

Rural Municipality of Lumsden No.189

Meeting Minutes

Regular Council Meeting May 1, 2025 - 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, May 1, 2025 at 1:00 pm.

Present:

Reeve: Cody Garbutt

Councillors:

Division 1: Curtis Skolney

Division 2: Glenda Schlosser

Division 4: Marlise Nordstrom (attended from 1:00 pm - 3:01 pm)

Division 5: Trent Catley

Division 6: Cody Jordison

Chief Administrative Officer: Monica M. Merkosky

Assistant Chief Administrative Officer: Krystal Strong (attended from 1:00 pm to 3:04 pm)

Director of Finance: Ryan Haresign (attended from 1:00 pm to 1:35 pm)

Director of Planning and Development: Aimee Bryck (attended from 1:00 pm to 1:37 pm)

Public Works Foreman: Scott Haynes (attended via Zoom from 1:00 pm to 1:40 pm)

Youth Member: Corbin Jenkins (attended from 1:00 pm to 2:44 pm)

Absent:

Division 3 Councillor: Hayden Forster

Public Works Manager: (vacant)

Resolution No.

2025-196

Additions to Agenda

Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 2 Schlosser

Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 5 Catley

"That we agree to add the following item to the agenda under New Business:

- Item 14.4 - 2021 Grader Extended Warranty."

CARRIED

Resolution No.

2025-197

Approval of Agenda

Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 4 Nordstrom

Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 1 Skolney

"That we approve the agenda as amended."

CARRIED

Declaration of Conflict of Interest

There were no Declarations of Conflict of Interest.

Public Works Reports

Resolution No.

2025-198

Public Works Report - April 25, 2025

Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 5 Catley

Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 4 Nordstrom

"That we approve the Public Works report, as presented."

CARRIED

Financial Reports

Resolution No. 2024 Operating Surplus
2025-199
Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 2 Schlosser
Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 5 Catley
"That we allocate the 2024 operating surplus in the amount of \$153,792.62 to the General Government Reserve, to possibly subsidize 2025 operations." **CARRIED**

Accounts for Approval

Resolution No. List of Accounts - May 1, 2025
2025-200
Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 5 Catley
Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 1 Skolney
"That the list of accounts attached as Schedule "A" is approved for payment." **CARRIED**

Director of Finance, Ryan Haresign, left for the remainder of the meeting at 1:35 pm.

Adoption of Minutes

Resolution No. April 17, 2025 - Regular Council Meeting
2025-201
Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 2 Schlosser
Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 4 Nordstrom
"That the minutes of the April 17, 2025 - Regular Council Meeting be approved, as circulated." **CARRIED**

Resolution No. April 17, 2025 - Public Hearing - Bylaw No. 2025-02
2025-202
Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 2 Schlosser
Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 6 Jordison
"That the minutes of the April 17, 2025 - Public Hearing - Bylaw No. 2025-02 be approved, as circulated." **CARRIED**

Director of Planning and Development, Aimee Bryck left for the remainder of the meeting at 1:37 pm.

Committee Reports

Resolution No. Equipment for Auction - Units
2025-203
Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 5 Catley
Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 6 Jordison
"That we agree with the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and sell the 2003 Hutchinson Water Tanker Trailer (Unit 145) and the 2014 Mack Semi (Unit 146) via Ritchie-Bros Auction, as soon as possible." **CARRIED**

Public Works Foreman, Scott Haynes, left for the remainder of the meeting at 1:40 pm.

Resolution No. Tender Sale - Case Tractor U#144 and FAE Mulcher U#133
2025-204
Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 4 Nordstrom
Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 5 Catley
"That we agree with the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and sell the 2018 Case 380 CVT Tractor (Unit #138) and 2017 FAE 250 MTH Mulcher (Unit #133), as a package, by tender." **CARRIED**

New Business

Resolution No. Dwayne Pearce Snow Plow Club - Snow Removal Log
2025-205
Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 2 Schlosser
Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 5 Catley
"That we agree to pay the Dwayne Pearce Snow Plow Club \$50 (8 x 1/8 miles = 1 miles @ \$50/mile) for snow removal, pursuant to the Snow Plow Club Agreement dated October 21, 2024." **CARRIED**

Resolution No. **Colina Snow Plow Club - Snow Removal Log**
2025-206 **Moved by:** Councillor, Division No. 5 Catley
 Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 2 Schlosser

"That we agree to pay the Colina Snow Plow Club \$875 (7 x 2.5 miles = 17.5 miles @ \$50/mile) for snow removal, pursuant to the Snow Plow Club Agreement dated December 12, 2024."
CARRIED

Resolution No. **Beaver Control Program - Bounty Hunter Designation Application - Topping**
2025-207 **Moved by:** Councillor, Division No. 6 Jordison
 Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 1 Skolney

"That we designate Darren Topping as a bounty hunter for the purpose of the Beaver Control Program, for beavers caught within the municipality, for the 2025-2026 program."
CARRIED

Resolution No. **2021 Grader Extended Warranty**
2025-208 **Moved by:** Councillor, Division No. 5 Catley
 Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 1 Skolney

"That we agree with the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and purchase extended warranty for the 2021 Cat 150 AWD grader, at cost of \$9,500."
CARRIED

Reports of Administration

Resolution No. **Council Update**
2025-209 **Moved by:** Councillor, Division No. 2 Schlosser
 Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 6 Jordison

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

Resolution No. **Communications**
2025-210 **Moved by:** Councillor, Division No. 6 Jordison
 Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 1 Skolney

"That the following communications and reports have been reviewed and the Chief Administrative Officer is authorized to file the same accordingly:
a. Lumsden and District Arts Council - Annual Report for 2024-2025
b. Lumsden RCMP - Community Policing Report, March 2025
c. Russell - Lumsden and District Heritage Home, 2025 Q1 Report
d. SiteDocs Overview - Equipment Management
e. STARS - 40th Anniversary Open House, May 2, 2025
f. Plant Health Network - Newsletter, Spring 2025
g. Last Mountain Lake Drifters - Thank you."
CARRIED

Bylaws

Resolution No. **Bylaw No. 2025-04 - Zoning Bylaw Map Amendment - NE 21-19-20-W2M - A to CR2 - 1st Reading**
2025-211 **Moved by:** Councillor, Division No. 2 Schlosser
 Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 5 Catley

"That Bylaw No. 2025-04, being a bylaw to amend the Zoning Bylaw Map, be read a first time."
CARRIED

Resolution No. **Bylaw No. 2025-05 - Dog Control - 1st Reading**
2025-212 **Moved by:** Councillor, Division No. 5 Catley
 Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 4 Nordstrom

"That Bylaw No.2025-05, being the Dog Control Bylaw, be read a first time."
CARRIED

Youth Member, Corbin Jenkins, left for the remainder of the meeting at 2:44 pm.



Resolution No. Closed Session

2025-213

Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 4 Nordstrom

Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 6 Jordison

"That we move into Closed Session at 2:45 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

Councillor Nordstrom left for the remainder of the meeting at 3:01 pm.

Rise from Closed Session

At 3:02 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 3:04 pm.

Resolution No. Closed Session - LAFOIP S. 16(1)(b) Employee-Related Matters

2025-214

Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 5 Catley

Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 1 Skolney

"That we move into Closed Session at 3:04 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 3:20 pm, Council left the Closed Session and returned to the open meeting.

Resolution No. Seasonal Equipment Operator - Klempner

2025-215

Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 6 Jordison

Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 1 Skolney

"That we acknowledge the Chief Administrative Officer's hiring of Curtis Klempner as a Seasonal, Full Time, Equipment Operator at Step 5 of the Public Works Salary Grid, with his first day of employment being Monday, April 28, 2025."

CARRIED

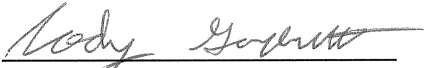
Resolution No. Adjournment

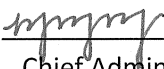
2025-216

Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 1 Skolney

"That we adjourn the meeting at 3:21 pm."

CARRIED


Reeve


Chief Administrative Officer