

COUNCIL PRESENT:

Reeve	Tom S. Hougham
Division 1	Leonard Larre
Division 3	Doug Trotsuk
Division 4	Ronald Gory
Division 5	Gay Noeth
Division 6	Evan Priest

COUNCIL ABSENT:

Division 2 Carri Zeller

STAFF PRESENT:

Aaron Neilly, Acting Chief Administrative Officer
Shannon McLean, Infrastructure Assistant
Vanessa Nasby, Administrative Assistant @ 11:00 a.m.
Dan Fedirko, Public Works @ 9:17 a.m.

CALLED TO ORDER:

9:00 a.m. The Regular Meeting was called to order by Reeve Hougham.

1-1 JULY 9, 2025 AGENDA ADDITIONS:

2025-07-09-001 NOETH: That the following be added to the July 9, 2025 Agenda.

- 13-9 TWP 550 Spraying
- 13-10 Big Hill Road Maintenance

Carried

1-1 JULY 9, 2025 AGENDA:

2025-07-09-002 TROTZUK: That the July 9, 2025 Agenda be used as a guideline.

Carried

2-1 JUNE 25, 2025 MINUTES:

2025-07-09-003 LARRE: That the June 25, 2025 minutes be approved as presented.

Carried

9:17 a.m. Dan Fedirko entered Council Chambers to discuss Public Works Report.
10:18 a.m. Dan Fedirko left Council Chambers.

13-5 COUNCIL MEETING DATE CHANGE:

2025-07-09-004 LARRE: That the regular Council Meeting date be changed from July 23, 2025 to July 30, 2025 be approved.

Carried

11:00 a.m. Shannon McLean left Council Chambers.
11:00 a.m. Vanessa Nasby entered Council Chambers.

13-4 AWARD FORMER OFFICE RENOVATION – EOI 2025A:

2025-07-09-005 LARRE: That the Expression of Interest EOI 2025A for the renovation of the former RM office be awarded to Bexson Construction Ltd. for a total bid price of \$370,112.64 plus applicable taxes, and that the Reeve and Acting Administrator be authorized to sign the Renovation Service Agreement.

Carried

13-7 BYLAW 2025-09 A BYLAW TO PROVIDE FOR FIRE PREVENTION, MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL:

2025-07-09-006 LARRE: That the Bylaw 2025-09, A Bylaw to Provide for Fire Prevention, Management and Control, be read a first time.

Carried

11:43 a.m. Councillor Larre left Council Chambers due to conflict of interest in the next Agenda item.

Reeve

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9-2 MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT - LEONARD AND JOAN LARRE NE 32-51-22W3:

2025-07-09-007 GORY: That the Reeve and Administrator is authorized to sign a *Memorandum of Agreement* with Leonard and Joan Larre. The Memorandum of Agreement allows the Lessee to store and access a grader, fuel tank, small storage shed and various tools and supplies on NE 32-51-22W3, for a period of 1 year commencing July 9, 2025 and ending on July 9, 2026. An annual payment of \$500.00 will be paid each year to the Lessor.

Carried

11:55 a.m. Councillor Larre entered Council Chambers.

9-3 SW 33-52-24W3 FORM OF AGREEMENT FOR SALE OF LAND:

2025-07-09-008 PRIEST: That the surface parcels #145664455 which is 6.57 acres and #130582368 which is 4.15 acres for a total of 10.72 acres of land valued at \$9,468.00 owned by the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 at SW 33-52-24W3 be offered to Ronald and Liana Naeth in lieu of the reclamation which is valued at \$10,000.00.

Carried

RECESS MEETING:

2025-07-09-009 PRIEST: That this meeting recess.
12:11 p.m.

Carried

RECONVENED MEETING:

1:00 p.m. The Regular Meeting of Council was reconvened by Reeve Hougham.

6-1 STAFF/COMMITTEE REPORTS:

2025-07-09-010 LARRE: That the written and verbal reports by Acting Chief Administrative Officer, Aaron Neilly, and Public Works Foreman, Dan Fedirko be acknowledged.

Carried

4-1 JUNE 2025 BANK RECONCILIATION:

2025-07-09-011 NOETH: That the June 2025 month end Bank Reconciliation be acknowledged and balances as follows:

Chequing Account Operating	\$ 12,540,612.63
St. Walburg Health Account	\$ 2,388.00
Turtleford Health Account	\$ 8,276.90
Online Banking Account	\$ 11,897.13
Term Deposits (5.2% Expiring 31-Dec-25)	\$ 624,895.84
Total Cash in Bank as of June 30, 2025	\$ 13,188,070.50
Petty Cash	\$ 200.00
Total Cash and Short-Term Investments	\$ 13,188,270.50

Carried

4-2 JUNE 2025 STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - DETAILED:

2025-07-09-012 TROTZUK: That the June 30, 2025 month end Statement of Financial Activities is acknowledged – Detailed, which is attached to and forms part of these minutes as Appendix A.

Carried

5-1 PAYROLL- PP2025-14:

2025-07-09-013 NOETH: That the payroll accounts for the pay period **June 15, 2025 – June 28, 2025 Authorization #466, direct deposit dated July 4, 2025, totaling \$49,576.66 be approved.**

Further, that a schedule of these payments be annexed to and form part of these minutes as **Appendix B Salaries and Wages June 15, 2025 – June 28, 2025.**

Carried


Reeve


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5-2 COUNCIL REMUNERATION:

2025-07-09-014 GORY: That the electronic payment of May 2025 Council Remuneration for the following amounts less deductions on June 20, 2025 be approved:

• Reeve Hougham	\$1,259.80
• Councillor Larre	\$1,247.90
• Councillor Zeller	\$900.70
• Councillor Trotzuk	\$1,266.80
• Councillor Gory	\$922.60
• Councillor Noeth	\$1,245.70
• Councillor Priest	\$1,147.60

Carried

5-2 ACCOUNTS – JULY 9, 2025:

2025-07-09-015 GORY: That the following payments dated July 9, 2025 be approved.

• Cheques 33350 to 33386	Totaling	\$114,354.04
• Other Payments	Totaling	\$53,849.03

Total AP \$168,203.07

Carried

9-1 CENOVUS ENERGY INC. PIPELINE CROSSING AGREEMENT:

2025-07-09-016 PRIEST: That the *Pipeline Crossing Agreement*, be approved to be signed and dated July 9, 2025, with Cenovus Energy Inc. for the pipeline crossing the municipal road allowance at the following location:

- Between NE 08-52-23W3 & SE 17-52-23W3

Carried

13-2.1 ROAD CLOSURE RANGE ROAD 3240A:

2025-07-09-017 PRIEST: That the following road closure be acknowledged to be issued July 24, 2025:

- Abandoned Yard site at NE 36-52-24W3 (Range Road 3240A) between Bolney Grid to TWP 530.

Carried

13-2.2 ROAD CLOSURE BOLNEY GRID:

2025-07-09-018 NOETH: That the following road closure be acknowledged to be issued July 24, 2025:

- Bolney Grid between Range Road 3240 and RR3241.

Carried

13-2.3 ROAD CLOSURE RANGE ROAD 3240:

2025-07-09-019 LARRE: That the following road closure be acknowledged to be issued July 25, 2025:

- Undeveloped Range Road 3240 between Bolney Grid to TWP 530.

Carried

13-2.4 ROAD CLOSURE RANGE ROAD 3235:

2025-07-09-020 GORY: That the following road closure be acknowledged to be issued August 11, 2025:

- Range Road 3235 between Bolney Grid to TWP 530.

Carried

13-6 HAMLET MONTHLY WATER REPORT:

2025-07-09-021 TROTZUK: That the presentation of the Hamlet of Frenchman Butte Water Treatment Plant Monthly Report for June 2025 be acknowledged and instructs Administration to place a copy of the report on file for future reference.

Carried

13-8 SUMMER STUDENT 2025:

2025-07-09-022 PRIEST: That the hiring of the following summer student for the 2025 season as per Human Resources and Compensation Policy 900-01 be acknowledged:

- Lane Noeth; Salary Grid 13 Student/Casual, Step 2, effective July 2, 2025.

Carried

1:58 p.m. Councillor Gory left Council Chambers due to conflict of interest in the next Agenda item.
Council discussed the spraying of trees on TWP 550.
2:08 p.m. Councillor Gory entered Council Chambers.

14-1 CORRESPONDENCE – JULY 9, 2025:

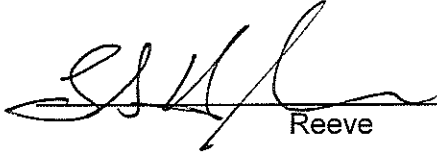
2025-07-09-023 PRIEST: That the July 9, 2025 correspondence as information to be filed as presented to Council, outlined in Appendix C be accepted.

Carried

15-1 ADJOURNMENT:

2025-07-09-024 GORY: That this Regular Meeting of Council at 3:42 p.m. be adjourned.

Carried



Reeve



Acting Chief Administrative Officer