

**MINUTES
COUNTY OF NORTHERN LIGHTS
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN COUNTY CHAMBERS
ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2025, at 9:00 A.M.
COUNTY BUILDING, MANNING, ALBERTA**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81532446509?pwd=czvbtQwmRUVzGt7nMQU9zCAo74gLQQ.1>

PRESENT:

Gary These	Ward One	Weberville/Stewart
Kayln Schug	Ward Two	Warrensville/Lac Cardinal (virtual)
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

IN ATTENDANCE:

Gerhard Stickling – Chief Administrative Officer
Josh Hunter – Director of Finance
Chales Schwab – Director of Public Works
Teresa Tupper – Executive Assistant/Recording Secretary
Dan Archer – Mile Zero Banner Post Reporter

01.0 Call to Order

01.1.1 Land Acknowledgement

Reeve Ungarian called the Tuesday, October 14, 2025, Council Meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

02.0 Adoption of the Agenda

413/14/10/25 **MOVED BY Councillor Halabisky to acknowledge receipt of the Tuesday, October 14, 2025, Council Agenda and adopt it with the following additions:**
06.3.2 - B 25. Bridge Maintenance Tender Award
06.6.2 – B Lac Cardinal Economic Development Board Membership
CARRIED

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

A. Tuesday, September 23, 2025, Council Meeting Minutes

414/14/10/25 **MOVED BY Councillor These to acknowledge receipt of the Tuesday, September 23, 2025, Council Meeting Minutes and adopt them as presented.**
CARRIED

05.0 Policies/ Bylaws

A. Progressive Discipline Policy

415/14/10/25 **MOVED BY Councillor Reese to acknowledge receipt of the Progressive Discipline Policy and Harassment & Bullying Policy Report and rescind these policies as they are now within the Safety Program.**
CARRIED

06.0 Municipal/CAO & Departmental Reports/Business

06.1 Government Services

06.1.1 Council/Legislative

A. Invitation to the Grand Opening of the Aurora Place – Del Air Lodge

416/14/10/25 **MOVED BY Councillor Schug to acknowledge receipt of the Invitation to the Grand Opening of the Aurora Place, Del Air Lodge and send Reeve Ungarian to give greetings from the County and send Councillor Reese and Halabisky.**
CARRIED

B. Peace Regional Mental Health Task Force – Terms of Reference

417/14/10/25 **MOVED BY Councillor Dechant to acknowledge receipt of the Peace Regional Mental Health Task Force – Terms of Reference and inform the Task Force of Councils support for the new Terms of Reference.**
CARRIED

C. Rental of County Doctor House

418/14/10/25 **MOVED BY Councillor These to acknowledge receipt of the Rental of County Doctor House Report and approve the rental agreement with the Doctor coming to**

do their assessment here at the Manning Community Health Centre Hospital for the period of October 16 to February 02, 2026.
CARRIED

D. Fire Department Open House – Celebrating Fire Prevention Week

419/14/10/25 **MOVED BY Councillor Halabisky to acknowledge receipt of the Fire Department Open House Invitation and approve attendance for Deputy Reeve Yasinski to the event.**
CARRIED

E. Maskwa Medical Centre – Letter of Support

420/14/10/25 **MOVED BY Councillor Schug to acknowledge receipt of the Maskwa Medical Centre – Letter of Support Request and accept it for information.**
CARRIED

F. Dixonville Library's 15th Anniversary (Deputy Reeve Yasinski)

421/14/10/25 **MOVED BY Councillor Dechant to acknowledge receipt of the Dixonville Library's 15th Anniversary Discussion and provide an Anniversary card & flowers and send it with Deputy Reeve Yasinski on Saturday, October 18th, 2025, between 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.**
CARRIED

06.1.2 Administration
A. CAO Report

422/14/10/25 **MOVED BY Councillor Reese to acknowledge receipt of the October 14, 2025, CAO Report and accept it for information.**
CARRIED

04.0 Delegations

A. Peace River Community Soup Kitchen, Donna Dahm, Chairperson and Rose Gish, Treasurer at 9:45 a.m.

The Peace River Community Soup Kitchen requested operational funding for the 2026 budget year.

*Recessed the meeting at 9:58 a.m.
Reconvened the meeting at 10:10 a.m.*

06.1.3 Assessment

06.1.4 Taxation

06.1.5 Finance
A. Director of Finance Update

423/14/10/25 **MOVED BY Councillor Halabisky to acknowledge receipt of the Director of Finance Update and have administration revise the annual County Bursary allocations to include two bursaries in the amount of \$2500. each for future budget years beginning in 2026.**
CARRIED

B. August 2025 Bank Reconciliation

424/14/10/25 **MOVED BY Councillor Yasinski to acknowledge receipt of the August 2025 Bank Reconciliation and accept it for information.**
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
A. Dixonville Fire Department (Yasinski)
▪ *Public Engagement*

425/14/10/25 **MOVED BY Councillor Yasinski to acknowledge receipt of the Dixonville Fire Department Discussion and have a public engagement and recruitment**

opportunity session at the Dixonville Firehall at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, November 03rd, 2025.
CARRIED

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*

- *Stage 3 Drought Announced for Northern Alberta*

426/14/10/25 **MOVED BY Councillor Dechant to acknowledge receipt of the Director of Public Works Report and accept it for information and approve an approach on roll #312390.**
CARRIED

Recessed the meeting at 11:10 a.m.

Reconvened meeting at 11:13 a.m.

06.3.2 Roads

A. County Sponsored Calcium for Sunny Valley Road

427/14/10/25 **MOVED BY Councillor Reese to acknowledge receipt of the County Sponsored Calcium for Sunny Valley Report and apply 10,000m (10km) of calcium during the Dust Control Program for residents and intersections along the Sunny Valley Road for 2026.**
CARRIED

B. 25.BR.MAIN - Bridge Maintenance Tender Award

428/14/10/25 **MOVED BY Councillor These to have the County award the 25. BR.MAIN - Bridge Maintenance tender to Griffin Contracting Ltd for \$271,900.00.**
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]

A. *Administrative Planning & Development Update*

429/14/10/25 **MOVED BY Councillor Halabisky to acknowledge receipt of the Administrative Planning & Development Update and accept it for information.**
CARRIED

06.6.2 Community Services / Economic Development

A. *2026 Growing the North Sponsorship Request*

430/14/10/25 **MOVED BY Councillor Schug to acknowledge receipt of the 2026 Growing the North Sponsorship Request and sponsor the 2026 Growing the North Conference at a \$2800 silver sponsorship level with funds coming out of the economic development budget.**
CARRIED

B. Lac Cardinal Economic Development Board Membership

431/14/10/25 **MOVED BY Councillor Reese to acknowledge receipt of the Lac Cardinal Economic Development Board Membership Report and defer from becoming a member at this time.**
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

A. September Ward Reports

432/14/10/25 MOVED BY Councillor Dechant to acknowledge receipt of the September 2025 Ward Reports and accept them for information.
CARRIED

08.0 Info Items

A. Tuesday, October 14, 2025, Info Package

433/14/10/25 MOVED BY Councillor These to acknowledge receipt of the Tuesday, October 14, 2025, Info Package and accept it for information.
CARRIED

09.0 Open Mic

Decisions on Delegations

434/14/10/25 MOVED BY Councillor Schug to donate \$2500 to the Peace River Community Soup Kitchen from the 2025 council grant budget for 2026 operational costs.
CARRIED

10.0 In Camera Items

A. Legal and Personnel under ATIA Section 9(1)(b) & (e)

435/14/10/25 MOVED BY Councillor These to have the Tuesday, October 14, 2025, Council Meeting go in camera to discuss Legal and Personnel under ATIA section 9(1)(b) & (e) at 11:45 a.m.
CARRIED

Charles Schwab, Director of Public Works; Josh Hunter, Director of Finance; Dan Archer, Reporter and Teresa Tupper, Executive Assistant exited the meeting at 11:45 a.m.

436/14/10/25 MOVED BY Councillor Halabisky to have the Tuesday, October 14, 2025, Council Meeting come out of camera at 12:13 p.m.
CARRIED

437/11/10/25 MOVED BY Councilor Ungarian to grant the Chief Administrative Officer, Gerhard Stickling one grid increase increment, retroactive from May 13, 2025.
CARRIED

11.0 Adjournment

Reeve Ungarian adjourned the Tuesday, October 14, 2025, Council Meeting at 12:14 p.m.



Chief Elected Officer
Terry Ungarian



Chief Administrative Officer
Gerhard Stickling