

I Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council of the City of Winkler held Tuesday, January 10th, 2012, commencing at 6:30 PM in the Winkler Council Chambers. Present were Mayor Martin Harder, Councillors Henry Siemens, Marvin Plett, Ron Neisteter, Herb Dick, City Manager Dave Burgess and Tracy Friesen.

Media: Chris Sumner - CFAM/CKMW
Don Radford - Winkler Times

INVOCATION

Invoc. 1. City Manager Dave Burgess read a story called "Life Struggles" about a man who tried to help a moth by cutting the cocoon open but he ended up depriving the moth of his wings. He then led in prayer.

ADOPT AGENDA

Agenda 2. Henry Siemens, Herb Dick:
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda for the regular Council meeting of January 10, 2012 be adopted.

CARRIED

Dec 13 min. 3. Ron Neisteter, Marvin Plett:
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the regular Council meeting of December 13, 2011 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE

Corres. 4. Received for information.
Letter from Minister of Public Safety Vic Toews
Public Notice Road Closing - Town of Morden
Letter from MB Protocol Office - Order of Manitoba

Proclam. 5. Marvin Plett, Herb Dick:
International Development week Proclamation

CARRIED

FINANCE

Accounts 6. Henry Siemens, Marvin Plett:
BE IT RESOLVED THAT accounts payable in the amount of \$1,021,154.27 as approved by the Finance Committee be approved for payment.

CARRIED

Salary Scale 7. Henry Siemens, Ron Neisteter:
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Salary Scale for 2012 be adopted.

CARRIED

8. Henry Siemens, Herb Dick:
Indemnity BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the following increases to Council indemnity effective January 1, 2012:

Councillors:
\$1000/year – for a total indemnity of \$12,566 per year

Deputy Mayor:
\$1000/year – for a total indemnity of \$14,713 per year.

CARRIED

9. Henry Siemens, Ron Neisteter:
Personnel BE IT RESOLVED THAT in-camera Personnel Committee minutes of December 5, 2011 be adopted, with “step increases” as outlined, and a 2.5% Cost of Living increase for all non-union staff for 2012.

CARRIED

10. Henry Siemens, Marvin Plett:
Tax Sales BE IT RESOLVED THAT pursuant to By-Law No. 2028-11 of the City of Winkler, TAXervice Inc. be appointed to conduct tax sales for the City of Winkler.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT pursuant to By-Law No. 2028-11 of the City of Winkler, Donna Zinkiew, General Manager of TAXervice Inc., be appointed Tax Sale Manager for the City of Winkler.

CARRIED

- Is this the first time that we have had a tax manager? Yes. It helps the workload of the Assistant Administrator.

11. Marvin Plett, Ron Neisteter:
Allowance BE IT RESOLVED THAT a vehicle allowance of \$150 per month and a communications device allowance of \$100 per month for the Mayor be approved effective January 1, 2012.

CARRIED

The Mayor declared a conflict of interest and left the meeting.

- Councillor Plett commented that the Mayor spends a lot of time going to various locations and receives a lot of phone calls and text messages.
- Councilor Siemens mentioned that the the Mayor does not claim mileage expenses within Winkler. For future mayors there would be parameters regarding mileage expenses ie. any visits within the City would be included.

12. Ron Neisteter, Herb Dick:
Board of Rev. BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Mayor and all City of Winkler Councillors be appointed to the Board of Revision and the City Manager be appointed as the Secretary for the Board of Revision for the year 2012.

CARRIED

13. Henry Siemens, Marvin Plett:
Bethel Park BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City of Winkler approve bridge financing for Bethel Heritage Park construction in the amount of \$55,316.58.

CARRIED

14. Henry Siemens, Ron Neisteter:
Cancel B. Tax BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve cancellation of business tax as listed:

<u>Roll #</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Reason</u>
B31000	Canada Pew	410 George Ave	\$64.52 (9 mos.)	Closed March 2011

CARRIED

15. Henry Siemens, Ron Neisteter:
B/L 2055-12 BE IT RESOLVED THAT Borrowing By-law No. 2055-12, being a municipal borrowing by-law for current (2012) expenses, be read a first time.

CARRIED

16. Henry Siemens, Marvin Plett:
Option BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the option to purchase Lots 15-19 of Block 3, Plan 43825 from Schnell Group Inc.

CARRIED

POLICE & FIRE

17. Henry Siemens, Ron Neisteter:
Police Cmte BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Police Committee minutes of December 20, 2011 be adopted.

CARRIED

18. Ron Neisteter, Marvin Plett:
Fire Cmte BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Fire Committee minutes of December 14, 2011 be adopted.

CARRIED

TRANSPORTATION & UTILITIES

19. Herb Dick, Ron Neisteter:
B/L 2054-12 BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 2054-12, which provides for establishing water and sewer rates, be read a first time.

CARRIED

20. Ron Neisteter, Herb Dick:
Water Report BE IT RESOLVED THAT the quarterly waterworks report ending December 15, 2011 be received as information.

CARRIED

21. Herb Dick, Ron Neisteter:
PVWC BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Pembina Valley Water Cooperative Board minutes of December 9, 2011 be received as information.

CARRIED

HEALTH & WELFARE

22. Marvin Plett, Henry Siemens:
S&H Cmte BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Workplace Safety and Health Committee minutes of December 14, 2011 be adopted.

CARRIED

- This is the Safety committee for the City; the Fire Dept. has started their own.
- Will the Fire Dept. provide minutes on a regular basis as well? They will be asked to.

23. Herb Dick, Ron Neisteter:
MVSD BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Morden Veterinary Services District Board minutes of December 12, 2011 be received as information.

CARRIED

PLANNING

24. Marvin Plett, Henry Siemens:
Subdiv. 5695 BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council supports the proposed Revised Subdivision File No. 4463-11-5695 for Lots 1-3 Plan 35891 in SE ¼ 3-3-4W in the City of Winkler, MB which includes CT 2530674.

CARRIED

RECREATION & CULTURE

25. Henry Siemens, Herb Dick:
Golf Course BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Golf Course Board minutes of December 9, 2011 be received as information.

CARRIED

OTHER BUSINESS

26. Henry Siemens, Herb Dick:
Schedule BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Winkler/Stanley Economic Development Officer Report for 2010-2011 be received as information.

CARRIED

27. Marvin Plett, Herb Dick:
Dep. Mayor BE IT RESOLVED THAT Councillor Henry Siemens be appointed as Deputy Mayor for the City of Winkler for 2012.

CARRIED

QUESTION FROM THE MEDIA&PUBLIC

Chris Sumner asked Henry Siemens if the yearend numbers for MSTW are completed. They will be done by February 1st.

Don Radford asked about the Schnell Group option to purchase. Mayor Harder said they are looking at moving to Winkler to establish a manufacturing plant where they can expand and have access to the services available in Winkler. They will be employing 25-30 people. Do you have contact information? He can contact Fred Dueck whose information is public knowledge.

ADJOURN

28. Ron Neisteter, Herb Dick:

Adjourn
7:13pm

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this regular meeting of Council be adjourned.

CARRIED

Mayor Martin Harder

City Manager Dave Burgess