

**TOWN OF ARBORG
SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL
Wednesday, April 22nd, 2020**

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER: 9:00 A.M.

Meeting was held by Zoom Videoconferencing.

Mayor Peter Dueck called the Meeting to Order at 9:00 A.M.

Present: Mayor Peter Dueck, Deputy Mayor Ron Johnston

Councillors: Ron Rogowsky, Rob Thorsteinson and John Crackle

Also Present: Cindy Stansell, Chief Administrative Officer

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

121-2020 Thorsteinson/Crackle

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda be adopted as presented.

(Carried)

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

1. Regular Meeting – April 8th, 2020
2. Special Meeting – April 15th, 2020

122-2020 Crackle/Johnston

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of the following Meetings be adopted as read:

Regular Meeting – April 8th, 2020

Special Meeting – April 15th, 2020

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Minutes be signed by the Mayor and Chief Administrative Officer.

(Carried)

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES – Nil

5. DELEGATIONS – Nil

6. CORRESPONDENCE

1. Honourable Rochelle Squires, Minister Manitoba Municipal Relations
 - a) COVID-19 Financial Plan Reassessment
 - b) 2019 Final Operating Grant – Mobility Disadvantaged Transportation Program
(All Received as Information)
2. Jennifer Dubois, Assistant Associate Secretary Public Utilities Board
 - * Order No. 56/20 – Respecting Water and/or Wastewater Utilities COVID-19 Pandemic Response
(Received as Information)
3. Julie Bergner, Manager Fieldstone Ventures
 - * LPN Training Arborg
(Received as Information)
4. Jennifer Campbell Moore, Director Interlake Women’s Resource Centre Inc.
 - * COVID-19 Update
(Received as Information)
5. Melanie Pearce
 - * Showcasing Our 2020 ACI Graduates

123-2020 Crackle/Thorsteinson

WHEREAS the Town of Arborg has received a request to allow the parents of Arborg Collegiate Institute’s Graduating Class of 2020 to showcase the graduates by displaying banners on light posts along streets in Arborg throughout May and June 2020;

AND WHEREAS the request of the Town of Arborg is to provide an in-kind contribution of public works staff to assist with the installation of the banners;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Arborg agree to request to install the banners.

(Carried)

6. Susan Bauernhuber, President Central Interlake Chamber of Commerce
 - * Request for Letter of Support – BIG-R Grant

124-2020 Johnston/Thorsteinson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Arborg offer a *Letter of Support* to accompany the Application submitted by the **Central Interlake Chamber of Commerce** to the **Community Futures East Interlake Building Interlake Growth Regionally Program (BIG-R)**

(Carried)

7. Newsletters & Reports

Following Reports Available for Review at the Town Office:

- a) *Recycling, Product News* ~ March 2020

(Received as Information)

7. **FINANCIAL BUSINESS – Nil**
8. **BY-LAWS FOR CONSIDERATION - Nil**
9. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM DELEGATIONS – Nil**
10. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

1. Utility and Property Taxes
 - * Penalties on Outstanding Accounts

125-2020 Johnston/Crackle

WHEREAS Town of Arborg **By-Law No. 5-2015, Schedule A**, Section 5 b) stipulates that a late payment charge of *1 ¼%* shall be charged on the dollar amount owing after the billing due date for the Town of Arborg water and sewer utilities;

AND WHEREAS due to the *COVID-19 Pandemic*, residents and businesses in Arborg are struggling financially as a result of mandated health orders by the **Province of Manitoba**;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Town of Arborg **waive** the May 2020 penalty on outstanding utility amounts from *Quarter 1*. **(Carried)**

2. Tanis Grimolfson, Executive Director Riverton & District Friendship Centre
 - * Request for Support
 To be discussed during the 2020 Budgeting process.
3. The Bridge Food Pantry
 - * Response to Request for TourDiscussion: Krista from the The Bridge Food Pantry provided pictures of their operations as a virtual tour would be difficult to accommodate.

11. NEW AND OTHER BUSINESS

1. Hiring of Assistant Public Works Supervisor

126-2020 Thorsteinson/Crackle

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Wes Gislason be hired as **Assistant Public Works Supervisor** for the Town of Arborg, effective **May 4th, 2020**;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED the **Terms of Employment** be as outlined in the Town's *Offer of Employment* dated **April 22, 2020**. **(Carried)**

2. Warren Toderan, Emergency Coordinator N.E.I.E.M.B.
 - * Disaster Peacetime Agreement, Interlake-Eastern Regional Health Authority

127-2020 Johnston/Crackle

BE IT RESOLVED the Town of Arborg enter into a *Memorandum of Understanding* with the Interlake-Eastern Regional Health Authority with respect to **Peacetime Disaster/Emergency Planning**;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED the **Mayor** and **CAO** be authorized to sign the *MOU* on behalf of the Town of Arborg. **(Carried)**

3. Review of Quotes / Tenders
 - * Supply of Fuel (Diesel and Gas) as Required in 2020

128-2020 Thorsteinson/Crackle

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the fuel tender, as follows, received from *Interlake Co-op – Arborg*, be accepted for the period May 1st, 2020 to April 30th, 2021:

Regular Gas	-	\$0.5903 per litre plus GST
Clear Diesel	-	\$0.7280 per litre plus GST

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT, as stated in each tender, the prices are subject to industry increases and/or decreases and tax adjustments at the time of purchase. **(Carried)**

12. CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

Cindy reported on:

- Daily Manitoba Relation calls regarding the COVID-19 Pandemic
- Attendance at weekly NEIEMB Meeting

13. MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Councillor Ron Johnston reported on:

- EIWD

Councillor John Crackle reported on:

- ABP&RC

Councillor Rob Thorsteinson reported on:

- EIPD
- Public Works

Councillor Ron Rogowsky reported on:

- CFEI
- Attendance at the following meeting:
 - CICOC

Mayor Peter Dueck reported on:

- AB-RCDC
- Attendance at the following meeting:
 - NEIEMB

14. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – Nil

15. ADJOURNMENT - 10:15 A.M.

129-2020 Thorsteinson/Crackle
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Special Meeting be adjourned. **(Carried)**

Peter Dueck
Mayor

Cindy Stansell
Chief Administrative Officer