

Minutes of the December 21, 2021, Regular Meeting of Council of the Rural Municipality of Biggar No. 347 in the municipal office, Biggar, Sk.

**Present:**

Reeve – Jeanne Marie de Moissac  
Councillor Division 1 – Brad Poletz  
Councillor Division 2 – Rob Danychuk  
Councillor Division 3 – Dale Thomson  
Councillor Division 4 – Barry Sagon  
Councillor Division 5 – Greg Mundt  
Councillor Division 6 – Brian Watson  
Administrator – Sandi Silvernagle

**CALL TO ORDER:**

A quorum being present, Reeve de Moissac called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

**ADDITIONS TO AGENDA:**

**154/2021 POLETZ:** That the December 21, 2021, agenda include additions:  
- SaskPower Map Upgrading Power Lines at Springwater  
- Hutterian Brethern Church Springwater Request to Purchase Agricultural Lease Land  
Carried

**AGENDA:**

**155/2021 THOMSON:** That the December 21, 2021, agenda be adopted as presented.  
Carried

**MINUTES:**

**156/2021 DANYCHUK:** That the November 16, 2021, minutes be approved as presented.  
Carried

**157/2021 THOMSON:** That the November 16, 2021, public minutes be approved as presented.  
Carried

**BANK RECONCILIATION and FINANCIAL STATEMENT:**

**158/2021 POLETZ:** That the November Bank Reconciliation and current Financial Statement be approved as presented.  
Carried

**ACCOUNTS:**

**159/2021 POLETZ:** That the following list of accounts be approved for payment: Checks #1775-1800; online utilities, MasterCard, online remittances and November payroll for a total amount of \$115,878.98.  
Carried

**FOREMAN and DIVISION REPORTS:**

Foreman Derek Custer did not give a report, was unable to attend meeting. There were no Division Reports currently. Reeve Jeanne Marie de Moissac gave a report on correspondence with Ken Kostuchenko; attended Farm in the Dell Video Conference; attended the West Central Committee annual general meeting and is on the Health Committee that was formed by the West Central Committee. Councillor Rob Danychuk reported on the APAS meeting he attended, and Brian Watson reported on the West Central Committee annual general meeting he attended and was nominated to be on the Membership Committee.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**EMPLOYEE CHRISTMAS GIFT**

**160/2021 POLETZ:** Motion to approve \$100.00 per employee for Christmas.  
Carried

**2022 FIDELTY BOND**

**161/2021 WATSON:** Motion to approved the \$10,000.00 Fidelity Bond for 2022.  
Carried

**RM OFFICE HOLIDAY HOURS**

**162/2021** SAGON: Motion to approve the RM holiday office hours as: Closed on Friday, December 24, Monday, December 27, 2021 and Monday, January 3, 2022.  
Carried

**ABATE COMMERCIAL TAX:**

**163/2021** POLETZ: Council approved the request by Kathleen Lindsay to abate the 2021 commercial tax on the two properties located on the NW 28-35-13 W3rd. Abate \$1184.03 for Leading Edge Welding as the business relocated and \$418.31 for Northland Painting and Sandblasting as it was missed on the initial abatements that were done in August 2021.  
Carried

**CASH-IN-LIEU TOWN OF BIGGAR:**

**164/2021** THOMSON: That the Town of Biggar pay \$135.00 cash-in-lieu as required for the .60 ha (1.48 acres) as mandated by the Community Planning Branch of the Ministry of Government Relations on proposed subdivision SE 03-36-14 W3rd from the Town of Biggar for the establishment of a Municipal Sign Corridor. The funds to be deposited in the RM of Biggar No. 347's Dedicated Lands Reserve Account.  
Carried

**SARM PROPERTY SELF INSURANCE PROGRAM :**

**165/2021** SAGON: Upon council review there are no changes to the SARM Property Self-Insurance Program for 2022.  
Carried

**RESCIND MOTION 51/16**

**166/2021** DANYCHUK: Motion to rescind Motion 51/16 a motion to increase the SARM Dental and Health Plan from a Level 2 to a Level 5.  
Carried

**SARM HEALTH and DENTAL PLAN:**

**167/2021** POLETZ: Renew the SARM Health and Dental Plan at a Level 2 for 2022.  
Carried

**INDEMNITIES:**

**168/2021** WATSON: That the indemnities totaling \$3,396.40 for the December 21, 2021 council meeting be approved.  
Carried

**ROAD DESIGN and CONSTRUCTION STANDARD POLICY:**

**169/2021** DANYCHUK: That the Road Design and Construction Standard Policy be approved as presented and included in the RM Policy Manual.  
Carried

**SPRINGWATER SCHOOL YARD:**

**170/2021** SAGON: That Forbes Bros. Construction may use the Springwater School Yard for material storage on the condition that they leave the site the same as when they started using it.  
Carried

**SPRINGWATER COLONY REQUEST TO PURCHASE LEASE LAND:**

**171/2021** de MOISSAC: Council does not approve the request to purchase lease land that the Hutterian Brethren Church Springwater Colony is applying for to the Ministry of Agriculture Land Branch until the RM has the opportunity to explore the property for gravel.  
Carried

Meeting Adjourned at 1:35 p.m..

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Administrator