

**MINUTES OF  
THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF ALONSA**

The Council of The Rural Municipality of Alonsa held their Regular Council Meeting on **November 9, 2022**, in the Municipal Council Chambers at 10:00 AM, with Reeve Tom Anderson presiding and with Councillors Tim Stott, Travis Turko, Logan Dumanske, Mike Brown and Terry Dayholos present. Also present was Chief Administrative Officer Tami Dumanske as Recording Secretary.

**A) CALL TO ORDER**

Reeve Anderson called the meeting to order at 10:09 AM.

**B) COUNCIL OATHS – INAUGURAL SESSION**

1. Oath of Office
2. Declaration of Qualifications
3. Disclosure of Personal Interests

**C) APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**RESOLUTION NO. 279-22**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda for the November 9, 2022, Council Meeting be adopted as presented.

**CARRIED.**

**D) COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS**

**1. Ward 1 Councillor**

**RESOLUTION NO. 280-22**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Rural Municipality of Alonsa appoint Kerry Hopfner to be the Ward 1 Councillor for the 2022-2026 Term.

**CARRIED.**

**2. Organization**

**RESOLUTION NO. 281-22**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Rural Municipality of Alonsa be organized and appointed to the various Boards & Committees as per By-Law No. 1450.

**CARRIED.**

**3. Local Urban District Committees – Amaranth & Alonsa**

**RESOLUTION NO. 282-22**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Rural Municipality of Alonsa appoint Marvin Schneider, Shirley Merke and Marcel Houle as the LUD of Amaranth Committee Members for the 2022 – 2026 Term.

**CARRIED.**

**RESOLUTION NO. 283-22**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Rural Municipality of Alonsa appoint Harry Harris and Billy Cabak as the LUD of Alonsa Committee Members for the 2022 – 2026 Term.

**CARRIED.**

#### 4. General Committees

##### RESOLUTION NO. 284-22

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Rural Municipality of Alonsa appoint the following Council Members for the 2022 – 2023 Term:

- Deputy Reeve - Terry Dayholos
- LUD of Alonsa - Mike Brown
- LUD of Amaranth - Logan Dumanske
- Finance Committee - Terry Dayholos & Mike Brown
- Weed Inspectors - Travis Turko & Mike Brown
- Seven Regions Health Foundation - Logan Dumanske
- Gladstone Stakeholders Group - Logan Dumanske
- Inter-Ridge Vet Board - Terry Dayholos

**CARRIED.**

#### 5. Watershed District Boards

##### RESOLUTION NO. 285-22

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Rural Municipality of Alonsa appoint the following Council Member to the Whitemud Watershed District for the 2022 – 2023 Term:

- Logan Dumanske

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of Rural Municipality of Alonsa appoint the following Citizen Member to the Whitemud Watershed District for the 2022 – 2023 Term.

- Joanne Kleemola

**CARRIED.**

##### RESOLUTION NO. 286-22

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Rural Municipality of Alonsa appoint the following Council Members to the Westlake Watershed District for the 2022 – 2023 Term.

- Tom Anderson
- Tim Stott

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of Rural Municipality of Alonsa appoint the following Citizen Member to the Westlake Watershed District for the 2022 – 2023 Term.

- Ken Dunn
- Roger Smith
- Colin Mailman
- Harry Harris

**CARRIED.**

##### RESOLUTION NO. 287-22

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Rural Municipality of Alonsa appoint the following Council Member to the Intermountain Watershed District for the 2022 – 2023 Term.

- Travis Turko

**CARRIED.**

#### 6. Employee Relations Committee

##### RESOLUTION NO. 288-22

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Rural Municipality of Alonsa appoint the following Council Members to the Joint Employee Relations Committee for the 2022 – 2023 Term:

- Terry Dayholos
- Mike Brown

**CARRIED.**

**7. Fire Departments Committee**

**RESOLUTION NO. 289-22**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Rural Municipality of Alonsa appoint the following Council Members to be the Council Representatives for the Municipal Fire Departments for the 2022 – 2023 Term:

- Alonsa Fire Department – Travis Turko
- Amaranth Fire Department – Logan Dumanske
- Westlake Fire Department – Tim Stott

**CARRIED.**

**8. Waste Management Facility Committee**

**RESOLUTION NO. 290-22**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Rural Municipality of Alonsa appoint the following Council Members to sit on the RM of Alonsa Waste Management Facility Committee for the 2022 – 2023 Term:

- Tom Anderson
- Terry Dayholos
- Mike Brown

**CARRIED.**

**9. Fire Chiefs**

**RESOLUTION NO. 291-22**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Rural Municipality of Alonsa re-appoint Donald Toms as Fire Chief for the Alonsa Fire Department for the 2022 – 2023 Term.

**CARRIED.**

**RESOLUTION NO. 292-22**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Rural Municipality of Alonsa appoint Matthew Whitford as Fire Chief for the Amaranth Fire Department for the 2022 – 2023 Term.

**CARRIED.**

**RESOLUTION NO. 293-22**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Rural Municipality of Alonsa appoint James Taylor as Fire Chief for the Westlake Fire Department for the 2022 – 2023 Term.

**CARRIED.**

**E) APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**1. Regular Council Meeting Minutes – October 26, 2022**

**RESOLUTION NO. 294-22**

WHEREAS the Statutory Requirements of Section 133 of The Municipal Act have been complied with;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- the Regular Meeting Minutes for the October 26, 2022 Regular Council Meeting be adopted as presented;

**CARRIED.**

**F) APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS**

**1. General Accounts – Ending November 9, 2022**

**RESOLUTION NO. 295-22**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the General Accounts for the Rural Municipality of Alonsa for the period ending November 9, 2022, under computer generated Cheque No's. 24918 - 25014 have been examined and found to be correct; NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Accounts referred to above amounting to \$265,664.33 be approved for payment.

**CARRIED.**

**2. Council Expense Accounts**

**RESOLUTION NO. 296-22**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council Expense Accounts for the Rural Municipality of Alonsa for the period ending November 9, 2022, under computer generated Cheque No's. 25015 has been examined and found to be correct;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Accounts referred to above amounting to \$173.20 be approved for payment.

**CARRIED.**

**G) CORRESPONDENCE**

**1. Stars Air Ambulance**

RE: Donation Request

**RESOLUTION NO. 253-22**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of The Rural Municipality of Alonsa authorize a donation of \$5,000.00 to the Fund-A-Flight Program for Stars Air Ambulance.

**CARRIED.**

**2. Canada Post**

RE: Eddystone Postal Boxes

Council discussed. Tabled for further information.

**3. Westlake Community Centre**

RE: Letter of Confirmation

Council discussed and further information is needed before committing to a letter from Council confirming that this is a Community Event.

**4. Alonsa Community Christmas Party – December 10, 2022**

**RESOLUTION NO. 298-22**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Rural Municipality of Alonsa authorize to purchase tickets for all Council, Staff and Spouses that want to attend the Alonsa Community Christmas Party on Saturday, December 10, 2022. Ticket prices are \$35.00 per person.

**CARRIED.**



**J) GENERAL BUSINESS**

**1. In-Camera Meeting**

**RESOLUTION NO. 304-22**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council Meeting be adjourned, and Council meet in a Confidential In-Camera Meeting.

**CARRIED.**

**RESOLUTION NO. 305-22**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the In-Camera Meeting be adjourned, and Council resume regular deliberations.

**CARRIED.**

**2. CAO & Council Reports**

**Cllr. Dumanske:**

- Reported that the Amaranth Fire Department Chief & Deputy Chief have selected their captains.

**Cllr. Stott:**

- Reported a large beaver dam on Road 64W (Comeau Road);
- Reported that someone dumped garbage at the end of Road 138N.

**Cllr. Turko:**

- Discussed the fact that someone has blocked culverts with gravel on Bell Hampton Road again;
- Asked about adding L.Zdan's road to the brushing list;
- Discussed the snow drifting issue at Ukrainec's hill on Road \_\_\_.

**Cllr. Brown:**

- Discussed the dyke at H. Thwaites land. H. Thwaites requested that we clean it up;
- Discussed a culvert issue on Bluff Creek Drain, if we are going to add a third culvert in this area it will need to be 40" x 80';
- Discussed culvert policy;
- Requested that a Cable Locate be requested for where Bluff Creek runs through Road 123N;
- Reported that he met with MIT to discuss the culvert that needs to be installed at Road 120N & PTH 50, all that CAO needs to do is submit WRL to MIT for their approval;
- Reported that snow plow for tractor is ready for pick up in Ste. Claude;
- Reported that the rip rap is too small that was put in with the new pipes installed on Road 120N;
- Reported that the brushing is getting done along the road to R. Robertson's;
- Reported that there is a large beaver dam at Ponnacks – he will go check it out.

**Cllr. Dayholos:**

- Discussed that he received a call from MIT about making a school crossing on Hwy 50 by the Alonsa School.

**Reeve Anderson:**

- Reported on a few things discussed with O.Currie in a Zoom meeting;
- Reported that the deadline to remove beaver lodges/dams is March 31, 2023 but permission must be obtained from conservation

- Inquired about the Capital Lot Levy By-Law – CAO Dumanske reported that it will be on the agenda for the next meeting;
- Reported that other RMs & Watersheds are lodging a formal complaint with the Minister of Municipal Relations regarding the length of time it takes for cable locates;
- Inquired about the Amaranth Harbour Agreement – CAO Dumanske informed that D.McRae is no longer with that department and her replacement is just getting familiar with the caseload;
- K.Stuhm – Reeve Anderson & Cllr. Turko to meet on site
- Inquired about the North Access Agreement – CAO Dumanske informed that Crown Land Rep is looking into as well as lawyer, C.Owens;
- Inquired about the list that Westlake Fire Department turned in after the meeting he had with the Fire Chiefs.

### 3. Ratepayer Concerns

Discussed in Cllr. Brown's report.

### 4. Staff Vacation Request(s)

#### RESOLUTION NO. 306-22

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Rural Municipality of Alonsa approve the following staff vacation days:

- Daren Mozdzen – November 28<sup>th</sup> to December 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022
- Ryan Young – November 14<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022

**CARRIED.**

### 5. Leased Lands

Council discussed what we charge for rent on RM leased lands. Council discussed the discount that Crown Lands is giving their lessees.

### 6. Land Sales

RE: Caveats, Administration Fees, Gravel Testing

Council discussed various items regarding RM Land Sales.

#### RESOLUTION NO. 307-22

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Rural Municipality of Alonsa authorize CAO Dumanske to begin charging an Administration Fee on all land sales to cover the expense of staff time used to do the necessary paperwork.

**CARRIED.**

### 7. Lessee Taxes

After a meeting with the RM Lawyer, CAO Dumanske reported that the municipality is not obligated to refund lessee taxes as was requested when the lessee didn't have access to his leased land for a few weeks during the 2022 Spring Flood Event.

### 8. Equipment Operator Training

#### RESOLUTION NO. 261-22

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of The Rural Municipality of Alonsa authorize Ian Graham to attend the Operating Engineers Training Institute of MB Inc. for 2 days of grader training on November 9<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup>, 2022; all expenses incurred to be paid.

**CARRIED.**

**9. Culverts**

CAO reported that some of the blocked/plugged culverts are being cleaned out.

**10. Building Permit Application(s)**

**RESOLUTION NO. 262-22**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Rural Municipality of Alonsa approve the following Building Permit Application(s):

Permit #25-22

Rhonda Lodwick

Lot 58 Plan 45456

Beckville Beach

New Shed 10' x 16'

-provided that flood levels are met (when applicable) and approval from the Building Inspector is obtained.

**CARRIED.**

**11. Declare Winter Season**

**RESOLUTION NO. 309-22**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Rural Municipality of Alonsa declare winter season to start November 23, 2022.

**CARRIED.**

**RESOLUTION NO. 310-22**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Russell Sul, Seasonal Public Works Equipment Operator has waived his two week lay-off notice and will be laid off as of November 18, 2022.

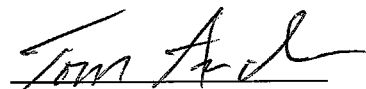
**CARRIED.**

**K) NOTICE OF MOTION**

**L) UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**M) ADJOURNMENT**

Reeve Anderson adjourned meeting at 1:45 PM



Reeve Tom Anderson  
Chairperson



CAO Tami Dumanske  
Recording Secretary