

R.M. of Caledonia No. 99
Minutes of the regular meeting of the council
Held in the Municipal Council Chambers
December 3, 2024
105 Main St Milestone Saskatchewan

Due notice of the meeting being given and this being the first meeting, the call to order was made by the administrator. **Reeve & Councillors for Divisions 1, 3 & 5 duly executed oaths of Office**

Present The Reeve Mark Beck, presiding after the call to order:

Division No 1 Chris Williams
Division No.2 Aaron Davidson
Division No.3 Shoat Brice
Division No. 5 Bill Strickland
Division No. 6 Carla Thue
Admin Staff Stephen Schury, Leah Ward

Absent Division No. 4 Chad Nicholas

Minutes 199-24 **Brice:** That the minutes of the last regular council meeting held on the 5th day of November 2024 be approved as read.

CARRIED

Audience **Ash Patton**, RM of Caledonia No 99 Public Works staff met with council to provide an update on current work in the RM and discuss council concerns. Some of the topics discussed included:

- Finning is out making repairs to the blower on the Cat 160
- Discussed weights for the front end of the John Deere 870GP
- Snow blower out for maintenance purposes
- Open Township Rd 112 for gravel haul and Lucyk movers
- Maintenance to Schulte Mower, side arm bent
- Gravel stockpile this month
- Discussed possibility of Wifi for the Shop, admin to look onto iot
- Trying got maintain some roads but challenging due to the weather.
- Tandem requires repairs to the speedometer, will get a safety done at the same time.
- Take 3a road test after repairs done.

Ray Beck, RM of Caledonia No 99 Pest control Officer met with council to provide an update Of the 2024 Pest Control report. Following this verbal report the following was resolved:

200-24 **Williams:** That the 2024 Pest Control report be accepted as presented and that the Administrator submit the application for the Sustainable Canadian Agricultural Partnership for funding.

CARRIED

Business Arising Discussed the letter that was discussed at the last council meeting regarding culvert damages. Admin advised that the letter was not sent due to the Postal Strike. Councillor Thue advised that she thought there was a email address available on their website. Admin to follow up.

Reeve Beck updated council on the Box Culvert project in the RM of Bratt's Lake that he visited along with Admin and Public Works Staff. Information al purposes only.

Admin briefly discussed the Bentonite project based on the timelines provided at the November meeting. No new information to report.

SARM Midterm was briefly discussed by those that attended. Reeve Beck also updated council on the Joint meeting with the RM of Scott No 98, the RM of Clayton and the RM of Mervin to discuss our joint lawsuit and the distribution of insurance proceeds. There was no decision forthcoming form this meeting.

Discussed the upcoming Regina District Assoc of Rural Municipalities annual meeting in Regina January 9 & 10, 2025. From this discussion the following was resolved:

201-24 **Brice:** That the admin be authorized to register all Councillors that wih the attend the RDARM AGM with expenses paid by the RM.

CARRIED

Admin provided council with an update of the Christmas Social to be held jointly with the Town of Milestone on Dec 20, 2024. Council Discussed Christmas Gratuities at this time. From this discussion the following was resolved

202-24 **Williams:** That the RM of Caledonia No 99 purchase \$100 gift cards for the Admin Staff, Public Works Staff and a \$50 gift Card for the mower operator.

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Unfinished Business Discussed Gravel inventory, no inventory to speak of at either the RM yard or the School site In Parry. Admin to talk with Prairie Trenching regarding stockpile dates.

List of Accounts 203-23 **Thue:** That the accounts as listed on Schedules "A" from check #6142 to #6157 and electronic payments 225 – 230 in the amount of \$97,385.39 as annexed hereto and forming part of the minutes be approved for payment.

CARRIED

Stat't. Rec./Pay't. Fin. Report 204-24 **Davidson:** That the statement showing all cash receipts and disbursements for the month of November 2024 and the following financial report be accepted as presented and reviewed.

Financial Report at Nov. 30th	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
NOTE: Bank Balances at Nov. 30 th	\$625,927	\$797,158	\$906,335	\$1,132,714	\$1,135,974
Grants to be received GasTax	\$31,616	\$31,616	\$31,616	\$31,616	\$31,616
“ Road Gravel	\$414,904	\$176,832	\$49,750	\$140,093	\$ 18,750
" Capital Expenses	\$1,399,155	\$ 0	\$299,909	\$46,234	\$438,04
BANK LOANS (princ o/s)	\$920,887	\$107,305	\$184,674	\$ 0	\$22,078
" Mun. Taxes Collected (Current)	86%	88%	87%	86%	85%

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Year End a/c's 205-24 **Brice:** That the Reeve and Administrator be authorized to pay all normal year-end accounts as they become due.

CARRIED

Bank Recs 206-24 **Strickland:** That the RM of Caledonia No 99 acknowledge receipt of the bank reconciliations as prepared and presented by Administration as received and presented and that the Reeve sign off on these forms.

CARRIED

Payroll Journal 205-24 **Thue:** That council acknowledge the payroll deposit registers represented in the RM of Caledonia payroll of the employees of the RM as received and presented.

CARRIED

Auditor Engagement 206-24 **Davidson:** That the Administrator sign the letter of Engagement appointing Dudley & Company for the purposes conducting the annual audit for the RM of Caledonia No 99 & Town of Milestone.

CARRIED

Road Maint. 207-24 **Davidson:** That council acknowledge the Road Maintenance Agreement for Prairie Trenching As prepared and presented by Admin staff.

CARRIED

MRS Declaration 208-24 **Brice:** That the RM of Caledonia No 99 confirm our Declaration of Eligibility for Municipal Revenue Sharing Grant as per the information presented by the Administrator, noting that all requirements have been met.

CARRIED

Parry 209-24 **Williams:** That council acknowledge receipt of the Parry water reports for Parry water works as Prepared by the Hamlet Staff and presented by the administrator.

CARRIED

Comm. Planning 210-24 **Strickland:** That the RM of Caledonia acknowledge receipt of the letter from Community Planning dated Nov 21, 2024 with regards to the proposed Residential Subdivision at SW 13-12-20 W2 and that the Council has no additional concerns or requirements with the proposed subdivision.

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Cancel Bylaw 211-24 **Thue:** That council cancel Bylaw 2024-01 A Road Closure Bylaw as it was not required.

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Oil Samples 212-24 **Davidson:** That we acknowledge receipt of the oil samples noting that there are no issues or concerns and that the results have been forwarded to the RM public Works Staff.

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CTS Update 213-24 **Brice:** That the RM of Caledonia acknowledge receipt of the Combined Traffic Services District Commander update dated November 23, 2023.

CARRIED

Bylaw 2024-01 214-24 **Davidson:** That Bylaw 2023-01 as annexed hereto and forming part of these minutes be read a third time and form part of these minutes.

CARRIED

Briefly discussed Staff reviews and wage reviews. From this discussion the following was resolved:

215-24 **Strickland:** That Ashley Patton be given a 10% increase on his current salary pending the successful completion of his 3A Road test.

CARRIED

Brief oral reports from each councilor with regards to their respective divisions.

Other Discussion hours.

Council briefly discussed RMAA Division 2 Curling bonspiel in Kronau.

Discussed the Christmas Hours, we will be observing Govt of Saskatchewan Stats for seasonal

From this discussion the following was resolved:

216-24 **Thue:** That the Office of the Town of Milestone /RM of Caledonia No 99 be closed on Dec 27, 2024.

CARRIED

Reviewed some of the materials and equipment required by the Public Works staff. Admin will review and maintain on file for budget purposes.

Correspondence

The miscellaneous correspondence listed on the agenda was presented to council for their review and the same was filed for reference. A number of periodicals, newsletters, etc. were place on the council table for council perusal.

Adjourn 217-24 **Strickland:** That we do now adjourn.

CARRIED


Reeve


Administrator

Meeting Commenced at 9:00 am

Adjourned at 11:45 am

NOTE: The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 7th 2025 at 9:00 AM