

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:

Crystal Schaan, Acting Administrator
Vanessa Nasby, Administrative Assistant @ 10:00 a.m.
Dan Fedirko, Public Works @ 10:01 a.m.
Aaron Neilly, Infrastructure Manager @ 10:01 a.m.

CALLED TO ORDER:

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

1-1 MARCH 5, 2025 AGENDA:

2025-03-05-001 LARRE: That the March 5, 2025 Agenda be used as a guideline.
Carried

RECESS MEETING:

2025-03-05-002 NOETH: That this meeting recess.
9:01 a.m.

Carried

RECONVENED MEETING:

10:00 a.m. The Regular Meeting of Council was reconvened by Reeve Hougham.
10:00 a.m. Vanessa Nasby entered Council Chambers.
10:01 a.m. Dan Fedirko and Aaron Neilly entered Council Chambers to discuss Public Works Report.

6-3 PONY PUP PURCHASE:

2025-03-05-003 LARRE: That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 Council approves purchase from Fort Garry Industries of a 17' XLS3100 Pony Pup for \$65,900.00 plus applicable taxes.

Carried

13-4 GRADER PURCHASE:

2025-03-05-004 GORY: That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 Council approves purchase from Finning of 2025 CAT 150 AWD for \$567,934.34 with 2017-872G serial number 1DW872GXJHD679875 trade in value of \$115,000.00 for a total price of \$452,934.34 plus applicable taxes and tire recycling fee. Full Machine warranty is 84 months/9000 hours premier + travel for \$75,717.80 plus applicable taxes, service calls are included for 1 year.

Carried

13-2 GRAVEL TRUCK PURCHASE:


2025-03-05-005 LARRE: That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 Council approves purchase from Brandt of 2026 Peterbuilt 589 for \$316,500.00 plus applicable taxes. Basic warranty includes; 2 Year/320,000 km for \$2,570.00, Chasis, Transmission & Rear Axle is 36 months/480,000km. Protection plan plus Engine warranty with travel and towing \$10,315.00 USD.


Carried

13-3 TRACTOR TRUCK PURCHASE:

2025-03-05-006 PRIEST: That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 Council approves purchase from Brandt of 2026 Peterbuilt 589 for \$295,450.00 plus applicable taxes. Extended Basic warranty includes; 2 Year/320,000 km for \$2,570.00, Major Components is 36 months/480,000km. Protection plan plus Engine warranty with travel and towing \$10,315.00 USD.

Carried


Reeve


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Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501, held at Council Chambers located at PT SW 11-53-24 W3 on Wednesday, March 5, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.

12:01 p.m. Dan Fedirko left Council Chambers.

RECESS MEETING:

2025-03-05-007 LARRE: That this meeting recess.

12:02 p.m.

Carried

RECONVENED MEETING:

1:02 p.m. The Regular Meeting of Council was reconvened by Reeve Hougham.

1:02 p.m. Councillor Larre left Council Chambers due to conflict of interest in the next Agenda item.

1:12 p.m. Councillor Priest left Council Chambers due to conflict of interest in the next Agenda item.

13-6 AWARD 2025-2027 DITCH MOWING TENDER:

2025-03-05-008 NOETH: That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 Council awards the *Request for Bid for Ditch Mowing 2025-2027* contract to Rec-Con Contracting Ltd., Vermillion AB, for the mowing of Municipal ditches at the following rates, plus applicable taxes:

- 1 mower width, one side of the road - \$40.25
- 2 mower widths, one side of the road - \$80.50
- 3 mower widths, one side of the road - \$120.75
- 4 mower widths, one side of the road - \$161.00

Further, Council authorizes the Acting Administrator and Reeve to sign the *Custom Mowing Agreement*.

Carried

1:15 p.m. Councillor Larre and Councillor Priest entered Council Chambers.

13-7 BAR ENGINEERING PROJECT NO. NO. 24MU-578600 CHANGE NO. 9 REV1:

2025-03-05-009 PRIEST: That the Scope Change No. 9 rev 1 for the New Office Building be approved for the following changes:

- Door openers for a cost of \$7,707.81.

Carried

1:58 p.m. Aaron Neilly left Council Chambers.

RECESS MEETING:

2025-03-05-010 NOETH: That this meeting recess for a Public Meeting.

1:59 p.m.

Carried

13-1 PUBLIC MEETING – SUBDIVISION APPLICATION NW 28-53-24W3:

2:00 p.m. Reeve Hougham declared the Public Meeting open to discuss Subdivision Application NW 28-53-24W3.

There were no individuals in attendance expressing concerns regarding the proposed subdivision.

No written submissions were received in regards to the proposed subdivision.

2:05 p.m. Public Hearing was closed by Reeve Hougham.

RECONVENED MEETING:

2:05 p.m. The Regular Meeting of Council was reconvened by Reeve Hougham.

6-1 ACTING ADMINISTRATOR TIME OFF REQUEST 2025-02, 2025-03, 2025-04:

2025-03-05-011 TROTZUK: That the Acting Administrator Time off Request 2025-02, 2025-03 and 2025-04 be approved.

Carried


Reeve


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6-1 STAFF/COMMITTEE REPORTS:

2025-03-05-012 PRIEST: That the written and verbal reports by Acting Administrator, Crystal Schaan, Public Works Foreman, Dan Fedirko and Infrastructure Manager, Aaron Neilly be acknowledged.

Carried

2-1 FEBRUARY 12, 2025 MINUTES:

2025-03-05-013 PRIEST: That the February 12, 2025 minutes be approved as presented.

Carried

4-1 FEBRUARY 2025 BANK RECONCILIATION:

2025-03-05-014 LARRE: That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 Council acknowledges the February 2025 month end Bank Reconciliation balances as follows:

Chequing Account Operating	\$ 15,447,367.04
St. Walburg Health Account	\$ 2,381.81
Turtleford Health Account	\$ 8,255.45
Online Banking Account	\$ 44,347.58
Term Deposits (5.2% Expiring 31-Dec-25)	<u>\$ 624,895.84</u>
Total Cash in Bank as of February 28, 2025	\$ 16,127,247.72
Petty Cash	<u>\$ 200.00</u>
Total Cash and Short-Term Investments	<u>\$ 16,127,447.72</u>

Carried

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

2025-03-05-015 NOETH: That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 Council acknowledges the February 28, 2025 month end Statement of Financial Activities – Detailed, which is attached to and forms part of these minutes as Appendix A.

Carried

5-1 PAYROLL- PP2025-05:

2025-03-05-016 NOETH: That the payroll accounts for the pay period **February 9, 2025 –February 22, 2025 Authorization #457 direct deposit dated February 28, 2025 totaling \$33,559.13 be approved.**

Further, that a schedule of these payments be annexed to and form part of these minutes as **Appendix B Salaries and Wages February 9, 2024 – February 22, 2025.**

Carried

5-3 ACCOUNTS – MARCH 5, 2025:

2025-03-05-017 GORY: That the following payments dated March 5, 2025 be approved.

• Cheques 33049 to 33080	Totaling \$87,890.35
• Other Payments	Totaling \$33,977.02
	Total AP \$121,867.37

Carried

5-2 COUNCIL REMUNERATION:


2025-03-05-018 GORY: That the electronic payment of February 2025 Council Remuneration for the following amounts less deductions on March 14, 2025 be approved:

• Reeve Hougham	\$1,094.40
• Councillor Larre	\$1,086.45
• Councillor Zeller	\$1,328.90
• Councillor Trotzuk	\$2,232.70
• Councillor Noeth	\$1,013.95
• Councillor Priest	\$591.20

Carried



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12-4 ST. WALBURG AND DISTRICT FIRE AND RESCUE ASSOCIATION BUDGET:

2025-03-05-019 LARRE: That the St. Walburg and District Fire and Rescue Association Budget be supported as presented.

Carried

RECESS MEETING:

2025-03-05-020 LARRE: That this meeting recess.
2:23 p.m.

Carried

RECONVENED MEETING:

2:35 p.m. The Regular Meeting of Council was reconvened by Reeve Hougham.

6-1 EMO COORDINATOR RESIGNATION:

2025-03-05-021 NOETH: That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 Council acknowledges the resignation of Shannon McLean as the R.M. of Frenchman Butte EMO Coordinator effective March 5, 2025.

Carried

6-1 EMO COORDINATOR APPOINTMENT:

2025-03-05-022 LARRE: That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 Council appoints Patrick Reid as the R.M. of Frenchman Butte EMO Coordinator effective March 5, 2025.

Carried

3:45 p.m. Vanessa Nasby left Council Chambers.

IN-CAMERA:

2025-03-05-023 LARRE: That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 Council moves in-camera to discuss human resources 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*.
3:45 p.m.

Carried

4:45 p.m. Councillor Priest left Council Chambers.
4:46 p.m. Aaron Neilly entered Council Chambers.
4:58 p.m. Aaron Neilly left Council Chambers.

RECONVENED MEETING:

4:59 p.m. The Regular Meeting of Council was reconvened by Reeve Hougham.

EXTEND MEETING:

2025-03-05-024 LARRE: That this meeting be extended.
5:00 p.m.

Carried Unanimously

IN-CAMERA:

2025-03-05-025 TROTZUK: That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 Council moves in-camera to discuss human resources 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*.
5:01 p.m.

Carried

RECONVENED MEETING:


5:07 p.m. The Regular Meeting of Council was reconvened by Reeve Hougham.

14-1 CORRESPONDENCE – MARCH 5, 2025:

2025-03-05-026 NOETH: That the March 5, 2025 correspondence as information to be filed as presented to Council, outlined in Appendix C be accepted.

Carried


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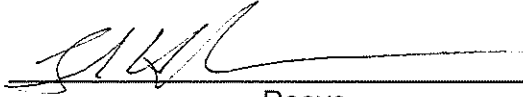
15-1 ADJOURNMENT:

2025-03-05-027

GORY:
adjourned.

That this Regular Meeting of Council at 5:12 p.m. be

Carried




Reeve



Acting Administrator



Reeve



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