

MINUTES
MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF PINCHER CREEK NO. 9
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MAY 12, 2026

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The Regular Meeting of Council of the Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9 was held on Tuesday, May 12, 2026, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal District Administration Building, Pincher Creek, Alberta.

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

STAFF CAO Roland Milligan, Public Works Manager Alan McRae, Utilities & Infrastructure Manager David Desabrais, Development Officer Laura McKinnon, Interim Director of Corporate Services Brendan Schlossberger, Community Peace Officer Robyn Potter, and Executive Assistant Jessica McClelland.

ABSENT Deputy Reeve Tony Bruder

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

A. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Councillor Dave Cox 26/205

Moved that the agenda for May 12, 2026, be amended to include:

Correspondence:

Action:

e) Declaration of Family Doctor Day

AND THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

Carried

B. DELEGATION

C. MINUTES

1) Council Committee Meeting Minutes – April 28, 2026

Councillor John MacGarva 26/206

Moved that the minutes of the Council Committee Meeting of April 28, 2026, be approved as presented.

Carried

2) Council Meeting Minutes – April 28, 2026

Councillor Jim Welsch 26/207

Moved that the minutes of the Council Meeting of April 28, 2026, be approved as presented.

Carried

D. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

E. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Delegations from April 28, 2026:

a) Waterton Lakes National Park

Councillor Dave Cox 26/208

Moved that the presentation from the April 28, 2026, Council Committee meeting from Waterton Lakes National Park be accepted as information.

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b) Pincher Creek Curling Club

Councillor Jim Welsch 26/209

Moved that the presentation from the April 28, 2026, Council Committee meeting from the Pincher Creek Curling Club be accepted as information.

Carried

c) Marco Bergeron, Formal Objection Proposed Water Rate Increase

Councillor Jim Welsch 26/210

Moved that the presentation from the April 28, 2026, Council Committee meeting from resident Marco Bergeron be received as information.

Carried

F. COMMITTEE REPORTS / DIVISIONAL CONCERNS

1. Councillor Tony Bruder – Division 1
 - (unavailable)
2. Reeve Rick Lemire – Division 2
 - Alberta SouthWest Meeting
 - Hometown Award Meeting
 - Pincher Creek Emergency Services Meeting
3. Councillor Dave Cox– Division 3
 - Joint Council Grant Sub Committee Meeting
 - Beaver Mines Community Association Meeting
 - Question on playground equipment repairs
 - Possible use of the MD website for Community Association information
 - Pincher Creek Foundation
4. Councillor Jim Welsch - Division 4
 - Pincher Creek Foundation Meeting
 - Agricultural Service Board Meeting
5. Councillor John MacGarva – Division 5
 - Patton Park Meeting

Councillor John MacGarva 26/211

Moved to accept the Committee Reports as information.

Carried

Council requests that an invitation be extended to MP John Barlow to a future Council meeting.

Councillor Dave Cox 26/212

Moved that Council donate \$250.00 towards the Beaver Mines Community Association Spring Clean-Up to provide lunch for the participants,

AND THAT the amount to be taken from Grants to Groups and Organizations.

Carried

G. ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

1. Operations

a) Public Works Operations Report

Councillor Jim Welsch 26/213

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Moved that Council receive the Public Works Operations Report, including Schedule A – Shop/Fleet Report, for the period April 20, 2026, to May 3, 2026, as information.

Carried

b) Utilities & Infrastructure Report

Councillor Dave Cox 26/214

Moved that Council receive the Utilities & Infrastructure report for April 23, 2026, to May 5, 2026, as information.

Carried

c) Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) - Upcoming Curbside and Depot Changes - Public Release

Councillor Jim Welsch 26/215

Moved that Council approve information releases for the upcoming October 1, 2026, recycling changes for the Hamlets of Lundbreck and Beaver Mines, and the Eco Center Depot.

Carried

2. Finance

3. Development and Community Services

a) 4th Quarter RCMP Reporting

Councillor Dave Cox 26/216

Moved that the 4th Quarter RCMP Reporting from both the Crowsnest Pass Detachment and Pincher Creek Detachment, be received as information.

Carried

b) Bylaw 1365-25 (Traffic Bylaw)

Councillor Dave Cox 26/217

Moved that Council give Bylaw 1365-25, being the Traffic Bylaw, second reading.

Carried

Councillor John MacGarva 26/218

Moved that Council give Bylaw 1365-25, being the Traffic Bylaw, third reading.

Carried

c) Lease Transfer – Burmis Lake

Councillor John MacGarva 26/219

Moved that the Recreational Lease No. REC 2348 be transferred from the MD of Pincher Creek to the Alberta Conservation Association, for the Burmis Lake Site,

AND THAT the MD will cover the transfer fee of \$3150 with the amount to be taken from the Operating Budget.

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4. Municipal

a) CAO Report

Councillor Jim Welsch 26/220

Moved that Council receive the CAO Report for the period April 27, 2026, to May 8, 2026, as information.

Carried

b) Cancellation of Summer Meetings

Councillor Dave Cox 26/221

Moved that the regularly scheduled Council Committee Meetings and Council Meetings of July 28 and August 11, 2026, be cancelled;

AND THAT the Subdivision Authority and Municipal Planning Commission meetings scheduled for August 4, 2026, be cancelled;

AND FURTHER THAT if there is an emergent need to have a meeting during this time that an appropriate date and time be set.

Carried

H. CORRESPONDENCE

A. For Action

a) Pincher Creek Minor Hockey Association

Councillor Jim Welsch 26/222

Moved that Council authorize a donation of a raffle basket up to \$75.00, for the Pincher Creek Minor Hockey Association Golf Tournament,

AND THAT the amount be taken from the Operating Budget.

Carried

b) Alberta Municipalities

Councillor John MacGarva 26/223

Moved to accept the Alberta Day 2026 grant opportunity, as information.

Carried

c) Family and Community Support Services

Councillor John MacGarva 26/224

Moved that Councillor Jim Welsch, with Councillor Dave Cox as alternate, be authorized to attend the upcoming Seniors' Needs Discussion, once it is organized through FCSS.

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d) Castle Mountain Resort

Councillor Dave Cox 26/225

Moved that Council sponsor the 2026 Huckleberry Fest Sponsorship at the Bronze Level for \$250.00,

AND THAT the amount to be taken from Grants to Groups and Organizations.

Carried

e) Family Doctor Day – Declaration

Councillor Dave Cox 26/226

Moved that Council declare the following:

- That our fellow citizens trust and rely on their family doctors to provide health care that is both timely and of the highest quality,
- And that we recognize and appreciate that 70% of health care in Alberta is delivered in communities by family doctors and primary health care providers,
- And that the foundation of an effective health care system for Alberta starts with strong primary health care,
- And that Family Doctor Day provides an opportunity to celebrate and acknowledge the central role family doctors have in the delivery of personal, comprehensive, and continuing health care for people throughout their lives,
- And that Family Doctor Day also presents the opportunity for governments, health care organizations, other professionals, and patients to recognize the vital role family doctors have,
- And therefore, it is our honour to name May 19, 2026, in the Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9 Family Doctor Day.

Carried

B. For Information

Councillor Jim Welsch 26/227

Moved that Council receive the following as information:

- a) Chinook Regional Hospital Foundation
 - Thanking MD for the Donation
- b) Fishburn Cemetery
 - Reporting for Lethbridge Foundation Grant
- c) Alberta Energy Regulator
 - Weed & Pest Compliance on AER Regulated Well & Facility Sites
- d) Employment and Social Development Canada
 - 2026 Canada's Volunteer Awards Call for Nominations Now Open

Carried

I. NEW BUSINESS

J. CLOSED SESSION

Councillor Jim Welsch 26/228

Moved that the Council move into closed session to discuss the following, the time being 4:30 pm.

- a) Meeting Request – ATIA 29.1
- b) Request to Purchase Municipally Owned Parcel - Lots 1 & 2, Block 8, Plan 1993N within Pincher Station – ATIA – 29.1
- c) Road Closure/Realignment and Purchase Request – ATIA 29.1

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Councillor John MacGarva 26/229

Moved that Council move out of closed session, the time being 4:43 pm.

Carried

a) Meeting Request

Councillor Jim Welsch 26/230

Moved that any interested Councillor be authorized to attend a meeting and tour at the Pincher Creek Airport on June 29, 2026, at 10:00 am.

Carried

b) Request to Purchase Municipally Owned Parcel - Lots 1 & 2, Block 8, Plan 1993N within Pincher Station

Councillor Jim Welsch 26/231

Moved that Council agree to sell Lots 1 & 2, Block 8, Plan 1993N within Pincher Station, at the fair market value, as per MD Policy 122 - Sale of Municipally Owned Parcels.

Carried

c) Road Closure/Realignment and Purchase Request

Councillor Dave Cox 26/232

Moved that Council approve the applicant's request to close and purchase portions of undeveloped Statutory Road Allowance NW 7-4-28 W4M and NE 12-4-29 W4M with the applicant being responsible for all costs associated with the closure, purchase and consolidation with the parcels,

AND THAT Council consider road realignment along Road Plan 4245HZ adjacent to NW 7-4-28 W4M.

Carried

K. ADJOURNMENT

Councillor John MacGarva 26/233

Moved that Council adjourn the meeting, the time being 4:46 pm.

Carried


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 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER