC
HEARING
178/24

MOYSE:
THAT the minutes of the public hearing held Tuesday, April 9, 2024, be approved as circulated.

Carried

MINUTES –
BUDGET MEETING
179/24

BECHARD:
THAT the minutes of the budget meeting held Tuesday, April 23, 2024, be approved as circulated.

Carried

ACCOUNTS FOR
APPROVAL
180/24

RESCH:
THAT the List of Accounts for Approval as presented by cheques #18812 to #18862, and other payments totaling an amount of \$292,286.59, be approved for payment.

Carried

FINANCIAL
STATEMENTS
181/24

LEWIS:
THAT the Statement of Financial Activities for the period ending April 30, 2024, be recorded as circulated to Council.

Carried

Councillor Steve Leippi declared a conflict of interest regarding Employee #14 and left the meeting at 9:13am.

Councillor Steve Leippi came back into the meeting at 9:13am.

EMPLOYEE #14 –
RECALL
182/24

RESCH:
THAT the seasonal employee #14 was recalled to work on April 22, 2024.

Carried

BRIDGE GIRDER
TENDER
183/24

SELINGER:
THAT the contractor for the supply and delivery of precast concrete bridge girders for the estlin bridge, be awarded to Knelsen Sand and Gravel for \$249,717 plus tax.

AND FURTHER THAT the Chief Administrative Officer be given direction to send out an acceptance letter and agreement.

Carried

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2023 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 184/24	BECHARD: THAT the Rural Municipality of Lajord No. 128 approve the 2023 Financial Statements as prepared by Dudley & Company LLP.	Carried
DATE CHANGE JUNE MEETING 185/24	BOESCH: THAT the date for the June Council meeting be changed to Tuesday, June 18, 2024.	Carried
SARM DIVISION 2 MEETING 186/24	RESCH: THAT all Council members and Chief Administrative Officer be approved to attend the SARM Division 2 meeting in Moose Jaw on June 11, 2024, if they want to attend.	Carried
ROW PURCHASE 187/24	MOYSE: THAT the Reeve and Chief Administrative Officer be approved to sign the right-of-way agreements with ratepayer #411 and #433 for the purchase of 0.46 hectares from each to extend Grid 622 for the Kronau Grid MG30 project. AND FURTHER THAT a cheque be issued to each ratepayer in the amount of \$5,583.43.	Carried
CONX WIRELESS TEXT2CAR – BULK WATER FOB SYSTEM 188/24	BECHARD: THAT the quote received to install two bulk water electronic fob systems at the Lajord and Riceton rural well from CONX Wireless Text2Car for \$12,825 plus tax be approved.	Carried
RURAL WATER WELL POLICY 189/24	LEIPPI: THAT the rural water well – electronic key fob system policy, be approved.	Carried
WASCANA C&D LEVY 190/24	MOYSE: THAT the Wascana Conservation and Development Assessment and Levy for 2024 be recognized as to receipt and filed.	Carried
SOURIS C&D LEVY 191/24	BECHARD: THAT the Souris Conservation and Development Assessment and Levy for 2024 be recognized as to receipt and filed.	Carried

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SMHI
WITHDRAWAL OF
LANDS
192/24

RESCH:
THAT approval be given to the Reeve and Chief Administrative Officer to sign the SMHI withdrawal of lands for 2024.

Carried

Reeve Armond Gervais declared a conflict of interest regarding KCRC and left the meeting at 9:38am.

Deputy Reeve Todd Lewis took over as chair of the meeting at 9:38am.

Reeve Armond Gervais came back in and took over as chair of the meeting at 9:40am.

KCRC LOAN
REPAYMENT
193/24

BOESCH:
THAT an extension be given to the Kronau Curling Rink for the repayment of the ice plant funds to May 1, 2024.

Carried

SILVERSMITH DATA
ASSET STATUS
TRACKER
194/24

RESCH:
THAT the Silversmith Data Asset Status Tracker quote received for setup and training for \$4,601 and Geode GPS device with tablet for \$4,000, be accepted.

Carried

HOLY FAMILY –
2024
195/24

SELINGER:
THAT the mill rates and spilt for undesignated corporations for 2024 received from the Holy Family Roman Catholic Separate School Division #140, be recognized as to receipt and filed.

Carried

BRANDT SKIDSTEER
196/24

RESCH:
THAT a buyout of \$26,500 plus tax for the 2019 John Deere 300G Skidsteer, be approved.

Carried

RATEPAYER #1864
– DUST CONTROL
197/24

LEWIS:
THAT the request received from ratepayer #1864 to apply calcium chloride dust control on Lajord Grid 621 in front of SE 29-15-16 W2, be denied.

AND FURTHER THAT if ratepayer #1864 would like a second application the RM will arrange with Fort Distributors to apply and the ratepayer will be responsible for 100% of the costs.

Carried

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RATEPAYER #2032 SELINGER:
– INTEREST THAT the request received from ratepayer #2032 to reverse the interest
CHARGES charges against invoice 2024-0004, be denied.
198/24
Carried

Reeve Armond Gervais declared a conflict of interest regarding the approved operator for fire response and left the meeting at 9:57am.

Deputy Reeve Todd Lewis took over as chair of the meeting at 9:57am.

Reeve Armond Gervais came back in and took over as chair of the meeting at 10:00am.

RM SEMI & WATER LEIPPI:
TANKER THAT Brecklin Gervais be appointed as an approved operator for the RM owned
199/24 semi and water tanker should the Kronau and District Emergency Response, the
 Riceton Volunteer Fire Department or the White Butte Emergency Measures
 Organization, require it.
Carried

BYLAW 2024-11 – BOESCH:
FIRST READING THAT Bylaw 2024-11 being a bylaw to amend Bylaw 2022-03 being known as a
200/24 bylaw to establish and regulate the collection, removal and disposal of garbage,
 recycling and other refuse, be read a first time.
Carried

BYLAW 2024-11 – MOYSE:
SECOND READING THAT Bylaw 2024-11 being a bylaw to amend Bylaw 2022-03 being known as a
201/24 bylaw to establish and regulate the collection, removal and disposal of garbage,
 recycling and other refuse, be read a second time.
Carried

BYLAW 2024-11 – BECHARD:
THIRD READING THAT Bylaw 2024-11 being a bylaw to amend Bylaw 2022-03 being known as a
202/24 bylaw to establish and regulate the collection, removal and disposal of garbage,
 recycling and other refuse, be given three readings at this meeting.
Carried Unanimously

BYLAW 2024-11 – RESCH:
FINAL APPROVAL THAT Bylaw 2024-11 being a bylaw to amend Bylaw 2022-03 being known as a
203/24 bylaw to establish and regulate the collection, removal and disposal of garbage,
 recycling and other refuse, having been given three separate readings, 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

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Councillor Todd Lewis and Councillor Kris Boesch declared a conflict of interest regarding Invenergy and left the meeting at 10:05am.

Councillor Todd Lewis and Councillor Kris Boesch came back into the meeting at 10:06am.

INVENERGY LETTER
OF SUPPORT
204/24

SELINGER:

THAT approval be given to the Reeve and Chief Administrative Officer to sign the letters of support for the Tapitow Wind Energy Project for Invenergy.

Carried

TAX
ENFORCEMENT
RATEPAYER #751
205/24

LEWIS:

THAT TAXervice be authorized under s. 22(1.1) of The Tax Enforcement Act to apply to the Provincial Mediation Board to shorten the 6-month waiting period on the following described land:

LOT 4-BLK/PAR 3-PLAN 59462 EXT 0, 108627509
LOT 5-BLK/PAR 3-PLAN 59462 EXT 0, 108627521
LOT 7-BLK/PAR 3-PLAN 59462 EXT 0, 108522963
LOT 8-BLK/PAR 3-PLAN 59462 EXT 0, 108522985
LOT 12-BLK/PAR 3-PLAN 59462 EXT 0, 108523065
LOT 29-BLK/PAR 3-PLAN 59462 EXT 0, 108523245
LOT 30-BLK/PAR 3-PLAN 59462 EXT 0, 108627543
LOT 31-BLK/PAR 3-PLAN 59462 EXT 0, 108627565

AND FURTHER THAT TAXervice be authorized under s. 22(1) of The Tax Enforcement Act to commence proceedings to request title with respect to the following described lands:

LOT 4-BLK/PAR 3-PLAN 59462 EXT 0, 108627509
LOT 5-BLK/PAR 3-PLAN 59462 EXT 0, 108627521
LOT 7-BLK/PAR 3-PLAN 59462 EXT 0, 108522963
LOT 8-BLK/PAR 3-PLAN 59462 EXT 0, 108522985
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LOT 30-BLK/PAR 3-PLAN 59462 EXT 0, 108627543
LOT 31-BLK/PAR 3-PLAN 59462 EXT 0, 108627565

Carried

SMB DECISION – KF
206/24

LEWIS:

THAT the decision received from the Saskatchewan Municipal Board AAC2023-0657 cross appeal AAC2023-0658 for ratepayer #696, be recognized as to receipt and filed.

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CLOSED IN CAMERA SESSION 207/24	SELINGER: THAT we recess and continue deliberations <i>In Camera as a Committee of the Whole</i> at 10:24pm, as per section 120(2)(b) of <i>The Municipalities Act</i> for a discussion on long range planning and human resources.	Carried
RECONVENE 208/24	LEWIS: THAT the time being 10:58am, we come out of the closed session.	Carried
	Councillor Lacey Selinger declared a conflict of interest due to employee #2 and left the meeting at 10:42am for the day.	
RAIN DAY POLICY 209/24	MOYSE: THAT the rain day policy for the public works staff, be approved.	Carried
RM SHOP PLANS 210/24	LEIPPI: THAT the RM proceed with the shop plan received from Gilchuk Design & Drafting Ltd. on May 18, 2024.	Carried
LAGOON INSPECTIONS 211/24	MOYSE: THAT the lagoon inspections for Spring 2024 for the Hamlets of Davin, Gray, Kronau and Riceton, received from Eldred Irvine, be recognized as to receipt and filed.	
	AND FURTHER THAT it be noted the Chief Administrative Officer, shared a copy with each hamlet board.	Carried
WSA – WATERWORKS – DAVIN 212/24	BECHARD: THAT the water works compliance inspection – hygienic use report received from WSA, for the Hamlet of Davin, be recognized as to receipt and filed.	Carried
HAMLET OF DAVIN MINUTES – APRIL 27, 2024 213/24	BOESCH: THAT the Hamlet of Davin Board meeting minutes from April 27, 2024, be recognized as to receipt and filed.	Carried
HAMLET OF KRONAU MINUTES – APRIL 8, 2024 214/24	LEWIS: THAT the Hamlet of Kronau Board meeting minutes from April 8, 2024, be recognized as to receipt and filed.	Carried

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HAMLET OF LEIPPI:
KRONAU MINUTES THAT the Hamlet of Kronau meeting minutes from May 6, 2024, be recognized
– MAY 6, 2024 as to receipt and filed.
215/24 Carried

VILLAGE OF SEDLEY RESCH:
LAGOON THAT the letter received from the Village of Sedley regarding the opening of the
216/24 Sedley lagoon be recognized as to receipt and filed.
Carried

HAMLET OF BECHARD:
RICETON MINUTES THAT the minutes from the Hamlet of Riceton Board meeting on March 5, 2024,
– MARCH 5, 2024 be recognized as to receipt and filed.
217/24 Carried

HAMLET OF BOESCH:
RICTON MINUTES – THAT the minutes from the Hamlet of Riceton Board meeting on March 31,
MARCH 31, 2024 2024, be recognized as to receipt and filed.
218/24 Carried

CORRESPONDENCE MOYSE:
219/24 THAT we acknowledge the correspondence placed on the table for Council
perusal and that the following list of correspondence from the May agenda and
miscellaneous correspondence be filed and/or disposed of in the usual manner:

- APAS Updates
- Asset Strategy Inc.
- Covenant Construction
- Hudson Bay Route Association – AGM – June 6 & 7, 2024
- JRRHD Maintenance & Machine – Mulching Service
- Kubota Mowers
- Plant Health Network – Spring 2024 – Newsletter
- RM158 Newsletter – May 2024
- SARM Board of Directors Announcement – Retirement of Darwin
Whitefield – Division 6
- Saskatchewan 4-H Foundation Spring Highlights
- Triple S Transport – Green Earth Road Spraying

Carried

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ADJOURNMENT
220/24

RESCH:
THAT the meeting be adjourned at 11:16am.

Carried

Originally Signed By

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Armond Gervais, Reeve

Lynette Herauf, Chief Administrative Officer