



**RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF DUFFERIN
Special Council Meeting**

**Friday, March 10th, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.
Council Chambers Memorial Hall,
12-2nd Ave SW, Carman, MB**

Reeve Cor Lodder presided at the Special council meeting of the Council of the Rural Municipality of Dufferin held at 9:00 a.m. at Memorial Hall, 12 – 2nd Ave. S.W., in Carman, Manitoba on Friday, March 10th, 2023. The following members of Council were present, Councillors Sheldon Harder, Clayton Morgan, Tyler Russell, and Fred Dunn. Deputy Reeve John Peckover remoted in however due to internet complications contact was lost. Also present were, Rodney Last Municipal Foreman, Chief Administrative Officer Sharla Murray, and Assistant Administrator Jeanne Holmberg.

Regrets: Councillor Barrie Fraser

Reeve Cor Lodder called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

#1 Adoption of the Agenda – Councillors Harder/ Russell

Resolved that the Council of the Rural Municipality of Dufferin adopt the agenda as presented.

Motion Carried

Closed Session – personnel – later in the meeting.

Delegation and Public Hearings - Attached Watershed Map

9:00 A.M. - Water Resources - Leo Duval (Water Operation's Superintendent West District) and Heinjie Arado (Water Operation's) attended as Delegations.

Council discussion with Leo and Heinjie regarding the following:

Mowing of Provincial Drains

Their plan is to hire out for custom mowing for the upcoming year/ season. Definite concerns expressed from Dufferin Council, as the mowing program did not get up and going last year and this causes issues. Dufferin did end up doing some of that mowing. Council proposed potential consideration of a cost share proposal for mowing for drain bottoms – as well as looking for re-imburement for mowing done in 2022. Council is also willing to entertain entering into a mowing agreement and provide some of the custom mowing to be done within our RM.

Drainage Works - 7-7 Drain; Roblin Drain

7-7 Drain - Councillor Dunn concern for area of SE 9-7-7 wpm and the 7–7 Drain. Drain needs to be cleaned, level's done for approx. 1/8th of a mile – concerns of where the water goes, effect on a yard site as well as concerns from beaver damn and the water going through bush. Their concern is of getting environmental approval for some of the area being requested to clean.

Roblin Drain - Council proposed a project of levelling the drain bottom for a mile, “a loader width” as a plateau, at area East of 36-6-6 wpm. Council feeling would be easier for mowing, so easier to clean out. Leo shared concerns for elevations and concern whether the water will continue to run away or will it end up getting stuck there. Council was reminded that an application would be required to do any work in the drain.

Council concern on RD 30W, between 35N & 36N regarding the level of the road and the way the water runs. Council is concerned that this portion of the road was not built with the proper elevations and is requesting it to be surveyed. Leo indicated the road should be built at a level for a 5% rain event, and has concerns with a road being raised, as per potential request indicated, as a road is not meant for water control.

Diversion – Reeve Lodder discussed concerns regarding RD 36N between RD 23W and RD 24W, 1 mile east of HWY 13. Council would like to see a ditch built on the south side of this road as there is no drainage availability. Water sits on road causing issues.

Bridges - Homewood & out east

Homewood Bridge - Dufferin has asked to have this bridge inspected – concerns that the bridge is no longer straight – they will review and have it looked at in their annual inspection process.

Water Stewardship - Tim Speers couldn't make it.

Proposed agenda for re-scheduled date:

Drainage Works; Tile Drainage Barkhouse; 7-7 Drain; PR240 Drainage

Proposed agenda for March 21st, 2023, 10 am - Manitoba Transportation and Infrastructure – Director of Capital Regional, Ryan Coulter and Technical Services Engineer, Mandip Sainbhi.

Stephenfield Lake Road, PR240, PR338 and PR305.

Snow Clearing; Blading/Grading - calcium.

Road Projects and Maintenance

PR 305 & 240 junction 2 miles going west, low and wide; Highway #3 resurfacing.

Drainage Works; Spraying Program

DFA Claim – Abbott Bridge and Riverbank Notes, further follow up provided.

#2 Land Purchase Agreement – Councillors Russell/Dunn

Whereas the Rural Municipality of Dufferin experienced overland flooding the spring of 2022 and declared a State of Local Emergency, where significant damages were incurred on Road 26W along the riverbank as well as to the Abbott Bridge.

Whereas the Rural Municipality of Dufferin has engaged Samson Engineering to review and complete repairs for the engineering assessment completed by Stantec Consulting Ltd. dated June 3rd, 2022.

Resolved that the Council of the Rural Municipality of Dufferin approve the land purchase agreement of 2.7 acres for \$10,000.00 for the NE 22-6-5 WPM with Abbott Cattle Co Ltd.

Motion Carried

Letter with Engineering Report

Budget – discussion with potential numbers/mill rate/reserves

#3 St. Daniel School Shingles – Councillors Dunn/Morgan

Whereas multiple attempts have been made to acquire quotes for the replacement of the shingles of the St. Daniel's School and only one quote was submitted.

Resolved that the Council of the Rural Municipality of Dufferin approve KM Carpentry Ltd. estimate to perform the removal and replacement of Green Shingles on St. Daniel's School at a cost of \$5,253.50 plus applicable taxes.

Motion Carried

#4 Committee of the Whole Session – Councillors Russell/Morgan

Resolved that the Rural Municipality of Dufferin Council dissolve into a committee of the whole as per section 152(3) of The Municipal Act to discuss Personnel.

Motion Carried

#5 Committee of the Whole Adjournment – Councillors Russell/Harder

Resolved that the Rural Municipality of Dufferin Council adjourn from a committee of the whole and re-open the meeting to the public.

Motion Carried

#6 Employee Contracts – Levels for PW – Councillors Dunn/Harder

Resolved that the Council of the Rural Municipality of Dufferin approve the Employment Contracts 1/2023 to 11/2023 as attached.

Motion Carried

Green Arrow Tech \$3-4 per acre – RTK/Lidar – allocate \$50,000 to budget.

Custom Mowing – allocate \$15,000 to budget.

GIS system – review of systems used by the RM's of McDonald and Grey by Tyler, Sharla, and Rodney – tours to be arranged.

V-Plowing Policy – discussion with each Ward Councillor

Project Lists – Ward 4

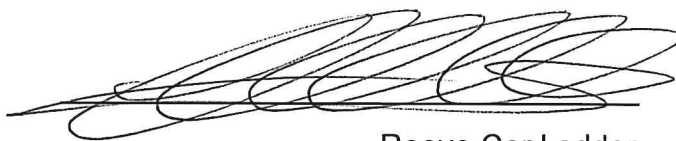
#27-16 - NE 20-6-7, Road reconstruction (Snow Valley Rd) straighten curves MTS in ditch (S 19-6-6)

#4-17 - E 36-6-6, road pull up along Roblin drain, also drainage on east side for R Harrison

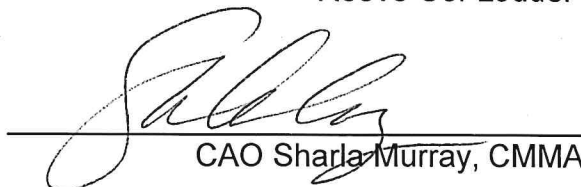
#21-19 - N 17,16,15-6-6 ditching redirect 338 water east to Hutterites, cmp angled thru 338 to S 20-6-6.

#19-20 - NE 21-6-7 repair curves in Roseisle, build up road.

Reeve Cor Lodder adjourned the meeting at 11:15 a.m.



Reeve Cor Lodder



CAO Sharla Murray, CMMA

Minutes are to be considered draft until signed.