

The regular meeting of the Council of the Rural Municipality of Blucher, #343 was held in the Municipal Office, Village of Bradwell, on December 11, 2002 commencing at 8:00 a.m.

Those in attendance were Reeve Dan Greschuk, Councillors Gary Garman, Quintin Senger, Terry Fonstad, Dale Chysyk, Lionel Mitchell and Francis Boehm.

Minutes 259-2002 - Fonstad  
That the minutes of the previous regular meeting held November 13, 2002 be approved as read.  
Carried.

**Discussion Arising out of Minutes**

- ◆ Allan South Water Utility
  - ◆ Agreement has been sent to utility board
- ◆ Anti Discrimination Policy 1.2
- ◆ Harassment Policy 1.3

Allan South Rural Water Utility 260-2002 - Garman  
Further to Resolution # 248-2002 passed November 13, 2002, that the Reeve and Administrator be authorized to sign the attached agreement with the Allan South Rural Water Utility to permit the installation of a water pipeline in municipal right of way at the following locations:

- ◆ W 1,2, 13 & WSW 24-34-2 W3
- ◆ WSW 2-34-2 W3
- ◆ N 1-34-2 W3
- ◆ NNW 6-34-1 W3
- ◆ W 2-34-1 W3
- ◆ Thru 3-34-1 W3

Carried.

Municipal Policy 261-2002 - Mitchell  
That the following municipal policies be approved:

- 1.2 Municipal Anti-Discrimination Policy
- 1.3 Municipal Harassment Policy

Carried.

Monthly Statement 262-2002 - Boehm  
That the statement of Assets, Liability, Revenues and Expenditures for the month of November, 2002 be approved as read.  
Carried.

263-2002 - Chysyk

Bills

That we approve for payment, the following bills and accounts:

Chq	Name	Account	Amount
Dir Pay	Mark Adam	Salary	1,051.27
Dir Pay	Bryan Buck	Salary	1,006.70
Dir Pay	Jim Duncan	Salary	1,355.49
Dir Pay	Ed Hill	Salary	852.75
Dir Pay	Joe Icton	Salary	844.54
Dir Pay	Christina Jensen	Salary	521.46
Dir Pay	Dennis Lark	Salary	1,188.10
Dir Pay	Henry Latta	Salary	1,049.01
Dir Pay	Dan Medernach	Salary	486.48
Dir Pay	Robert Thurmeier	Salary	1,978.93
9885	Edna Manz	Janitorial	350.00
9886	Revenue Canada	Benefits	9,179.07
9887	Municipal Employees Pension Plan	Benefits	2,429.48
9888	CUPE	Union Dues	259.63
9889	Saskatoon East School Div.	Collections	26,175.50
9890	Sask. Municipal Hail Association	Collections	1,406.74
9891	Sask Power	Power & Energy	919.13
9892	Sask Tel	Phone	602.98
9893	Rogers AT&T	Cel Phone	119.53
Dir Pay	Mark Adam	Salary	582.10
Dir Pay	Jim Duncan	Salary	1,355.49
Dir Pay	Ed Hill	Salary	852.75
Dir Pay	Joe Icton	Salary	844.54
Dir Pay	Christina Jensen	Salary	521.46
Dir Pay	Dennis Lark	Salary	992.50
Dir Pay	Henry Latta	Salary	1,052.97
Dir Pay	Robert Thurmeier	Salary	1,978.93
9894	Champetre County	Trsp Christmas	1,610.00
9895	Village of Bradwell	Water & Sewer	29.59
9896	Danka	Copier Maintenance	84.35
9897	Canada Post	Postage	107.00
9898	Elstow North Rural Water Utility	Water arrears added to taxes	11,710.19
9899	Sheraton Cavalier Hotel	SARM Convention	141.47
9900	Robert Thurmeier	Meetings	427.00
9901	Staples	Stationary	334.00
9902	Success Office Systems	Supplies	321.93
9903	Francotyp-Postalia Mailing Systems	Postage Meter	94.74
9904	Robertson Stromberg	Legal Fees - Allan South Rural Water	652.92
9905	S00Smart Map	Maps	1,088.19
9906	Prairie Steel Products	Flag Poles	678.00
9907	Fire Chief Darryl Kraft	Fire Chief Honorarium	100.00
9908	Fire Chief Ken Hartz	Fire Chief Honorarium	100.00
9909	Fire Chief Tim Frain	Fire Chief Honorarium	100.00
9910	Fire Chief Roger Pelletier	Fire Chief Honorarium	100.00
9911	Town of Allan	Telecommunication Equip Grant	1,053.00
9912	Village of Bradwell	Telecommunication Equip Grant	217.50
9913	Village of Clavet	Telecommunication Equip Grant	508.50
9914	Blucher Lost River Fire Protection Dist	Fire Allotment	16,881.93

9915	Sunset Estates Fire Department	Supplies & Phone	2,925.55
9916	Ter-Ray Services	Shop & Office Maintenance	160.50
9917	Admore Coop	Shop Supplies, Oil	572.28
9918	SARM	Pest Control, Fuel, Signs, Stationary	6,796.53
9919	Acklands Grainger	Shop Supplies	133.76
9920	Brandt Tractor Ltd.	Filters & Loader Repair	369.17
9921	Farm & Garden Centre	Tractor Repair	289.59
9922	Flaman Sales Ltd.	Mower Repair	284.56
9923	Saskatoon Wholesale Tire Ltd.	Chev 1500 Tires & Tire Repair	321.83
9924	Capital I Industries Inc.	Welder Supplies	216.96
9925	Merlin Motors Inc.	F 250 Truck Repair	55.01
9926	First Filter Service Ltd.	Filters	41.25
9927	AMEC Earth & Environmental Ltd.	Gravel Testing	2,527.34
9928	MuniCode Services Ltd.	Inspection: PSC & Clavet School	816.08
9929	Dennis Boyenko	Waste Supervision	1,100.00
9930	Town of Allan	Waste Site Charges	180.00
9931	Loraas Disposal	Waste Collection	3,047.57
9932	Abacus Signs	Transfer Station Signs	435.05
9933	Sask Water	Water	9,865.98
9934	Adele Medernach	Meeting Expense	72.00
9935	Petty Cash	Petty Cash	119.88
9936	TD Visa	Bus Freight for welding supplies	14.34
9937	Truckline Parts & Service	F 250 Truck Repair	22.92
9938	Void		0.00
9939	All Rock Hauling	Gravel Crushed	15,313.17
9940	AMEC Infrastructure Ltd.	Gravel Testing	1,412.40
9941	Senger's Trenching	Test Holes for Div #3	214.00
9942	Dan Greschuk	Remuneration	12,115.00
9943	Gary Garman	Remuneration	7,035.00
9944	Quintin Senger	Remuneration	5,667.00
9945	Terry Fonstad	Remuneration	4,992.50
9946	Dale Chysyk	Remuneration	5,729.50
9947	Lionel Mitchell	Remuneration	6,200.74
9948	Francis Boehm	Remuneration	8,290.24
9949	Shelly Boyenko	Waste Transfer Supplies	54.22

Carried.

### Administrator's Verbal Report

- ◆ Tankfill water analysis
- ◆ Inland gravel excavate from Municipal right of way
- ◆ Jan – Nov actual vs budget review
- ◆ SARM Mid Term Convention
- ◆ SARM property insurance – Bylaw 7-2002
- ◆ November 20, 2002 Municipal Officials Seminar
- ◆ December 2, 2002 SREDA Meeting
- ◆ Sask Tel high speed internet access
- ◆ 2003 Salaries
- ◆ 2003 Office Fees
- ◆ 2003 Capital Expense
  - ◆ motor grader
  - ◆ back hoe
  - ◆ enforcement officer/sign maintenance vehicle

◆ 2003 Ratepayer Supper

Health, Dental and Disability Benefits 264-2002 Boehm  
That Resolution 161-2002 passed June 3, 2002 be rescinded. Carried

2002 Budget Amend 265-2002 - Mitchell  
Further to Resolution 111-2002 passed May 6, 2002 adopting the RM's 2002 budget that the RM's 2002 budget be amended as follows:

- ◆ Increase trailer license fee from \$18,000 to \$28,000
- ◆ Decrease Trans-Custom Work Revenue from \$20,000 to \$10,000
- ◆ Decrease GG purchase of capital assets from \$10,500 to \$2,000
- ◆ Decrease PS-E RCMP fees from \$29,500 to \$23,000
- ◆ Increase Trans-Maintenance Salary from \$169,000 to \$189,100
- ◆ Increase Trans-Surface Maintenance from \$37,000 to \$47,000
- ◆ Increase Trans-gravel haul from \$0 to \$25,000
- ◆ Increase Trans-equip repairs from \$45,000 to \$50,000
- ◆ Decrease Trans-fuel from \$74,000 to \$69,000
- ◆ Decrease Trans-dust control from \$10,000 to \$0
- ◆ Decrease Trans-material-gravel from \$101,550 to \$24,550
- ◆ Decrease Trans-const engineer from \$3,000 to \$0
- ◆ Increase Trans-const contract from \$107,000 to \$141,000
- ◆ Increase Trans-const Rt/Way from \$4,000 to \$8,000
- ◆ Decrease P & D – contract from \$3,000 to \$1,000
- ◆ Increase Rec – donation from \$0 to \$1,000

Carried.

Bylaw 7-2002 266-2002 - Boehm  
That a Bylaw be introduced to authorize entering into an agreement with the Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities for the purpose of providing insurance coverage.

Carried

Bylaw 7-2002 267-2002 - Chysyk

That Bylaw 7-2002 being a bylaw to authorize entering into an agreement with the Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities for the purpose of providing insurance coverage be read a first time.

Carried

268-2002 - Mitchell

That Bylaw 7-2002 be now read a second time.

Carried.

269-2002 - Garman

That Bylaw 7-2002 be given three readings at this meeting.

Unanimously Carried

Bylaw  
7-2002

270-2002 - Fonstad

That Bylaw 7-2002 as annexed hereto and forming a part of these minutes be now read a third time;

and further, that Bylaw 7-2002 being a bylaw to authorize entering into an agreement with the Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities for the purpose of providing insurance coverage as annexed hereto and forming a part of these minutes be now adopted, sealed and signed by the Reeve and Administrator.

Carried.

High  
Speed  
Internet

271-2002 - Fonstad

That the Reeve and Administrator arrange a meeting with Sask Tel to discuss including the RM of Blucher, #343 in Sask Tel's 2003 high speed internet expansion.

Carried.

Admin  
Salary

272-2002 - Fonstad

That Robert Thurmeier be appointed as the municipality's administrator, assessor, right of way purchasing agent, Freedom of Information Head, and EMO Co-ordinator for 2003; and further, that due to his certificate held, and his years of experience that his annual salary be set at \$ 67,944.24 plus the municipality's previous year's Sask Municipal Hail remuneration, plus SARM Health & Dental Coverage with six weeks annual vacation and seventeen days E.D.O.;

and further for his traveling expenses incurred while conducting municipal business such as road inspection, gravel inspection, zoning compliance inspection, property assessment inspection etc., that he be paid mileage for travel inside the municipality up to \$500.00 per month, plus mileage for miles traveled outside the municipality.

Carried.

Asst.  
Admin.  
Salary

273-2002 - Senger

That Christina Jensen be appointed as this municipality's assistant administrator and assistant EMO Co-ordinator for 2003:

and further that due to her experience, that her annual salary be set at \$ 18,776.16 plus SARM Health & Dental Coverage with three weeks annual vacation and every third Friday off.

Carried.

WCB Coverage	274-2002 - Senger That we make application for Sask Workers' Compensation Board Coverage with respect to all Council members, at the minimum rate, and all municipal employees and volunteer fire fighters for 2003.	<u>Carried.</u>
Office Maint	275-2002 - Chysyk That we employ Edna Manz as municipal office caretaker for \$350.00 per month for 2003.	<u>Carried.</u>
Minutes Fee	276-2002 - Chysyk That for 2003, we charge an annual fee of \$25.00 to receive the monthly meeting minutes.	<u>Carried.</u>
Copy/Fax Charges	277-2002 - Garman That for 2003, we charge a fee of \$0.25 per copy for photocopying, unless the photocopying is for a non profit organization, in which case the charge shall be \$0.07 per copy; and further, that we charge \$1.50 per page for fax sending; and \$1.50 per page for fax receiving.	<u>Carried.</u>

#### **Bylaw Enforcement/Pest Control Officer Report**

- ◆ Bylaw Enforcement/Pest Control Officer Salary
- ◆ Bylaw Enforcement/Sign Maintenance
  - ◆ Div 3 dog control
  - ◆ Sign erection
- ◆ Pest Control
  - ◆ 2002 Visit Map
- ◆ Vehicle Maintenance

Enforcement Officer Salary	278-2002 - Fonstad Pursuant to Bylaw 7-95, that for 2003 we employ Ed Hill, on a 5 day per week basis, <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ April 1 – October 31                      8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.</li> <li>◆ November 1 – March 31                      9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.</li> </ul> as this Municipality's Bylaw Enforcement Officer to assist in enforcing all bylaws of the Municipality and to also perform the following duties: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ serving notices and letters or other duties when requested by the Administrator;</li> <li>◆ reporting to the Municipal office any new development in the Municipality;</li> <li>◆ reporting to the Municipal office any municipal road or sign damage;</li> <li>◆ pick up and removal of any garbage, refuse or litter on municipal right of way;</li> <li>◆ monthly submit to Council a daily log book detailing, on a daily basis, location and duties performed;</li> </ul> and further, that we employ Ed Hill as this Municipality's Pest Control Officer, for 2003, to perform the following duties for the Municipality: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ minimum of 2 visits per year to all occupied farmyards in the Municipality, with additional visits when necessary and when approved by Council;</li> <li>◆ minimum of 1 visit per year to all vacant farmyards or granary sites in the Municipality with additional visits when necessary and when approved by Council;</li> </ul>
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- ◆ one visit per month to the Municipal, Allan, Elstow, and Sunset Estates, waste disposal sites with additional visits when necessary and when approved by Council.;

and further, for 2003, that we employ Ed Hill as this Municipality's Weed Inspector to perform the duties as directed under the Noxious Weed Act, EMO Assistant Co-ordinator and Sign Maintenance Officer;

and consequently, that Ed Hill be paid an annual salary of \$ 33,596.76 plus SARM Health & Dental, short term disability and 50% of long term disability coverage;

and further, that he be provided a suitable vehicle for these duties and that he be permitted to use this vehicle for personal use and that he be charged a fee of \$300.00 per month for the personal use of this vehicle.

Carried.

### **Councillor's Report**

Reeve Greschuk

- ◆ SARM Mid Term Convention
- ◆ November 26, 2002 Fire District Meeting
- ◆ Sask Highways haul and scale wage

Councillor Garman

- ◆ SARM Mid Term Convention
- ◆ Municipal road back sloping

Councillor Senger

- ◆ O H & S Meeting
- ◆ Big Chill appreciation plaque

Councillor Fonstad

- ◆ Dog control
- ◆ Project 203 clay capping
  - ◆ obtain right of way easements

Councillor Chysyk

- ◆ November 26, 2002 Fire District Meeting
- ◆ Road maintenance
- ◆ Use of tractor loader rather than large loader for small custom work jobs

Councillor Mitchell

- ◆ Gravel sale to non ratepayer policy

Councillor Boehm

- ◆ SARM Mid Term Convention
- ◆ November 26, 2002 Fire District Meeting
- ◆ Hanotte wind generator project
- ◆ RM of Craik grass clippings salvage

### **Foreman's Report**

- ◆ Salary
- ◆ Gravel Crushing
- ◆ Equipment Maintenance and Repair
- ◆ 2002 Road Maintenance Report
  - ◆ approximately 3,300 hours of grading on municipal roads in 2002
- ◆ 2002 Road Gravelling Report
  - ◆ approximately 23,400 yards of gravel on municipal roads in 2002

- ◆ Employees
  - ◆ Christmas party appreciation
  - ◆ loader operator vacancy

Municipal  
Foreman

279-2002 - Chysyk

That Jim Duncan be employed as municipal foreman for 2003 at an annual salary of \$ 52,700.52 plus SARM Health & Dental, short term disability and 50% of long term disability coverage;

and further, that he be provided a suitable vehicle for these duties and that he be permitted to use this vehicle for personal use and that he be charged a fee of \$300.00 per month for the personal use of this vehicle;

and further, that he be given full authority to employ, discipline and/or dismiss any outside municipal employee in order to facilitate the operations of this municipality, said employment, discipline and/or dismissal subject to the approval of Council at their next meeting.

Carried.

Grader

280-2002 - Fonstad

That we purchase a 2003 Model cat 140 H motor grader with Bridgestone VKT Radial Tires and snow wing, with a 60 month full machine warranty, warranty to commence upon delivery of machine, payable as follows:

- ◆ 4 month \$ 10,000 payments, commencing upon delivery of machine, remaining principal balance to be paid in the 5<sup>th</sup> month

from Kramer Tractor Ltd. for a net price, after deducting the trade in of our 1998 JD 770 motor grader, determined as follows:

Price of Machine	236,700.00
Price of Snow Wing	13,000.00
PST & GST	32,461.00
Gross Cost	282,161.00
Less: Trade in	(92,200.00)
PST & GST on Trade in	(11,986.000)
Net Price	177,975.00

Carried.

**Interviews**

- ◆ John Patience, Brian Andries, Stephan Lemay, Troy Donauer - Prairie Swine Center
  - ◆ PSC Elstow operations
    - ◆ Traffic
      - ◆ routing
        - ◆ erect direction signs
      - ◆ truck box clean out
    - ◆ Odour
      - ◆ communications with neighbours
      - ◆ in-barn odour emission control
        - ◆ diet control
        - ◆ exhaust mechanism
        - ◆ emission treatment
        - ◆ indoor effluent separation
      - ◆ EMS odour control
        - ◆ permanent cover
    - ◆ Manure management
    - ◆ Depressed hog prices

## 281-2002 - Senger

Correspondence

That the following correspondence, having been read, now be filed:

- a) Blucher South Snow Plow Club – Snow Plow Agreement
- b) Rugg Seed Farm – PSC Elstow odor complaint
- c) Sunset Estates Rec Association – Community Event Permit
- d) Town of Allan – funding request for automatic defibrillator
- e) SARM
  - ◆ 2003 membership
  - ◆ fidelity bond
  - ◆ property self insurance program
  - ◆ liability insurance
  - ◆ Nov/02 update
  - ◆ seasonal employee benefit program
- f) SGRAA – Newsletter
- g) Sask Health – Tankfill water analysis
- h) Sask Power – three phase service line
  - ◆ W 30,31-36-2 W3, N 24-36-3 W3
- i) Sask WCB – 2003 Rates
- j) Allan & District Inter Agency Group - Newsletter
- k) RMAA – 2003 curling
- l) J. Chretien, Prime Minister - Newsletter
- m) S. Harper – Leader of Federal Opposition – Newsletter
- n) FACS – January 10, 2003 Annual Conference
- o) Schulte Industries – Flex arm hitch and rock rake advertising

Carried.

## 282-2002 - Boehm

Snow Plow  
Agreement

That the Reeve and Administrator be authorized to sign the following snow plow agreement:

Blucher South Snow Plow Club

Carried.

## 283-2002 - Boehm

Sunset Estates  
Community Event  
Permits

That this Municipality grant permission to issue a community event permit to the Sunset Estates Rec Association for a beer garden at the Sunset Estates Mobile Home Park on:

- ◆ January 25, 2003                      12:01 pm – 11:59 pm
- ◆ May 30, 2003                            4:00 pm - 2:00 am
- ◆ May 31, 2003                            9:30 am - 9:30 pm
- ◆ June 1, 2003                             12:01 pm - 10:00 pm

CarriedDefibrillator  
Donation

## 284-2002 - Greschuk

That we contribute \$1,000 to the Town of Allan for an automatic external defibrillator.

Carried.

SARM  
Participation

285-2002 - senger  
That we participate in SARM and agree to contribute to the SARM lobbyist for the year 2003.

Carried.

Fidelity Bond

286-2002 - Garman  
That we purchase \$50,000 in fidelity bond coverage from SARM for 2003.

Carried.

Liability  
Insurance

287-2002 - Fonstad  
That we purchase the following liability coverage from SARM for 2003:

General Liability	\$5,000,000	\$500 deductible
Environmental Liability	\$ 500,000	\$500 deductible
Error & Omission	\$ 500,000	\$500 deductible

Carried.

Sask Power  
Overhead  
Line

288-2002 - Chysyk  
That Sask Power be granted permission to install a 25,000 volt three phase overhead line 0.5 m inside the east right of way boundary W 30-31-36-2 W3 and 0.5 m inside the north right of way boundary SSE 25-36-3 W3; providing as follows:

- ◆ In such cases where it is necessary to bury the said power line in a municipal road allowance or cross a municipal road allowance, that Sask. Power invest the entire cost of any future alteration to the said power line in order to facilitate rural municipal road widening or reconstruction.

Carried.

Population  
TIP Program

289-2002 - Senger  
That this Municipality allocate the following population under the 2003 TIP Program; And further, that we advise that specific population request together with details substantiating this request, must be received before any population will be allocated in 2004:

Allan Recreation Association	90
Bradwell Recreation Association	80
Clavet Recreation Association	465
Sunset Estates Recreation Association	480
Club Cultural de St. Denis	40
Total	1,155

Carried.

Adjourn

290-2002 - Chysyk  
That this meeting of Council adjourn.

Carried.

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Reeve

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Administrator