

Council Meeting Minutes

Monday, June 20, 2022 – 6:30 p.m.

Attendance: Councillor Karri Ferguson, Councillor Greg Munn, Councillor Walter Munn, Councillor Donna Penny and Sonya Martin.

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:33 p.m.

2. Conflicts of Interest Declaration – Individual Councillors

There were no conflicts in regards to the agenda items; the meeting proceeded.

3. Agenda Approval

There were three items added to the Agenda; 4.(g) Community Garden, 4.(h) Insurance – Craig Cooper and 4. (i) Ball Field. It was moved by Councillor Greg Munn and seconded by Councillor Walter Munn to approve the agenda as amended. All were in favour and the motion was carried.

4. New Business

a. Appoint Interim CAO by Resolution:

The resolution was read to Council. Whereas Section 86.(2)(c) of the MGA requires that a Council shall appoint by resolution a person to the position of Chief Administrative Officer and; Whereas Sonya Martin has provided the Council of the RMMR with a proposal to serve as the CAO; Be it resolved that the Council of the Rural Municipality of Murray River hereby appoint Sonya Martin, as the Interim CAO, effective immediately, for the period and other details as outlined in her proposal dated June 9, 2022.

It was moved by Councillor Greg Munn and seconded by Councillor Walter Munn. All were in favour and the resolution was approved.

b. Appoint Acting Mayor by Resolution:

The CAO read the resolution to Council. Whereas Section 91.(4)(b) of the MGA requires that the members of Council may appoint, from among their number, an Acting Mayor where; b. The offices of Mayor and Deputy Mayor are vacant. Be it resolved that the Council of the Rural Municipality of Murray River hereby appoint Karri Ferguson as Acting Mayor, for the period as outlined in 91.(5)(b) of the MGA.

It was moved by Councillor Donna Penny and seconded by Councillor Greg Munn. All were in favour and the resolution was approved.

c. Appoint Deputy Mayor by Resolution:

The CAO read the resolution to Council. Whereas Section 91.(1) of the MGA states that the Acting Mayor shall appoint from among the other members of Council a Deputy Mayor who shall, in the absence or incapacity of the Acting Mayor exercise all the powers and carry out the duties of Acting Mayor. Be it resolved that the Acting Mayor Karri Ferguson of the Rural Municipality of Murray River hereby appoint Greg Munn as the Deputy Mayor.

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It was moved by Councillor Donna Penny and seconded by Councillor Walter Munn. All were in favour and the resolution was approved.

- d. Appoint Municipal Electoral Officer (MEO) and Deputy MEO by Resolution.
Council deferred this item until the necessary contacts are confirmed.

- e. Updated Dates & Times of "Schedule of Meetings 2022" by Resolution.

Whereas the RMMR has the need to change their existing regular council meeting date and time based on the RMMR Procedural Bylaw #2018-04, 6.1 Schedule of Meetings; And whereas the date acceptable is the "third" Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Murray River Municipal Office Library location;

Be it resolved, that the Council of the Rural Municipality of Murray River instructs the Interim CAO to update the "Schedule of Meetings for 2022", to be posted to the website and the new municipal office.

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Greg Munn and seconded by Councillor Donna Penny. All were in favour and the resolution was approved.

Schedule of Meetings 2022

July 18 | August 15 | September 19 | October 17 | November 21 | December 19

- f. The first reading of the "RMMR Municipal Elections Bylaw #2022-01" was placed as the last item on the agenda.
- g. Community Garden – Acting Mayor Karrie Ferguson noted that she had a Grant application for the community garden of up to 10,000 in funding which she asked the CAO to review. Deadline is March 2023.
- h. Insurance Premiums – Council reviewed the deadlines for the annual insurance being July and September, and noted that they are also looking at a new quote on "accidental death/dismemberment" for the fire department volunteers. The contact info for Craig Cooper was provided.
- i. Ball Field – Acting Mayor Karri Ferguson informed Council that she had dragged the ball field twice and would like the municipality to pay for the gas. It was moved by Deputy Mayor Greg Munn and seconded by Councillor Donna Penny to approve the gas expense. All were in favour and the motion was carried.

The CAO read the resolution for the first reading of the "RMMR Municipal Elections Bylaw #2022-01" to Council. Whereas this updated elections bylaw meets the requirements for the November 7, 2022 General Municipal Election; Be it resolved that the Rural Municipality of Murray River bylaw, "RMMR Municipal Elections Bylaw, #2022-01", be hereby **read** a first time. It was moved by Acting Mayor Karri Ferguson and seconded by Councillor Walter Munn. All were in favour and the resolution was approved.

Whereas Division 6 – Election Proceedings for the November 7, 2022 General Municipal Election requires an election bylaw to be in place not later than August 10, 2022, and whereas the Bylaw #2022-01 was read a first time at this council meeting; Be it resolved that the Rural Municipality of Murray River bylaw, "RMMR Municipal Elections Bylaw #2022-01", be hereby **approved**. It was moved by Deputy Mayor Greg Munn and seconded by Acting Mayor Karri Ferguson. All were in favour and the resolution was approved.

5. Next Scheduled Meeting of Council

There was a round table discussion on whether to hold a meeting in July as council needs to provide an office for the CAO. The CAO will continue to meet any pressing deadlines for the municipality and if a meeting is required over the summer, it will be posted.

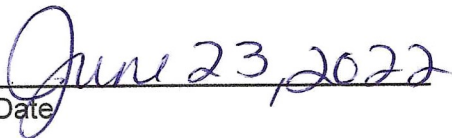
6. Adjournment

At 8:15 p.m. the meeting was adjourned. Motion by Deputy Mayor Greg Munn and seconded by Councillor Donna Penny. All were in favour and the motion was carried.

Signed in accordance
Municipal Government Act S. 116(4)



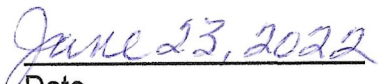
Karri Ferguson - Acting Mayor



Date



Sonya Martin – Interim Chief Administrative Officer



Date