Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501, held at Council Chambers located at PT SW 11-53-24 W3 on Wednesday, April 24, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.

COUNCIL PRESENT:

Tom S. Hougham Reeve Leonard Larre Division 1 Carri Zeller Division 2 Division 3 Owen Fischer Division 4 Ronald Gory Division 5 Gay Noeth **Evan Priest** Division 6

STAFF PRESENT:

Allison Roschker, Chief Administrative Officer Vanessa Nasby, Administrative Assistant Dan Fedirko, Public Works @ 9:34 a.m. Aaron Neilly, Infrastructure Manager @ 9:34 a.m.

**DELEGATES**:

Conrad Reed, Ministry of Highways @ 11:00 a.m.

Cory Jacob, Ministry of Agriculture @ 11:00 a.m. via electronic means.

Robert Svoboda, RM Ratepayer @ 1:00 p.m.

**CALLED TO ORDER:** 

9:00 a.m.

The Regular Meeting was called to order by Reeve Hougham.

1-1 APRIL 24, 2024 AGENDA ADDITIONS:

2024-04-24-001

That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 Council LARRE: approves adding the following to the April 24, 2024 Agenda:

• 13-8 School Sign Request

Carried

1-1 APRIL 24, 2024 AGENDA:

2024-04-24-002

FISCHER: That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 Council approves the April 24, 2024 Agenda to be used as a guideline.

Carried

2-1 APRIL 10, 2024 MINUTES:

2024-04-24-003

That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 Council ZELLER: approves the April 10, 2024 minutes as presented.

Carried

5-1 PAYROLL- PP2024-09:

2024-04-24-004

That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 Council PRIEST: approves the payroll accounts for the pay period April 7, 2024 - April 20, 2024 and Council Remuneration for March 2024. Authorization #434 direct deposit dated April 26, 2024, totaling \$51,196.22.

Further, that a schedule of these payments be annexed to and form part of these minutes as Appendix A Salaries and Wages April 7, 2024 -

April 20, 2024.

Carried

5-2 ACCOUNTS - APRIL 24, 2024:

2024-04-24-005

GORY:

That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 Council approves

the following payments dated April 24, 2024.

Cheques 32273 to 32297

Totaling \$135,987.57

Carried

9:34 a.m.

Dan Fedirko and Aaron Neilly entered Council Chambers to discuss

Public Works Report.

6-3 2024 FORD F150 XLT 4X4 TRUCK PURCHASE:

2024-04-24-006

That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 Council LARRE:

authorizes the purchase of a 2024 Ford F150 XLT 4x4 from Novlan Bros.

in the amount of \$59,006.00 plus applicable taxes.

Carried

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6-2 CULVERT PURCHASES:

2024-04-24-007

FISCHER: That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 Council authorizes the purchase of a culvert approximately one mile North of Highway 3 (The Big Hill Road) on RR 3250 in the quoted amount of

\$48,431.25 plus applicable taxes.

Carried

10:42 a.m.

Aaron Neilly and Dan Fedirko left Council Chambers.

**RECESS MEETING:** 

2024-04-24-008

NOETH:

That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 Council recess

10:42 a.m.

for a break.

Carried

RECONVENED MEETING:

11:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. The Regular Meeting of Council was reconvened by Reeve Hougham. Conrad Reed with Ministry of Highways joined Council Chambers and

Cory Jacob with Ministry of Agriculture joined Council Chambers via

electronic means.

11:41 a.m.

Cory Jacob disconnected and left Council Chambers.

12:04 p.m.

Conrad Reed left Council Chambers.

**RECESS MEETING:** 

2024-04-24-009

NOETH:

That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 Council recess

12:05 p.m.

for a break.

Carried

**RECONVENED MEETING:** 

1:00 p.m.

The Regular Meeting of Council was reconvened by Reeve Hougham.

1:00 p.m.

Robert Svoboda, RM Ratepayer entered Council Chambers.

1:20 p.m.

Robert Svoboda left Council Chambers.

2:11 p.m.

Councillor Fischer left Council Chambers.

2:15 p.m.

Councillor Gory left Council Chambers due to conflict of interest in the

next Agenda item.

13-2 TWP 550 FARM ACCESS ROAD:

2024-04-24-010

NOETH:

That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 Council

authorizes the land owners adjacent to SE 04-55-22W3 and NE 32-54-

22W3 to brush TWP 550 between RR 3223 and 3224.

Carried

2:20 p.m.

Councillor Gory entered Council Chambers.

2:39 p.m.

Councillor Zeller left Council Chambers due to conflict of interest in the

next discussion point.

6-1 WALK FOR MENTAL AWARENESS EVENT HOSTING GRANT:

2024-04-24-011

GORY: That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 Council as per motion 2024-01-24-029 award the Walk for Mental Awareness Event

Hosting Grant to the in the amount of \$500.00.

Subject to provision of paid receipts and/or cancelled cheques.

Carried

6-1 HERBICIDE DRIFT DAMAGE:

2024-04-24-012

LARRE: That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 Council authorizes Administration to send a letter to Bi-Air Aerial Spraying regarding the cost of clean up for the herbicide drift on TWP 542 on the South and West side of SE 18-54-24W3.

Carried

2:45 p.m.

Councillor Zeller entered Council Chambers.

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# 6-1 AWARD LEASE LAND TENDER, PT NW 35-52-25-W3 EXT 3:

2024-04-24-013

LARRE: That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 Council awards the lease land rental contract for Pt NW 35-52-25-W3 Ext 1. Parcel Number 203837250 to Barry Moore for the amount of \$1,815.00 plus GST. Lease in effect from May 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024. The Municipality will make no crop damage compensation should there be damage due to gravel exploration and/or road construction.

Carried

### 6-2 APPROVE THE RELEASE OF TENDER FOR GRAVEL CRUSHING SERVICES

2024-04-024-014

NOETH: WHEREAS, the Rural Municipality of Frenchman Butte No. 501 seeks to engage qualified contractors for gravel crushing services at the designated Frenchman Butte Access pit as detailed in the Request for Bid (RFB) documents dated April 26, 2024;

AND WHEREAS, the RFB specifies the requirement for the crushing of approximately 40,000 cubic yards of aggregate, comprising both traffic gravel and chip seal aggregate;

AND WHEREAS, the RFB outlines the responsibilities, submission requirements, evaluation criteria, and terms and conditions under which the service should be provided;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Council of the Rural Municipality of Frenchman Butte No. 501 approves the release of the tender for gravel crushing services, with responses to be received by May 20, 2024, at 2:00 p.m., Local Saskatchewan Time, as per the process and timeline detailed in the RFB.

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Infrastructure Manager, Aaron Neilly, is hereby authorized to oversee the submission process and ensure compliance with the defined terms and conditions as set forth in the RFB documentation.

PASSED AND ENACTED this day of April 24, 2024, at a duly convened meeting of the Council of the Rural Municipality of Frenchman Butte No. 501.

Carried

# 6-1 CANADA SUMMER JOBS 2024 GRANT:

2024-04-24-015

LARRE: That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 Council enter into the *Employment and Social Development Canada, Canada Summer Jobs, Articles of Agreement* representing Canada Summer Jobs Contribution Grant for a maximum amount of \$1,960.00.

Carried

# 6-1 STAFF/COMMITTEE REPORTS:

2024-04-24-016

ZELLER: That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 Council acknowledges written and verbal reports by Chief Administrative Officer, Allison Roschker, Infrastructure Manager, Aaron Neilly, and Public Works Foreman, Dan Fedirko.

Carried

#### 9-1 ROAD LEASE AGREEMENT:

2024-04-24-017

GORY: That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 Council authorizes Administration to pursue an agreement with Glen Fester to purchase portion of NW 12-54-25 W3 at the current Right of Way rates.

Carried

# 9-2 ROAD MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT NO H24018-501 - THE MINISTRY OF HIGHWAYS:

2024-04-24-018

PRIEST: That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 Council enters into a *Road Maintenance Agreement H24018-501* with The Ministry of Highways for hauling 3,000 tonnes of aggregate at speeds not to exceed 60 km per hour from June 1, 2024 to September 30, 2024.

 Along Township Road 544 west of Hwy No. 21 for an estimated haul distance of 1.0 km.

Carried

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12-3 ST. WALBURG AND DISTRICT FIRE AND RESCUE ASSOCIATION BUDGET:

2024-04-24-019 PRIEST: That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 Council

approves the St. Walburg and District Fire and Rescue Association budget as presented and instructs the CAO to draft a promissory note for 1/3 of the deficit up to a maximum of \$22,400 as the R.M. of Frenchman

Butte No. 501 share.

Carried

3:40 p.m.

Councillor Noeth left Council Chambers due to conflict of interest in the

next Agenda Item.

12-4 AWARD POLE SHED TENDER:

2024-04-24-020

ZELLER: That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 Council award the Pole Shed Tender to Wayne Noeth for a price of \$21,600 plus

applicable taxes.

Carried

3:45 p.m.

Councillor Noeth entered Council Chambers.

13-4 WEED INSPECTOR APPOINTMENT:

2024-04-24-021

GORY: That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 Council appoints Aaron Neilly as the Weed Inspector for the R.M. of Frenchman Butte starting April 24, 2024 and expiring December 31, 2024.

Carried

13-5 NORTH CENTRAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING COMMITTEE NOMINATIONS:

2024-04-24-022

NOETH: That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 Council nominate Tom S. Hougham as Division 5 rural representative of the North Central Transportation Planning Committee.

Carried

13-8 HISTORIC SIGN REQUEST:

2024-04-24-023

ZELLER: That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 Council instructs Administration to purchase and install heritage signage for Butte St. Pierre School District #5223 located on SW 05-52-23W3 as per motion 2024-01-24-029.

Carried

14-1 CORRESPONDENCE - APRIL 24, 2024:

2024-04-24-024

NOETH: That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 Council accepts the April 24, 2024 correspondence as information to be filed as presented to Council, outlined in Appendix B.

Carried

15-1 ADJOURNMENT:

2024-04-24-025

ZELLER: That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 Council adjourns this Regular Meeting of Council at 4:19 p.m.

Carried

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Chief Administrative Officer

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