

**MINUTES
COUNTY OF NORTHERN LIGHTS
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN COUNTY CHAMBERS
ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2025 at 9:00 A.M.
COUNTY BUILDING, MANNING, ALBERTA**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81170687554?pwd=MvRvO244EVIJXSUPSI6HGzFg2KkfhV.1>

PRESENT:

Gary These	Ward One	Weberville/Stewart
Kayln Schug	Ward Two	Warrensville/Lac Cardinal
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
Charles 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 28, 2025, Council Meeting to order at 10:26 a.m. and gave the Land Acknowledgement statement.

02.0 Adoption of the Agenda

444/28/10/25 MOVED BY Councillor Halabisky to acknowledge receipt of the Tuesday, October 28, 2025, Council Meeting Agenda and adopt it with the following addition:
06.1.1-F – Remembrance Day Ceremony Attendance
CARRIED

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

A. Tuesday, October 14, 2025, Council Meeting Minutes

445/28/10/25 MOVED BY Councillor Dechant to acknowledge receipt of the Tuesday, October 14, 2025, Council Meeting Minutes and adopt them as presented.
CARRIED

04.0 Delegations

05.0 Policies/ Bylaws

A. Water Policy

446/28/10/25 MOVED BY Councillor Halabisky to acknowledge receipt of the Water Policy and adopt it with the updates indicated.
CARRIED

06.0 Municipal/CAO & Departmental Reports/Business

06.1 Government Services

06.1.1 Council/Legislative

A. Invitation to the Opening Ceremonies of the SSA 1A Girls Volleyball Provincials and to give Greetings

447/28/10/25 MOVED BY Councillor Dechant to acknowledge receipt of the Invitation to the Opening Ceremonies of the SSA 1A Girls Volleyball Provincials and send Reeve Ungarian to give Greetings on behalf of Council on the morning of Thursday, November 27, 2025, and send a short-written welcome to the visitors for their event program before the November 7, 2025, deadline.
CARRIED

B. 2025 Fall Alberta Municipalities (AM) Convention Attendee Confirmation

448/28/10/25 MOVED BY Councillor Schug to acknowledge receipt of the 2025 Fall Alberta Municipalities (AM) Convention Attendee Confirmation Report and confirm the attendance of Reeve Ungarian and Councillor These at the convention on

November 12 to 14, 2025, TELUS Convention Centre Calgary And cancel the third registration.

CARRIED

C. 2025 Fall RMA Convention & EOEP Course Attendee Confirmation

449/28/10/25 **MOVED BY Councillor These to acknowledge receipt of the 2025 Fall RMA Convention & EOEP Course Attendee Confirmation Report and confirm the registration of Councillor's These, Schug, Yasinski, Reese, Dechant, Ungarian and Halabisky for the convention on November 17th to 20th, 2025 at the Edmonton Convention Centre and register Councillor's These, Halabisky and Dechant, in Council's Role in Budgeting & Finance course and Councillor's Ungarian, Schug, Yasinski, in Council's Role in the Employment of the CAO course.**
CARRIED

*Recessed meeting at 10:41 a.m.
Reconvened meeting at 11:28 a.m.*

D. 2025 Fall RMA Resolutions

450/28/10/25 **MOVED BY Councillor Reese to acknowledge receipt and discussion on the 2025 Fall RMA Resolutions and accept them for information.**
CARRIED

06.6 Environmental Development

06.6.1 Development [Planning/Zoning/Subdivisions]

A. Subdivision Report 25NL14 – Farmstead Separation

451/28/10/25 **MOVED BY Councillor Ungarian to acknowledge receipt of subdivision application 25NL14, to subdivide an 8.1-hectare (20.0 acre) parcel from NE15-93-23-W5M for a residential farmstead separation and approve it subject to the following seven conditions and a variance be granted to allow the existing dugout to remain at its current location, being 36 m west from Range Road 232 Right of Way:**

1. That the applicant/owner enter into a development agreement with the County to include, but not limited to, the removal of an approach, construction of a new approach, or the upgrading of an approach. When installing approaches or culverts the applicant/owner shall contact the County of Northern Lights Public Works Department to ensure the approaches are constructed in accordance with County standards. Any costs incurred will be the responsibility of the applicant/owner.

2. That the applicant/owner dedicate a 5.0 m road right-of-way by caveat along the south boundary of the proposed parcel and the balance of the quarter section adjacent to the road allowance for Township Road 932A, and along the east boundary of the proposed parcel and the balance of the quarter section adjacent to the road allowance for Range Road 232, for future road widening pursuant to Section 662 of the Municipal Government Act.

3. That the applicant/owner provide a private sewage system and water services in accordance with the required acts, regulations, and standards.

4. That the applicant/owner obtain all necessary environmental approvals required for development. Alterations to or obstruction of existing drainage courses, wetlands, or other bodies of water will not be permitted without prior approval from Alberta Environment and Protected Areas.

5. That the applicant/owner carry forward and/or provide new agreements, caveats, easements and/or rights-of-way in accordance with municipal requirements, and agency and/or utility company requirements.

6. That the applicant/owner pay all outstanding property taxes on the land proposed to be subdivided or have arrangements made which are satisfactory to the County of Northern Lights; and

7. That the applicant/owner contact an Alberta Land Surveyor for the preparation of a Plan of Subdivision suitable for registration at the Alberta Land Titles Office to obtain title(s) under this decision.

CARRIED

E. Staff and Council Christmas Party Report

452/28/10/25 **MOVED BY Councillor Dechant to acknowledge receipt of the Staff and Council Christmas Party Report and approve a budget of \$3500 for the party tentatively booked for Friday, November 28th, 2025, at the Manning Legion.**
CARRIED

F. Remembrance Day Ceremony Attendance

453/28/10/25 **MOVED BY Councillor Halabisky to send the following Councillors to lay wreaths at the Regional Remembrance Day Ceremonies on Tuesday, November 11, 2025:
Grimshaw Legion: Councillor Schug
Manning Legion: Councillor Reese
Peace River Legion: Councillor Yasinski**
CARRIED

06.1.2 Administration
A. CAO Report

454/28/10/25 **MOVED BY Councillor Schug to acknowledge receipt of the CAO Report and have a budget of \$50 per person for Christmas gifts for the Tri-Rural Christmas Party; giving 3 dates for options and accept the CAO Report for information.
CARRIED**

06.1.3 Assessment

06.1.4 Taxation

B. Agricultural Services Bylaw No. 25-63-503 (after ASB Meeting)

455/28/10/25 **MOVED BY Councillor Schug to give FIRST READING to Bylaw No. 25-63-503, a Bylaw to establish an Agricultural Services Board and its operations within the County of Northern Lights.
CARRIED**

456/28/10/25 **MOVED BY Councillor Reese to give SECOND READING to Bylaw No. 25-63-503, a Bylaw to establish an Agricultural Services Board and its operations within the County of Northern Lights.
CARRIED**

457/28/10/25 **MOVED BY Councillor These to PROCEED TO THIRD AND FINAL READING of Bylaw No. 25-63-503, a Bylaw to establish an Agricultural Services Board and its operations within the County of Northern Lights.
CARRIED**

458/28/10/25 **MOVED BY Councillor Halabisky to give THIRD AND FINAL READING to Bylaw No. 25-63-503, a Bylaw to establish an Agricultural Services Board and its operations within the County of Northern Lights.
CARRIED**

06.1.5 Finance
A. Year-to-Date Budget Report

459/28/10/25 **MOVED BY Councillor Reese to acknowledge receipt of the Year-to-Date Budget Report 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

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

460/28/10/25 **MOVED BY Councillor Dechant to acknowledge receipt of the DPW Report and accept it for information; and have administration engage with Forestry regarding the road allowance for the East Manning Parcel Access.
CARRIED**

06.3.2 Roads

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
- 06.6.2 Community Services / Economic Development
- 06.6.3 Agriculture Services
A. Heartland Training and Support – Funding Request

461/28/10/25 **MOVED BY Councilor Yasinski to acknowledge receipt of the Heartland Training and Support Funding Request and support the funding request and donate \$117.00 from council grants to the Heartland Training and Support.**
CARRIED

- 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, October 28, 2025, info Package

462/28/10/25 **MOVED BY Councillor Reese to acknowledge receipt of the Tuesday, October 28, 2025, Info Package and accept it for information.**
CARRIED

09.0 Open Mic

Decisions on Delegations

10.0 In Camera Items
A. Election Update under ATIA section 9(2), POPA section 15(c)(1) & 21(1)(a)&(b), and LAEA section 56

463/28/10/25 **MOVED BY Councillor Halabisky to have the Tuesday, October 28, 2025, Council Meeting go in camera to discuss Election Updates under ATIA section 9(2), POPA section 15(c)(1) & 21(1)(a) & (b), and LAEA section 56 at 12:50 p.m.**
CARRIED

Dan Archer, Reporter; Josh Hunter, Director of Finance and Charles Schwab, Director of Public Works, exited the meeting at 12:50 p.m.
Teresa Tupper, Executive Assistant, exited the meeting at 1:10 p.m.

464/28/10/25 **MOVED BY Councilor Schug to have the Tuesday, October 28, 2025, Council Meeting come out of camera at 1:20 p.m.**
CARRIED

465/28/10/25 **MOVED BY Councillor Halabisky to send a letter to the Minister of Municipal Affairs containing the Questions to the Voters and the results and send the collected information to the Impact Assessment Agency of Canada (IAAC), the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (CNSC), and Energy Alberta.**
CARRIED

466/28/10/25 **MOVED BY Councillor Reese to request a legal opinion on the individual ward results of the Questions to the Voters to be made public.**
CARRIED

11.0 Adjournment

Reeve Ungarian adjourned the Tuesday, October 28, 2025, Council Meeting at 1:27 p.m.



Chief Elected Official
Terry Ungarian



Chief Administrative Officer
Gerhard Stickling