

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

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June 12, 2012

7. Councillor Horsman Councillor Pfrimmer
RESOLVED THAT Council approves the Variation Application #2-2012 filed by Bernard Peters, to vary the minimum required rear yard from 20 feet to 12 feet.
Carried

DELEGATES

9:30am – Walter Krapp : Drainage project – presented on concerns about the process of the drainage project to date

11:00am – Myrna : Agassiz Medical Centre – presented with information about the Agassiz Medical Centre, and request for municipal funding

8. Councillor Hildebrand Councillor Hughes
RESOLVED THAT Council grant the Agassiz Medical Centre Community Board \$1000.00 for 2012.
Carried

ACCOUNTS

19. Councillor Hildebrand Councillor Pfrimmer
RESOLVED THAT Council authorize payment of accounts as follows:
May 8, 2012 to June 11, 2012
Cheque No. 4214 to 4268
\$123, 936.70
Payroll \$25,259.14
Carried

CORRESPONDENCE

- SWAMP – Grand Opening June 13, 2012 10:00-12:00
 - BTHC Foundation – annual meeting June 19, 2012 7:00pm
 - MB Infrastructure & Transportation – Intercity bus information
 - GPAC – Annual General Meeting June 20, 2012 7:30pm
 - MLCC – community events
 - Winkler Construction – price for 2012
 - Local Government – Municipal Bridge Program
 - Municipal Golf Tournament – Winkler July 23, 2012
 - MWSA – proposed ban
 - PRSD – lot for sale
 - MAFRI – proposed changes for Noxious Weeds Act
 - Sonatrice Singers – Thank you!
 - MB 2011 Flood Review Task Force
 - RM of Thompson - gravel
9. Councillor Pfrimmer Councillor Hildebrand
WHEREAS the Manitoba Round Table for Sustainable Development recommends that the Province of Manitoba establish a full ban on the sale and use of pesticides for cosmetic purposes to include non-essential, cosmetic use of chemical insecticides, herbicides and fungicides for residential, institutional, and recreational facilities, near water and all urban and rural areas;

AND WHEREAS the regulatory body for pesticides (chemical and nonchemical) in Canada is Health Canada's Pesticide Management Regulatory Agency which puts all pesticides through a rigorous scientific assessment process to ensure their safety for Canadians of all ages. Also, a pesticide can only be registered or remain registered in Canada if there is a reasonable certainty that the associated risks pose no harm to human health, future generations or the environment when used as directed;

AND WHEREAS the study most often quoted with regards to human health and cancer is the Ontario College of Family Physicians report of April 23, 2004 which has been refuted by the scientific community;

AND WHEREAS invasive and noxious weeds in Manitoba have escaped from urban areas and cause economic losses on agriculture lands, public lands and to Municipalities today. A cosmetic pesticide ban would adversely affect municipalities in Manitoba by increasing the cost of noxious weed control required under the Noxious Weeds Act as urban areas act as a wealthy seed bank to invest surrounding sports fields, parks, native landscapes, agricultural lands and other public property.

AND WHEREAS an increase in weeds would adversely affect municipalities in Manitoba by potentially reducing the assessed value of properties, putting an economic value to something deemed cosmetic;

AND WHEREAS municipal nuisance mosquito control programs using pesticides could be affected which would result in the loss of nuisance mosquito programs in some communities and affect the enjoyment of residents during the summer;

AND WHEREAS the increase in weed populations will increase the amount of pollen in urban areas which can cause allergies and affects people with asthma, also potentially impacting the health care system in the province;

AND WHEREAS in other Provinces cross border importation of pesticides has increase the potential use of unregistered pesticides. Also additional cross border trips to the U.S. and Saskatchewan will have an impact on Manitoba communities;

THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED that the Rural Municipality of Roland is opposed to the Province of Manitoba implementing a ban of cosmetic use pesticides in Manitoba.n

Carried

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Murray Peirson – Public Works →

- Have started gravelling roads
- Moved the path to park
- Did Push-Pull-Drag, 2 day event

Richard Hildebrand – Ward 1 →

- Nothing to report

John Hughes – Ward 2 →

- Dealing with request to widen ditch at 21N and PTH 3
- Met with Council to look at the location and will proceed to rectify concerns where possible
- Concern raised about a ditch shared by G. Burnett & Hennans, this will be reviewed with the drainage program

