

Rural Municipality of Lumsden No.189 **Meeting Minutes**

Regular Council Meeting February 6, 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, February 6, 2025 at 1:00 pm.

Present:

Reeve: Cody Garbutt

Councillors:

Division 1: Curtis Skolney Division 2: Glenda Schlosser Division 3: Hayden Forster

Division 4: Marlise Nordstrom (attended from 1:00 pm to 2:59 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 3:42 pm)

Director of Finance: Ryan Haresign (attended from 1:00 pm to 3:42 pm)

Absent:

Public Works Manager: (vacant)

Director of Planning and Development: Aimee Bryck

Youth Member: Corbin Jenkins Public Works Foreman: Scott Haynes

Resolution No. Additions to Agenda

2025-044 Moved by: Councillor Division No. 6 Jordison

Seconded by: Councillor Division No. 4 Nordstrom

"That we agree to add a Closed Session for employee-related matters after the Declarations of Conflict of Interest." CARRIED

Resolution No. Approval of Agenda

2025-045 **Moved by:** Councillor Division No. 4 Nordstrom

Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 5 Catley

"That we approve the agenda as amended."

CARRIED

Declaration of Conflict of Interest

Councillor Glenda Schlosser declared a conflict of interest with respect to agenda item 5.2, a gravel tender bid from Big Rock Trucking Ltd., and agenda item 7.2, an invoice from Big Rock Trucking Ltd, which is a company that Councillor Schlosser owns.

Resolution No. Closed Session - Employee Related Matters

Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 5 Catley

2025-046 Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 3 Forster

"That we move into Closed Session at 1:01 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 all **CARRIED** staff to be excluded from the session."

All three staff members left the meeting at 1:01 pm.

Rise from Closed Session

At 1:30 pm, Council left the Closed Session and returned to the open meeting.

All three staff members returned to the meeting at 1:36 pm.

Public Works Reports

Resolution No. Maintenance Agreement - TWP RD 212

2025-047 Moved by: Councillor Division No. 6 Jordison

Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 1 Skolney

"That we authorize administration to contact the Town of Regina Beach to discuss a maintenance contract for a one half-mile portion of Township Road 212, located on the NW 10-21-22-W2, for winter snow removal." **CARRIED**

Resolution No. Public Works Foreman's Report

2025-048 Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 3 Forster

Seconded by: Councillor Division No. 2 Schlosser

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

CARRIED

Conflict Declared - Councillor Schlosser

Councillor Schlosser declared a conflict of interest with respect to the Gravel Tender for Divisions 1, 4 and 5. Councillor Schlosser abstained from discussion and voting on the matter and left the council chambers at 1:47 pm.

Resolution No. Gravel Tender - Divisions 1, 4 and 5 - Supply, Load, Haul and Spread

2025-049 Moved by: Councillor Division No. 4 Nordstrom Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 3 Forster

> "That we award the tender for Divisions 1, 4 and 5 Gravel Supply (25,000 MT of type 108), Load, Haul and Spread to Big Rock Trucking Ltd., as follows and excluding applicable taxes:

Supply -

\$22.55 / MT

Load Haul

\$ 0.90 / MT \$ 0.46 / MT / Mile."

CARRIED

Conflict - Returned to Meeting

At the conclusion of discussion and voting on the matter, Councillor Schlosser returned to the council chambers at 1:56 pm

Resolution No. Bridge Repair Tender - 222-19-19E

2025-050 Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 3 Forster Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 5 Catley

> "That we award the Bridge Repair Tender specific to Bridge 222-19-19E (commonly referred to as the ASL bridge) to Pier Solutions in the amount of \$93,762 for the removal and replacement of the **CARRIED** cap on each of the two piers."

Resolution No. Custom Shoulder Pulling

2025-051 Moved by: Councillor Division No. 2 Schlosser Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 1 Skolney

> "That we contract WF Botkin Construction Ltd. to pull shoulders (both sides) on 9 miles of road at a cost of \$39,844 (not including tax), which includes roto mixing and re-establishing the road crown, and

> That we agree to add 0.75 miles to the contract for the most westerly portion of the 'Minerva Ridge Road' being a portion of Township Road 194." **CARRIED**

Accounts for Approval

Resolution No. List of Accounts - February 6, 2025

2025-052 Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 5 Catley

Seconded by: Councillor Division No. 4 Nordstrom

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

CARRIED

Conflict Declared - Councillor Schlosser

Councillor Schlosser declared a conflict of interest with respect to an invoice from Big Rock Trucking Ltd. Councillor Schlosser abstained from discussion and voting on the matter and left the council chambers at 2:13 pm.

Resolution No. Big Rock Trucking Ltd. - Invoice 6420

2025-053 Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 5 Catley

Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 1 Skolney

That, Invoice no. 6420 from Big Rock Trucking Ltd. in the amount of \$104,238.92, attached as Schedule "B" is approved for payment." CARRIED

Conflict - Returned to Chambers

At the conclusion of discussion and voting on the matter, Councillor Schlosser returned to the council chambers at 2:21 pm

Adoption of Minutes

Resolution No. January 13, 2025 - Deer Valley Organized Hamlet Board Meeting

2025-054 **Moved by:** Councillor Division No. 2 Schlosser **Seconded by:** Councillor, Division No. 3 Forster

"That the minutes of the January 13, 2025 - Deer Valley Organized Hamlet Board Meeting be approved, as circulated."

CARRIED

Resolution No. January 16, 2025 - Regular Council Meeting

2025-055 **Moved by:** Councillor Division No. 6 Jordison

Seconded by: Councillor Division No. 4 Nordstrom

"That the minutes of the January 16, 2025 - Regular Council Meeting be approved, as circulated."

CARRIED

Committee Reports

Councillor Schlosser provided a verbal report regarding the progress of the Deer Valley Organized Hamlet's purchase of the Deer Valley Developments' water utility.

Reeve Garbutt provided a verbal update regarding an informal meeting held to discuss the fire hall expansion.

New Business

Resolution No. Bulk Fuel Purchases

2025-056 Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 3 Forster

Seconded by: Councillor Division No. 4 Nordstrom

"That we agree to refer the matter of Bulk Fuel Purchasing to the March 6, 2025, Committee of the Whole for further discussion."

Resolution No. SMHI - Annual Meeting - Delegate

2025-057 **Moved by:** Councillor Division No. 6 Jordison

Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 5 Catley

"That we authorize Councillor Forster to attend the Saskatchewan Municipal Hail Insurance (SMHI)
Annual General Meeting as the voting delegate, on March 11, 2025, in conjunction with the
Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities Convention."

CARRIED

Resolution No. Canada Housing Infrastructure Fund - Letter of Support

2025-058 Moved by: Councillor Division No. 4 Nordstrom

Seconded by: Councillor Division No. 2 Schlosser

"That we agree to provide a letter of support to the Town of Lumsden for their submission to the Canada Housing Infrastructure Fund, Direct Delivery Stream, for a regionalized water supply project that includes upgrades to the Town of Lumsden's Water Treatment Plant and a potable water pipeline from the Water Treatment Plant to the Organized Hamlet of Deer Valley."

CARRIED

Reports of Administration

Resolution No. Council Update

2025-059 Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 5 Catley

Seconded by: Councillor Division No. 4 Nordstrom

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

Resolution No. Communications

2025-060 Moved by: Councillor Division No. 2 Schlosser

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. Town of Regina Beach District Board of Revision Appointment
- b. SK Public Works Association Annual Conference Saskatoon February 25th-27th, 2025
- c. Canadian Union of Postal Workers Industrial Inquiry Commission Reviewing Canada Post
- d. Lumsden and District Heritage Home December 16, 2024 Minutes
- e. RM of Longlaketon No. 219 Lumsden and Area Weed Management Appointment
- f. Regina's Economic Brief January 2025
- g. RCMP January 2025 Communication



h. Weed Inspectors' Comments re: Invitation to Consult on Minister's Update to the Weed Order

i. SAMA - Notice of SAMA Annual Meeting - April 9, 2025

j. Miscellaneous." **CARRIED**

Councillor Marlise Nordstrom left the meeting at 2:59 pm

Delegations

3:00 pm - 3:27 pm - Punshon Fleming Financial Group - Investment Services

Representatives from Punshon Fleming Financial Group - CIBC Wood Gundy, appeared before Council to discuss investment options.

Resolution No.

Closed Session - Strategic Planning

2025-061 Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 1 Skolney Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 5 Catley

> "That we move into Closed Session at 3:34 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

Rise from Closed Session

At 3:41 pm, Council left the Closed Session and returned to the open meeting.

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

2025-062 Moved by: Councillor Division No. 2 Schlosser Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 3 Forster

> "That we move into Closed Session at 3:41 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**

Assistant Chief Administrative Officer, Krystal Strong and Director of Finance, Ryan Haresign left for the remainder of the meeting at 3:41 pm.

Rise from Closed Session

At 4:07 pm, Council left the Closed Session and returned to the open meeting.

Resolution No. Human Resource File Management Contract

Program, for a review of our Human Resource Policy."

2025-063 Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 3 Forster Seconded by: Councillor Division No. 2 Schlosser

"The we authorize administration obtain a quote from SARM's Human Resource Service Pilot

Resolution No.

<u>Adjournment</u>

2025-064 Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 1 Skolney

"That we adjourn the meeting at 4:08 pm."

CARRIED

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Chief Administrative Officer