

Minutes of a Special Meeting of Council held at City Hall in the City of Portage la Prairie on Friday, September 1, 2006 at 11:00 a.m.

PRESENT: Mayor MacKenzie, Councillors Brennan, Keryluk, Porter, Quinn, Robinson, and Wagner

ABSENT:

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

210/06 Moved by: Councillor Quinn
Seconded by: Councillor Wagner

RESOLVED THAT the approval of the Minutes of the regular meeting and the Special Meeting of Council held at City Hall on Monday, August 14, 2006, and the Special Meeting of Council held on Monday, August 21, 2006, be waived.
Carried.

HEARINGS: None

DELEGATIONS: None

Award of Tender –
Asphalt Pavement of
Lake Bank Walking Path
06 OPS 026

The tender for the Asphalt Pavement of Lake Bank Walking Path was advertised in both The Daily Graphic and The Free Press. The single bid was opened on Wednesday, August 30, 2006.

Two tenders were issued with only one bid submitted by Maple Leaf Construction, complete with a Bid Bond and Consent of Surety as required.

The tender was broken into two parts, including (1) final shaping/packing of the gravel base, bid at \$44,612.75; and (2) laying 50mm thick asphalt, bid at \$164,922.75 (\$155,587.50 excluding GST). The budget estimate was \$118,800.

The asphalt price is 33% higher than anticipated, and the original budget estimate made a significant allowance for increased pricing.

The work is to be completed by October 6, 2006

211/06 Moved by: Councillor Porter
Seconded by: Councillor Quinn

RESOLVED THAT Council award the Asphalt Pavement of Lake Bank Walking Path, as specified in Tender No. 06-OPS-026, to Maple Leaf Construction Ltd., for the tendered price of \$209,535.50, including GST.
Carried.

Tender for the Supply
and Installation of
Electrical Equipment
and Fixtures for the Lake
Bank Walkway

On August 30, 2006 at 2:00pm, the tender for the Supply and Installation of Electrical Equipment and Fixtures, 06 OPS 028 was opened. Two tender packages were issued and one received. The tender was advertised in the Daily Graphic.

The tender is for the supply and installation of two electrical service panels, connection of the main cable and hydro service drops, and installation and connection of light fixtures to the main cable for the Lake Bank Walking Path Project.

The two service panels were initially estimated at about \$15,000 and the actual price included in the overall tender price was about \$20,000 each.

The net price, excluding GST, is \$57,229.

Councillor Keryluk asked if any thought had been given to a name for the Pathway. He also asked if any thought had been given to having community billboards on the pathway.

212/06 Moved by Councillor Porter
Seconded by Councillor Quinn
RESOLVED THAT the Council of the City of Portage la Prairie award the Tender for the Supply and Installation of Electrical Equipment and Fixtures for the Lake Bank Walking Path, as specified in tender 06 OPS 028, to V & R Electrical for the tendered price of \$61,008.70 including all applicable taxes.
Carried.

Biodiesel Canola Study

Strategic Biodiesel United is seeking to establish a canola crushing and processing facility in Portage la Prairie. The proposed facility will require connections to municipal water and sewer infrastructure services, which will be provided jointly by the City and the Rural Municipality of Portage la Prairie. In order to meet Canadian environmental standards, the water supply and waste water and solids treatment requirements of the proposed canola crushing and processing facility must be determined prior to finalizing a site selection in Portage la Prairie.

213/06 Moved by Councillor Porter
Seconded by Councillor Quinn
RESOLVED THAT the City of Portage la Prairie approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Portage la Prairie, the Rural Municipality of Portage la Prairie, and Strategic Biodiesel United (SBU) for a Municipal Infrastructure Study.
Carried.

Portage Hotel Fire

Fire Chief Nodrick briefed Council on the August 31st fire at the Portage Hotel. Council thanked the Portage la Prairie Fire Department for a job well done and requested that a letter of thanks be sent to responding fire departments.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 11:56 a.m.

Mayor

Manager of Administration