

**TOWN OF VIRDEN  
COUNCIL MEETING**

**TIME:** APRIL 7, 2009 7:30 P.M.  
**PLACE:** COUNCIL CHAMBERS VIRDEN, MB  
**PRESENT:** MAYOR DUNNING, COUNCILLORS CHACUN,  
JOHNSON, MCCONNELL, SCHNEIDER, AND  
WARKENTIN  
**REGRETS:** COUNCILLOR POTTER

**MINUTES**

MOVED BY SCHNEIDER, SECONDED BY WARKENTIN, THAT the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council of March 17, 2009 be approved as posted and circulated.

CARRIED  
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**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

MOVED BY MCCONNELL, SECONDED BY CHACUN, THAT the agenda be adopted as amended to include  
5. a) Wallace District Fire Board Grant Sponsorship Request, and  
5. b) Philippine Nurses.

CARRIED  
6 – 0

**CANCELLATION OF MISCELLANEOUS ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE**

MOVED BY JOHNSON, SECONDED BY WARKENTIN, THAT the following miscellaneous accounts receivable be cancelled:

- Virden Home Centre #6327 - \$420.00

CARRIED  
6 – 0

**CANCELLATION OF BUSINESS LICENSES**

MOVED BY JOHNSON, SECONDED BY SCHNEIDER, THAT the following business licenses be cancelled:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Terry Bajus	2008/2009	\$ 200.00
Joyce Martin Tax Services	2007-2009	\$ 100.00
Marg Walker	2008-2009	\$ 200.00
Mike Bajus (Bajus Roofing)	2009	\$ 100.00
Griffith Computing Services	2009	\$ 50.00
Nurseworks	2009	\$ 50.00
		<u>\$ 700.00</u>

CARRIED  
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**MANITOBA TOURISM CONFERENCE**

MOVED BY JOHNSON, SECONDED BY MCCONNELL, THAT two members of staff or Council attend the 2009 Manitoba Tourism Conference in Winnipeg, April 26 and 27th, 2009 at a cost of \$225.00 plus expenses per policy.

CARRIED  
6 – 0

**TOURISM WESTMAN MEMBERSHIP**

MOVED BY JOHNSON, SECONDED BY WARKENTIN, THAT Council renew its membership with Tourism Westman at a cost of \$250.00

CARRIED  
6 – 0

**VCI SCHOLARSHIP**

MOVED BY JOHNSON, SECONDED BY SCHNEIDER, THAT the Town of Virden sponsor a scholarship in the amount of \$1,000.00 with the criteria as follows, "an award of \$1,000.00 be presented to the graduate of Virden Collegiate who demonstrates volunteer involvement in the school or community with qualities of good citizenship. Academic criteria will only be considered in the case of two or more candidates being equal in the above mentioned criteria."

CARRIED  
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**FCM AGREEMENT**

MOVED BY JOHNSON, SECONDED BY MCCONNELL, THAT the Mayor and the Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to enter into a Green Municipal Fund Project Grant Agreement and a Green Municipal Fund Project Loan Agreement on behalf of the Town of Virden, for the Town of Virden Water Quality Improvements and Use and Loss Reduction Project.

CARRIED  
6 – 0

**RATES FOR ALL RECREATION FACILITIES**

MOVED BY SCHNEIDER, SECONDED BY CHACUN, THAT the rates for the Recreation Facilities as presented by Manager of Recreation Facilities Operations DeGagne be approved as amended.

CARRIED  
6 – 0

**HEALTHY COMMUNITIES CONFERENCE**

MOVED BY SCHNEIDER, SECONDED BY WARKENTIN, THAT one member of the Age Friendly Communities Committee be authorized to attend the RHA Healthy Communities Conference in Gladstone April 24, 2009, at a cost of \$35.00, plus applicable travel expenses.

CARRIED  
6 - 0

**COMMERCIAL POOL COURSE**

MOVED BY SCHNEIDER, SECONDED BY JOHNSON, THAT Recreation Technician Van Eaton be authorized to attend the Commercial Pool Course in Winnipeg, April 15-17, 2009 at a cost of \$495.00 plus GST and applicable expenses.

CARRIED  
6 – 0

**SUCCESSFUL PROJECT PLANNING SEMINAR**

MOVED BY JOHNSON, SECONDED BY MCCONNELL, THAT two members of staff and two members of Council be authorized to attend the Successful Project Planning Seminar in Rivers June 11, 2009 with their expenses being paid.

CARRIED  
6 – 0

**WDFB REQUEST FOR GRANT SPONSORSHIP**

MOVED BY CHACUN, SECONDED BY JOHNSON, THAT the Town of Virden sponsor the Wallace District Fire Board's grant application to the Virden Area Foundation for funding for equipment and further that the Town prepare and enter into the appropriate agreement with them.

CARRIED  
6 - 0

**PHILIPPINE NURSES**

MOVED BY CHACUN, SECONDED BY SCHNEIDER, THAT the Town of Virden provide accommodations to the six Philippine nurses coming to Virden for the first two months up to a cost of \$3,000.00.

CARRIED  
6 – 0

**SUPPORT OF SATELLITE MEDICAL SCHOOL AT BRANDON UNIVERSITY**

MOVED BY JOHNSON, SECONDED BY SCHNEIDER, THAT WHEREAS the residents of the area wherein the Medical Services are provided and managed by the Assiniboine Regional Health Authority have experienced and continue to experience a serious shortage of physicians and emergency services;

AND WHERE the Assiniboine Regional Health Authority has been unable to recruit a sufficient number of physicians to operate the areas clinics, hospitals and emergency services;

AND WHEREAS it is strongly believed that the operation of a rural satellite Medical School at Brandon University would produce physicians prepared to practice in the Assiniboine Regional Health Authority area;

AND WHEREAS a rural Medical School should provide additional space for students with a rural background to attend medical school;

THEREFORE be it resolved that the Council of the Town of Virden supports and encourages the creation and operation of a rural satellite Medical School at Brandon University which would support the enrollment of students with rural background.

CARRIED  
6 – 0

**REQUEST FOR SUPPORT OF RESOLUTION**

MOVED BY MCCONNELL, SECONDED BY JOHNSON, THAT WHEREAS the residents of a number of municipalities in southwest Manitoba have been granted an income tax deferral for cattle sales due to a disaster caused by severe drought in 2008;

AND WHEREAS a number of municipalities in the interlake region have been granted the same tax deferral due to a disaster caused by excessive rainfall;

AND WHEREAS both disasters resulted in a feed shortage;

AND WHEREAS the interlake region has also been granted additional assistance to buy feed and restore forage crops yet the southwest region was not granted the same assistance for the same urgent needs;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED those municipalities in the southwest region that were granted tax deferral be given assistance equivalent to their interlake counterparts.

CARRIED  
6 - 0

**COMMUNITY LED EMISSIONS PROGRAM ORIENTATION SESSION**

MOVED BY JOHNSON, SECONDED BY CHACUN, THAT Councillor McConnell and EDM Brethour be authorized to attend the Community Led Emissions Program Orientation Session in Portage La Prairie April 20, 2009, with their expenses being paid.

CARRIED  
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**FINANCE**

MOVED BY JOHNSON, SECONDED BY WARKENTIN, THAT the finance be approved as follows:

Town of Virden	Cheque Nos.	58280	
		58361 - 58513	\$258,084.24
Water Works	Cheque Nos.	21487 - 21510	\$19,212.87

CARRIED  
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**ARHA THANK YOU**

MOVED BY CHACUN, SECONDED BY MCCONNELL, THAT a letter be sent to the Assiniboine Regional Health Authority, with a copy going to the Minister of Health thanking them for the Telehealth system, the electronic medical records management system and the three doctors.

CARRIED  
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**IN CAMERA SESSION**

MOVED BY MCCONNELL, SECONDED BY JOHNSON, THAT Council resolve into an In Camera meeting of the Committee of the Whole to discuss the following:

- a) Development Agreement
- b) Recycle Depot Tender
- c) Recreation Steering Committee
- d) Development Proposal
- e) Court Office Lease
- f) Utility Budget
- g) Planning Matters
- h) Personnel Matters
- i) Committee Representation

CARRIED  
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MOVED BY SCHNEIDER, SECONDED BY JOHNSON, THAT the In Camera Meeting of the Committee of the Whole be adjourned at 10:16 p.m.

CARRIED  
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**DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT**

MOVED BY MCCONNELL, SECONDED BY JOHNSON, THAT the Town of Virden enter into a Development Agreement with TDL as presented for the building of a Tim Horton's restaurant.

CARRIED  
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**RECYCLE DEPOT TENDER**

MOVED BY JOHNSON, SECONDED BY WARKENTIN, THAT the tender for the building of a recycle depot be awarded to Roger Branum Construction subject to financing and concluding an agreement with the current recycling contractor.

CARRIED  
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**RECREATION STEERING COMMITTEE**

MOVED BY SCHNEIDER, SECONDED BY JOHNSON, THAT Tower Engineering Ltd. be hired as the engineering firm for the Recreation Facility Project.

CARRIED  
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**ADJOURNMENT**

MOVED BY JOHNSON, SECONDED BY SCHNEIDER, THAT the meeting  
be adjourned at 10:20 pm.

CARRIED  
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**MAYOR**

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**CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**