



R. M. OF VICTORIA BEACH - REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

EAST BEACHES SOCIAL SCENE – 3 Ateah Rd, Victoria Beach

TUESDAY, MARCH 21st, 2023 – 7:00 P.M.

MINUTES

Present: In-person – Mayor McMorris, Deputy Mayor Kumka, Councillors Randle, Chadsey;
Virtual – Councillor Axworthy

Call to Order: 7:00PM

Res. 2023/058 – Chadsey / Kumka

Be It Resolved that the Agenda be adopted with the following additions: Census on ORV use on municipal roads. ***Carried 4F/1A***

Res. 2023/059 – Randle / Chadsey

Be It Resolved that the minutes of the March 07th, 2023 regular council meeting be adopted as presented. ***Carried 5F/0A***

Delegations:

1. Shelley Penziwol, Allard Library

- Review of services provided by the Allard Regional Library
- Presented 2023 budget and revenue sources
- Review of membership and public hours at various locations

2. Kathy Mckibbin ORV bylaw – virtual

- The term “resident” in bylaw 1643 should be changed to “owner”
- Council has an obligation to serve the community as a whole under the Municipal Act and to not conflict with the VB Development Plan
- Questions the enforceability of the bylaw, wants bylaw to be based on majority preference.

3. Angel Kraft, ORV bylaw

- Long-time family history in VB; parcels of land were donated to RMVB
- Bylaw 1614 was not a good bylaw and it restricted Metis and Indigenous people from accessing fish harvesting locations in winter and not in favour of squeeze gates
- Request to Council to add on VB sign entering the RM “Homeland of Metis People”.

4. Blake Taylor, ORV bylaw

- Recalls 1950’s history of VB coming up via train to an area that was free from motorized traffic that is still maintained today
- Council should conduct a survey of all VB residents to reflect community preference for ORV use on municipal roads
- VRA chose to be “green” before green became a common term and Council is setting a dangerous precedent for ORV use in VB with Bylaw 1643.



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5. David Gray, ORV bylaw – virtual, CEO, MMF

- Praises and thanks Council for patience and listening to many different groups on this very volatile and emotional political issue
- Laws based on majority preference are not the law as it would lead to minorities in society being subservient to majority rule, possibly an abusive majority
- Section 35 of the Constitution Act requires consultation and accommodation with First Nations, Inuit, or Metis peoples, where compromise may be required and if any issues arise RMVB is to communicate to find solutions.

6. Matt Metcalfe, ORV bylaw

- Wishes Council to act in the best interests of the community as a whole when making decisions (refers to AMM Handbook for Council Members 2022)
- Bylaw 1614 created hardships for many residents and wants bylaw based on facts, reason and objectivity
- Offers on behalf of ORV user-groups to help with the financial responsibility for trail repair caused by ORVs (referring to the AB2VB trail).

7. Sean Taylor, ORV bylaw

- Rebuttal to previous Council meetings where other delegates mentioned his name
- At March 7th Council meeting, a delegate spread lies about him
- Presents multiple studies showing negative environmental impacts of ORV use on ORV trails in parks.

8. Rob Monkman, ORV bylaw

- Wants responsible ORVs use for operators, there have been no issues in the past with ORV use and we need to respect each other
- He is not in favor of a permit system for ORVs
- Mentions renters of properties using ORVs to/from rental cottage.

9. Province: Jill Shale/Kevin Kroeker, ORV bylaw – did not present

10. Jackson Cameron, ORV bylaw

- Family in VB for over 28 years and he has seen a lot of change and wants to preserve the heritage of the VB community
- Had his first snowmobile at age 5 and has great experiences since then
- Disappointed with those who are against responsible ORV use in VB and sees no need for survey or for permits to be issued.

11. Ian Fish, ORV bylaw

- Spoke of ABCOA president being aware of the proposed changes to the ORV bylaw and said he was in favor of them



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- Not all VRA residents agree with the VBCOA survey results and he feels the social media campaign against ORVs is based on fear
- VRA in summer is sacred and no one wants it changed and the proposed changes in the ORV bylaw does not challenge the vehicle restrictions.

12. JP Brunet., ORV bylaw

- Concerned about timing of the bylaw readings
- Concerned about the AB community not being adequately informed
- Presented a visionary tale of a future time in VB.

13. Stephen Carroll letter to Council read by Mayor McMorris

Agenda item “5 - Committee Reports” was tabled to 04 Aril 2023 meeting due to time constraints.

Res. 2023/060 – Chadsey / Kumka

Be It Resolved that the following list of accounts be approved for payment:

- Accounts Payable Cheques #11039 to #11074, amount of \$61,013.09;

Carried 5F/0A

Res. 2023/061 – Randle / Chadsey

BE IT RESOLVED BY-LAW NO. 1643 being A By-Law to regulate the use of Off-Road Vehicles (ORVs) within the Municipality be given 3rd reading and passed.

Res.2023/061-i) – Kumka/Chadsey, Motion to amend BYLAW 1643: Be it resolved to amend section 4c) of Bylaw 1643 to add and permit the use of ATVs currently owned by property owners in the VRA on municipal roads in the VRA. Recorded: PM-Against, IK-For, IC-Against, SA-Against, GR-Against Defeated 1F/4A

Vote on BYLAW 1643 as per Res 2023/061 as presented without proposed amendments: Recorded: PM - For, IK – Abstain due to insufficiencies in Bylaw as moved, SA – Against, GR - For, IC – For.

Carried 3F/1A/1Abstain

Res. 2023/062 – Chadsey / Randle

Be It Resolved that the R.M. of Victoria Beach Unaudited Financial Statements for the 2022 Fiscal Year be approved as presented;

Further Be It Resolved that said statements be forwarded to the Province of Manitoba.

Carried 5F/0A

Councilor Graham Randle has identified a conflict of interest with the following resolution and has removed himself from discussion and the vote:



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Res. 2023/063 – Chadsey / Kumka

Be It Resolved to approve the custom dike work in Wanasing permit application #2023-001 with conditions as attached in Schedule A. **Carried 4F/0A/1COI**

Added Agenda item “Census on ORV use on municipal roads” was tabled to 04 April 2023 meeting due to time constraints.

Correspondence:

- Review of VB Council meeting with RMA Council on 21 March 2023, 2pm
 - Fire Services agreement, ORV Bylaws, policing, drainage, lagoon and landfill, Saffie Road were discussed.
- Review of TCT communication to VB regarding AB2VB Trail and the proposed bylaw changes; refers to the communication TCT has been receiving from concerned stakeholders.
- Notice of RMVB Public Hearing on 04 April 2023 for proposed subdivision.
- Notice of 2023 Tax Bylaw 1st reading on 04 April 2023 agenda.
- Employment opportunities in VB.

Res. 2023/064 – Chadsey / Kumka

Be It Resolved that the March 21st, 2023 regular council meeting be adjourned at 10:43pm; next regular council meeting to be held on Tuesday April 04th, 2023 – 6:00 P.M. in Winnipeg **Carried 5F/0A**

Meeting adjourned at 10:43 pm.

Penny McMorris – Mayor

Lon Turner – CAO