

The Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Council of the Rural Municipality of Blaine Lake #434 which was held in the RM’s Municipal Office, at 118 Main Street, on Monday, January 20, 2020. The meeting was called to order by Reeve Chalmers at 9:03AM.

Present were Reeve William Chalmers, Acting Administrator Jennifer Gutknecht, and the following Council Members:

- Walter Kabaroff - Division 1
- John Serhienko - Division 2
- John Priestley - Division 5
- Robert Dagenais - Division 6

Absent:

- (Vacant) - Division 3
- Alan Lavoie - Division 4

Res#065/20 RATEPAYER MEETING COUNCIL: That an RM of Blaine Lake #434 Ratepayers meeting be set for Saturday, April 18, 2020; further details to be confirmed later. CARRIED

Res#066/20 FINANCIAL INSTITUT. COUNCIL: That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 directs Administration to seek Requests for Proposals to Financial Institutions for management of our banking. CARRIED

Res#067/20 FINANCIAL INSTITUT. COUNCIL: That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 direct Administration to follow up with the CIBC Account Manager’s promise to waive fees for e-deposits via cheque scanning, and; Furthermore that Council direct Administration to forward a letter of direction to CIBC to institute e-deposits for the RM of Blaine Lake #434. CARRIED

Res#068/20 SASK LOTTEREIES COMM. GRANT PROGRAM SERHIENKO: That the RM of Blaine Lake #434 supports the Saskatchewan Lotteries Community Grant Program 2021 application with designating a total of \$1848.00 to the following populations:

- BLCA 196 x \$6.35, and
- Marcelin 95 x \$6.35

CARRIED

Councilor Serhienko declared a pecuniary conflict of interest and left the room at 9:40AM. Reeve Chalmers declared a pecuniary conflict of interest and left the room at 9:40AM, Deputy Reeve Priestley assuming the Chair.

Res#069/20 2020 SAND RATE DAGENAIS: That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 set the cost for RM sand at \$3.00/yard to all ratepayers. CARRIED

Councilor Serhienko returned to the room at 9:42AM. Reeve Chalmers returned to the room at 9:42AM.

Res#070/20 IN CAMERA KABAROFF: That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 move in camera, pursuant to *The Municipalities Act*, section 120(2)(a), to discuss employee issues, the time being 10:28AM. CARRIED

Res#071/20 OUT CAMERA SERHIENKO: That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 move out of camera, the time being 10:36AM. CARRIED

The minutes of the Employee Relations Committee meeting, which was held on Thursday, January 16, 2020 at 1:00PM in Council Chambers were read aloud to Council.

Res#072/20 SERHIENKO: That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 accepts the presented Job
JOB Descriptions with amendments, as presented by the Employee Relations Committee.
DESCRIPT. CARRIED

Res#073/20 COUNCIL: That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 accepts the Employee Relations
EMPLOYEE Committee recommendations and adopts the motion for immediate action:
LETTERS *“That each employee be sent a letter with the current job classification descriptions; that the employees reflect and confirm by indicating all current equipment and practical workplace certifications and their respective expiring dates; and that these signed and witnessed documents be returned prior to February 29, 2020 at the RM office.”*
 CARRIED

Res#074/20 COUNCIL: That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 institute a new position, namely
PUBLIC “Municipal Public Works Director” as an out-of-scope management position, answering
WORKS directly to Administration and Council.
DIRECTOR CARRIED

Res#075/20 COUNCIL: That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 accepts the Employee Relations
DEPUTY Committee recommendations and adopts the motion for immediate action:
FOREMAN *“That the Union contract be modified such that in lieu of the Foreman not being present for work on any specific day, that the next senior employee be appointed the Acting Foreman for that working day.”*
 CARRIED

*Reeve Chalmers left the room at 10:26AM, Deputy Reeve Priestley assuming the chair, at 10:26AM
 Reeve Chalmers returned to the room at 10:30AM.*

Res#076/20 COUNCIL: That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 acknowledge that the Division 1
RES#354/19 Councilor has agreed to write the letter of apology as per the Employee Relations Committee recommendation with regard to Res#354/19.
Councilor Kabaroff abstained from voting.
 CARRIED

Res#077/20 DAGENAIS: I so move that we appoint a Building Committee for 2020.
COMMITTEE CARRIED

*Councilor Serhienko left the room at 10:56AM.
 Councilor Serhienko returned at 10:58AM.*

Res#078/20 CHALMERS: That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 appoint the following to the
APPOINT- Building Committee for 2020:
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- Robert Dagenais, Councilor Division 6
- John Serhienko, Councilor Division 2
- John Priestley, Councilor Division 5
- Jennifer Gutknecht, Acting Administrator

BUILDING
COMMITTEE CARRIED

Res#079/20 COUNCIL: That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 requests clarification on the
BLCA policy change of the BLCA with respect to charging usage fees for not-for-profit
POLICIES organizations.
 CARRIED

Res#080/20 COUNCIL: That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 grants Administration
GRANT authorization to search and apply for grant funding for community project initiatives.
FUNDING CARRIED

*Councilor Priestley left the room at 11:24AM.
 Councilor Dagenais left the room at 11:25AM.*

Councilor Priestley returned at 11:28AM.

Councilor Dagenais returned at 11:29AM.

Councilor Kabaroff left the room at 11:40AM.

Councilor Kabaroff returned at 11:42AM.

Res#081/20 RECESS DAGENAIS: That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 recess until 4:30pm, the time being 11:55AM.

CARRIED

With Councilors Kabaroff, Serhienko, Priestley and Dagenais present, Reeve Chalmers reconvened the meeting at 2:25PM.

Res#082/20 OFFICE COMPUTERS DAGENAIS: Whereas our computers are past their life expectancy and are showing signs of age, and:
Whereas we have had considerable down time in our office due to their failure;
I so move that administration begin looking into replacing our main computer/computers, with the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 authorizing Administration a budget of up to \$5000.00 for this purpose.

CARRIED

Councilor Serhienko left the room at 2:37PM.

Councilor Serhienko returned at 2:39PM.

Res#083/20 #1 SARM RESOLUT. SERHIENKO: That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 forward to SARM the resolution recited to council regarding Conflict of Interest.

CARRIED

Res#084/20 #2 SARM RESOLUT. CHALMERS: That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 forward to SARM the quoted resolution regarding SARM Municipal Elected Officials Liability Coverage, for the Spring Convention.

CARRIED

Res#085/20 SOUTH PIT ACCESS COUNCIL: That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 ask Jake Wiebe for written permission to have Snake Lake Contracting access, to the RM South Pit to crush gravel in February 2020, across Jake's property.

CARRIED

Res#086/20 LANDS BRANCH COUNCIL: That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 forward the Land's Branch Application for the area known as the RM South Pit for pit area expansion.

CARRIED

Res#087/20 INVENTORY AUDIT COUNCIL: That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 authorize Administration to audit the inventory distribution of gravel in the South Pit for the years 2017, 2018, and 2019 with presentation to the next February council meeting.

CARRIED

Res#088/20 MOWING AUDIT COUNCIL: That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 direct Administration to audit 3 years of Contract Mowing, 2017, 2018, and 2019, roads vs costs; that this information be used in the future tendering process, with presentation at the next February council meeting.

CARRIED

Res#089/20 SPECIAL MEETING COUNCIL: That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 call a Special Meeting to cover the outstanding items on the January 14 2020 meeting agenda, to be held on Wednesday, January 29, 2020 at 9:00am in Council Chambers at 118 Main Street.

CARRIED

Res#090/20 ABATE TAXES COUNCIL: That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 directs Administration to abate the taxes on A K PLA, Roll #390 100, for 2017, 2018, 2019 in the amount of \$1,067.98 such that Administration correct issues on the tax roll.

CARRIED

Res#091/20 KABAROFF: That we adjourn, the time being 4:25PM.
ADJOURN

NOTE: The Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 directed Administration to purchase 25 cases of strychnine prior to the 2020 ordering deadline.

SEAL

REEVE

ADMINISTRATOR