

MINUTES
MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF PINCHER CREEK NO. 9
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 25, 2025

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The Regular Meeting of Council of the Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9 was held on Tuesday, February 25, 2025 at 3:00 pm, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal District Administration Building, Pincher Creek, Alberta.

PRESENT Reeve Rick Lemire, Deputy Reeve Tony Bruder, and Councillors Dave Cox, John MacGarva and Jim Welsch.

STAFF CAO Roland Milligan, Public Works Manager Alan McRae, Director of Corporate Services Meghan Dobie, Utilities & Infrastructure Manager David Desabrais, Development Officer Laura McKinnon and Executive Assistant Jessica McClelland.

Reeve Rick Lemire called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm.

A. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Councillor John MacGarva 25/084

Moved that the agenda for February 25, 2025, be amended to include:

Operations:

c) Utility Rate Bylaw Open House Rescheduling

Correspondence – Action:

5) Group Group Youth – Community Safety Net Brochure

6) Living Lakes Workshop – March 5, 2025

Correspondance – Information:

2) Phil Burpee Letter to Premier Smith

Carried

B. PUBLIC HEARING

1. Public Hearing Called to Order

Reeve Rick Lemire called the Public Hearing to Order at 3:01 pm.

2. Reeve Rick Lemire overviewed the general rules of conduct during a public hearing.

3. Advertising Requirement

Reeve Rick Lemire stated that the Public Hearing has been advertised in accordance with Section 606 of the Municipal Government Act. It was advertised in Shootin the Breeze on February 12 and 19, 2025, as well as on the MD website and MD Social Media pages.

4. Purpose of the Hearing

Reeve Rick Lemire stated the purpose of Bylaw No. 1354-25, being for the purpose of closing to Public Travel and creating title to and disposing of the following described highways, subject to rights of access granted by other legislation:

ALL THAT PORTION OF GOVERNMENT ROAD ALLOWANCE LYING
BETWEEN NW 7-6-1-5 AND SW 18-6-1-5 FORMING PART OF LOT 2, BLOCK
1, DESCRIPTIVE PLAN _____, CONTAINING 0.59 HECTARES (1.46
ACRES) MORE OR LESS

5. Presentations:

Reeve Rick Lemire asked if there were any verbal or paper statements for the presentation, but there were none.

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6. Closing Comments – none

7. Adjournment from Public Hearing

Councillor Dave Cox 25/085

Moved to adjourn the public hearing, the time being 3:02 pm.

Carried

C. MINUTES

1) Council Committee Meeting Minutes – February 11, 2025

Councillor Jim Welsch 25/086

Moved that the minutes of the Council Committee Meeting of February 11, 2025 be approved as presented.

Carried

2) Council Meeting Minutes - February 11, 2025

Councillor John MacGarva 25/087

Moved that the minutes of the Council Meeting of February 11, 2025 be approved as presented.

Carried

3) Coffee with Council – Twin Butte

Councillor Tony Bruder 25/088

Moved that the notes from the Coffee with Council at Twin Butte, on February 18, 2025, be amended to change Shell to Gulf,

AND THAT the notes be approved as amended.

Carried

D. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

E. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

a) Bennink Farms Road Concerns

Councillor Dave Cox 25/089

Moved that a letter be sent to Bennink Farms stating that the MD is looking at a workable solution to assist with their concerns and will follow up.

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b) Livingstone Landowners Group

Councillor Tony Bruder 25/090

Moved that the presentation and follow-up from the Livingstone Landowners Group be received as information.

Carried

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F. COMMITTEE REPORTS / DIVISIONAL CONCERNS

1. Councillor Tony Bruder – Division 1
 - Crowsnest Pincher Creek Landfill Association
 - Meeting with Ranchland
2. Reeve Rick Lemire – Division 2
 - Scholarship Committee
3. Councillor Dave Cox – Division 3
 - Pincher Creek Library Expansion
 - Castle Resort Fireguard
4. Councillor Jim Welsch - Division 4
 - Concern – Camping at Black Powder Gun Range
 - Scotten Gravel Pit Reclamation
5. Councillor John MacGarva – Division 5

Councillor Dave Cox 25/091

Moved to accept the Committee Reports as information.

Carried

G. ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

1. Operations

a) Public Works Operations Report

Councillor Jim Welsch 25/092

Moved that Council receive the Public Works Operations Report, including Schedule A – Shop/Fleet Report, for the period February 2, 2025, to February 15, 2025, as information.

Carried

b) Utilities & Infrastructure Report

Councillor Tony Bruder 25/093

Moved that the Utilities & Infrastructure report for February 5, 2025, through February 19, 2025, be received as information.

Carried

c) Utility Rate Bylaw Open House Reschedule

Councillor Tony Bruder 25/094

Moved that the Utility Rate Bylaw Open House be rescheduled to Wednesday March 26, 2025 from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm.

Carried

2. Finance

a) Rescinding Policy C-FIN-34 Purchasing

Councillor Dave Cox 25/095

Moved that Council rescind policy C-FIN-34.

Carried

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3. Development and Community Services

a) RCMP Reporting

Councillor Jim Welsch 25/096

Moved that the RCMP Quarterly Report for Crowsnest Pass and Pincher Creek Detachment be received as information.

Carried

b) Road Closure Bylaw 1356-25 Plan 5510 AL – All that portion of Nanton St Forming Part of Lot 1 Block C, Plan _____

Councillor Dave Cox 25/097

Moved that Council give first reading to Road Closure Bylaw 1356-25, being the Bylaw to close Plan 5510 AL – All that portion of Nanton Street forming part of Lot 1 Block C, Plan _____;

AND THAT the required Public Hearing be scheduled for March 25, 2025 at 3:00 pm.

Carried

4. Municipal

a) CAO Report

Councillor Tony Bruder 25/098

Moved that Council receive for information, the CAO Report for the period February 8, 2025 to February 20, 2025.

Carried

b) 2026 Joint Grant

Councillor Tony Bruder 25/099

Moved that the agreement between the Town and Pincher Creek and Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9 for Joint Council Grant be approved as presented;

AND THAT the administrative procedures and application form for the 2026 Joint Grant Committee be approved as presented.

Carried

c) 2025 Reuse & Recycle Fair

Councillor John MacGarva 25/100

Moved that Council authorize a 50/50 split, up to a maximum of \$10,000, to be taken from the tax rate stabilization fund, to jointly host the 2025 Reuse & Recycle Fair with the Town of Pincher Creek on June 7, 2025.

Carried

H. CORRESPONDENCE

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A. For Action

- 1) Council Survey for RMA and ABmunis Running for Municipal Office Campaign

Councillor Tony Bruder 25/101

Moved that the Survey for RMA and ABmunis Running for Municipal Office Campaign be received as information.

Carried

- 2) Letter of Support Request - Pincher Creek Curling Association

Councillor Tony Bruder 25/102

Moved that Council authorize a letter of support for the Pincher Creek Curling Association.

Carried

- 3) Indigenous Tourism Alberta (ITA) Mini Gathering

Councillor Jim Welsch 25/103

Moved that the Indigenous Tourism Alberta (ITA) Mini Gathering be received as information.

Carried

- 4) 2025 Minister's Awards for Municipal and Public Library Excellence (MAMPLE)

Councillor Tony Bruder 25/104

Moved that Council direct administration to post the 2025 Minister's Awards for Municipal and Public Library Excellence (MAMPLE) on the MD's Social Media.

Carried

- 5) Group Group Youth – Community Safety Net Brochure

Councillor Jim Welsch 25/105

Moved that the MD support Group Group Youth – Community Safety Net Brochure in the amount of \$84.00.

Carried

- 6) Living Lakes Workshop – March 5, 2025

Councillor John MacGarva 25/106

Moved that any interested member of Council be authorized to attend the Living Lakes Workshop on March 5, 2025, at the Heritage Inn.

Carried

B. For Information

Councillor Tony Bruder 25/107

Moved that the following be received as information:

- 1) Joint Use Planning Agreements (JUPAs) Letter and Ministerial Order
 - Letter from Alberta Municipal Affairs

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2) Phil Burpee Letter to Premier Smith

Carried

I. NEW BUSINESS

J. CLOSED SESSION

Councillor Jim Welsch 25/108

Moved that Council move into closed session to discuss the following, the time being 4:48 pm.

- a) Request to Waive Penalty – Roll # 4423.150 – FOIP Sec. 17.1
- b) 150AWD or Equivalent Motor Grader Purchase FOIP Sec 24.1

Councillor John MacGarva 25/109

Moved that Council move out of closed session, the time being 5:00 pm.

Carried

- a) Request to Waive Penalty – Roll # 4423.150

Councillor Jim Welsch 25/110

Moved that the request to waive tax penalties of \$106.92 applied on tax roll 4423.150, be denied.

AND THAT the resident be authorized to register for TIPP.

Carried

- b) 150AWD or Equivalent Motor Grader Purchase

Councillor 25/111

Moved that administration proceed with purchasing the motor grader, as discussed in closed session.

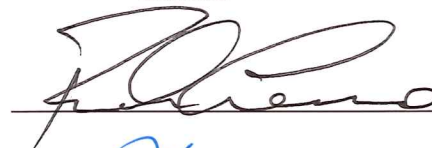
Carried

K. ADJOURNMENT

Councillor John MacGarva 25/112

Moved that Council adjourn the meeting, the time being 5:01 pm.

Carried



REEVE



CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER