

**TOWN OF ARBORG
REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
May 12th, 2021**

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

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

Present: Mayor Peter Dueck; Deputy Mayor Ron Johnston

Councillors: John Crackle, Ron Rogowsky and Rob Thorsteinson

Also Present: Cindy Stansell, Chief Administrative Officer

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

109-2021 Thorsteinson/Johnston

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda be adopted.

CARRIED

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

1. Special Meeting – April 28th, 2021

110-2021 Rogowsky/Crackle

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

Special Meeting – April 28th, 2021

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

**9:05 A.M. Lisa Klym & Jenna Stansell, Co-Chairs, The Creative Cocoon
Ray Reimer, Citizen Representative**

Re: The Skateboard Project

Mayor Dueck welcomed the delegation to the meeting.

Lisa Klym thanked Council for the opportunity to address questions Council may have regarding The Skateboard Project. Lisa outlined the proposed project. The committee is requesting a donation of land from the Town of Arborg that is open and highly visible. It was noted the importance of the skatepark being positioned somewhere in the community where there is ample pedestrian traffic. The committee suggested a location along Main Street as an ideal site as this would serve the most amount of people with amenities close by. The proposed skatepark would also have the potential to boost the town's economy. Lisa indicated the potential for tournaments and the skatepark being a tourist attraction would draw individuals to the community which in turn would support local restaurants, hotels and shopping centers. The committee intends to raise funds for the project as well as apply for grants. Council asked questions of the committee including responsibility of future maintenance and repairs. Lisa indicated that the intent is to build an enduring park that will last for a long time. The skateboard community would step up to help keep the park clean however future repairs and maintenance would likely become the responsibility of the Town. Council recommended alternate locations and these were discussed by Council and the delegation. In closing, the committee thanked Council for the opportunity to present the project. Council in turn thanked the committee for their initiative and confirmed their commitment to assist the committee with finding a suitable location for the skatepark.

6. CORRESPONDENCE

1. Association of Manitoba Municipalities
a) Nomination Open for AMM Board Positions
b) Reminder #1 – 2021 June District Resolutions

All Received as Information

6. CORRESPONDENCE – cont'd

2. Municipal Relations
* Approval Green Team Funding *Received as Information*
3. James Bezan, MP Selkirk-Interlake-Eastman
* 3-Digit National Suicide Prevention Hotline

111-2021 Rowgowsky/Johnston

WHEREAS the Federal government has passed a motion to adopt 988, a National three-digit suicide and crisis hotline;

AND WHEREAS the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic has increased the demand for suicide prevention services by 200 per cent;

AND WHEREAS existing suicide prevention hotlines require the user to remember a 10-digit number and go through directories or be placed on hold;

AND WHEREAS in 2022 the United States will have in place a national 988 crisis hotline;

AND WHEREAS the Town of Arborg Council recognizes that it is a significant and important initiative to ensure critical barriers are removed to those in crisis and seeking help;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Arborg Council endorses this 988 crisis line initiative;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the CAO send a letter on behalf of the Town of Arborg Council indicating such support to the local MP, MPP, Federal Minister of Health, the CRTC and local area municipalities to indicate our support.
CARRIED

4. Anna W. Moondor - The WOA Consulting Group
* Prefeasibility Economic Development Assessment *Received as Information*
5. Ifeyinwa Felicia Echezona – Iphie Law
* Partnership for Economic/Business Immigration & Development *Received as Information*
6. Ruth Fortin
* Email Requests *Received as Information*
7. Sergeant Rob Gray – RCMP
a) RCMP Municipal and Rural Reporting
b) Quarterly Report – January 1 – March 31, 2021
All Received as Information
8. Bianca Hamblin, Bifrost COPP
* Signage Request

112-2021 Thorsteinson / Johnston

WHEREAS *Bifrost Citizens on Patrol Program (Bifrost COPP)* was recently established to help law enforcement make our communities safer;

AND WHEREAS *Bifrost COPP's* patrol area includes the Town of Arborg;

AND WHEREAS *Bifrost COPP* has requested the placement of signs within the community of Arborg to bring awareness to the program;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorize the placement of *Bifrost COPP* signs in Arborg.
CARRIED

6. CORRESPONDENCE – cont'd

9. Tom Chwaliboga
* Active Transportation Funding Programs *Received as Information*

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. 10:00 A.M. Re: Town of Arborg 2021 Financial Plan

113-2021 Rogowsky / Crackle

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council do now adjourn from the Regular Meeting to hold the **Town of Arborg 2021 Financial Plan** Public Hearing. **CARRIED**

In accordance with Section 162 (2) of the Municipal Act, Mayor Dueck called the Public Hearing, as required for the Town of Arborg 2021 Financial Plan, to order at 10:00 A.M. No other persons attended the Public Hearing and no correspondence was received. CAO Stansell presented the key items in the 2021 Financial Plan including proposed borrowings. The presentation will be posted to the Town of Arborg website for information.

114-2021 Johnston / Thorsteinson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Public Hearings be adjourned and the Regular Meeting be reconvened. **CARRIED**

8. FINANCIAL BUSINESS

1. Audited Financial Statements as at December 31, 2020
* Eastern Interlake Planning District *Received as Information*
2. List of Accounts for Approval

115-2021 Rogowsky / Crackle

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following accounts be approved for payment:
Cheque No. 11960 – 12025 \$158,309.87 **CARRIED**

3. 2021 Financial Plan

116-2021 Johnston / Thorsteinson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council adopt the Town of Arborg 2021 Financial Plan. **CARRIED**

9. BY-LAWS FOR CONSIDERATION

1. By-law No. 2-2021 2nd & 3rd Readings
* Tax Levy By-law

117-2021 Rogowsky / Crackle

BE IT RESOLVED THAT *By-law No. 2-2021*, a By-law of the Town of Arborg to **Levy Rates to Raise the Sums Required for the Lawfully Purposes of the Corporation for the Year 2021**, as shown in the Estimates, be read a second time. **CARRIED**

118-2021 Thorsteinson / Crackle

BE IT RESOLVED THAT *By-law No. 2-2021*, a By-law of the Town of Arborg to **Levy Rates to Raise the Sums Required for the Lawfully Purposes of the Corporation for the Year 2021**, as shown in the Estimates, be read a third time and finally passed.

As required by Section 137 of *The Municipal Act*, a recorded vote was taken on the motion:

Mayor Peter Dueck	-	Voted in Favour
Deputy Mayor Ron Johnston	-	Voted in Favour
Councillor John Crackle	-	Voted in Favour
Councillor Ron Rogowsky	-	Voted in Favour
Councillor Rob Thorsteinson	-	Voted in Favour

CARRIED

10. BUSINESS ARISING FROM DELEGATIONS

1. Lisa Klym & Ray Reimer, The Creative Cocoon
Re: Skateboard Project

Discussion: Council discussed potential locations. CAO will send a letter to the committee with additional possible locations as well as to reconfirm Council's commitment to assist with finding a suitable location.

11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS - Nil**12. NEW AND OTHER BUSINESS – Nil****13. CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORT****Cindy reported on:**

- Rural Week ~ Medical Students
- Canada-Manitoba Job Grant
- Green and Inclusive Community Buildings Grant
- Borrowing by-law first reading at next meeting

14. MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS' REPORTS**Councillor Ron Rogowsky reported on:**

Attendance at the following:

- ITA Meeting

Councillor John Crackle had nothing to report.

Councillor Ron Johnston reported on:

Attendance at the following:

- A&DMHV Meeting
- ABP&RC Sub-committee Meeting

Councillor Rob Thorsteinson reported on:

- Public works operations
- EIPD building inspector

Attendance at the following:

- ABF&ES

Mayor Peter Dueck reported on:

Attendance at the following:

- IERHA Strategic Meeting

15. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

119-2021 Johnston/Rogowsky
BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole. **CARRIED**

120-2021 Rogowsky/Thorsteinson
BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council go out of Committee of the Whole and re-convene into Regular Meeting. **CARRIED**

1. Arborg Collegiate Graduate Awards
Discussion: Council unanimously agreed on a recipient of the Town's bursary.
2. Preliminary Matters

16. ADJOURNMENT – 11:47 a.m.

121-2021

Rogowsky/Thorsteinson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council do now adjourn to meet again in Arborg on May 12th, 2021.

CARRIED

Peter Dueck
Mayor

Cindy Stansell
Chief Administrative Officer