

# The Rural Municipality of Lajord No. 128

Regular Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, October 8, 2024

Municipal Office - Lajord, Saskatchewan

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ATTENDANCE

PRESENT:

Armond Gervais, Reeve  
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

NOT IN ATTENDANCE:

Martin Bechard, Councillor, Division #1

STAFF:

Lynette Herauf, Chief Administrative Officer

ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Reeve Armond Gervais at 8:03am.

The Public Works Department attended the meeting from 8:03am to 9:29am to provide a public works update and stayed for the JJ Trucking Ltd. discussion.

DELEGATION – JJ TRUCKING LTD.

Jeremy Johnson attended the meeting from 8:52 am to 9:14am for a discussion on gravel and hauling.

MINUTES  
355/24

SELINGER:

THAT the minutes of the regular council meeting held Tuesday, September 10, 2024, be approved as circulated.

Carried

PUBLIC HEARING  
MINUTES  
356/24

LEWIS:

THAT the minutes of the public hearing held Tuesday, September 10, 2024, be approved as circulated.

Carried

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TRACTOR RENTAL      MOYSE:  
                                 THAT approval be given to rent a tractor from E Bourassa & Son's to be used as a third tractor for mowing and mulching for the Fall 2024 season at a rate of \$200 per hour.

Carried

TRACTOR TENDER      LEIPPI:  
357/24                    THAT the Chief Administrative Officer be directed to put out a call for tenders for the following equipment:

- 180HP FWA Tractor and Loader
- 180HP FWA Tractor and Schulte Mower

AND FURTHER THAT tenders close on November 11, 2024, and that results be brought back to the November Council meeting.

Carried

OFFER TO                RESCH:  
PURCHASE LAND      THAT as per the meeting with Ratepayer #30 on October 7, 2024 that the Chief  
358/24                    Administrative Officer be directed to work with Ratepayer #30 to purchase five (5) acres located on N#-31-13-17 W2 for a gravel stockpile site.

Carried

RICETON WELL USE    MOYSE:  
359/24                    THAT approval be given to User #115E97B for the use of the Riceton rural water well.

Carried

ACCOUNTS FOR        BOESCH:  
APPROVAL              THAT the List of Accounts for Approval as presented by cheques #19123 to  
360/24                    #19181, and other payments totaling an amount of \$1,130,620.80, be approved for payment.

Carried

FINANCIAL              LEWIS:  
STATEMENTS          THAT the Statement of Financial Activities for the period ending September 30,  
361/24                    2024, be recorded as circulated to Council.

Carried

SHOP PLANS            SELINGER:  
362/24                    That the final shop plans be approved.

AND FURTHER THAT Gilchuk Designs and Drafting be approved to send out the request for tenders.

Carried

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APPROVAL OF  
PAYMENTS  
363/24

LEIPPI:  
THAT approval be given to administration to issue payments to the following as of October 8, 2024:

- Warman Construction - \$692,092.02
- All North Consultants Ltd. - \$25,471.40
- All Points Excavating - \$51,756.56
- Loraas - \$5,945.11
- Teamsters Local Union - \$568
- Errol Ring - \$370
- Rural Municipality of Edenwold No. 158 - \$3410.39

Carried

BYLAW 2024-19 –  
FIRST READING  
364/24

MOYSE:  
THAT Bylaw 2024-19 being known as a bylaw respecting social media posting, be read a first time.

Carried

CLOSED SESSION  
365/24

LEWIS:  
THAT we recess and continue deliberations *In Camera as a Committee of the Whole* at 10:28am, as per section 120(2)(b) of *The Municipalities Act* for a discussion for human resources and long-range planning.

Carried

Councillor Steve Leippi stepped out of the closed sessions regarding discussions on employee #14 his relative at 10:51am.

Councillor Steve Leippi came back into the meeting at 10:55am.

RECONVENE  
366/24

LEWIS:  
THAT the time being 11:05am, we come out of the closed session.

Carried

SEASONAL EMP  
#14  
367/24

BOESCH:  
THAT the seasonal employee #14, last day of work be set for October 31, 2024.

Carried

VACATION CARRY-  
OVER  
368/24

RESCH:  
THAT employee #12 be approved to carry over four (4) vacation days from 2024 into 2025.

AND FURTHER THAT the above days are to be taken by March 31, 2025.

Carried

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DELEGATION – Rhonda Lamb, Audrey Euteneier and Colin Hastie with the Kronau Museum  
KRONAU MUSEUM came into the meeting at 11:05am to 11:21am to discuss the renovations done  
to the SAAR school.

RM PURCHASING SELINGER:  
POLICY THAT the purchasing policy, be approved. Carried  
369/24

ZERO TOLERANCE BOESCH:  
POLICY THAT the zero-tolerance policy, be approved. Carried  
370/24

DRESS CODE MOYSE:  
POLICY THAT the Council and office dress code policy, be approved. Carried  
371/24

HISA LEIPPI:  
372/24 THAT approval be given to the Reeve and Chief Administrative Officer to sign  
the high interest savings account deposit instruction.  
  
AND FURTHER THAT three-million (\$3,000,000) be transferred into the account. Carried

RECREATION MOYSE:  
GRANT – GRAY THAT the application received from the Gray Recreation Centre for the  
RINK recreation grant for renovations to the rink and fundraising done for 2023 and  
373/24 2024, be approved.  
  
AND FURTHER THAT administration be directed to issue the following  
payments:  

- Recreation Grant – Renovations - \$5,488.34
- Recreation Grant – Fundraising - \$5,003

Carried

NATURE BOESCH:  
CONSERVANCY THAT the notice of intent received from the Nature Conservancy Canada  
CANADA regarding a conservation easement for the following land be approved  
374/24 for customer #1912:  

- LSD 9-15-16-16 W2 Ext 50
- LSD 10-15-16-16 W2 Ext 51
- LSD 15-15-16-16 W2 Ext 48
- LSD 16-15-16-16 W2 Ext 49

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WESTERN POTASH TAX NOTICE 375/24	RESCH: THAT the second request received from Western Potash requesting a deferral of the 2024 tax payment to a later date, be denied.	Carried
SASKENERGY 376/24	RESCH: THAT approval be given to SaskEnergy for the construction of a proposed gas distribution main to provide services to NE 29-13-17 W2, to work within the crossing of Kronau Grid 622.	Carried
DIRECTION FOR POSTING COMMUNICATION 377/24	LEWIS: THAT administration be directed to only post RM communications to the RM website and social media page.	Carried
APPROVED VOLUNTEER OPERATOR 378/24	SELINGER: THAT customer #1874, be appointed to operate the Hamlet of Davin equipment.	Carried
NOTICE NATURE 379/24	LEIPPI: THAT administration be directed to purchase 10 pocket guides and 10 ID guides for Saskatchewan designated weeds and noxious weeds, from Notice Nature.  AND FURTHER THAT guides are to be sold at cost.	Carried
SAMA CERTIFICATE OF CONFIRMATION 380/24	MOYSE: THAT the certificate of confirmation received from SAMA for the 2024 assessment, be recognized as to receipt and filed.	Carried
RICETON MINUTES 381/24	BOESCH: THAT the Hamlet of Riceton Board meeting minutes from September 10, 2024, be recognized as to receipt and filed.	Carried
HAMLET OF KRONAU MINUTES 382/24	LEWIS: THAT the Hamlet of Kronau Board meeting minutes from September 9, 2024, be recognized as to receipt and filed.	Carried

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LAGOON  
INSPECTIONS  
383/24

RESCH:  
THAT the lagoon inspections received from Water Security Agency, for the Hamlets of Davin, Gray, Kronau and Riceton, be recognized as to receipt and filed.

AND FURTHER that the Chief Administrative Officer be directed to send a copy to each hamlet board for review.

Carried

SASKPOWER  
FEEDBACK  
384/24

SELINGER:  
THAT the potential new natural gas power station in your area – feedback summary received from SaskPower, be recognized as to receipt and filed.

Carried

SASKTEL –  
BROADBAND  
385/24

LEIPPI:  
THAT the letter received from the Honourable Dustin Duncan, Minister Responsible for SaskTel regarding broadband connectivity in the RM, be recognized as to receipt and filed.

Carried

CORRESPONDENCE  
386/24

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

- APAS – Ag Matters
- APAS – District Meetings
- Canadian Paving Service
- Covenant Construction
- Plant Health Network Newsletter – Fall 2024
- SAMA – Welcome to the INDSider!
- SARM News Release – Driving Our Roads into the Ground: SARM Calls for More Funding to Aid in Disintegrating Roads and Bridges
- SARM News Release – SARM Rallies for a Pharmacy Expansion Service for Rural Saskatchewan
- Sedley Childcare Board – Sponsorship Bingo
- Southeast Regional Library – Semi Annual Board Meeting – October 26, 2024
- Triple S Transport/Green Earth Road Spraying

Carried

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ADJOURNMENT  
387/24

RESCH:  
THAT the meeting be adjourned at 10:00am.

Carried

*Originally Signed By*

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Armond Gervais, Reeve

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Lynette Herauf, Chief Administrative Officer