

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
HELD MARCH 10TH, 2015 AT 9:00 A.M. IN THE COUNCIL
CHAMBER OF THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF TACHÉ
IN LORETTE, MANITOBA.**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Rivard, Councillors
Trudeau, McGregor, Brunette,
Poirier, Stein, Heather & Rivard.

IN ATTENDANCE: Dan Poersch,
Chief Administrative Officer,
Jeanette Laramee,
Assistant CAO.

**Mayor Rivard called the meeting to order with the invocation
at 9:00 a.m.**

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

204-2015 **Trudeau – McGregor:** Resolved that this meeting's
agenda be adopted as amended.

Carried.

**MINUTES – LUD LANDMARK COMMITTEE MEETING –
FEBRUARY 2ND, 2015**

205-2015 **McGregor – Trudeau:** Resolved that the minutes arising
from the Landmark LUD Committee meeting held February 2nd,
2015 be acknowledged.

Carried.

**MINUTES – LUD LORETTE COMMITTEE MEETING –
FEBRUARY 3RD, 2015**

206-2015 **Stein – McGregor:** Resolved that the minutes arising
from the Lorette LUD Committee meeting held February 3rd, 2015
be acknowledged.

Carried.

**MINUTES – COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING – FEBRUARY
10TH, 2015**

207-2015 **Trudeau – Poirier:** Resolved that the minutes arising
from the February 10th, 2015 Council special meeting be adopted.

Carried.

**MINUTES – PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT MEETING –
FEBRUARY 12TH, 2015**

208-2015 **Trudeau – Heather:** Resolved that the minutes arising
from the February 12th, 2015 Council Planning & Development
meeting be adopted.

Carried.

209-2015 **MINUTES – COUNCIL MEETING – FEBRUARY 17TH, 2015**
Trudeau – Brunette: Resolved that the minutes arising from the February 17th, 2015 Council meeting be adopted.

Carried.

210-2015 **MINUTES – PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE – FEBRUARY 20TH, 2015**
Trudeau – Heather: Resolved that the minutes arising from the Public Works Committee meeting held February 20th, 2015 be adopted.

Carried.

211-2015 **MINUTES – COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING – FEBRUARY 24TH, 2015**
Trudeau – Brunette: Resolved that the minutes arising from the February 24th, 2015 Council special meeting be adopted.

Carried.

212-2015 **MINUTES – PUBLIC WORKS MEETING – MARCH 6TH, 2015**
Trudeau – Brunette: Resolved that the minutes arising from the March 6th, 2015 Public Works Committee meeting be acknowledged.

Carried.

213-2015 **PUBLIC WORKS REQUESTS**
Trudeau – Heather: Resolved that the following public works requests arising from the Public Works Committee meeting held March 6th, 2015 be authorized: 46-2015, 47-2015, 53-2015 & 54-2015.

Carried.

214-2015 **BY-LAW NO. 4-2015 – CAO APPOINTMENT & REMUNERATION – 2ND READING**
Trudeau – Brunette: Resolved that By-law No. 4-2015 being a By-law of the Rural Municipality of Taché to amend By-law No. 23-2003 being a by-law, which provides for appointing Daniel Poersch as Chief Administrative Officer of the Municipality and the remuneration thereof be read a 2nd time.

Carried.

215-2015 **BY-LAW NO. 4-2015 – CAO APPOINTMENT & REMUNERATION – 3RD READING**
Heather – Rivard: Resolved that By-law No. 4-2015 be read a 3rd and final time and is passed.

For the Motion: **Councillors Trudeau, McGregor, Brunette, Poirier, Stein, Heather, Rivard and Mayor Rivard.**

Against the Motion: Nil.

Motion Carried.

**BY-LAW NO. 5-2015 – REPEAL INACTIVE RESERVE
FUND BY-LAWS – 3RD READING**

216-2015

Trudeau – Heather: Resolved that By-law No. 5-2015 being a By-law of The Rural Municipality of Taché to repeal By-law Nos. 6-2005, 24-2005, 29-2005, 16-2006, 24-2006, 7-2005 & 9-2005 being by-laws that established reserve funds that have since been expended and no longer required be read a 3rd and final time and is passed.

For the Motion: Councillors Trudeau, McGregor, Brunette, Poirier, Stein, Heather, Rivard and Mayor Rivard.

Against the Motion: Nil.

Motion Carried.

**BY-LAW NO. 7-2015 – MACHINERY REPLACEMENT
RESERVE – 1ST READING**

217-2015

Trudeau – Heather: Resolved that By-law No. 7-2015 being a By-law of the Rural Municipality of Taché for the purpose of establishing a Machinery Replacement Reserve Fund for the Municipality be introduced and read a 1st time.

Carried.

BY-LAW NO. 7-2015 – 2ND READING

218-2015

Heather – Brunette: Resolved that By-law No. 7-2015 be read a 2nd time.

Carried.

**MB HYDRO MANITOBA-MINNESOTA TRANSMISSION
PROJECT**

219-2015

Heather – McGregor: Resolved that correspondence be forwarded to the Taché Coalition, the group currently engaged in challenging the MB Hydro Manitoba-Minnesota Transmission Project, to notify of the Municipality's continued support and the actions taken to date in this matter.

Carried.

ELECTION FINANCE STATEMENTS

220-2015

The CAO provided Council Members with information that pursuant to Section 93.16(1) & (2) of *The Municipal Act* that:
Where a registered candidate who is elected in an election fails to file
(a) an election finance statement required under subsection 93.12(1) before the date prescribed in a by-law passed under sub clause 93.2(d)(ii); or

(b) a further statement required under subsection 93.12(2) before the date prescribed in a by-law passed under clause 93.2(e); the chief administrative officer must provide a written report of the failure to council at its next meeting, and the candidate must not sit on council until the chief administrative officer reports to council that the candidate's statement has been filed. Every registered candidate elected in an election forfeits his or her seat on council if the candidate fails to comply with section 93.12 (filing election finance statement) within 270 days after the day of the election.

221-2015

NEW MUNICIPAL ROAD AND BRIDGE PROGRAM

The CAO referred to Council Members information regarding the new Municipal Road and Bridge program whereby the provincial grant program is being revised to consolidate and enhance the level of provincial funding rendering the program to be a simpler and more flexible, accessible program.

222-2015

BIBLIOTHEQUE TACHÉ LIBRARY – REPORT

Councillor Brunette provided Council Members with a brief report regarding attendance to the meeting of the Bibliothèque Taché Library Board held earlier this month.

223-2015

REPORT – BIBLIOTHEQUE TACHÉ LIBRARY

Trudeau – Heather: Resolved that the report by Councillor Brunette regarding the operations and activities of the Bibliothèque Taché Library is acknowledged.

Carried.

224-2015

DISPOSITION OF REQUEST FOR PEDESTRIAN CROSSWALK AT P.R. #207 & CCLCC

In February of 2014, the Municipality passed resolution no. 196-2015 subsequent to the receipt of the disposition by Manitoba Infrastructure and Transportation, and in particular the Traffic Engineering department, regarding the request that a pedestrian crosswalk be installed on P.R. #207 adjacent to the Complexe Lorette Community Complex. The CAO referred to Council Members at this time the department's disposition in relation to questions contained in the aforementioned resolution of Council.

225-2015

BUILDING INSPECTOR'S REPORT – FEBRUARY, 2015

Trudeau – McGregor: Resolved that the Building Inspector's report for the month of February, 2015 is acknowledged.

Carried.

226-2015

PBLE – ANIMAL CONTROL REPORT – FEBRUARY, 2015

Heather – Trudeau: Resolved that the animal control report submitted by Prairie By-law Enforcement Ltd. outlining animal control activities throughout the month of February, 2015 is acknowledged.

Carried.

- 227-2015** **NUISANCE FERAL CATS**
Poirier – Stein: Whereas numerous concerns regarding health, safety & property invasion occurrences linked to a population of feral cats within the Local Urban District of Lorette have been referred to the Municipality for action;
Resolved that Rural Animal Management Services be engaged to manage and remove the nuisance felines to a maximum expenditure of \$1,000.00.

Carried.

- 228-2015** **LUD LANDMARK REQUESTS & RECOMMENDATIONS**
McGregor – Stein: Resolved that the following requests and recommendations arising from the March 2nd, 2015 LUD of Landmark Committee meeting be authorized: 44-2015, 45-2015, 46-2015 & 54-2015.

Carried.

- 229-2015** **LUD LORETTE REQUESTS & RECOMMENDATIONS**
Stein – Brunette: Resolved that the following requests and recommendations arising from the March 3rd, 2015 LUD of Lorette Committee meeting be authorized: 54-2015, 55-2014, 56-2015, 62-2015, 64-2015 & 65-2015.

Carried.

- 230-2015** **CCLCC REPORT**
Heather – Trudeau: Resolved that the report by Councillor Heather, the liaison Council Member on the CCLCC Board, regarding the operations and activities at the Complexe Communautaire de Lorette Community Complex is acknowledged.

Carried.

- 231-2015** **BOARD OF REVISION – OPENING**
Trudeau – Stein: Resolved that the Board of Revision convene to hear appeals on 2013 (if applicable) & 2014 supplementary assessment complaints filed by property owners in the municipality or by the Assessment Branch in respect to properties in the municipality.

Carried.

Mark Budey & Roger Storoschuk, assessors with the Steinbach Assessment Branch also attended the meeting at this time to provide evidence.

OATH – AFFIRMATION

232-2015

The assessment officers, appellants or other persons who provided evidence before the Board were sworn in or affirmed.

PURPOSE OF HEARING

233-2015

To hear applications for revision of the 2013 (if applicable) & 2014 assessment revisions with respect to:

- a) Liability to taxation;
- b) Amount of an assessed value;
- c) Classification of Property.
- d) a refusal by an assessor to amend the assessment roll under Subsection 13(2).

REVISION APPLICATIONS

234-2015

A total of 19 applications were filed, 1 application was withdrawn, 1 agreement to revise the assessment was entered into and 17 applications were reviewed by the Board comprising of 17 properties. The appeals were heard between the hours of 9:45 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Pursuant to Section 15.1 of *The Municipal Assessment Act*, an agreement to revise the assessment for the first Application for Appeal scheduled at 9:35 a.m. was submitted.

Council resumed with general business items in respect to their regular Council Meeting.

MAYOR’S REPORT

235-2015

Mayor Rivard provided all in attendance with information regarding attendance to the Association of Rural Municipalities meeting held March 5th, 2015. Councillors Poirier and Heather provided a brief report regarding their visits to various facilities throughout surrounding jurisdictions, a report to the Recreation Feasibility Committee will be forthcoming.

WARD 6 CITIZENS ON PATROL PROGRAM – 3RD QUARTER DISBURSEMENT

236-2015

Trudeau – Heather: Resolved that the 3rd quarter expense statement submitted on behalf of the Ward 6 Chapter of the COPP is acknowledged.

Carried.

COMPOSTERS INVENTORY

237-2015

Trudeau – McGregor: Whereas Earth Day is fast approaching, April 22nd, 2015; and

Whereas the concept of reduce, reuse & recycle is a position the Municipality promotes & engages itself with; and

Whereas the Municipality currently has an approximate 200 composters remaining in municipal inventory at a cost of \$8,356.70;

Resolved that the composters be authorized as a donation to the schools within The Rural Municipality of Taché to promote Earth Day.

Carried.

Council re-convened as Board of Revision at this time.

EVIDENCE

238-2015

Application for revision by or on behalf of the following named persons was received:

<u>Appellants (Agent/Representative)</u>	<u>Roll #</u>
Ashley David Penner (Douglas Bedgar, a representative with Altus Group Limited attended)	23305
Alexander Chramow (Alexander Chramow attended with Jutta Albertin, who provided translation services & evidence on behalf of the appellants	177210
Joli-Bo Investments Inc. (Marcien Bouchard attended)	85878
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ATTENDANCE – COUNCIL MEMBERS

239-2015

Chairman Robert Rivard	9:00 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.
Board Member Jacques Trudeau	9:00 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.
Board Member George McGregor	9:00 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.
Board Member Lucille Brunette	9:00 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.
Board Member Steve Stein	9:00 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.
Board Member Armand Poirier	9:00 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.
Board Member Bill Heather	9:00 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.
Board Member Andy Rivard	9:00 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

ADOPTION OF DECISION

240-2015

Trudeau – Stein: Resolved that the decisions unanimously agreed to by the Board of Revision at this meeting regarding the appeal applications are adopted.

Carried.

CLOSE OF BOARD OF REVISION

241-2015

Trudeau – Brunette: Resolved that the Board of Revision sitting is closed.

Carried.

Council resumed with their regular Council Meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE & COMMUNICATIONS		
242-2015	<u>Writer</u>	<u>Subject</u> <u>Disposition</u>
	Ste. Anne Hospital	Grant request <u>res. 243-2015</u>
	Minister of Children & Youth	
	Opportunities	Recreation seminar offering <u>res. 244-2015</u>
	Red River Basin Comm.	Donation request <u>res. 245-2015</u>
	Operation Lifesaver	Public Rail Safety week <u>res. 246-2015</u>
	Collège Lorette Collegiate	Bursary request <u>res. 247-2015</u>
	Cooks Creek CD	Re-organization & Board
		Meeting <u>info</u>
	Hudson Bay Route Assoc.	2015 Membership <u>info</u>

STE-ANNE HOSPITAL FUND
243-2015 Trudeau – Heather: Resolved that \$500.00 in financial support to the Ste-Anne Hospital Fund and in particular in support of their Health Walk and Lobster fest Events is authorized.

Carried.

SEMINAR OFFERING – RECREATION IS A VITAL COMMUNITY SERVICE
244-2015 Stein – Poirier: Resolved that Councillors Stein & McGregor are authorized to attend the seminar offering “Recreation is a Vital Community Service” being held April 25th, 2015 in East St. Paul.

Carried.

RED RIVER BASIN COMMISSION – DONATION REQUEST
245-2015 Trudeau – Rivard: Resolved that a \$50.00 donation to the Red River Basin Commission in support of their prize raffle being held March 19th, 2015 is authorized.

Carried.

PUBLIC RAIL SAFETY WEEK
246-2015 Heather – Trudeau: Whereas Public Rail Safety Week is to be held across Canada from April 27th, 2015 to May 3rd, 2015; and
Whereas it is in the public’s interest to raise citizens’ awareness on reducing avoidable accidents, injuries and damage caused by collisions at level crossings or incidents involving trains and citizens; and
Whereas Operation Lifesaver is a public/private partnership whose aim is to work with the rail industry, governments, police services, the media and other agencies and the public to raise rail safety awareness; and
Whereas Operation Lifesaver has requested that the RM of Taché adopt this resolution in support of its ongoing effort to save lives and prevent injuries in communities, including our municipality;

Resolved that the Municipality is in support of Public Rail Safety Week being held from April 27th to May 3rd, 2015.

Carried.

HIGH SCHOOL BURSARIES

247-2015

Trudeau – Heather: Resolved that École Gabrielle-Roy Collège, Collège Lorette Collegiate, the Landmark Collegiate and the Ste. Anne Collegiate each receive a \$350.00 bursary for presentation to students residing in the Municipality of Taché with the intent to further their post secondary education.

Carried.

Cheryl Harder, the Municipality's Finance Officer, attended the meeting at this time to present the final budget documents for Council's review and adoption.

2014 SURPLUS FUNDS

248-2015

Heather – McGregor: Resolved that surplus funds from the 2014 fiscal operating year in the amount of \$236,348.13 be transferred to the Nuisance Grounds Reserve & the balance of funds to the Capital Improvement Reserve.

Carried.

2015 MUNICIPAL BUDGET – DELIBERATIONS

249-2015

Council deliberated with the finance department at this time to finalize the Municipality's Service Plan & Budget for 2015.

**CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS –
DECEMBER 31ST, 2014**

250-2015

Trudeau – Rivard: Resolved that the Municipality's Consolidated Financial Statements to December 31st, 2014 outlining Municipal and LUD operations as well as capital expenditures be adopted as presented as the final statements of 2014.

Carried.

**RL 57 LO 5597 – 1446 DAWSON ROAD – SALE OF
ABANDONED BUILDINGS**

251-2015

Trudeau – Heather: Resolved that the buildings currently located on property described as RL 57 LO 5597 1446 Dawson Road in Lorette, be placed for sale.

Carried.

**RL 57 LO 5597 – 1446 DAWSON ROAD –
DISPOSITION OF ABANDONED BUILDINGS**

252-2015

Heather – Poirier: Resolved that should the Municipality be unsuccessful at selling one or both of the

buildings, that the Municipality undertake the demolition of the buildings with an April 30th, 2015 timeframe.

Carried.

ACCOUNTS

253-2015 **Trudeau – Stein:** Resolved that the accounts to March 6th, 2015 as presented at this meeting be authorized for payment, comprised of Direct Deposit nos. **214856** to **214865** & **214880** to **214929** & **214940** to **214953** totaling \$ **94,432.61** & cheque no. **30828** & cheque nos. **30830** to **30949** totaling \$ **399,964.67**.

Carried.

INDEMNITIES

254-2015 **Trudeau – Poirier:** Resolved that Council Indemnities for the month of February, 2015 are approved and authorized for payment.

Carried.

2015 MUNICIPAL FINANCIAL SERVICE PLAN

255-2015 **Trudeau – Heather:** Resolved that the 2015 Financial Service Plan agreed upon at this meeting be presented at the Municipality's Financial Service Plan Public Hearing being held April 21st, 2015 at 7:05 p.m.

Carried.

IN CAMERA

256-2015 **Trudeau – McGregor:** Resolved that Council convene in camera as Committee of the Whole.

Carried.

IN CAMERA MEETING

257-2015 The Committee of the Whole convened in camera to discuss a legal land appraisal requested by the Municipality.

The CAO and Assistant CAO left the meeting at this time.
The CAO Selection Committee remained to receive an update from the Mayor.

OUT OF CAMERA

258-2015 **Rivard – Heather:** Resolved that the in camera meeting is closed, and the Committee of the Whole report back to the Council Meeting.

Carried.

DELEGATION – DENIS SARRASIN

259-2015

Denis Sarrasin, the Chairperson for the Local Urban District Committee of Lorette, attended the delegation chair to present to council the Lorette LUD & Utility Operations Service Plan proposed for 2015.

260-2015

2015 LUD OF LORETTE SERVICE PLAN

Stein – Brunette:

Resolved that the LUD of Lorette Service Plan for the year 2015 is adopted and that the plan be presented to the public at the Municipality's Financial Plan Public Hearing.

Carried.

261-2015

ADJOURNMENT

Trudeau – Poirier:

Resolved that this meeting is adjourned, the hour being 1:50 p.m.

Carried.

**Robert Rivard,
Mayor.**

**Daniel Poersch,
Chief Administrative Officer.**