

COUNCIL PRESENT:

Reeve	Tom S. Hougham
Division 1	Leonard Larre @ 9:37 a.m.
Division 2	Carri Zeller
Division 3	Doug Trotsuk
Division 4	Ronald Gory @ 9:14 a.m.
Division 5	Gay Noeth
Division 6	Evan Priest

STAFF PRESENT:

Crystal Schaan, Acting Administrator
Vanessa Nasby, Administrative Assistant

DELEGATES:

Lisa Proctor, Cenovus Energy @ 1:02 p.m.
Lawson Ring, Cenovus Energy @ 1:02 p.m.
Travis Davies, Cenovus Energy @ 1:0 p.m.
Waylon Falcon, Cenovus Energy @ 1:02 p.m.
Jeff Carter, S/Sgt Onion Lake RCMP Detachment @ 2:30 p.m.

CALLED TO ORDER:

9:01 a.m. The Regular Meeting was called to order by Reeve Hougham.

1-1 MARCH 19, 2025 AGENDA ADDITIONS:

2025-03-19-001	ZELLER:	That the following be added to the March 19, 2025 Agenda. 11-2 CAO Recruitment 13-9 BAR Engineering- Pipestone Creek MP-25-024 13-10 BAR Engineering – New Office Project Change Order PCN#10 13-11 MG30 Road Stabilization 13-12 Synology
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Carried

1-1 MARCH 19, 2025 AGENDA:

2025-03-19-002	NOETH:	That the March 19, 2025 Agenda be used as a guideline.
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Carried

2-1 MARCH 5, 2025 MINUTES:

2025-03-19-003	NOETH:	That the March 5, 2025 minutes be approved as presented.
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Carried

9:14 a.m. Councillor Gory entered Council Chambers.

5-1 PAYROLL- PP2025-06:

2025-03-19-004	NOETH:	That the payroll accounts for the pay period February 23, 2025 –March 8, 2025 Authorization #458 and Council Remuneration for February 2025, direct deposit dated March 14, 2025, totaling \$43,745.14 be approved.
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Further, that a schedule of these payments be annexed to and form part of these minutes as **Appendix A Salaries and Wages February 23, 2025 – March 8, 2025.**

Carried


5-4 ACCOUNTS – MARCH 19, 2025:

2025-03-19-005	GORY:	That the following payments dated March 19, 2025 be approved.
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| • Cheques 33081 to 33122 | Totaling | \$319,226.32 |
| • Other Payments | Totaling | \$115,524.34 |

Total AP \$434,750.66
Carried


Reeve


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13-5 AWARD TENDER FOR GRID 797 PIPESTONE CREEK CULVERT REPLACEMENT:

2025-03-19-006 PRIEST: That the Tender for Grid 797 Pipestone Creek Culvert Replacement be awarded to Maxie Excavating LP based on their compliance with tender requirements, competitive pricing, and ability to complete the work within the specified timeframe. The tender will be awarded based on Unit Price Schedule B with 70 proposed site occupancy days, for a total amount of \$3,334,739.64 plus applicable taxes. Be it approved that Reeve Hougham and Acting Administrator, Crystal Schaan will sign the tender documents.

Carried

9:37 a.m.

Councillor Larre entered Council Chambers.

13-4 HAMLET WATERLINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT:

2025-03-19-007 NOETH: That the Hamlet Board of Frenchman Butte has awarded the contract for the Hamlet Waterline Replacement Project to PINTER Engineering Ltd. as per RFP2025A be acknowledged.

Carried

13-11 MG30 ROAD STABILIZATION CONTRACT:

2025-03-19-008 GORY: That the MG30 Road Stabilization Contract be awarded to Triple S Transport Inc. for the quoted amount of \$1,766,622.95 plus applicable taxes based on estimated liters of product used, with the final cost to be determined by actual product usage. A maximum of \$1,000,000.00 will be paid in 2025 with the remaining balance to be paid in January 2026.

Carried

6-1 RCMP ANNUAL PERFORMANCE PLAN APRIL 1, 2025 TO MARCH 31, 2026:

2025-03-19-009 ZELLER: That the following priorities to be forwarded to Staff Sergeant Ken Burnouf be approved. The priorities identified by the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 are:

- Property Crimes
- Public Education/Safety
- Drug Enforcement
- Gang Activity
- Rural Crime Watch
- Community Involvement
- Communication
- Availability

Carried

10:20 a.m.

Councillor Zeller and Councillor Priest left Council Chambers due to Conflict of Interest in the next agenda item.

13-8 WEED INSPECTOR RESIGNATION:

2025-03-19-010 LARRE: That the resignation of Aaron Neilly as the R.M. of Frenchman Butte Weed Inspector effective March 19, 2025 be acknowledged.

Carried

13-8 CONTRACT WEED AND MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR APPOINTMENT:

2025-03-19-011 LARRE: That the 501 Council appoints Tyler Winterhalt as the Contract Weed and Management Coordinator of the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 for the term of March 19, 2025 to December 31, 2025.

Carried

10:30 a.m.

Councillor Zeller and Councillor Priest entered Council Chambers.

RECESS MEETING:

2025-03-19-012 NOETH: That this meeting recess.


10:30 a.m.

Carried

RECONVENED MEETING:

10:35 a.m. The Regular Meeting of Council was reconvened by Reeve Hougham.


Reeve


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Councillor Larre requested recorded vote on agenda item 6-1 Emmaville Cemetery Fence Maintenance.

6-1 EMMAVILLE CEMETERY FENCE MAINTENANCE:

2025-03-19-013 NOETH: That the request from John Jones for the reimbursement of the paint for the Emmaville Cemetery fence in the amount of \$100.13 be approved.

For	Against
Reeve	Division 1
Division 2	
Division 3	
Division 4	
Division 5	
Division 6	

Carried

13-10 BAR ENGINEERING PROJECT NO. 23MU-578600 CHANGE NO. 10:

2025-03-19-014 ZELLER: That the Scope Change No. 10 for the New Office Building be approved for the following changes:

- Reroute airduct work to bring up to code for a cost of \$11,483.85 plus applicable taxes.

Carried

11:10 a.m. Vanessa Nasby left Council Chambers.

IN-CAMERA:

2025-03-19-015 ZELLER: That the Council moves in-camera to discuss legal as authorized by the legislative authority of *The Municipalities Act* Section 120 including the exemptions in Part III of *The Local Authority Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

Carried

RECONVENED MEETING:

12:12 p.m. The Regular Meeting of Council was reconvened by Reeve Hougham.

RECESS MEETING:

2025-03-19-016 ZELLER: That this meeting recess.

Carried

RECONVENED MEETING:

1:00 p.m. The Regular Meeting of Council was reconvened by Reeve Hougham.
1:00 p.m. Vanessa Nasby entered Council Chambers.
1:00 p.m. Councillor Gory left Council Chambers.
1:01 p.m. Lisa Proctor, Waylon Falcon, Travis Davies and Lawson Ring with Cenovus Energy entered Council Chambers via electronic means.
1:57 p.m. Councillor Gory entered Council Chambers.
2:00 p.m. Lisa Proctor, Lawson Ring, Travis Davis, and Waylon Falcon with Cenovus Energy disconnected and left Council Chambers.

6-1 SARM VISION BENEFIT:

2025-03-19-017 LARRE: That the vision benefit offered through SARM will be paid for by the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 for each employee be approved.

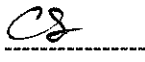
Carried

6-1 STAFF/COMMITTEE REPORTS:

2025-03-19-018 ZELLER: That the written and verbal reports by Acting Administrator, Crystal Schaan, and written reports by Public Works Foreman, Dan Fedirko and Infrastructure Manager, Aaron Neilly be acknowledged.

Carried


Reeve


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11-2 CONTRACT – CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER:

2025-03-19-019 TROTZUK: That the offer to Aaron Neilly for the position of Administrator/CAO at Salary Grid 1 Step 5 of Schedule "C" 2025 Base Pay Salary Grid effective April 9, 2025. Further that a contract be drafted for April 9, 2025 Council Meeting be approved.

Carried

13-3 COUNCIL MEETING DATE CHANGE:

2025-03-19-020 ZELLER: That the Council Meeting date be changed from October 5, 2025 to October 8, 2025 be approved.

Carried

13-6 MUNICIPAL HERITAGE PROPERTY:

2025-03-19-021 PRIEST: That a "Notice of Intention" be issued to amend Municipal Heritage Property Bylaw 99-02 to include the following property; in addition to all the other buildings described in the original bylaw:

Include the "Leer House" building located at the Frenchman Museum on Parcel X, Plan 92B02289 in the Hamlet of Frenchman Butte, SK

Carried

13-7 PRESENTATION OF THE LIST OF LANDS IN ARREARS:

2025-03-19-022 NOETH: That the treasurer/administrator to not include in the *List of Lands in Arrears* any property that the amount of taxes in arrears does not exceed one half of the 2024 year's levy with respect to land.

The Tax Enforcement Act, Section 3(3) The council of a municipality may, by resolution, direct the treasurer not to include in the list land in respect of which the amount of taxes in arrears does not exceed one half of the immediately preceding year's tax levy with respect to that land

Carried

2025-03-19-023 ZELLER: That the *List of Lands in Arrears* as presented to the head of Council in accordance with *Section 3 of The Tax Enforcement Act* be acknowledged.

Carried

RECESS MEETING:

2025-03-19-024 LARRE: That this meeting recess.
2:21 p.m.

Carried

RECONVENED MEETING:

2:25 p.m. The Regular Meeting of Council was reconvened by Reeve Hougham.
2:30 p.m. Jeff Carter, S/Sgt with Onion Lake Detachment entered Council Chambers.
3:35 p.m. Jeff Carter left Council Chambers.

EXTEND MEETING:

2025-03-19-025 ZELLER: That this meeting be extended.

Carried Unanimously

14-1 CORRESPONDENCE – MARCH 19, 2025:

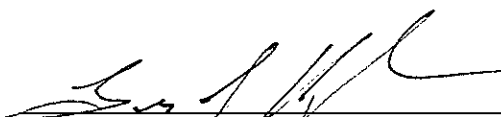
2025-03-19-026 ZELLER: That the March 19, 2025 correspondence as information to be filed as presented to Council, outlined in Appendix B be accepted.

Carried

15-1 ADJOURNMENT:


2025-03-19-027 GORY: That this Regular Meeting of Council at 5:18 p.m. be adjourned.

Carried


Reeve


Acting Administrator


Reeve


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