

**MINUTES**  
**MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF PINCHER CREEK NO. 9**  
**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**  
**MARCH 11, 2025**

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The Regular Meeting of Council of the Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9 was held on Tuesday, March 11, 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 Tony Bruder 25/113

Moved that the agenda for March 11, 2025, be approved as presented.

Carried

**B. DELIGATION**

**C. MINUTES**

1) Council Committee Meeting Minutes – February 28, 2025

Councillor John MacGarva 25/114

Moved that the minutes of the Council Committee Meeting of February 28, 2025 be amended to change “Grassy Lake” to “Grassy Mountain”,

AND THAT the minutes be approved as amended.

Carried

2) Council Meeting Minutes - February 28, 2025

Councillor Dave Cox 25/115

Moved that the minutes of the Council Meeting of February 28, 2025 be approved as presented.

Carried

**D. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**E. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

a) STARS

Councillor Tony Bruder 25/116

Moved that following the 2025 Election, Council revisit the discussion on an increase to STARS annual donation.

Carried

b) Northback

Councillor John MacGarva 25/117

Moved that the presentation from Northback 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
  - Agricultural Service Board
2. Reeve Rick Lemire – Division 2
  - Mayors and Reeves
  - Pincher Creek Emergency Services Commission
  - AlbertaSouthwest
3. Councillor Dave Cox– Division 3
  - Pincher Creek and District Municipal Library
  - Pincher Creek Emergency Services Commission
  - Chinook Arch Regional Library System
  - Living Lakes
4. Councillor Jim Welsch - Division 4
  - Irrigation Meeting
  - Agricultural Service Board
5. Councillor John MacGarva – Division 5
  - Lundbreck Citizens Council
  - Living Lakes

Councillor Dave Cox 25/118

Moved to accept the Committee Reports as information.

Carried

G. ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

1. Operations
  - a) Public Works Operations Report

Councillor Jim Welsch 25/119

Moved that Council receive the Public Works Operations Report, including Schedule A – Shop/Fleet Report, for the period February 16, 2025, to March 1, 2025, as information.

Carried

- b) Utilities & Infrastructure Report

Councillor Jim Welsch 25/120

Moved that the Utilities & Infrastructure report for February 20, 2025, through March 5, 2025, be received as information.

Carried

- c) Capital - Watercourse Crossing Inspection and Remediation; Proposed Rehabilitation Projects Changes

Councillor Dave Cox 25/121

Moved that Council direct Administration to proceed with the 2025 preliminary capital work required to remediate and upgrade the crossing of Connelly Creek under Connelly Road for fish passage for \$25,000 with said funds coming from the Watercourse Crossing Remediation Grant.

Carried

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2. Finance

a) Revised C-FIN-538 Procurement Policy

Councillor Tony Bruder 25/122

Moved that Council approve the revised C-FIN-538 Procurement Policy.

Carried

3. Development and Community Services

a) The Range 5 – Cycling Event

Councillor Jim Welsch 25/123

Moved that Council receive the Range 5 – Cycling Event, as information,

AND THAT the MD advertise and post the event on social media.

Carried

b) Notice of Subdivision Application - 2025-0-006 Cardston County - Lot 1, Block 1, Plan 1811670 and NE

Councillor Tony Bruder 25/124

Moved that Council receive the Notice of Application for Subdivision 2025-0-006 as information.

Carried

4. Municipal

a) CAO Report

Councillor Dave Cox 25/125

Moved that Council receive for information, the CAO Report for the period February 21, 2025 to March 7, 2025.

Carried

b) Pincher Creek and District Trade Show

Councillor Tony Bruder 25/126

Moved that the MD of Pincher Creek take part in the Pincher Creek and District Chamber of Commerce Trade Show on April 25 and 26, 2025.

Carried

c) 2025 Municipal Election

Councillor Dave Cox 25/127

Moved Maureen Webster to be appointed as Returning Officer and Laura McKinnon as Substitute Returning Officer for the 2025 Municipal Election.

Carried

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H. CORRESPONDENCE

A. For Action

1) MD Position Request – Coal Mining

Councillor John MacGarva 25/128

Moved that a letter be directed to the Livingstone Landowners Group, stating that at this time MD of Pincher Creek Council is monitoring the Northback Coal Mine development process,

AND THAT MD Council remains committed to the safety and security of water.

Reeve Rick Lemire requested a recorded vote:

For:	Against:
Councillor John MacGarva	Reeve Rick Lemire
Councillor Dave Cox	Councillor Tony Bruder
	Councillor Jim Welsch

Motion Lost

Councillor Tony Bruder 25/129

Moved that a letter be directed to the Livingstone Landowners Group, stating that the MD of Pincher Creek Council reiterates their commitment to our water source's quality, quantity and safety.

Councillor Tony Bruder requested a recorded vote:

For:	Against:
Councillor Tony Bruder	Councillor Jim Welsch
Councillor Dave Cox	Reeve Rick Lemire
Councillor John MacGarva	

Motion Carried

2) Pincher Creek and District Chamber - AGM March 12, 2025

Councillor Dave Cox 25/130

Moved that any interested Councillor be authorized to attend the Pincher Creek and District Chamber AGM on March 12, 2025.

Carried

B. For Information

Councillor John MacGarva 25/131

Moved that the following be received as information:

- a) Pincher Creek Community Hall
  - Thank you for funding
- b) Launch of Lethbridge Region Economic Resilience Task Force
  - Information from Economic Development Lethbridge
- c) Diabetes Canada Donation Bin
- d) Community Greenhouse Gas Emissions Inventories
  - Report from QUEST
- e) Staying Safe in Wildfire Season

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- AltaLink
- f) Local Government Fiscal Framework
  - Letter from Alberta Municipal Affairs

Carried

I. NEW BUSINESS

J. CLOSED SESSION

Councillor John MacGarva 25/132

Moved that Council move into closed session to discuss the following, the time being 5:33 pm.

- a) Land Purchase Request – Block A, Plan 0814160 – FOIP Sec. 24.1

Councillor Jim Welsch 25/133

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

Carried

- a) Land Purchase Request – Block A, Plan 0814160

Councillor John MacGarva 25/134

Moved that, at this time, Council has no interest in selling the lands at Block A, Plan 0814160, but will continue a lease agreement with the current lease holder.


Carried

K. ADJOURNMENT

Councillor Dave Cox 25/135

Moved that Council adjourn the meeting, the time being 5:34 pm.

Carried

  
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 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER