

MINUTES
MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF PINCHER CREEK NO. 9
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 8, 2026

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The Regular Meeting of Council of the Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9 was held on Tuesday, September 8, 2026, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal District Administration Building, Pincher Creek, Alberta.

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

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

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

A. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Councillor Dave Cox

26/349

Moved that the agenda for September 8, 2026, be amended to include:

Operations:

c) Castle Mountain Resort - Cardboard Recycling

Action:

b) ALUS – Letter of Support

c) Foothills Little Bow Meeting

d) Cowley Dino Days – Parade Invitation

AND THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

Carried

B. PUBLIC HEARING 1373-26 (Lundbreck Hamlet Growth Study)

Reeve Rick Lemire opened the Public Hearing at 3:00 pm and reviewed the general rules of conduct for Public Hearings.

Advertising Requirements

Reeve Rick Lemire stated that the Public Hearing has been advertised in accordance with Section 606 of the Municipal Government Act. This Public Hearing was advertised in Shootin the Breeze on August 28, 2026, and September 2, 2026 as well as the MD website and MD Social Media pages.

Purpose of the Hearing

Reeve Rick Lemire provided an overview of the proposed changes. Bylaw 1373-26, an amendment to Bylaw 1330-21, the Municipal Development Plan, is intended to update the Hamlet Policies following the completion of the Lundbreck Hamlet Growth Study.

Senior Planner Gavin Scott of ORRSC provided an overview of the history and rationale for the proposed changes to Bylaw 1373-26.

Reeve Rick Lemire asked if anyone in the audience wished to speak; there were none.

Reeve Rick Lemire asked if there were any written responses; there were none.

Reeve Rick Lemire closed the public hearing at 3:06 pm.

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Councillor Tony Bruder

26/350

Moved that Council give Bylaw 1373-26, being an amendment to Bylaw No. 1330- 21, the Municipal Development Plan, which is intended to update the Hamlet Policies following the completion of the Lundbreck Hamlet Growth Study, second reading.

Carried

Councillor Dave Cox

26/351

Moved that Council give Bylaw 1373-26 third reading.

Carried

PUBLIC HEARING 1374-26 (Direct Control Rezoning - Natural Resource Extraction)

Reeve Rick Lemire opened the Public Hearing at 3:05 pm and reviewed the general rules of conduct for Public Hearings.

Advertising Requirements

Reeve Rick Lemire stated that the Public Hearing has been advertised in accordance with Section 606 of the Municipal Government Act. This Public Hearing was advertised in Shootin the Breeze on August 28, 2026, and September 2, 2026, as well as the MD website and MD Social Media pages.

Purpose of the Hearing

Reeve Rick Lemire provided an overview of the proposed changes. Bylaw No. 1374-26 is an amendment to Bylaw 1349-23 to change the land use designations of lands legally described as NE 7-9-1-W5 from "Agricultural - A" to "Direct Control - DC"; and the purpose of the proposed amendment is to allow for gravel pit development.

Senior Planner Gavin Scott from ORRSC explained the history and reasoning behind the proposed amendments to Bylaw 1374-26, noting that a public meeting will be necessary. This meeting will be scheduled at a later date.

Reeve Rick Lemire asked if anyone in the audience wished to speak; there were none. Reeve Rick Lemire asked if there were any written responses; one submission was included in the Public Hearing package, no additional responses were received.

Reeve Rick Lemire closed the public hearing at 3:13 pm.

C. MINUTES

1) Council Committee Meeting Minutes – August 25, 2026

Councillor Jim Welsch

26/352

Moved that the minutes of the Council Committee Meeting of August 25, 2026, be approved as presented.

Carried

2) Council Meeting Minutes – August 25, 2026

Councillor John MacGarva

26/353

Moved that the minutes of the Council Meeting of August 25, 2026, be approved as presented.

Carried

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D. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

E. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

1. Delegations from August 25, 2026:

a) Northback – Socioeconomic Impact Report

Councillor Tony Bruder 26/354

Moved to receive the Northback Socioeconomic Impact Report from their delegation on August 25, 2026, as information.

Carried

b) Livingstone School New Build - Request for Letter of Support

Councillor John MacGarva 26/355

Moved that Council authorize the Livingstone School New Build request for a letter of support.

Carried

2. Curling Club Monthly Update – August

Councillor Jim Welsh 26/356

Moved that the August monthly update from the Pincher Creek Curling Club be received as information.

Carried

F. COMMITTEE REPORTS / DIVISIONAL CONCERNS

Councillor Tony Bruder 26/357

Moved that any interested Councillor be authorized to attend the upcoming Police Advisory Committee presentation on the Youth Restorative Justice Committee on September 16, 2026.

Carried

1. Councillor Tony Bruder – Division 1

- Crowsnest Pincher Creek Landfill Association
- Planning Session
- Agricultural Service Board
- Joint Grant
- Carnivore Working Group

2. Reeve Rick Lemire – Division 2

- Pincher Creek Emergency Services Commission
- Mayors and Reeves

3. Councillor Dave Cox – Division 3

- (only ones all Council was involved in)

4. Councillor Jim Welsch - Division 4

- Agricultural Service Board
- Seniors Group
- ORRSC Executive Board
- Pincher Creek Emergency Services Commission

5. Councillor John MacGarva – Division 5

- Pincher Creek Housing
- Joint Grant

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Councillor John MacGarva 26/358

Moved to accept the Committee Reports as information.

Carried

G. ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

1. Operations

a) Public Works Operations Report

Councillor Tony Bruder 26/359

Moved that Council receive the Public Works Operations Report, including Schedule A – Shop/Fleet Report, for the period August 17, 2026, to August 30, 2026, as information.

Carried

b) Utilities & Infrastructure Report

Councillor Dave Cox 26/360

Moved that Council receive the Utilities & Infrastructure report for August 19, 2026, to August 28, 2026, as information.

Carried

c) Castle Mountain Resort – Cardboard

Councillor Dave Cox 26/361

Moved that Administration draft a letter to Castle Mountain Resort Inc. (CMR), which is currently receiving a fully subsidized cardboard (recycling) service and a residential garbage service bin, advising that the MD has reviewed the costs of providing these services to CMR,

AND THAT Council resolved to continue providing them at no additional cost for the time being, although this may be amended in the future.

Carried

2. Finance

3. Development and Community Services

a) Updates to the Code of Practice for Pits - RMA Member Resource

Council discussed the updates to the Code of Practice for Pits. RMA provided a member resource and is meeting with Provincial Stakeholders regarding changes to the approval process for Municipalities.

Councillor Tony Bruder 26/362

Moved that administration be directed to respond to the province with regard to the MD's concerns on the proposed changes to the approval process for gravel pits.

Carried

4. Municipal

a) CAO Report

Councillor Tony Bruder 26/363

Moved that Council receive the CAO Report for the period August 24, 2026, to September 4, 2026, as information.

Carried

b) Appointment of Fire Guardians for the MD of Pincher Creek

Councillor Dave Cox 26/364

Moved that Council appoints the following to serve as Fire Guardians for the Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9 from April 01, 2026, to March 31, 2027:

Mysti Ayers	Jordan Gervais
Nichole Boissoneault	Tammy Jack
Lynn Brasnett	Anne Molnar
Sariah Brasnett	Patrick Neumann
Lan Campbell	Iris Reed
Jason Carney	Lynn Roberts
Richard Claude	William Thorpe, and
Kathryn Feist	Michael Whittington.
Jennifer Fisher-Sundberg	

Carried

H. CORRESPONDENCE

A. For Action

a) Pincher Creek Library - Request for Support for Dark Sky Event

Councillor Tony Bruder 26/365

Moved that Council receive the Pincher Creek Library's Request for financial support for the Dark Sky Event as information,

AND THAT the Pincher Creek Library be recommended to contact the Grant Writer to explore funding options for events.

Carried

b) Alternative Land Use System (ALUS) – Letter of Support

Councillor Jim Welsch 26/366

Moved that Council authorize a letter of support for Alternative Land Use System (ALUS) Canada's Application for the Ecosystem Services Grant Program.

Carried

c) Foothills Little Bow

All of Council will attend the Foothills Little Bow meeting on September 18, 2026. Council requested that administration prepare a door prize for the event.

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d) Cowley Dino Days – Parade Invitation

Councillor Dave Cox

26/367

Moved that any interested Councillor be authorized to attend the Cowley Dino Days Parade on September 12, 2026,

AND THAT administration will purchase candy for the event.

Carried

B. For Information

Councillor Jim Welsh

26/368

Moved that the following be received as information:

- a) Pincher Creek Emergency Services
 - Grand Opening & Celebration
- b) Heritage Acres
 - Thank-you Card for Pancake Breakfast

Carried

I. NEW BUSINESS

J. CLOSED SESSION

Councillor John MacGarva

26/369

Moved that the Council move into closed session to discuss the following, the time being 4:41 pm.

- a) Curling Club Update Discussion – ATIA Sec. 29.1
- b) Community Peace Officer – Shared Service Draft Agreement – ATIA Sec. 29.1

Councillor Jim Welsh

26/370

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

Carried

b) Community Peace Officer – Shared Service Agreement

Councillor Tony Bruder

26/371

Moved that Council approve the Community Peace Officer Shared Service Draft Agreement with the MD of Willow Creek, as presented.

Carried

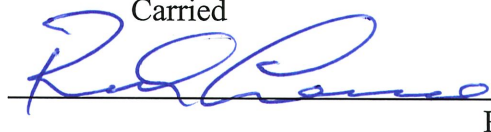
K. ADJOURNMENT

Councillor John MacGarva

26/372

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

Carried


 REEVE


 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER