

R. M. OF COLDWELL
REGULAR MEETING **JULY 18,2025**

AGENDA – 9:00 A.M.

1. Call to Order –
2. Adopt Agenda
 - b) Review Action Items-
3. Delegations 9:00-
 10:00-
 10:45-
 11:15-
4. Adopt minutes –June 6
5. Council / Staff reports-
 - a)
6. Accounts Payable & Financials –
 - a)
7. Correspondence for Action
 - a) Lunder Minor Ball Support(approved by email/phone)
 - b) MMA- Asset Management Training sessions
 - c) Donation for cemeteries
 - d) Pulford Community BBQ- Request Support(approved by email/phone)
 - e) Crown Land Update
 - f) Minister of Agriculture- Request
 - g) Request for celebration acknowledgement
 - h) ATV Manitoba- membership
 - i)Oak Point Community Club- Request Reeve Attendance(already happened)
 - j) Beach Bum tournament - request
8. Correspondence Information Only-copies on request (*copied in pkg, # in baskets/emailed previously)
 - a) # AMM newsletters- emailed & copied ,
 - b)# RCMP Policing report- April- June
 - c) # WIPD –minutes – June & 2024 Audit
 - d) FCM- News Letter – Emailed
 - e) MB Hydro- info on permits for Mun. Use of Hydro poles
 - f) Pauline Johnson Library Annual Report and Audit
 - g) IERHA- Surplus Health Reserve - \$16,801
 - h) Manitoba Assessment- Annual report
9. By-Law/Policies-
 - a) Unsightly- new deadline?
 - b)
 - c)
10. Unfinished Business
 - a) Columbarium
 - b) Museum
 - c) Imperial Oil
 - d) Elevations RD 27 and 111
 - e) See the 6 signs
11. General Business
 - a) LUD- RSN's
 - b) Holm Rd
 - c) FD Truck
 - d) cats/ skunks
 - e) Road Concerns/Requests,
 - f) Bursary/Scholarship
 - g) Draft Audit
 - h) Climate Action Plan
 - i) Sign Post Quote
 - j) Crushing Gravel
12. In camera
13. Adjourn –

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Call to Order

Agenda

Motion
132/25

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Council of the Rural Municipality of Coldwell held in the Council Chambers, Friday, July 18, 2025 at 9:00 am.

Present: Virgil Johnson, Reeve
Bill Eyolfson, Deputy Reeve
Celynne Miller, Councillor
Gary Sherbeth, Councillor
Grant Sigfusson , Councillor

The meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m. by Chairman

Moved by: Celynne Miller Seconded by: Bill Eyolfson
BE IT RESOLVED that the agenda be adopted as prepared and circulated and amended.

Carried

b) Review of Action Items from June meeting:

- Rene not available to trap beavers - Virgil to talk to Chris Fjeldsted
- COMPLETED
- Culvert markers - Jimmy ordered 50, \$28.45/each. RECEIVED. BRACKETS BEING MADE
- Goose repairs? Repainting? ON GOING
- Research tires for repairing truck - Gary, Jimmy to do
- Junior B sponsorship sign in arena - Grant to contact Tyler, SNL
- Remove electronic / digital sign - Gary to get electrical plug moved to bottom of pole and get it done. CAMERA INSTALLED NOW. NEED TO RE-EVALUATE
- Scott LeStrat was checking in to whether Hydro will charge a fee for having Reykdal install a camera on their pole to catch the goose area - Bill to follow up. CAMERA INSTALLED
- Other camera within fair grounds - Bill, Grant to do more talking to determine best spot.
- Church Road has a bunch of boulders on shoulder that need to be removed before they can repair the road itself. Grant suggested a Hoe and low bed to get it done asap; calculating a days' worth of work. Jim says there's a few trees to be taken out as well. Maybe put them in Foster's pit
- Jimmy to check into RD 115 (around Celynne's) - maybe shoot elevations to see if culvert needed or what; GRANT LOOKED AT WITH JIM. GOING TO CLEAN OUT DITCH FIRST TO SEE IF THAT HELPS.
- Ditches need to be cleaned on both sides of road 27 (around Nicole's) - Jim needs to assess which trees/bush need to be removed; should be done before winter to help with snow drifts.
- Gleich's access (across from Cramp's) - Jimmy to look into it more; Grant and him to decide where to put the approach, whether or not a culvert needed, etc. Gleich needs it before hauling hay out (currently the access gets too soft if a wet year and can't get in to his field at that end)
- Mud Lake drain - Nicole to check into whether we can get monies back from Govt (cleaned to Kris' driveway- check Jim's time)
- Grader needs new glass - windshield as well as doors. Jimmy to get quotes; Grant said to check with Ernie/Casey at SNL. Check into pricing for 'rock glass'. After market vs new - compare pricing.
- Low income housing Can the RM take them over, get them fixed up and get them sold?- contact Housing as to options
- Keegin@Lakeside Aggregate, to provide a written quote to RM office for blasting/crushing at Goulet Lake pit. Gary said Keegin asking for \$13/cu yard plus mob/demob, but wondering how water will be removed - Grant says we can handle that.

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- Gary asking if flower bed at Motel is on road allowance; it's an eye sore so can we clean it up? Nicole will check to see whose property sign is on.
- Bill to write email about Mutual Aide refused COMPLETE
- Brushing on Miller's - Gary asking when it's being cleaned up.
- Eye Wash station at shop - pricing; Grant to handle to research
- Garbage bin / dumpster - Larry requesting additional as the one at RM shop is already full ; Grant will check with SNL because they have ones they don't like (Larry picks up at various sites around town so Jaret only has to pick up at one location).
- Elevations needed on Hatchery Road,

Drought
Motion
#133/25

Moved by: Grant Sigfusson Seconded by: Celynne Miller

WHEREAS the majority of the Rural Municipality of Coldwell has received insufficient rainfall to allow for crops, hay land and pasture land to grow, therefore our municipality is experiencing a severe drought situation;
AND WHEREAS the recent manifestation of grasshopper population has resulted in severe crop and vegetation damage;
AND WHEREAS agriculture is the main industry within our municipality and this drought and grasshopper destruction is devastating to our entire community;
AND WHEREAS there is a definite severe shortage of feed in our area and the grazing situation is becoming critical;
AND WHEREAS farmers are incurring unplanned expenses to drill additional wells to provide water to their animals because the dugouts have dried up;
AND WHEREAS it will be very expensive for our farmers to purchase feed, hay or straw from other areas including the high cost of freight;
AND WHEREAS farmers are being forced to sell their livestock because of the high cost of providing feed or complete inability to do such;
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Council hereby declare a State of Agricultural Disaster within the RM of Coldwell.

Carried

Minutes

Not available

Council reports

- Bill Eyolfson
- Council Mtg
 - 11th- AMM District Mtg
 - 14th- Fair Breakfast
 - 25th- 419 Survey Mtg
 - 26th- Unsightly property inspection
- Grant Sigfusson
- Unsightly Property Inspection
 - Looked at brush piles
 - LBSPCA mtg at lake
- Celynne Miller
- 9th – Sabados Greenhouse- flowers for beds and office
 - 18th- LCRC mtg; have a new Sec/Treasurer coming on
 - Community Futures WestInterlake AGM in evening
 - 26th- Unsightly inspection
 - July 5th- LBSPCA mtg at lake

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- Gary Sherbeth
- Helped Jim with Grader and mower
 - Mowed grass at Ball Diamonds
 - LBSPCA mtg
 - Talked to Jerry about sidewalks- (elevations and pipes)

- Virgil Johnson
- 11th- AMM District Mtg in Oak Point
 - 12th- Valley Fiber inspections
 - Office
 - 13th- Fair- helping
 - 14th- Fair breakfast
 - 17th- MEC conference in WPG with Diane
 - 26th- site inspection
 - Museum mtg
 - 29/30th-Lobsterfest
 - July 3rd- NWIHA mtg
 - 4th- talked to St Laurent -clean out drain , will come to us
 - 5th- LBSPCA mtg at lake
 - 8th- LUD mtg
 - 12th- took letter of accomplishment to Helga S, & L&E. Sigurdson
 - Represented Coldwell at Oak Point Music Festival
 - 15th- Drain on Main St
 - Helped install gate at Wade T. that Grader knocked off in winter
 - 17th- toured with Paleontologist and CBC News, was presented a 3D print of the prehistoric fish found in a local quarry

Delegations

None

Payroll

Motion
#134/25

Moved by: Bill Eyolfson Seconded by: Celynne Miller
BE IT RESOLVED that the June 13 payroll in the amount of \$9,782.65 and the June 27 payroll in the amount of \$12,875.04 and the July 11 payroll in the amount of \$ 17,183.66 be accepted as paid, less \$636.87 paid by cheque.

Carried

Acc's Payable

Motion
#135/25

Moved by: Bill Eyolfson Seconded by: Celynne Miller
BE IT RESOLVED that the June4- July 15 Accounts Payable in the amount of \$293,147.85 being cheque #6824-6919, and online Payments 2025-43 to 2025-53 in the amount of \$35,060.92 be approved as listed and paid.

Carried

Financials

Motion
#136/25

Moved by: Celynne Miller Seconded by: Gary Sherbeth
BE IT RESOLVED that the June Income Statement be accepted as presented.

Carried

Correspondence for Action

Minor Ball

Motion
#137/25

Moved by: Bill Eyolfson Seconded by: Gary Sherbeth
BE IT RESOLVED that the RM support the Lundar Minor Ball in hosting the Interlake Minor Ball Regional Tournament in the amount of \$500.00 from VLT funds

Carried

Asset Management

Motion
#138/25

Moved by: Virgil Johnson Seconded by: Bill Eyolfson
BE IT RESOLVED that Staff be authorized to attend any of the Asset Management Lunch &Learns being offered by the MMA at a cost of \$75 per event.

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Cemetery Don'n
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#139/25

Moved by: Gary Sherbeth Seconded by: Celynne Miller
BE IT RESOLVED that a donation in the amount of \$1,000.00 be used for Cemetery maintenance or moved to the Cemetery Reserve for future maintenance.

Carried

Pulford Don'n
Motion
#140/25

Moved by: Virgil Johnson Seconded by: Celynne Miller
BE IT RESOLVED that the RM of Coldwell donate \$ 150.00 to Pulford Community Living for their Community BBQ as per email approval prior to meeting.

Carried

- e) Crown Land Update- Virgil spoke to this and Council will review the package provided to understand what all changes will be coming and how it can impact municipalities.
f) Minister of Ag request for Drought assistance was discussed earlier
g) Requests for celebration acknowledgements for a 105th birthday and 75th Anniversary were provided. An official request form will be created for this.

ATV MB Mem'ship
Motion
#141/25

Moved by: Celynne Miller Seconded by: Gary Sherbeth
BE IT RESOLVED that the RM of Coldwell take membership with ATVMB in the amount of \$100.00 for 2025.

Carried

OP Com Club
Motion
#142/25

Moved by: Virgil Johnson Seconded by: Gary Sherbeth
BE IT RESOLVED that Virgil Johnson be approved to attend the Oak Point Community Club Music Festival to represent the RM of Coldwell.

Carried

LBSPCA Don'n
Motion
#143/25

Moved by: Celynne Miller Seconded by: Bill Eyolfson
BE IT RESOLVED that the RM of Coldwell donate \$100 to the Beach Bum tournament hosted by the LBSPCA.

Carried

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**** All filed****

By-laws/ Policies

Unightly property had site inspection and items are being dealt with. Letter to all involved that this issue is closed.

Unfinished Business

- a) Columbarium preparations- Celynne and Gary to talk to Jerry to see what is needed to prep the sight for concrete and when he can do ; Will need to create a policy for columbariums.

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Columbarium Price

Motion
#144/25

Moved by: Celynne Miller Seconded by: Bill Eyolfson
BE IT RESOLVED that the new 24 Niche columbarium pricing be: \$1,200.00/ niche (includes the mandatory memorial plate); and \$300/memorial wall plaque (to be changed when supply pricing increases).

Carried

- b) Museum board would like the old sign for Railway and Main St (was a train!); need to discuss what is going on with building project
- c) Imperial Oil is selling their asset and was offering the RM first chance at purchase with conditions`
- d) Need to request a quote from the company that has done elevations previously as per map Council created.
- e) See the 6 signage needs to be installed, CAO to retrieve the information again so this can be completed.

General Business

- a) LUD had no resolutions, however, was questioning the use/sale of old sidewalk bricks(not selling, will be using for Cemetery project), and being involved with student interviews
- b) Send a letter that Holm Road be considered an all-season road for the First1/2 mile south of Otto Church Road.
- c) Fire Truck update- meeting with CANOE to discuss procurement options from this program; new tank truck that was purchased is having the cracks in tank fixed then will be safetied and insured.
- d) Cats and skunks have become a major problem in town- Message on sign and a notice will go out reminding them not to feed pets outdoors as it attracts and encourages feral pests.

Pest Control

Motion
#145/25

Moved by: Bill Eyolfson Seconded by: Celynne Miller
BE IT RESOLVED that Kris Fjeldsted be hired to perform nuisance pest control within the municipality on an as needed basis .

Carried

- e) Looked at gravelling and brushpiles; RD 12W and RD 103 whole roads to be done; Jim will be incharge of gravelling;There is a hole in RD28 north of Benidictson's;Les Lindell was concerned about pot holes on Maple lane and said he would use his skidsteer to deposit gravel if we provided- Council said will do our own work; request for speed bump on RD 19(Clarkleigh Cemetery Rd) – not possible , can purchase Children Playing signs.

Casual Laborer

Motion
#146/25

Moved by: Grant Sigfusson Seconded by: Gary Sherbeth
BE IT RESOLVED that Floyd Hayward be hired to perform Roadside cutting with municipal equipment at \$25.00/ hr.

Carried

- f)Discussed in past about creating an Annual bursary or Scholarship for a graduating student- Celynne to look into School requirements while Council thinks about a topic(Trades?)
- g) Draft Audit- table for Council to review and determine if want Auditor to come out and discuss.
- h) Climate Action Plan – get another quote for service and then council will review.
- i) New Sign post hardware that can recover from knockdown was discussed- a few will be ordered to determine if good or not.
- j) Crushing Gravel was discussed – need more than 1 quote so waiting for more.

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In Camera

Motion
#147/25

Moved by: Celynne Miller Seconded by: Gary Sherbeth
BE IT RESOLVED that we go in camera.

Carried

Out of Camera

Motion
#148/25

Moved by: Virgil Johnson Seconded by: Bill Eyolfson
BE IT RESOLVED that we go out of camera.

Carried

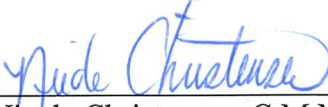
Discussed future development needs of sewer services, CAO advised that due to nature of the development it would be in everyone's best interest for Council to get an outside party to provide opinion, the water services board may be able to assist with this, also reminded that any extension costs has to be borne by the user of that cost(developer).

Adjourn

Motion
#149/25

Moved by: Bill Eyolfson Seconded by: Grant Sigfusson
BE IT RESOLVED that we adjourn. Time 1:50 pm.

Carried



Nicole Christensen, C.M.M.A.
Chief Administrative Officer



Reeve Virgil Johnson