

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF  
THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF SHERWOOD NO. 159 HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
AT 1840 CORNWALL STREET, REGINA, SASKATCHEWAN  
Wednesday, January 14, 2015

**PRESENT:** Kevin Eberle, Reeve  
Joe Repetski, Councillor Division 1  
Tim Probe, Councillor Division 2  
Dale Heenan, Councillor Division 3  
Carl A. Husum, Councillor Division 4  
Rod Culbert, Councillor Division 5  
Brian Wirth, Councillor Division 6

**STAFF:** Ron McCullough, Chief Administrative Officer  
Melanie Cairns, Strategic Projects Coordinator  
Rick Stuckenberg, Director of Planning & Development  
Rod Benroth, Director of Public Works & Infrastructure  
Garret Halbgewachs, Manager of Public Works  
Erin Halliday, Director of Finance & Administration  
Christine Trithardt, Administrative Assistant  
Kevin Mellor, Lawyer

**ORDER:** Reeve Eberle called the meeting to order at 5:36 p.m.

*Reeve Eberle recused himself and left Council Chambers at 5:38 p.m.*

*Deputy Reeve Probe assumed the Chair at 5:38 p.m.*

**010/15** **AGENDA**

COUNCILLOR REPETSKI: THAT the agenda be adopted as amended.

Add: 5.3.21 Interim 2015 Budget

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**011/15** **IN CAMERA**

COUNCILLOR HUSUM: THAT this meeting go into In Camera session for legal at 5:41p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**012/15** **RECONVENE**

COUNCILLOR REPETSKI: THAT this meeting reconvene into regular session at 6:40 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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**013/15      PROPOSED MOTION**

COUNCILLOR REPETSKI: WHEREAS, the RM Council, Administration and Legal Counsel have reviewed and analyzed the Inquiry Report;

AND WHEREAS, Reeve Eberle has offered to tender his resignation to the RM Council;

AND WHEREAS, the RM Council desires that Reeve Eberle continues to hold the office of the Reeve in the RM;

AND WHEREAS, the RM Council fully embraces the recommendations of the Inquiry Report, although the Council disagrees with many of the Report's factual findings;

AND WHEREAS, the RM has not received any order for the removal of the Reeve or any member of Council;

AND WHEREAS, the RM has not received an order that finds any contravention of *The Municipalities Act* that would disqualify any member of Council;

AND WHEREAS, RM Council and Legal Counsel are of the view that the inquiry process was unfair;

AND WHEREAS, RM Council notes the significant road blocks to development in the RM of Sherwood including the Province's failure to grant approval to a raw water source while at the same time asking the RM to approve a raw water pipeline through its jurisdiction;

AND WHEREAS, the RM has documentation that demonstrates that employees of Saskatchewan Water have been muzzled about speaking to the RM about options for access to a raw water pipeline;

AND WHEREAS, RM Council emphasises that it is unfair and unreasonable that the RM of Sherwood's OCP has not been considered since September, 2014 when one of the most accredited planners in Canada, retained by the RM to finalize the OCP, prepared and endorsed it for approval;

AND WHEREAS, RM Council wishes to publicly state that, "We the elected Council, who represent the ratepayers of the RM, cannot fully respond to the Inquiry Report due to the fact that we were forced to execute an undertaking of confidentiality," and as a result are unable to discharge our public duty of reporting to its voters and ratepayers;

AND WHEREAS, it is the RM Council's view that once the OCP is approved and access to a raw water source is approved, these two important issues would be solved;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the RM of Sherwood will not accept the offer of the resignation of Reeve Eberle or anyone else, and that Council authorize Reeve Eberle to miss more than three consecutive months of meetings as provided by *The Municipalities Act*.

**014/15      AMENDMENT**

COUNCILLOR HEENAN: THAT the Proposed Motion be amended by removing the last WHEREAS.

For: Heenan, Wirth

Against: Repetski, Probe, Husum

DEFEATED

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**015/15**      **TABLE**

COUNCILLOR HEENAN: THAT the Proposed Motion be tabled.

For: Heenan, Wirth

Against: Repetski, Probe, Husum

DEFEATED

**013/15**      **VOTE ON ORIGINAL PROPOSED MOTION**  
**cont'd**

For: Repetski, Probe, Husum

Against: Heenan, Wirth

CARRIED

*Reeve Eberle entered Council Chambers at 6:55 p.m.*

*Reeve Eberle left Council Chambers at 6:57 p.m.*

**017/15**      **RECESS**

COUNCILLOR HUSUM: THAT this meeting recess at 6:59 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

*Councillor Rod Culbert entered Council Chambers at 7:13 p.m.*

**018/15**      **RECONVENE**

COUNCILLOR HEENAN: THAT this meeting reconvene into regular session at 7:14 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**019/15**      **DECEMBER 16, 2014 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

COUNCILLOR REPETSKI: THAT the minutes of the December 16, 2014 Regular Council Meeting be adopted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**020/15**      **JANUARY 9, 2015 SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

COUNCILLOR HUSUM: THAT the minutes of the January 9, 2015 Special Council Meeting be adopted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**021/15**      **JANUARY 12, 2015 SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

COUNCILLOR REPETSKI: THAT the minutes of the January 12, 2015 Special Council Meeting be adopted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**022/15**      **2014 COUNCIL ATTENDANCE REPORT**

COUNCILLOR REPETSKI: THAT the 2014 Council Attendance Report be accepted as information and filed.

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**023/15      APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR & ENGAGEMENT LETTER**

COUNCILLOR CULBERT: THAT the R.M. of Sherwood No. 159 appoint Dudley & Co. as Municipal Auditor for the purpose of auditing the fiscal year ending December 31, 2014; and,

THAT the Letter of Engagement from Dudley & Co., attached and forming a part of these minutes be ratified.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**024/15      APPOINTMENT OF LEGAL COUNSEL**

COUNCILLOR REPETSKI: THAT the R.M. of Sherwood No. 159 appoint Merrilee Rasmussen and Kevin Mellor as Municipal Solicitors; and

THAT Dan Kwochka look after all open files.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**025/15      APPOINTMENT OF BOARD OF REVISION**

COUNCILLOR HEENAN: THAT the R.M. of Sherwood No. 159 appoint G. Krismer and Associates as the Board of Revision for 2015; and,

THAT the following be appointed as members and secretary respectively: Clinton Krimser, Gord Krismer, Brian Lynch, Reg Skinner, Don Van Beselaere, Cory Halverson and Christina Krismer as Secretary.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**026/15      APPOINTMENT OF WEED INSPECTOR**

COUNCILLOR HEENAN: THAT Garret Halbgewachs, Manager of Public Works, be appointed as Weed Inspector for the year 2015 in accordance to section 6(2) of *The Weed Control Act*; and,

THAT the Director of the Crops Branch be notified of the appointment in accordance to section 7(1) of *The Weed Control Act*.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**027/15      APPOINTMENT OF PEST CONTROL OFFICER**

COUNCILLOR CULBERT: THAT Jim King be appointed as the R.M. of Sherwood No. 159 Pest Control Officer for the 2015 in accordance to section 13 of *The Pest Control Act*; and,

THAT the Pest Control Officer be paid \$45 per call in 2015; and,

THAT the Minister of Agriculture be notified of the appointment in accordance to section 14 of *The Pest Control Act*.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**028/15      APPOINTMENT TO SHERWOOD-REGINA REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

COUNCILLOR HUSUM: THAT Tim Probe and Joe Repetski be appointed as Council representatives to the Sherwood-Regina Regional Development Committee (SRRDC); and,

THAT Rod Culbert be appointed as an alternate representative to the SRRDC.

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**029/15      APPOINTMENT TO WHITE BUTTE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION**

COUNCILLOR REPETSKI: THAT Carl Husum and Brian Wirth be appointed as Council representatives to the White Butte Regional Planning Commission.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**030/15      WCB 2015 CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT**

COUNCILLOR WIRTH: THAT the 2015 Workers' Compensation Board (WCB) Certificate of Achievement and the Workers' Compensation Board (WCB) 2015 Premium Rate Notice be accepted as information and filed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**031/15      SARM 2015 MEMBERSHIP FEES**

COUNCILLOR CULBERT: THAT the R.M. of Sherwood No. 159 pay the Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities (SARM) 2015 Membership Fees for a total of \$7,852.43.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**032/15      2015 SARM PROPERTY SELF-INSURANCE PROGRAM**

COUNCILLOR REPETSKI: THAT the R.M. of Sherwood No. 159 renew the Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities (SARM) Property Self-Insurance Program for 2015 for an annual premium of \$11,009.78.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**033/15      2015 FIDELITY BOND**

COUNCILLOR REPETSKI: THAT in accordance with Section 113 of *The Municipalities Act*, the R.M. of Sherwood No. 159 renew the Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities (SARM) Fidelity Bond for 2015 at a coverage rate of \$100,000 for an annual premium of \$250.00.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**034/15      2015 EXCESS LIABILITY INSURANCE**

COUNCILLOR HUSUM: THAT the R.M. of Sherwood No. 159 purchase \$5 million in excess liability insurance in 2015 for an annual premium of \$1,797.00.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**035/15      HUDSON BAY ROUTE ASSOCIATION**

COUNCILLOR HEENAN: THAT the R.M. of Sherwood No. 159 renew its membership with the Hudson Bay Route Association for the 2015 year at the fee of \$300.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**036/15      REGINA HUMANE SOCIETY**

COUNCILLOR WIRTH: THAT the Regina Humane Society 2015 Annual Agreement for Impoundment attached to and forming a part of these minutes, be ratified.

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**037/15      SOUTH CENTRAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING COMMITTEE**

COUNCILLOR HEENAN: THAT the R.M. of Sherwood No. 159 renew its membership with the South Central Transportation Planning Committee for the 2015 year at the fee of \$600; and,

THAT Carl Husum be appointed as Council representative to the South Central Transportation Planning Committee.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**038/15      LETTER FROM BILL ALDCORN: CONSIDERATION FOR A TAX REPAYMENT**

COUNCILLOR REPETSEKI: THAT the R.M. of Sherwood No. 159 grant a 2015 tax abatement of \$490.86 on Roll # 616 000; and,

THAT Council authorize a refund of any overpayments received as a result of the adjustment.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**039/15      REGINA AIRPORT AUTHORITY (RAA) 2014 UPDATE**

COUNCILLOR REPETSKI: THAT the R.M. of Sherwood No. 159 that the Regina Airport Authority (RAA) 2014 Update report be accepted as information and filed; and,

THAT Larry Smart be invited to a Council Meeting for an education seminar.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**040/15      FINALIZATION OF AGENDA ITEMS FOR RATEPAYERS MEETING – JANUARY 22<sup>ND</sup>**

COUNCILLOR REPETSKI: THAT the R.M. of Sherwood No. 159 postpone the January 22<sup>nd</sup> General Ratepayers Meeting and reschedule the General Ratepayers Meeting to February 26<sup>th</sup>.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**041/15      INTERIM 2015 BUDGET**

COUNCILLOR HEENAN: THAT the R.M. of Sherwood No. 159 adopt the following interim budget for the year 2015 until the annual Operating and Capital Budgets are adopted:

Environmental Health	\$24,315.00
General Government	\$1,203,437.85
Health & Welfare	\$1,000.00
Planning & Development	\$548,475.00
Protective Services	\$105,150.00
Recreation & Culture	\$10,325.00
Transportation Services	\$969,714.00
Utilities	\$197,450.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,059,866.85</b>

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**042/15      REVIEW CONTRACT FOR EARNSCLIFFE STRATEGY GROUP**

COUNCILLOR HEENAN: THAT the R.M. of Sherwood No. 159 give Earnscliffe Strategy Group 30 days notice to terminate their contract and if services are needed in the future, they be engaged on a fee for service basis.

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**043/15      RECESS**

COUNCILLOR REPETSKI: THAT this meeting recess at 9:11 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**044/15      RECONVENE**

COUNCILLOR HUSUM: THAT this meeting reconvene into regular session at 9:24 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**045/15      JANUARY 2015 CURRENT ACTIVE APPLICATIONS**

COUNCILLOR REPETSKI: THAT the Planning & Development Report – January 2015 Current Active Planning Applications report be accepted as information and filed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**046/15      DECEMBER 2014 PUBLIC WORKS REPORT**

COUNCILLOR REPETSKI: THAT the Director of Public Works & Infrastructure December 2014 written report be accepted as information and filed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**047/15      SHERWOOD INDUSTRIAL PARK WATER EXPANSION PROJECT**

COUNCILLOR HUSUM: BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the R.M. of Sherwood No. 159 support the application for a PTIC grant for Drinking Water Infrastructure from the New Building Canada Fund, and Council agrees to meet the legislated standards, to meet the terms and conditions of the PTIC program, to conduct an open tendering process, to manage the construction of the project, to fund the municipal share of the construction cost, to fund ongoing operation and maintenance costs, and to follow any mitigation measure as required by the Canadian Environmental Assessment Act and the Environmental Assessment Act (Saskatchewan).

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**048/15      SHERWOOD INDUSTRIAL PARK WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY PROJECT**

COUNCILLOR REPETSKI: BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the R.M. of Sherwood No. 159 support the application for a PTIC grant for Wastewater Infrastructure from the New Building Canada Fund, and Council agrees to meet the legislated standards, to meet the terms and conditions of the PTIC program, to conduct an open tendering process, to manage the construction of the project, to fund the municipal share of the construction cost, to fund ongoing operation and maintenance costs, and to follow any mitigation measure as required by the Canadian Environmental Assessment Act and the Environmental Assessment Act (Saskatchewan).

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**049/15**      **CORRESPONDENCE**

COUNCILLOR CULBERT: THAT the following correspondence be accepted as information and filed:

1. December 15, 2014 - SMHI 2014 Municipal Hail Scholarships
2. APAS in Action December 2014
3. December 5, 2014 – RM of Bratt’s Lake Letter
4. December 8, 2014 Federation of Canadian Municipalities
5. December 2014 Heritage Saskatchewan Membership
6. December 19, 2014 – Industry Canada
7. December 18, 2014 – SAMA 2014 Annual Meeting Resolution
8. 2015 Agri-Value Growth Summit, February 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>, 2015
9. January 2, 2015 RCMP Policing Report for 2014 Year

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**050/15**      **NEWS RELEASE**

COUNCILLOR REPETSKI: THAT a News Release be issued titled R.M. of Sherwood Council Does Not Accept Reeve Eberle’s Offer to Resign; and

THAT Councillor Repetski work with Chief Administrative Officer Ron McCullough to prepare a draft News Release to be circulated to Members of Council for review and comment by 9am January 15, 2015.

For – Repetski, Probe, Husum, Culbert  
Against – Heenan, Wirth

CARRIED

**051/15**      **ADJOURNMENT**

COUNCILLOR HEENAN: THAT this meeting be adjourned at 11:29 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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Reeve

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Administrator