



# Rural Municipality of Eastern Kings

## SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, November 28, 2024 5:00 p.m.

Topic: "MGA Section 119.1(d) Human Resource Matter, 2024 Municipal Fly Program Evaluation"

**In Attendance:** Mayor Larry Fitzpatrick, Deputy Mayor Danelle Elliott, Councillor's Nathan Paton, Donna Campbell Dixon, Don Humphrey and Bernadette McInnis, Arthur Baker (5:30-6:30), & Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) Sonya Martin | **Members of the Public:** 0 | **Guest:** Shawn Schofield, Dept. of Environment - Agriculture Outreach/Pesticide Mgt.

### 1. Call to Order

The special meeting was called to order at 5:01 p.m.

### 2. Agenda Approval

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Danelle Elliott and seconded by Councillor Nathan Paton to approve the agenda as presented. All were in favour and the motion was carried.

3. **Resolution 28/11/24-#001.2 was read to close the meeting to the public in re: MGA 119.1(d) "Human Resource Matters"**. It was moved by Councillor Nathan Paton and seconded by Deputy Mayor Danelle Elliott to close the meeting, noting MGA 119.2 "... only a resolution giving directions to the employee (CAO) may be passed; on the matters as mentioned in the topic. Votes For: 5 | Votes Against: 0 | Result: Carried

### 4. Special Meeting Topic: "2024 Municipal Fly Program Evaluation"

Council asked guest Shawn Schofield many questions on the roll of the province in the management of Fly Programs in general. Some specifics for RMEK in the conversation were: no applications to be made in the Basin Head Marine Protected Area (MPA) which is under the protection of the DFO (Dept. of Fisheries and Oceans) and the BH Advisory Committee, other areas of Basin Head can be treated. No pesticide foggers can be used in Eastern Kings wetlands and natural areas. No motorized vehicles can be driven in the wetlands and natural areas. Monitoring treatments is the most important aspect of the program. Developing educational pamphlets for the residents and other environmentally friendly projects like swallow boxes to help eliminate mosquitos and their breeding grounds, were discussed by Council.


At 6:45 p.m. the Chair opened the meeting to the public.


Resolution 28/11/24-#003 was read. It was moved by Councillor Nathan Paton and seconded by Councillor Bernadette McInnis. Be it resolved that the majority of the Council of the Rural Municipality of Eastern Kings have selected "OPTION #1"- "Council directs the CAO to provide a draft RFP/Tender to "Contract Out" the 2025 Municipal Biting Fly Program, for their consideration in the near future." [The Tender will be reviewed at the January 14, 2025 regular meeting of Council] Votes For: 5 | Votes Against: 0 | Result: Carried

### Adjournment

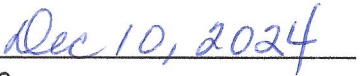
The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m. It was moved by Councillor Donna Campbell Dixon and seconded by Councillor Nathan Paton. All were in favour and the motion was carried.

Signed in accordance with the *Municipal Government Act S.116(4)*

  
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Larry Fitzpatrick, Mayor

  
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Sonya Martin, Chief Administrative Officer

  
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