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MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF PINCHER CREEK NO. 9
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
OCTOBER 13, 2026

The Regular Meeting of Council of the Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9 was held on Tuesday, October 13, 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, and Executive Assistant Jessica McClelland.

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

A. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Councillor Tony Bruder 26/407

Moved that the agenda for October 13, 2026, be amended to include:

Closed:

a) Draft Capital Budget – ATIA Sec. 29.1
b) Update on Pincher Creek Curling Club – Sec. 19.1

AND THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

Carried

B. DELEGATION

C. MINUTES

1) Council Committee Meeting Minutes – September 22, 2026

Councillor John MacGarva 26/408

Moved that the minutes of the Council Committee Meeting of September 22, 2026, be approved as presented.

Carried

2) Council Meeting Minutes – September 22, 2026

Councillor Dave Cox 26/409

Moved that the minutes of the Council Meeting of September 22, 2026, be approved as presented.

Carried

3) Coffee with Council – Division 5 – September 17, 2026

Councillor John MacGarva 26/410

Moved that the minutes of the Coffee with Council in Division 5 on September 17, 2026, be amended to show that Councillor Jim Welsch was not in attendance,

AND THAT the notes be approved as amended.

Carried

D. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

E. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

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1. Tabled from September 22, 2026:

a) Pincher Creek & District Chamber of Commerce – Awards of Excellence

The following Councillors/staff will be in attendance at the Awards of Excellence:

- Reeve Rick Lemire, and spouse
- Councillor John MacGarva, and spouse
- CAO Roland Milligan, and spouse

AND THAT the remaining tickets be offered, by draw, to MD staff.

2. Follow-up from September 9, 2026 Council Meeting

a) Kootenai Brown Historical Park

Councillor Tony Bruder 26/411

Moved that the additional information from Kootenai Brown Historical Park be received as information.

Carried

F. COMMITTEE REPORTS / DIVISIONAL CONCERNS

Councillor Tony Bruder 26/412

Moved that the MD of Pincher Creek not attend future meetings with the Blackfoot MOU until the Piikani Nation is involved.

Carried

1. Councillor Tony Bruder – Division 1
   - Crowsnest Pincher Creek Landfill Association
   - Pincher Creek Municipal Library Association
   - Tourism Operators Night – South Canadian Rockies
     - Development Officer will attend
2. Reeve Rick Lemire – Division 2
   - Pincher Creek Emergency Services Commission
   - Alberta SouthWest
   - Mayors and Reeves
3. Councillor Dave Cox– Division 3
   - Pincher Creek Foundation
   - Castle Mountain Community Association
   - Beaver Mines Community Association
4. Councillor Jim Welsch - Division 4
   - Pincher Creek Foundation
   - Pincher Creek Emergency Services Commission
   - Family and Community Support Services
5. Councillor John MacGarva – Division 5
   - (Town) Community Housing and Economic Development

Councillor Jim Welsch 26/413

Moved to accept the Committee Reports as information.

Carried

G. ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

1. Operations

a) Public Works Operations Report

Councillor John MacGarva 26/414

Moved that Council receive the Public Works Operations Report, including Schedule A – Shop/Fleet Report, for the period September 14, 2026, to October 4, 2026, as information.

Carried

b) Public Works, Infrastructure and Utilities Road Tour with Council

Councillor Tony Bruder 26/415

Moved that the Public Works Manager arrange with Administration a date for a Public Works, Infrastructure and Utilities Road Tour with Council.

Carried

c) Utilities & Infrastructure Report

Councillor Tony Bruder 26/416

Moved that Council receive the Utilities & Infrastructure report for September 17, 2026, to October 7, 2026, as information.

Carried

2. Finance

3. Development and Community Services

a) Bylaw No. 1374-26 - Land Use Bylaw Amendment (Sapeta Pit)

Councillor Dave Cox 26/417

Moved that Council give second reading to Bylaw 1374-26, being the Bylaw to amend Land Use Bylaw 1349-23, with the purpose of changing the land use designations of lands legally described as: The NE 7-9-1-W5, from "Agricultural - A" to "Direct Control - DC" to allow for gravel pit development.

Jim Welsch 26/418

Moved that Council give Bylaw 1374-26 third and final reading.

Carried

b) Rescheduling of November Municipal Planning Commission Meeting

Councillor 26/419

Moved that the regularly scheduled Municipal Planning Commission meeting of November 3, 2026, be rescheduled to November 10, 2026 at 5:00 pm.

Carried

c) Enforcement Services – Third Quarter (Q3) Report

Councillor John MacGarva 26/420

Moved that the Enforcement Services Third Quarter Report be received as information.

Carried

4. Municipal

a) CAO Report

Councillor Dave Cox 26/421

Moved that Council receive the CAO Report for the period September 21, 2026, to October 9, 2026, as information.

Carried

b) Special Council Meetings (Joint Meetings with Town of Pincher Creek)

Councillor Jim Welsch 26/422

Moved that Council approve the change in date to the next Special Meeting with the Town of Pincher Creek to Wednesday, November 18, 2026;

AND THAT Council approves the suggested schedule for 2027 Special Meetings with the Town of Pincher Creek):

- February 17 (Special Joint Council)
- June 16 (Special Joint Council)
- September 1 (Joint Grant Meeting)
- September 8 (Special Council - Joint Budget)
- November 17 (Special Joint Council)

Carried

c) 2028 Coffee with Council dates

Councillor John MacGarva 26/423

Moved that the 2027 Coffee with Council dates be scheduled as follows:

- Division 1 (Twin Butte Hall) - February 16, 2027
- Division 3 (Coalfield School) - April 20, 2027
- Division 4 (Summerview Hall at Heritage Acres) - June 15, 2027
- Division 5 (Lundbreck Hall) - October 19, 2027
- Division 2 (MD Office) - November 16, 2027

Carried

d) Pincher Creek Regional Emergency Management Organization 2027 Operating Budget

Councillor Dave Cox 26/424

Moved that Council approve the 2027 Pincher Creek Regional Emergency Management Organization Operating Budget.

Carried

e) Bylaw No. 1378-26 The Regional Airport Committee Advisory Bylaw

Councillor Tony Bruder 26/425

Moved that Council give first reading to Bylaw No. 1378-26, being the Regional Airport Advisory Committee Bylaw.

Carried

H. CORRESPONDENCE

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A. For Action

a) Castle Mountain Resort - Request for Sponsorship for New Year's Eve Fireworks

Councillor Dave Cox 26/426

Moved that Council authorize a donation of $2,500 towards Castle Mountain Resort's 2026 New Year's fireworks celebration,

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

Carried

b) Hudson Bay Route Association - Invitation to Attend AGM

Councillor Tony Bruder 26/427

Moved that the invitation to attend the Hudson Bay Route Association AGM be received as information.

Carried

B. For Information

Councillor Tony Bruder 26/428

Moved that the following be received as information:

a) Waterton Biosphere Region Meeting
- Community Information Meeting (Grizzly Bear)

b) Patton Park Committee
- Thank you to MD

Carried

I. NEW BUSINESS

J. CLOSED SESSION

Councillor Dave Cox 26/429

Moved that Council move into closed session to discuss the following, the time being 4:26 pm.

a) Don Hughes Aircraft Services - Writ Expiry – ATIA Sec. 29.1
b) Follow-Up Information – Town Healthcare Committee – ATIA Sec. 29.1
c) Town of Pincher Creek Resident's Dust Concern – ATIA Sec. 29.1
d) Draft Capital Budget – ATIA Sec. 29.1
e) Update on Pincher Creek Curling Club – Sec. 19.1

Councillor John MacGarva 26/430

Moved that Council move out of closed session, the time being 5:17 pm.

Carried

a) Don Hughes Aircraft Services - Writ Expiry

Councillor John MacGarva 26/431

Moved that Council direct Administration to pay the outstanding $13,688 and close the file with Brownlee LLP,

AND THAT this amount be taken from the Administrative Legal Budget.

Carried

b) Follow-Up Information – Town Healthcare Committee

Councillor John MacGarva 26/432

Moved that administration reach out to the MD Healthcare Committee representative to discuss the MD's policy, C-CO-001 Council and Members at Large Remuneration.

Carried

c) Town of Pincher Creek Resident's Dust Concern

Councillor Dave Cox 26/433

Moved that administration send a letter to the resident of the Town of Pincher Creek regarding concerns about dust generated by traffic on Township Road 62A (Christie Mines Road), stating that the 2026 dust control program has been completed, including the 500 metres of Township Road 62A, which is shared 50/50 with the Town.

AND THAT no further dust control will be applied for the remainder of this year.

Carried

K. ADJOURNMENT

Councillor Tony Bruder 26/434

Moved that Council adjourn the meeting, the time being 5:19 pm.

Carried

REEVE

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER