



Rural Municipality of Grahamdale
Meeting Minutes
Regular Council Meeting September 26, 2024 - 09:00 AM

The 18th Regular meeting of the Council of the Rural Municipality of Grahamdale was held at the Municipal Office in Moosehorn, Manitoba on September 26, 2024.

Present:

- Councillor Charlotte Lindell
- Councillor Kevin Nickel
- Councillor Glen Metner
- Councillor Greg Jabusch
- Councillor Dollard Gould
- CAO Shelly Schwitek

Absent:

- Reeve Craig Howse
- Councillor Jason Bittner

Councillor Jabusch called the meeting to order at 9:12 a.m.
Council broke for lunch from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.

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| 2024-398 | 1 | <p>Adoption of Minutes
Councillor Lindell
Councillor Gould</p> <p>BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the following meeting minutes as circulated:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. September 12, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes; 2. September 12, 2024 Public Hearing Minutes – Application CUG-06-24. <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p> |
| 2024-399 | 2 | <p>Agenda
Councillor Nickel
Councillor Gould</p> <p>BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council adopt the agenda as circulated with additions.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p> |
| | 3 | <p>Finances</p> |
| 2024-400 | 3.1 | <p>General Accounts
Councillor Lindell
Councillor Metner</p> <p>WHEREAS the List of Accounts (attached to the minutes hereto) for the period ending September 24, 2024 have been examined by Council and found to be in order;</p> <p>THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Firemen Indemnity in the amount of \$4,112.21, Payroll Deposit in the amount of \$ 17,774.44 and Accounts Payable Cheques numbered 11072 to 11094 in the amount of \$170,637.14 be approved for payment.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p> |

2024-401

4 Committee Reports

Councillor Nickel
Councillor Lindell

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council adopts the reports of the Committees as presented.

CARRIED

4.1 9:30 a.m. - Danny Granberg - Public Works Manager

Public Works Granberg updated Council on Public Works related matters.

4.2 Moosehorn Fire Department Report

- SCBA compressor breathing air sample analysis results were received: sample met all necessary purity requirements;
- Regular meeting was held on Sept. 9, 2024;
- Deputy Chief Price attended a Mutual Aid District meeting in Gimli on Sept. 19, 2024;
- Annual pump service test was completed on Pumper by Keewatin Truck Service;
- Ladders stored on Pumper underwent annual inspection;
- Members were registered for the Working Minds for First Responders course being offered in Arborg;
- Firefighter session – 2 members Oct. 19, 2024;
- Leadership session – 2 members Oct 20, 2024.

4.3 Councillor Jabusch

Steep Rock Beach Park

- Larry McDonnell has resigned as Chairperson of the Steep Rock Beach Park Board of Directors. Thank you Larry for all your work on the Board and helping contribute to the success of the Campground over the last decade. Tyler Bobier is the new Chairperson. Owen Meisner is the new Secretary.

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- Lots of trips were scheduled over the summer in the Ashern and Eriksdale area.

4.4 Councillor Nickel

West Interlake Watershed District

- The Watershed District is looking at trying a one-year pilot project for a new tree program. They are partnering with Tree Time, an Alberta company, and it will be a rebate-based program, rather than a subsidy.

4.5 Councillor Gould

Gypsumville Fire Department

- The Department has been very busy. Many calls for service including bale fires on Maple Beach Road and Jaworski Road and several structure fires on Lake St. Martin and Fairford First Nations.

4.6 Councillor Lindell

Siglunes District Library

- Our Librarian, Jude, will be retiring at the end of November. Electronic services are being used more than ever.

5 Correspondence

1. AMM News Bulletin dated September 13, 2024;
2. P. Bauch letter dated September 16, 2024;
3. RCMP Gypsumville Detachment Report for August, 2024;
4. L. McDonnell letter dated September 13, 2024;
5. East Interlake Watershed District Year End Financial Statement dated March 31, 2024

- 6. RCMP Ashern/Lundar Detachment Report for August, 2024;
- 7. IERHA September 2024 Ashern Lakeshore General Hospital Update;
- 8. Province of Manitoba 2024 Municipal Operating Grant – Final Payment September 24, 2024.

6 By-Laws

6.1 By-Law 1087-2024 Municipal Road, Municipal Road Allowances & Public Reserves

2024-402

6.1.1 By-Law 1087-2024 - First Reading
Councillor Gould
Councillor Lindell

BE IT RESOLVED THAT a By-Law to regulate and prohibit certain activities and things on municipal roads, undeveloped road allowances and municipal public reserve lands within the R.M. of Grahamdale be now read a first time and numbered as By-Law No. 1087-2024.

CARRIED

2024-403

6.1.2 By-Law 1087-2024 - Second Reading
Councillor Metner
Councillor Gould

BE IT RESOLVED THAT a By-Law No. 1087-2024 to regulate and prohibit certain activities and things on Municipal roads, Undeveloped road allowances and Municipal public reserve lands within the R.M. of Grahamdale be now read a second time.

CARRIED

6.2 By-Law 1086-2024 Travel Trailer and RV Permits

6.2.1 By-Law 1086-2024 - First Reading

TABLED

6.2.2 By-Law 1986-2024 -Second Reading

TABLED

6.3 By-Law 1088-2024 Municipal By-Law Enforcement Act

6.3.1 By-Law 1088-2024 MBEA - First Reading

TABLED

6.3.2 By-Law 1088-2024 - Second Reading

TABLED

7 Unfinished Business

7.1 Lake MB Outlet Channel and Lake St. Martin Outlet Channel

7.1.1 IAAC - Environmental Assessment Report

TABLED

2024-404

7.1.2 MTI Minister - Invitation
Councillor Lindell
Councillor Nickel

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the attendance of Reeve, Council and CAO at an in person meeting with MTI Minister Naylor on Tuesday, November 12, 2024 at 11:00 a.m. as a municipal expense.

CARRIED

7.1.3 MTI - Old Gall farm - Flowing well

The Province of Manitoba's Department of Transportation and Infrastructure to be contacted.

7.2 B. Dreger PW Request - Culvert Extension - Bankert Road

TABLED

7.3 RM Steep Rock Development

The topographic survey was completed this week.

7.4 Faulkner Waste Disposal Grounds

TABLED

7.5 State of Local Emergency - Wind and Rain Event

RM of Grahamdale State of Local Emergency Declaration expired September 24, 2024.

7.6 2024 Hydro Axe Program

Councillors to provide maps to Public Works.

7.7 Boundary Line Drain Committee

Next meeting is Wednesday, October 2, 2024.

TABLED

7.8 West Interlake Regional Investment Co-op

TABLED

7.9 Provincial Drains - Maintenance

This matter will be discussed during the AMM Minister Meetings.

7.10 2025 Board of Revision

Assessment Services will conduct Board of Revision Training for Council on October 24, 2024.

Board of Revision Hearing set for Thursday, November 14, 2024.

8 New Business

2024-407

8.1 North Interlake ATV Club

Councillor Lindell
Councillor Nickel

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the request from the Northwest Interlake ATV Club to reroute one of their trails through the R.M. of Grahamdale's culvert yard on an undeveloped road allowance along Jensen Rd., with the following conditions:

1. That the trail shall follow the most eastern side of the road allowance;
2. That the Northwest Interlake ATV Club be responsible for all expenses, including but not limited to building new or relocating existing fence, materials, and any applicable gates.
3. That the Municipality be added to the Northwest Interlake ATV Club's liability insurance.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT By-Law 894-97, allowing the operation of off-road vehicles on certain road allowances, be updated to reflect the new ATV route.

CARRIED

2024-408

8.2 Ashern Snowmobile Club

Councillor Nickel
Councillor Lindell

WHEREAS the Ashern Snowmobile Club has received funding through the Provincial Off-Road Vehicle Land and Trail Rehabilitation Grant program to perform maintenance of portions of Snowmobile Trail #383 and #386 that have been affected by ruts and mudholes caused by off-road vehicles;

AND WHEREAS portions of Snowmobile Trail #383 and #386 cross over municipally-owned road allowances and the Province of Manitoba requires Log Cabin Riders obtain permission from all affected property owners before the funding can be issued;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED Council approves the Ashern Snowmobile Club to undertake maintenance of Snowmobile Trail #383 and #386 on the following municipal property:

- Road 145N for 3 miles between Roads 31W and 34W;
- Road 36W for 1 mile between Roads 152N and 153N.

CARRIED

2024-409

8.3 Log Cabin Riders Snowmobile Club

Councillor Lindell
Councillor Metner

WHEREAS the Log Cabin Riders Snowmobile Club has received funding through the Provincial Off-Road Vehicle Land and Trail Rehabilitation Grant program to perform maintenance of portions of Snowmobile Trail #322 that have been affected by ruts and mudholes caused by off-road vehicles;

AND WHEREAS portions of Snowmobile Trail #322 cross over municipally-owned road allowances and the Province of Manitoba requires Log Cabin Riders obtain permission from all affected property owners before the funding can be issued;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED Council approves the Log Cabin Riders Snowmobile Club to undertake maintenance of Snowmobile Trail #322 on the following municipal property:

- A two-mile stretch of road allowance for Road Numbers 35W, 34W, and 33W, located between Roads 154N and Birch Lake Drive.
- Birch Lake Drive, between Road 35W and the log cabin located on municipally owned quarter section NW 22-27-6W.

CARRIED

2024-410

8.4 RM Donation - Blanket Quote

Councillor Gould
Councillor Nickel

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the purchase of 25 travel blankets, embroidered with the municipality's logo, to give away as silent auction prizes. Estimated cost is \$850.00 plus GST.

CARRIED

8.5 Public Works Requests

2024-411

8.5.1 R. Yanke - SW 16-26-6W - Beaver Removal

Councillor Metner
Councillor Nickel

BE IT RESOLVED THAT RM Public Works is authorized to arrange for the removal of problem Beavers at the following locations:

- 1: Boundary Line Road – RD 152N – SW 16-26-6W.

CARRIED

2024-412 **8.5.2 R. Quinn - SE 17-24-6W - Drainage**
 Councillor Metner
 Councillor Lindell

BE IT RESOLVED THAT RM Public Works is authorized to arrange for the installation of a 45 foot x 18 inch plastic thru-grade culvert, with a gate, on Juer Road (Road 34W) to alleviate overland flooding on adjacent property. Estimated cost: \$1,500 plus GST. Subject to water rights license approval, if applicable.

CARRIED

2024-413 **8.5.3 K. Bednarek - SW 2-28-10W - Drainage**
 Councillor Gould
 Councillor Metner

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the replacement of a damaged 45 foot x 24 inch culvert at the following location: Emery Road - SW 2-28-10W. Estimated cost: \$1,500.00.

CARRIED

2024-414 **8.6 Variance Extension - Carlson - 05-2023**
 Councillor Metner
 Councillor Nickel

WHEREAS Council had previously approved Variance Application 05-2023, on September 28, 2023, varying clause 6.3.3 of the RM of Grahamdale Zoning By-Law to allow Jeffery Carlson and Nancy Brazier to construct an accessory building prior to the principal building, on condition of entering into a Development Agreement requiring the principal building to be built within 5-years of the Agreement.

AND WHEREAS The Development Agreement has now been signed.

AND WHEREAS Jeffery Carlson and Nancy Brazier have requested an extension of their Variance Order.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves the extension of the Variance Order, for an additional 12 months, in accordance with 101(2) of the Planning Act. The deadline to act on this Order will now be September 28, 2025. No further extensions are permitted under Planning Act.

CARRIED

2024-415 **8.7 Tax Cancellations**
 Councillor Nickel
 Councillor Metner

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Rural Municipality of Grahamdale authorize the following Tax Cancellation:

TAXES CANCELLED	
Roll No.	Amount
351048	-176.25
TOTAL	\$ - 176.25

CARRIED

8.8 F. Welgemoed - Request for Service Road
 Mr. Welgemoed to be contacted.

8.9 Proposed Working Group - RM of West Interlake, RM of Fisher & Peguis First Nation

Letter to be sent to the RM of West Interlake, RM of Fisher and Peguis First Nation regarding the formation of a working group to submit a large funding application to the Province of Manitoba for upgrades to gravel roads servicing areas prone to forest fires.

2024-416

8.10 E. Devanik - Request for Permit

Councillor Metner
Councillor Gould

WHEREAS Municipal By-Law No. 1085-2024, titled "Municipal Roads, Undeveloped Road Allowances and Public Reserves," mandates that individuals or organizations seek authorization to carry out an action on municipally owned public spaces;

AND WHEREAS Eileen Devanik has applied for two Permits under this By-Law – Legal Description: Lot 51, SW 34-26-9W – Deighton Beach Cottagers Cooperative.

PERMIT: 001

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves E. Devanik’s application to have the following items remain on the adjacent undeveloped municipal road allowance for five years – expiry date to be December 31, 2029:

- 1. driveway coming off Willow Bay Road onto Lot 51 to allow for year-round access to her home;
- 2. wooden storage shed with tin roof and the three-sided firewood storage shed.

PERMIT: 002

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Council approves E. Devanik’s request to allow the following structures to remain until Spring 2025 – Deadline for removal to be May 31, 2025.

- 1. The old outhouse, the small canvas shed, the two large tarp storage sheds, the woodpile and the fire pit.

CARRIED

2024-417

8.11 WIWD - NW Interlake Integrated Watershed Management Plan

Councillor Nickel
Councillor Metner

WHEREAS UNDER *The Water Protection Act* the West Interlake Watershed District (WIWD) is responsible for the development of an integrated watershed management plan in the Dog Lake and Lake St. Martin watersheds.

AND WHEREAS the WIWD is in the process of re-establishing a Project Management Team (PMT) for the Northwest Interlake Integrated Watershed Management Plan (NW IWMP).

AND WHEREAS the Rural Municipality of Grahamdale has been identified as a key stakeholder in the watershed.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council appoint Councillor Bittner to represent the Rural Municipality of Grahamdale as part of the Project Management Team for the Northwest Integrated Watershed Management Plan.

CARRIED

2024-418 **8.12** **Canada Community Building Fund Municipal Agreement 2024-2034**
 Councillor Gould
 Councillor Metner

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Grahamdale Council authorizes signing the 2024-2034 Canada Community Building Fund (CCBF) Administrative Agreement with the Government of Manitoba represented by the Minister of Consumer Protection and Government Services. Said Agreement is effective April 1, 2024.

CARRIED

2024-419 **8.13** **Former LGD Ad-Hoc Committee**
 Councillor Gould
 Councillor Nickel

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the attendance of Administrative Assistant Shannon, Assistant CAO McCoubrey, Reeve and Council at the Former LGD Ad Hoc Meeting being held in person or via zoom on Friday, October 18, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. at the AMM Office in Portage La Prairie as a municipal expense.

CARRIED

2024-420 **8.14** **Interlake Municipal Recreation Association - AGM**
 Councillor Nickel
 Councillor Gould

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the attendance of Councillor Lindell and Devan McCoubrey at the Interlake Municipal Recreation Association 2024 Annual General Meeting being held in Stonewall on Monday, October 21, 2024 as a municipal expense.

CARRIED

9 In Camera

2024-405 **9.1** **In Camera - Preliminary Matter**
 Councillor Gould
 Councillor Nickel

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council move into an In Camera session pursuant to Section 152(3) of The Municipal Act to discuss a matter under:
 152(3)(b) (iii) a matter that is in its preliminary stages and respecting which discussion in public could prejudice a municipality’s ability to carry out its activities or negotiations.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT any items discussed while in camera must be kept confidential until the matter is discussed at a meeting of Council in public.

CARRIED

2024-406 **9.2** **Out of Camera**
 Councillor Metner
 Councillor Nickel

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council now move out of camera and resume the meeting.

CARRIED

10 Delegations and Public Hearings

10.1 10:00 a.m. Isaac Sinclair

Mr. Sinclair met with Council to express his concerns with the lengthy and administration-heavy process of building a home on his property in St. Martin.

2024-421

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Adjournment

Councillor Metner
Councillor Gould

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council shall now adjourn to meet again at the next regular meeting of Council on October 10, 2024.

Adjournment time: 2:45 p.m.

CARRIED

Chief Administrative Officer Shelly Schwitek

Reeve Craig Howse

**RM of Grahamdale
Payment Register**

Report Date
09/24/2024 3:44 PM

Batch: 2024-00079 to 2024-00085

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Bank Code: General - General

Payment #	Vendor	Date	Amount
Computer Cheque			
11072	4374500 Manitoba Ltd.	09/12/2024	60,000.00
11073	ABC Fire & Safety Equipment Lt	09/23/2024	5,349.12
11074	Belfor (Canada) Inc.	09/23/2024	26,230.89
11075	Blue Raven Design & Print	09/23/2024	38.50
11076	Ewasiuk Perry	09/23/2024	825.00
11077	Grand & Toy	09/23/2024	226.13
11078	Hilbre Auto Service Inc.	09/23/2024	123.20
11079	Ashern Home Hardware	09/23/2024	124.75
11080	Kiesman Leah	09/23/2024	23.25
11081	Lakeshore Handivan Assoc. Inc.	09/23/2024	10,000.00
11082	McMunn & Yates	09/23/2024	4.47
11083	MDA Transport	09/23/2024	5,544.00
11084	PKF LAWYERS	09/23/2024	981.98
11085	Rawluk's Grocery Ltd.	09/23/2024	18.68
11086	Shoreline Excavating	09/23/2024	393.75
11087	TAXervice	09/23/2024	1,307.25
11088	Trans-Care Rescue Ltd.	09/23/2024	10,565.98
11089	Western Financial	09/23/2024	1,213.88
11090	West Interlake Planning District	09/23/2024	11,453.94
11091	6285636 Manitoba Ltd.	09/24/2024	18,771.35
11092	Minister Of Finance	09/24/2024	940.27
11093	St. Martin Fish Agency	09/24/2024	8,520.75
11094	St. Martin Fish Agency	09/24/2024	7,980.00
Total for Computer Cheque:			170,637.14
Total for General:			170,637.14

Payments Printed: 23

Deposit Register

Pay group : 400 (FIRE FIGHTERS)

Pay period : 07 (01Sep2024 to 30Sep2024)

Cheque date : 24Sep2024

Voucher No.	Pay Date	Emp. No.	Employee Name	Dept. No.	Institute / Transit / Account	Amount
	24Sep2024	811	Bauch, Darrel	450		
	24Sep2024	815	Bauch, Shane	450		
	24Sep2024	835	Kiesman, Jaydon	450		
	24Sep2024	832	KOHUT, Dylan J.	450		
	24Sep2024	829	MEISNER, Owen	450		
	24Sep2024	827	NICKEL, Jason C.	450		
	24Sep2024	828	NICKEL, Kevin	450		
	24Sep2024	819	Price, Jason	450		
	24Sep2024	820	Price, Michael L L	450		
	24Sep2024	836	SHANNON, Mike	450		

Pay Group Totals :

Number of Deposits: 10
 Total Amount of Deposits: 4112.21

Deposit Register

Pay group : 100 (OFFICE)

Pay period : 19 (31Aug2024 to 13Sep2024)

Cheque date : 13Sep2024

Voucher No.	Pay Date	Emp. No.	Employee Name	Dept. No.	Institute / Transit / Account	Amount
	13Sep2024	675	BECKER, Charles	650		
	13Sep2024	665	CLARK, Arnold	650		
	13Sep2024	676	FALK, Phyllis	650		
	13Sep2024	681	Godfrey, Peter	650		
	13Sep2024	309	Granberg, Danny	300		
	13Sep2024	331	Kaus, Colt	310		
	13Sep2024	326	Leschyshyn, Andrew	310		
	13Sep2024	204	MCCOUBREY, Devan	250		
	13Sep2024	310	Ogonoski, Gregory F.	300		
	13Sep2024	203	OLSON, TERESA L.	100		
	13Sep2024	301	PRICE, JASON	300		
	13Sep2024	684	Rawluk, Henry	650		
	13Sep2024	201	SCHWITEK, SHELLY D.	200		
	13Sep2024	671	SEWELL, Doug	650		
	13Sep2024	207	SHANNON, Justin	260		
	13Sep2024	205	SPARROW, Barbara	260		

Pay Group Totals :

Number of Deposits:16

Total Amount of Deposits:17774 . 44