

Rural Municipality of Lumsden No.189
Meeting Minutes
Regular Council Meeting October 3, 2024 - 1:00 PM

Call to Order

The Council of the Rural Municipality of Lumsden No. 189 convened their Regular Meeting at the Dew Drop In (in Lumsden) and via electronic means (Zoom), on Thursday, October 3, 2024, at 1:00 pm.

Present:

Reeve: Kent Farago

Councillors:

Division 2: Glenda Schlosser (attended from 1:01 pm to 5:33 pm)

Division 3: Cody Garbutt

Division 4: Marlise Nordstrom (absent from 3:11 pm - 4:03 pm)

Division 5: John Langford

Division 6: Cody Jordison

Chief Administrative Officer: Monica M. Merkosky

Assistant Chief Administrative Officer: Krystal Strong (attended from 1:00 pm to 4:39 pm)

Director of Finance: Ryan Haresign (attended from 1:00 pm to 1:49 pm)

Director of Planning and Development: Aimee Bryck (attended from 1:00 pm to 4:33 pm)

Invited Guest:

Ryan Herbert - Western Infrastructure Renewal Inc.

Absent:

Public Works Manager: (vacant)

Division 1: Steve Eckel

Observer:

Student - Corbin Jenkins

Resolution No.
2024-457

Additions to Agenda

Moved by: Councillor Division No. 4 Nordstrom

"That we agree to add the following items to the agenda under Public Works Reports and Closed Session - Employee-Related Matters:

- 5.2 - Trestle Bridge Repairs (Ryan Herbert of Western Infrastructure was invited to attend)

- 21.1 - Full Time, Permanent, Heavy Equipment Operator."

CARRIED

Resolution No.
2024-458

Approval of Agenda

Moved by: Councillor Division No. 5 Langford

"That we approve the agenda as amended."

CARRIED

Declaration of Conflict of Interest

Councillor John Langford declared a conflict of interest with respect to item 7.2 on today's agenda, being an invoice submitted for mileage reimbursement related to his appointment as the municipality's Weed Inspector.

Councillor Cody Jordison declared a conflict of interest with respect to item 14.2 on today's agenda, being a submission he made in response to the municipality's

'Public Call To Landowners' for those who are willing to allow the RM to explore for gravel on their land.

Councillor Glenda Schlosser arrived at the meeting at 1:01 pm.

Public Works Reports

Invited Guest - Ryan Herbert, Western Infrastructure Renewal Inc.

Ryan Herbert from Western Infrastructure Renewal Inc., appeared before Council from 1:01 pm - 1:25 pm to discuss guard rail repairs required at the Grid No. 641 Bridge - #221-19-30 (due to a collision) and costs associated with additional repairs needed at the Trestle Bridge Road Bridge - #222-19-26E.

Resolution No. Trestle Bridge Repairs

2024-459

Moved by: Councillor Division No. 3 Garbutt

"That we agree to contract Western Infrastructure Renewal Inc. to repair Trestle Bridge Road Bridge #222-19-26E this winter during frozen conditions, at a cost of \$80,280 plus PST."

CARRIED

Resolution No. Repair Grid No. 641 Bridge

2024-460

Moved by: Councillor Division No. 2 Schlosser

"That we agree to contract Western Infrastructure Renewal Inc. to repair the damaged guard rail on the Grid No. 641 Bridge #221-19-30, at a cost of \$29,555 plus PST."

CARRIED

Resolution No. Accept Public Works Report

2024-461

Moved by: Councillor Division No. 3 Garbutt

"That we approve the Public Works Report, as prepared by Public Works Foreman, Scott Haynes."

CARRIED

Financial Reports

Resolution No. Financial Statement - August 31, 2024

2024-462

Moved by: Councillor Division No. 5 Langford

"That the Financial Statement for the period ending August 31, 2024, be accepted as presented."

CARRIED

Resolution No. Amend Financial Reserve Policy

2024-463

Moved by: Councillor Division No. 2 Schlosser

"That we agree to amend the Financial Reserve Policy, by eliminating the annual contribution to the Lumsden Sports Association, as per Resolution 2024-442."

CARRIED

Accounts for Approval

Resolution No. October 3, 2024 - List of Accounts

2024-464

Moved by: Councillor Division No. 5 Langford

"That the list of accounts attached as Schedule "A" is approved for payment."

CARRIED

Conflict Declared - Councillor Langford

Councillor John Langford declared a conflict of interest with respect to an invoice he submitted regarding mileage reimbursement associated with his roll as the municipality's appointed Weed Inspector. Councillor Langford abstained from discussion and voting on the matter and left the council chambers at 1:41 pm.

Resolution No. J. Langford Mileage for Weed Control

2024-465

Moved by: Councillor Division No. 4 Nordstrom

"That the invoice from John Langford regarding mileage for weed control attached hereto as Schedule "B" is approved for payment."

CARRIED

Conflict - Returned to Meeting



At the conclusion of discussion and voting on the matter, Councillor John Langford returned to the council chambers at 1:43 pm.

Public Works Reports Continued

Resolution No. Centre Line Painting
2024-466 **Moved by:** Councillor Division No. 4 Nordstrom

"That we agree to contract the Ministry of Highways to paint the centre line on Grid No. 734 from Highway No. 11 to the Town of Lumsden Boundary (approximately 17.6 km) and west of the Town of Lumsden on Grid No. 641 (approximately 1.1 km)."

CARRIED

Director of Finance, Ryan Haresign, left for the remainder of the meeting at 1:49 pm.

Planning and Development Applications and Reports

Resolution No. Amend Municipal Reserve Policy
2024-467 **Moved by:** Councillor Division No. 3 Garbutt

"That we agree to table the amendment of the Municipal Reserve Policy in order for Administration to draft a revision for Council's review."

CARRIED

Resolution No. Development Application 2024-038 - Proposed Multi-Lot Residential Subdivision - NE 31-19-21-W2M
2024-468 **Moved by:** Councillor Division No. 2 Schlosser

"That we agree to table Development Application No. 2024-038 for a residential subdivision on NE 31-19-21-W2."

CARRIED

Adoption of Minutes

Resolution No. September 18, 2024 - Public Works Committee Minutes
2024-469 **Moved by:** Councillor Division No. 5 Langford

"That the minutes of the September 18, 2024 - Public Works Committee Meeting be approved, as circulated."

CARRIED

Resolution No. September 19, 2024 - Regular Council Meeting
2024-470 **Moved by:** Councillor Division No. 4 Nordstrom

"That the minutes of the September 19, 2024 - Regular Council Meeting be approved, as circulated."

CARRIED

Resolution No. Communications
2024-471 **Moved by:** Councillor Division No. 2 Schlosser

"That the following communications and reports have been reviewed and the Chief Administrative Officer is authorized to file the same accordingly:

- a. SARM Plant Health Network - Fall 2024 Newsletter
- b. Lumsden and District Heritage Home - August 26, 2024 Minutes
- c. Village of Craven - Municipal Planning Bylaw Review
- d. Minister Responsible for SaskTel - Thank you, Broadband Support Letter
- e. Miscellaneous."

CARRIED

Delegations

2:32 pm - 2:45 pm Chobanik - Development Holdback

Devin Chobanik appeared before Council, via Zoom, to request that Council amend resolution #2024-407, specific to his road development holdback (Letter of Credit). Mr. Chobanik requested that the Letter of Credit be further reduced from 50% (\$57,750) to 10% (\$11,500), during the maintenance period.

Committee Reports

Resolution No. Trestle Bridge Road
2024-472 **Moved by:** Councillor Division No. 3 Garbutt

"That we agree with the recommendation of the Public Works Committee and add the Trestle Bridge Road (Range Road 2211) south of Highway No. 11 and the



Wascana Trails Road (Township Road 190) be considered for dust control in 2025, as the dust control chemical has shown to considerably reduce the maintenance requirement." **CARRIED**

Resolution No. 2024-473 **Webfam Internal Subdivision Roads**
Moved by: Councillor Division No. 4 Nordstrom

"That we agree with the recommendation of the Public Works Committee and add an upgrade to the Webfam internal subdivision roads (Exit B Commercial Subdivision) to the 10-year Capital Plan." **CARRIED**

Councillor Marlise Nordstrom left the meeting at 3:11 pm.

Resolution No. 2024-474 **Borgmann - Speed Limit Request**
Moved by: Councillor Division No. 6 Jordison

"That we agree with the recommendation of the Public Works Committee and respond to Roy Borgmann's August 21, 2024, request for a speed limit reduction on Township Road 194, adjacent to his home, by denying the request based on recent speed sign data and informing Mr. Borgmann of his option to apply dust control product; further, Council should inform that traffic will continue to be monitored and as traffic is impacted from 'The Country' development, the RM of Lumsden Council will continue to communicate with the Town of Lumsden to discuss roadway improvements, and; That we refer this matter to the Planning & Economic Development Committee for further consideration." **CARRIED**

Appointments

Resolution No. 2024-475 **Youth Member - Jenkins**
Moved by: Councillor Division No. 2 Schlosser

"That, in consultation with the Lumsden High School, we appoint Corbin Jenkins as the 'Youth Member' of the Council of the RM of Lumsden No. 189, pursuant to Section 82(1) of *The Municipalities Act*, for a one-year term." **CARRIED**

New Business

Resolution No. 2024-476 **Town of Lumsden Utility Arrears Transfer - 17, 1, 102007190**
Moved by: Councillor Division No. 3 Garbutt

"That, as per the Town of Lumsden's request for assistance, we agree to apply \$526.67 to the tax roll for land legally described as Lot 17, Block 1, Plan 102007190 Ext.0, pursuant to our Policy titled "Town of Lumsden Utility Arrears Transferred to RM of Lumsden Tax Roll for Collection"." **CARRIED**

Conflict Declared

Councillor Cody Jordison declared a conflict of interest with respect to his submission to the municipality in response to the Public Call to Landowners for those who are willing to allow the RM to explore for gravel on their land. Councillor Jordison abstained from discussion and voting on the matter and left the council chambers at 3:21 pm.

Assistant Chief Administrative Officer, Krystal Strong, was asked to leave the meeting, as she is the spouse of Councillor Jordison. Ms. Strong left the council chambers at 3:21 pm.

Resolution No. 2024-477 **Public Call to Landowners - Gravel Exploration**
Moved by: Councillor Division No. 5 Langford

"That, having received only one submission in response to the RM of Lumsden's 'Public Call to Landowners', (in which the RM is seeking to explore for gravel on private land), we work toward complying with all regulations in order to legally explore for gravel on the SW 5-20-22-W2." **CARRIED**

Conflict - Returned to Chambers

At the conclusion of discussion and voting on the matter, Councillor Cody Jordison and Assistant Chief Administrative Officer, Krystal Strong returned to the council chambers at 3:26 pm



Reports of Administration

Resolution No. Council Update
2024-478 **Moved by:** Councillor Division No. 3 Garbutt

"That the report of the Chief Administrative Officer be accepted as presented."

CARRIED

Appointments

Resolution No. PBI Building Officials Appointments 2024
2024-479 **Moved by:** Councillor Division No. 6 Jordison

"That, in accordance with the service agreement with Professional Building Inspections, Inc., the RM of Lumsden hereby resolves to confirm Certificate of Appointment for the following Licensed Building Officials:

NAME	LICENSE HELD	LICENSE NO.
Douglas Mulhall	Class 3, Licensed Building Official, SK	BOL001
Virginia Shepley	Class 3, Licensed Building Official, SK	BOL517
Bobby Baker	R-Class 3, Licensed Building Official, SK	BOL552/701
Amanda Kaufmann	Class 2, Licensed Building Official, SK	BOL405
Joshua Nitz	R-Class 2, Licensed Building Official, SK	BOL785/804
Walter Schroeder	Class 1, Licensed Building Official, SK	BOL488
David Kindred	Class 1, Licensed Building Official, SK	BOL514
John Dulle	Class 1, Licensed Building Official, SK	BOL789
Joshua Nitz	Class 3 Licensed Building Official, SK	BOL785
Cristin Korchinski	R-Class 2 Licensed Building Official, SK	BOL784/808
Charles Fiss	T-Class 1 Licensed Building Official, SK	BOL815."

CARRIED

Public Works Reports Continued

Resolution No. Township Road 192 - Shoulder Pulling RFQ
2024-480 **Moved by:** Councillor Division No. 5 Langford

"That, following a review of the sole submission received in response to the Request for Quotations (RFQ) for Shoulder Pulling on Township Road 192, we acknowledge that the submission does not meet the requirements stated in the RFQ; therefore, there will be no awarding of a contract."

CARRIED

Councillor Marlise Nordstrom returned to the meeting at 4:03 pm.

Resolution No. Closed Session
2024-481 **Moved by:** Councillor Division No. 3 Garbutt

"That we move into Closed Session at 4:16 pm for the purpose of discussing strategic planning as allowed pursuant to Section 120 of *The Municipalities Act*, with staff to be included in the session."

CARRIED

Director of Planning and Development, Aimee Bryck left for the remainder of the meeting at 4:33 pm.

Rise from Closed Session

At 4:39 pm, Council left the Closed Session and returned to the open meeting.

Assistant Chief Administrative Officer, Krystal Strong, left for the remainder of the meeting at 4:39 pm.

Resolution No. Closed Session - LAFOIP S. 16(1)(b) Employee-Related Matters
2024-482 **Moved by:** Councillor Division No. 4 Nordstrom

"That we move into Closed Session at 4:39 pm for the purpose of discussing employee-related matters as allowed pursuant to Section 120 of *The*



Municipalities Act (LAFOIP S. 6(1)(b)), with the Chief Administrative Officer included in the session."

CARRIED

Rise from Closed Session

At 5:32 pm, Council left the Closed Session and returned to the open meeting.

Resolution No. **Full-Time, Permanent, Heavy Equipment Operator**
2024-483 **Moved by:** Councillor Division No. 2 Schlosser


"That we acknowledge the Chief Administrative Officer's transferring of Tim Keirl from a Seasonal Equipment Operator position to a Full-Time, Permanent, Heavy Equipment Operator, effective October 2, 2024 at Step 4 of the Public Works Salary Grid."

CARRIED


Resolution No. **Adjournment**
2024-484 **Moved by:** Councillor Division No. 4 Nordstrom

"That we adjourn the meeting at 5:33 pm."

CARRIED



Reeve



Chief Administrative Officer