



**Council Meeting Minutes
March 12, 2025 - 09:00 AM**

Regular Meeting of Council held in the Council Chambers of the Rural Municipality of Ste. Anne at 395 Traverse Road, Ste. Anne, MB, on March 12, 2025.

CALL TO ORDER 9:00 AM

Reeve Richard Pelletier called the meeting to order at 9:00 am by acknowledging that we are located on Treaty 1 Lands, the traditional lands of the Anishinaabe, Cree, Oji-Cree, Dakota, Dene, and the birthplace of the Métis Nation.

ATTENDANCE

COUNCIL MEMBER	IN ATTENDANCE	ABSENT
RICHARD PELLETIER, REEVE	X	
SARAH NORMANDEAU, WARD 1	X	
KYLE WACZKO, WARD 2	X	
PATRICK STOLWYK, WARD 3	X	
BRAD INGLES, WARD 4	X	
ROBERT SARRASIN, WARD 5	X	
RANDY EROS, WARD 6	X	

Also in attendance were:

Chief Administrative Officer, Shelley Jensen
Legislative Officer, Nadine Vielfaure

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

2025-78

Councillor Ingles

Councillor Eros

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda for the March 12, 2025, regular meeting be adopted as circulated and amended to add a discussion on Protective Services and a Delegate Report.

CARRIED

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

2025-79

Councillor Eros

Councillor Normandeau

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the February 26, 2025, regular meeting minutes be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

FINANCE

Cheque Listing

2025-80

Councillor Sarrasin

Councillor Eros

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following cheques numbered #20250076 – #20250084 and EFT's numbered #202500220 - #202500261 (inclusive) in the amount of \$296,369.53 be approved for payment.

CARRIED

Financial Statements

2025-81

Councillor Sarrasin

Councillor Normandeau

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Financial Statement for the period ending December 31, 2025 and February 28, 2025 be approved and adopted as presented.

CARRIED

MUNICIPAL DELEGATE REPORTS

Municipal Silica Sand Advisory Committee Meeting - March 5, 2025

AMM - Municipal General Insurance Renewal Meeting - March 7, 2025

King Charles III's Coronation Medal - Reeve Richard Pelletier

AMM Southeastern District Meeting - Reeve Richard Pelletier

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None.

NOTICE OF MOTION / PETITIONS – None.

COMMITTEE MINUTES AND MATTERS

Local Urban District of Richer Committee Meeting - March 5, 2025 Minutes

2025-82

Councillor Stolwyk

Councillor Waczko

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the March 5, 2025, LUD of Richer Committee meeting minutes be received as presented.

CARRIED

Wastewater Feasibility Study Survey

2025-83

Councillor Sarrasin

Councillor Eros

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Wastewater Feasibility Study Survey be sent to all LUD of Richer and surrounding affected properties as defined by the feasibility study.

CARRIED

Economic Development Consultant Contract

2025-84

Councillor Ingles

Councillor Stolwyk

WHEREAS Council contracted M. Richard and Associates to provide the Municipality with economic development services, a contract which expired at the end of 2024;

AND WHEREAS M. Richard and Associates has provided us with a proposal to complete the LUD

of Richer Wastewater Community Survey for a total of \$5,000;
 BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council contract M. Richard and Associates for the completion of the Wastewater Feasibility Survey, including drafting and publishing the survey, collecting and compiling responses, and providing a final report and analysis on the survey results.

CARRIED

HEARINGS - None

At 9:27 am, Council recessed for 3 minutes.

DELEGATION(S)

At 9:30 am, Shelley Johnston of Community Futures Triple R, made a presentation to Council regarding the organization, its mandate, their programs and services, and discussed their upcoming efforts.

At 10:00 am, Operations Manager Kevin Medeiros joined the meeting.

At 10:00 am, Lynne Melvin, Founder & CEO of Cleanwater Pro, to present their lagoon sludge removal product.

DEPARTMENT MANAGER REPORTS

Fire Chief Report

Received as information.

BY-LAWS

By-law #2025-01 - Fire Protection Reserve Fund By-law - 2nd Reading

2025-85

Councillor Sarrasin

Councillor Stolwyk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law # 2025-01, being a By-law to establish a Fire Protection Reserve Fund, be given second reading.

CARRIED

By-law #2025-01 - Fire Protection Reserve Fund By-law - 3rd Reading

2025-86

Councillor Ingles

Councillor Stolwyk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law #2025-01, being a by-law to establish a Fire Protection Reserve Fund, be given third and final reading.

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RICHARD PELLETIER, REEVE	X			
SARAH NORMANDEAU, WARD 1	X			
KYLE WACZKO, WARD 2	X			
PATRICK STOLWYK, WARD 3	X			
BRAD INGLES, WARD 4	X			
ROBERT SARRASIN, WARD 5	X			
RANDY EROS, WARD 6	X			

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

AMM Convention

Administration to respond.

Council Request - Excavator Costs Comparison

Tabled to the next budget meeting.

Request to Council - Purchase of Unused Road Allowance

Tabled.

RM of Piney - Seine River School Tax Concerns

Received as information.

Volunteer Tax Credit & Draft Resolution for AMM

2025-87

Councillor Waczko

Councillor Ingles

WHEREAS the municipalities of Manitoba rely heavily on the efforts of volunteers to support and sustain various community services, programs, and events;

AND WHEREAS volunteers contribute countless hours and significant personal resources, often without adequate recognition or compensation, to the betterment of their communities;

AND WHEREAS volunteerism is a critical component of local governance, emergency services, recreation programs, and social services;

AND WHEREAS municipalities are continually seeking ways to support and retain volunteers while recognizing the economic and personal contributions they make;

AND WHEREAS providing financial incentives, such as a volunteer tax credit, would serve as a tangible acknowledgment of volunteers' contributions and encourage further participation in municipal activities;

AND WHEREAS a volunteer tax credit would align with the provincial government's stated goals of supporting community engagement and strengthening local volunteer networks;

AND WHEREAS the outcome of implementing a volunteer tax credit has the potential to positively impact all municipalities across the province by incentivizing volunteerism, improving service delivery, and fostering a sense of community pride;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Ste. Anne Council hereby requests that the Association of Manitoba Municipalities (AMM) lobby the Province of Manitoba to establish a volunteer tax credit to acknowledge and support the efforts of volunteers across the province.

CARRIED

Request to Council - Appeal of Tax Penalties

2025-88

Councillor Eros

Councillor Ingles

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the penalties for Roll #133510 in the amount of \$90.48 be refunded and that Council also waive the required \$50 appeal fee.

CARRIED

AMBM - Leadership Meeting

2025-89

Councillor Eros

Councillor Normandeau

BE IT RESOLVED THAT all available Council Members be authorized to attend the AMBM's Leadership Series on March 20, 2025, in Winnipeg with all associated costs to be paid;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Reeve Richard Pelletier be appointed as the designated spokesperson for this event.

CARRIED

At 11:10 am, Council recessed for 5 minutes.

Provincial Response - Design Study PTH 12 at PR 210

2025-90

Councillor Ingles

Councillor Eros

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council direct administration to respond to the Provincial response letter regarding the design option chosen for the required improvements to the PTH 12 and PR 210 intersection, expressing our disappointment in the selected design and requesting additional details on their decision making process taking our feedback into consideration.

CARRIED

Protection Services

Matter referred to Committee of the Whole meeting.

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

Town of Ste. Anne - Variation Order #01-2025

Received as information.

CONSENT AGENDA

2025-91

Councillor Stolwyk

Councillor Normandeau

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the consent agenda consisting of the following 15 items be adopted as circulated:

- AMM - Various Correspondence
- FCM - Various Correspondence
- Earth Day Canada
- Manitoba Sustainable Energy Association (ManSea)
- Various Articles
- Government of Manitoba
- Manitoba Good Roads Association
- Manitoba Emergency Management Organization
- Eco-Ouest
- Hudson Bay Route Association - Membership
- Seine River Services for Seniors
- Climate West
- Clean Farms
- STARS
- Manitoba Water Services Board

CARRIED

IN CAMERA

2025-92

Councillor Normandeau

Councillor Stolwyk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council recess in order to meet as a Committee of the Whole, In Camera, at 11:30 am, to discuss By-law Enforcement Matters and Matters in Preliminary Stages under Section 152(3) of *The Municipal Act*.

CARRIED

OUT OF CAMERA

2025-93

Councillor Sarrasin

Councillor Ingles

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting reconvene into regular session at 12:14 pm, and that all information discussed In Camera be kept in confidence until the matter is discussed at a public meeting of Council or Committee.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

2025-94

Councillor Sarrasin

Councillor Ingles

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this regular meeting be adjourned at 12:15 pm.

CARRIED

NEXT MEETING(s)

Regular Evening Meeting

Regular Day Meeting

March 26, 2025 @ 6:00 pm

April 9, 2025 @ 9:00 am

Original signed by:

Richard Pelletier
Reeve

Original signed by:

Shelley Jensen, CMMA
Chief Administrative Officer