

MINUTES
COUNTY OF NORTHERN LIGHTS
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN COUNTY CHAMBERS
ON TUESDAY, APRIL 22, 2025, at 9:00 A.M.
COUNTY BUILDING, MANNING, ALBERTA

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86580402859?pwd=YsymMbGRcM8F5jYXmM8LEZe3uYowoy.1>

PRESENT:

Gary These	Ward One	Weberville/Stewart
Brenda Yasinski	Ward Three	Dixonville/Chinook Valley
Brent Reese	Ward Four	Deadwood/Sunny Valley
Gloria Dechant	Ward Five	North Star/Breaking Point
Terry Ungarian	Ward Six	Hotchkiss/Hawk Hills
Linda Halabisky	Ward Seven	Keg River/Carcajou (virtual)

REGRETS:

Kayln Schug	Ward Two	Warrensville/Lac Cardinal
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IN ATTENDANCE:

Josh Hunter – Director of Finance, Acting Chief Administrative Officer
Teresa Tupper – Executive Assistant/ Recorder
Charles Schwab – Director of Public Works
Dan Archer – Mile Zero Banner Post Reporter

01.0 Call to Order

01.1.1 Land Acknowledgement

Reeve Terry Ungarian called the Tuesday, April 22, 2025 Council Meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

02.0 Adoption of the Agenda

166/22/04/25 **MOVED BY Councillor These to acknowledge receipt of the Tuesday, April 22, 2025 Council agenda and adopt it as presented.**
CARRIED

03.0 Adoption of the Minutes of the Previous Regular or Special Meeting(s)

A. April 08, 2025, Council Meeting Minutes

167/22/04/25 **MOVED BY Councillor Yasinski to acknowledge receipt of the April 08, 2025 Council Meeting Minutes and adopt them as presented.**
CARRIED

04.0 Delegations

05.0 Policies/ Bylaws

A. Council Procedures' Bylaw No. 25-11-502

168/22/04/25 **MOVED BY Councillor Dechant to give SECOND READING to Bylaw No. 25-11-502, a bylaw to establish and regulate council procedures.**
CARRIED

169/22/04/25 **MOVED BY Councillor Reese to give THIRD AND FINAL READING to Bylaw No. 25-11-502, a bylaw to establish and regulate council procedures.**
CARRIED

06.0 Municipal/CAO & Departmental Reports/Business

06.1 Government Services

06.1.1 Council/Legislative

A. Policy Discussion on County Funding Waste Bins at Community Halls

170/22/04/25 **MOVED BY Councillor Reese to acknowledge receipt of the Policy Discussion on County Funding Waste Bins at Community Halls Report and it is noted that the Deadwood and Hotchkiss Hall waste bin is paid up to \$2400 per year by a motion made in 2009; Councillor Reese will take information discussed back to the Hall Board.**
CARRIED

B. Impact Assessment Agency of Canada – Public Information Sessions

171/22/04/25 **MOVED BY Councillor Ungarian to acknowledge receipt of the Impact Assessment Agency of Canada – Public Information Sessions Report and have council attend one of the general information sessions on April 23, 2025, that the Integrated Impact Assessment Agency of Canada (IAAC) and the Canadian Nuclear Safety**

Commission (CNSC) is conducting regarding the integrated assessment process for Energy Alberta; and make comment on the Initial Project Description (IPD) individually and collectively as a council.
CARRIED

C. Public Engagement Regarding the Nuclear Power Issue

- Reeve read Councillor Schug's email to council

172/22/04/25 **MOVED BY Councillor Reese to acknowledge receipt of the Public Engagement Regarding the Nuclear Power Issue Report and to have one or two public engagement meetings in our municipality regarding the project within the next two months in the form of a public meeting.**
CARRIED

*Recessed the meeting at 10:01 a.m.
Reconvened the meeting at 10:09 a.m.*

- 06.1.2 Administration
- 06.1.3 Assessment
- 06.1.4 Taxation
- 06.1.5 Finance
 - A. Financial Statements

173/22/04/25 **MOVED BY Councillor Dechant to acknowledge receipt of the Financial Statements Report and adopt the 2024 Audited Financial Statements as presented.**
CARRIED

B. 2025 -2029 Operating & Capital Budget

174/22/04/25 **MOVED BY Councillor Halabisky to acknowledge receipt of the 2025-2029 Operating & Capital Budget Report and adopt the 2025 Operating and Capital Budget as presented.**
CARRIED

C. 2025 Property Tax Bylaw No. 25-14-501

175/22/04/25 **MOVED BY Councillor Dechant to give FIRST READING to Bylaw No. 25-14-501; a bylaw for the purpose of authorizing and fixing the tax rates levied and imposed against assessable property for the taxation year of 2025; as per the following mill rates for municipal purposes:**

Residential Properties	6.5997
Farmland Properties	10.1094
Non-Residential Properties	15.2954
D.I.P. & Linear	15.2954
Machinery & Equipment	15.2954

CARRIED

176/22/04/25 **MOVED BY Councillor Yasinski to give SECOND READING to Bylaw No. 25-14-501; a bylaw for the purpose of authorizing and fixing the tax rates levied and imposed against assessable property for the taxation year of 2025; as per the following mill rates for municipal purposes:**

Residential Properties	6.5997
Farmland Properties	10.1094
Non-Residential Properties	15.2954
D.I.P. & Linear	15.2954
Machinery & Equipment	15.2954

CARRIED

177/22/04/25 **MOVED BY Councillor Reese to PROCEED TO THIRD AND FINAL READING of Bylaw No. 25-14-501.**
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

178/22/04/25 **MOVED BY Councillor These to give THIRD AND FINAL READING to Bylaw No. 25-14-501; a bylaw for the purpose of authorizing and fixing the tax rates levied and imposed against assessable property for the taxation year of 2025; as per the following mill-rates for municipal purposes:**

Residential Properties	6.5997
Farmland Properties	10.1094
Non-Residential Properties	15.2954
D.I.P. & Linear	15.2954
Machinery & Equipment	15.2954

CARRIED

D. Director of Finance Report

179/22/04/25 **MOVED BY Councillor These to acknowledge receipt of the Director of Finance Report and add unpaid accounts receivable amounts related to wastewater charges to respective tax rolls as follows:**
a. \$360.00 from AR account 02232 to Tax Roll 74117
b. \$320.00 from AR account 02790 to Tax Roll 74133
CARRIED

- 06.1.6 Equipment/Supplies
- 06.1.7 Buildings/Properties
- 06.1.8 Personnel/Human Resources

06.2 Protective Services
06.2.1 Policing

06.2.3 Fire protection

06.2.4 Emergency Measures & Disaster Services

06.2.5 Ambulance/First Aid

06.2.6 By-law Enforcement

06.3 Transportation/Drainage/Public Works

06.3.1 Public Works

A. Director of Public Works Report

- *Safety program development*
- *Gravel Haul Program Rates*
- *Grader Contracts vs In-House*

180/22/04/25 **MOVED BY Councillor These to acknowledge receipt of the Director of Public Works Report and accept it for information.**
CARRIED

*Recessed meeting for MPC at 11:37 a.m.
Reconvened meeting at 11:38 a.m.*

06.3.2 Roads
A. Road Allowance Lease

181/22/04/25 **MOVED BY Councillor Reese to acknowledge receipt of the Road Allowance Lease Report and proceed with approval to lease the undeveloped road allowance between SE 17-101-23 & SW 17-101-23 and NW 8-101-23 & NE 8-101-23.**
CARRIED

B. Dust Control Report

182/22/04/25 **MOVED BY Councillor Yasinski to acknowledge receipt of the Dust Control Report and accept it for information.**
CARRIED

06.3.3 Airport

06.3.7 Drainage Ditches

06.4 Utilities/Public Works
06.4.1 Water

06.4.2 Sewage

06.4.3 Solid Waste

06.6 Environmental Development

06.6.1 Development [Planning/Zoning/Subdivisions]

06.6.2 Community Services / Economic Development

A. 2025 Northern Connections Expo Exhibitor Social

183/22/04/25 **MOVED BY Councillor Halabisky to acknowledge receipt of the 2025 Northern Connections Expo Exhibitor Social and accept it for information.**
CARRIED

06.6.3 Agriculture Services

06.6.5 Natural Resources

06.6.6 Housing / Seniors

06.6.9 Tourism

07.0 Ward and/or Committee Reports

08.0 Info Items

A. Tuesday, April 22, 2025, Info Package

184/22/04/25 **MOVED BY Councillor These to acknowledge receipt of the Tuesday, April 22, 2025 Info Package and accept it for information.**
CARRIED

09.0 Open Mic

Decisions on Delegations

10.0 In Camera Items

A. Personnel under FOIP section 19

185/22/04/25 **MOVED BY Councillor Halabisky to have the Tuesday, April 22, 2025 Council Meeting go in camera to discuss Personnel under FOIP section 19 at 12:07 p.m.**
CARRIED

*Dan Archer, Reporter; Charles Schwab, Director of Public Works and Teresa Tupper, Executive Assistant, exited the meeting at 12:07 p.m.
Councillor Halabisky exited the meeting at 12:31 p.m.*

186/22/04/25 **MOVED BY Councillor Reese to have the Tuesday, April 22, 2025 Council Meeting come out of camera at 12:35 p.m.**
CARRIED

11.0 Adjournment

Reeve Ungarian adjourned the Tuesday, April 22, 2025 Council Meeting at 12:35 p.m.



Chief Elected Official
Terry Ungarian



Acting Chief Administrative Officer
Josh Hunter