



SEP 27 2018

Reeve Howard Arndt and Council
Rural Municipality of McKillop No. 220
103 Ashley Street
BULYEA SK S0G 0L0

Dear Reeve Arndt and Council:

I am writing to notify you that pursuant to the authority conferred on the Honourable Warren Kaeding, Minister of Government Relations, by section 400 of *The Municipalities Act*, Mr. Vernon Palmer is appointed as supervisor for the Rural Municipality of McKillop No. 220 (RM). A copy of the Minister's Order is attached.

As per section 401 of *The Municipalities Act*, the cost of the supervisor will be the responsibility of the RM. The supervisor will provide the ministry with monthly reports on the progress made by the municipality to implement the applicable recommendations of the Municipal Inspection Report dated September 15, 2018.

In addition, this letter will serve as notice that the minister has directed the RM to consult with residents of Sun Dale and any other relevant parties to develop a new utility rate bylaw, and thereafter, obtain its approval by the Saskatchewan Municipal Board as is required.

And lastly, I am taking this opportunity to inform you that the minister has approved the public release of the Municipal Inspection Report, **subject to the following redactions:**

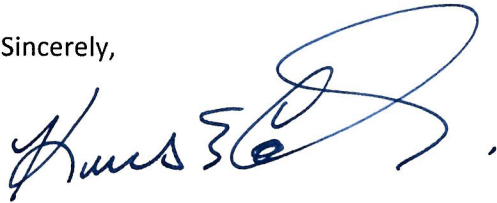
- Page 5 – first paragraph, point number 4, in its entirety; and
- Page 14 – fourth paragraph in its entirety.

I have attached a copy of the report to this letter that may be released publically.

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If you have questions on these matters, please contact Colleen Christopherson, Manager, Advisory Services, Ministry of Government Relations, at 306-787-2637 or colleen.christopherson@gov.sk.ca.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Keith Comstock", with a large, stylized flourish at the end.

Keith Comstock
Assistant Deputy Minister
Municipal Relations

Attachments

cc: Honourable Warren Kaeding, Minister of Government Relations and
Minister Responsible for First Nations, Métis and Northern Affairs
Greg Miller, Deputy Minister of Government Relations and
Deputy Minister of First Nations, Métis and Northern Affairs
Colleen Christopherson, Advisory Services and Municipal Relations, Government Relations



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MINISTER'S ORDER

Subsections 399(1) and 399(1.1) of *The Municipalities Act* provide as follows:

399(1) In this section, "official examination" means:

- (a) a petition or audit pursuant to section 140.1;*
- (b) a report pursuant to section 189;*
- (c) an audit pursuant to section 395;*
- (d) an inspection pursuant to section 396;*
- (e) an inquiry pursuant to section 397; or*
- (f) an investigation, review, report or recommendation by or from the Ombudsman pursuant to The Ombudsman Act, 2012.*

(1.1) The minister may, by order, direct the council, administrator or a designated officer of the municipality to take any action that the minister considers proper in the circumstances if the minister considers that summary action is necessary because of an official examination.

Section 399 of *The Municipalities Act* provides the minister may, as a result of an inspection ordered pursuant to section 396 of *The Municipalities Act*, direct the council of a municipality to take specific actions.

As a result of the Inspection ordered on August 21, 2018, into the affairs of the Rural Municipality of McKillop No. 220 (RM), and the Municipal Inspection Report completed September 15, 2018, it is considered necessary to direct the RM council to consult and work with residents of Sun Dale on a new utility rate bylaw. Any new utility rate bylaws will require the approval of the Saskatchewan Municipal Board before they may be implemented.

Section 400 of *The Municipalities Act* provides as follows:

400(1) The minister may, at any time, appoint a person to supervise a municipality and its council.

(2) While the appointment of a person pursuant to this section continues:

- a) a bylaw or resolution that authorizes the municipality to incur a liability must be approved in writing by the person before it has any effect; and*
- b) the person may, at any time within 60 days after the passing of any bylaw*
- c) or resolution, disallow it.*

(3) A bylaw or resolution disallowed pursuant to clause (2)(b) is deemed to have always been void.

Section 401 of *The Municipalities Act* provides the minister may require the municipality to pay the remuneration and expenses of the person(s) appointed as the supervisor, in the amounts set by the minister.

As a result of the Inspection ordered on August 21, 2018, into the affairs of the Rural Municipality of McKillop No. 220 (RM), and the Municipal Inspection Report completed September 15, 2018, it is considered necessary to appoint Vernon Palmer as Supervisor pursuant to subsection 400(1) of *The Municipalities Act* to supervise the RM and its council.

The Supervisor shall carry out his duties in accordance with the attached Schedule "A".

The remuneration of the Supervisor shall be set at an amount of \$80.00 per hour. Expenses for reasonable travel shall be set at \$0.45 per km. The RM shall pay the Supervisor's remuneration and travel expenses pursuant to section 401 of *The Municipalities Act*.

This appointment is effective for the term of October 1, 2018, until September 30, 2019, unless sooner terminated or extended by Minister's Order.

Dated at Regina, Saskatchewan this 27th day of September, 2018



Honourable Warren Kaeding
Minister of Government Relations and
Minister Responsible for First Nations, Métis and Northern Affairs

Schedule "A"

1. The Supervisor must approve in writing any bylaw or resolution that authorizes the municipality to incur a liability before it has any effect, and the Supervisor may at any time within 60 days after the passing of any bylaw or resolution, disallow it. A bylaw or resolution disallowed is deemed to have always been void.
2. The Supervisor shall attend all regular, special and committee meetings of council, and ensure all meetings are held in accordance with the requirements of *The Municipalities Act* and the procedures set out in the RM's Council Procedures Bylaw.
3. The Supervisor shall oversee the general operation of the RM and monitor the RM's progress in carrying out the recommendations of the Municipal Inspection Report dated September 15, 2018.
4. The Supervisor shall provide monthly reports, commencing no later than October 31, 2018, to the Manager of Advisory Services in the Ministry of Government Relations, on all matters outlined in this Order.