**Municipality of Brenda-Waskada**

 **February 16th Regular Meeting – 2021**

The Municipality of Brenda-Waskada held their regular Council Meeting on

Tuesday, February 16th, 2021. HOC called the meeting to order at 4:05 PM.

Attending in the office were Councilors: S. Jolly, K. Guenther, K. Mann, Alana Van Steelandt, J. Hatt, HOC D. Vanmackelbergh, CAO D. Woodworth, and DHOC D. Stewart.

THAT the members of Council approve the agenda for this meeting and the minutes of the last regular meeting of January 18th, 2021.

 Carried

WHEREAS Councilor David Vanmackelbergh stepped down from his position as Councilor for Ward 3 to assume the position of Head of Council for the Municipality of Brenda-Waskada;

AND WHEREAS; due to the vacancy, notice of Nomination was posted on November 25, 2020 advising that the SEO would make available and receive nominations for the position of Councilor Ward 3 during the period of December 16th, 17th, 18th, 21st, 22nd, 2020;

AND WHEREAS no nominations were received;

AND WHERAS Section 102(3) of the Municipal Act provides authority that if no person is elected at a by-election held to fill a vacancy on a council, the elected officials may fill the vacancy by appointing, as councilor, a person who was eligible to be nominated for the position at the election, and any person so appointed is deemed to have been elected at a by-election;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council appoint Alana Van Steelandt to the position of Councilor for Ward 3 of the Municipality of Brenda-Waskada.

 Carried

 THAT the members of Council approve the following accounts:

Dec 2020 12,832.06 ck 6688-6694

 Dec 2020 3,558,669.67 ck 6695-6711

 Dec 2020 30,787.35 ck 6712-6737

 Dec 2020 18,744.67 ck 6738-6739

 Jan 2021 14,069.83 ck 6740-6759

 Jan 2021 21,661.14 ck 6760-6778

 Dec 2020 12,796.57 ck 5866-5877

 Dec 2020 3,054.90 ck 5878-5883

 Dec 2020 15,313.77 ck 5884-5893

 Dec 2020 1,554.74 ck 5894

 Dec 2020 21.66 ck 5895

 Jan 2021 11,450.00 ck 5896-5906 (5902 VOID)

 Jan 2021 1,697.75 ck 5907

 Carried

 That the members of Council give 1st reading to By-Law #20-2021

 PUB Pass Through Rates

 Carried

That the members of Council give 2nd reading to By-Law #20-2021

 PUB Pass Through Rates

 Carried

WHEREAS in accordance with Section 163 of the Municipal Act the Council of the Municipality of Brenda-Waskada herby adopt an interim budget for operating and capital expenditures of the municipality for a period from January 1st, 2021 until the adoption of the annual operating budget.

 General Government Services $195,000.00

 Transportation $400,000.00

 Environmental Health Services $50,000.00

 Public Health & Welfare Services $25,000.00

 Recreation & Cultural Services $50,000.00

 Utility Operating $20,000.00

 Utility Capital $10,000.00

 Protective Services $40,000.00

 Economic Development Services $20,000.00

 Fiscal Services $25,000.00

 Carried

THAT the members of Council approve a “Compassionate Care” Leave of Absence for Ed Vandendorpe effective January 18, 2021 and ending on or before April 30, 2021.

 Carried

THAT the members of Council approve the hiring of Ronda Palmer as Administrative Assistant on a probation period of ninety days,

 And that this position be paid a starting salary of $40,000 per annum and after the successful completion of the probation period that the salary be increased to $41,000 per annum. This position starts with three weeks holidays.

 And that the start date for this position be January 18, 2021.

 Carried

THAT the members of Council approve the recommended gift to Mrs. Karen Clague to recognize her employment with the Municipality.

 Carried

WHEREAS pursuant to Section 372 of the Municipal Act a municipality may set a reserve bid in the amount of the tax arrears and costs in respect of the property.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Municipality of Brenda-Waskada places a reserve bid on all properties.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that David Vanmackelbergh be appointed as designated officer to bid on the Municipality of Brenda-Waskada’s behalf.

 Carried

THAT the Municipality of Brenda-Waskada approve the purchase of a 2021 15ADW Motor Grader from Torment (Sourcewell) for a net difference of $205,000 (as per quote).

 Carried

THAT the members of Council approve the sponsorship package for the 2021 4th Southwest Business and entrepreneur Expo to be held February 10, 2021 virtually. Sponsorship to be $500.00 sponsorship package and will sponsor a business pitch prize of $1000.00 for any eligible pitch from a business located in Brenda-Waskada.

 Carried

THAT the members of Council approve the remuneration for Sharon McInnes be increased to $140.00 per round effective January 1, 2021.

Per round defined as contract wages and mileage for taking of water samples in Napinka, Medora, and Waskada as per requirements of the Office of Drinking Water.

 Carried

THAT the members of Council approve the recommended wage increases, to be effective January 1, 2021.

 Carried

BE IT RESOLVED that we now adjourn at 10:00 P.M.

 And that we reconvene again on March 15, 2021 at 4:00 P.M.

 Carried

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