

Rural Municipality of Lumsden No.189 Meeting Minutes

Regular Council Meeting October 23, 2025 - 7:00 PM

Call to Order

The Council of the Rural Municipality of Lumsden No. 189 convened their Regular Meeting at the Lumsden Municipal Office and via electronic means (Zoom), on Thursday, October 23, 2025 at 7:00 pm.

Present:

Reeve: Cody Garbutt

Councillors:

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

Division 4: Marlise Nordstrom (via Zoom)

Division 5: Trent Catley

Chief Administrative Officer: Monica M. Merkosky

Assistant Chief Administrative Officer: Krystal Strong (attended via Zoom)

Director of Finance: Ryan Haresign (attended via Zoom from 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm) Director of Planning and Development: Aimee Bryck (attended via Zoom from

7:00 pm to 8:22 pm)

Public Works Foreman: Scott Haynes (attended via Zoom from 7:00 pm to 8:23

pm)

Absent:

Division 6 Councillor: Cody Jordison Youth Member: Corbin Jenkins

Resolution No.

Approval of Agenda

2025-469

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

"That we approve the agenda as presented."

CARRIED

Declaration of Conflict of Interest

Councillor Glenda Schlosser declared a conflict of interest with respect to items numbered 6.1 and 21 on today's agenda. Item 6.1 is a 2025 Gravelling Summary. The conflict of interest pertains to Councillor Schlosser's company, Big Rock Trucking Ltd, that supplied the gravel to the municipality in 2025. Item 21 is a discussion in Closed Session, related to QBG 1157 of 2019; legal action against Norman Colhoun and Laura Colhoun, owners of Skynorth Sand & Gravel. The conflict of interest pertains to potential business dealings Councillor Schlosser's company, Last Mountain Concrete Products Ltd., may have with Skynorth Sand & Gravel.

Resolution No.

Public Works Reports

2025-470

Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 1 Skolney Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 3 Forster

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

CARRIED

Financial Reports

Conflict Declared

Councillor Glenda Schlosser declared a conflict of interest with respect to the 2025 Gravel Summaries. Councillor Schlosser abstained from discussion and voting on the matter and left the council chambers at 7:06 pm.

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Resolution No.

2025 Gravel Summaries

2025-471

Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 5 Catley **Seconded by:** Councillor, Division No. 1 Skolney

"That the 2025 Gravel Summaries report be accepted as presented by Director of Finance Ryan Haresign." CARRIED

Conflict - Returned to Meeting

At the conclusion of discussion and voting on the matter, Councillor Schlosser returned to the council chambers at 7:11 pm.

Resolution No.

2025-472

Bank Reconciliation and Financial Statement Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 2 Schlosser Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 5 Catley

"That the Bank Reconciliation and Financial Statement for the period ending September 30, 2025, be accepted as presented." CARRIED

Accounts for Approval

Resolution No.

List of Accounts Payable

2025-473

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

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

Planning and Development Applications and Reports

Resolution No.

Development Application No. 2025-040 - Proposed Commercial Parcel Tie

2025-474

Removal - Parcel E, Plan 102316452. Ext. 1 & 3 Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 4 Nordstrom Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 5 Catley

"That we recommend approval of the proposed parcel tie removal of the lands legally described as Parcel E, Plan 102316452 Ext. 1 and Parcel E, Plan 102316452 Ext. 3, subject to the following:

Prior to the construction of any new approaches to access the subject properties, a Property Access Approach Application shall be submitted to the RM.
 Prior to the construction of any buildings or structures on the parcels, a Development Permit and Building Permit shall be submitted to the RM."

CARRIED

Adoption of Minutes

Resolution No.

October 2, 2025 - Regular Council Meeting Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 5 Catley Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 1 Skolney

"That the minutes of the October 2, 2025 - Regular Meeting be approved, as circulated." CARRIED

Resolution No.

October 7, 2025 - Deer Valley Organized Hamlet - Annual General Meeting

2025-476

2025-475

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

"That the minutes of the October 7, 2025, Deer Valley Organized Hamlet Annual General Meeting be approved, as circulated."

CARRIED

New Business

Resolution No.

Building Permit No. 2024-015 - Request to Cancel Interest

2025-477

Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 5 Catley **Seconded by:** Councillor, Division No. 1 Skolney

"That we deny a request from the Applicant to cancel overdue interest charges on Building Permit 2024-015."

CARRIED

Delegations

7:30 pm - Clayton Rosaasen, Con-Aid Canada - GRAVELOCK

Clayton Rosaasen appeared before Council to present information regarding Con-Aid Canada's GRAVELOCK road stabilization product.

Director of Finance, Ryan Haresign, left for the remainder of the meeting at 8:00 pm.

Public Hearings

8:00 - Public Hearing Bylaw No. 2025-012 - Zoning Bylaw Amendment - Reduce Minimum Site Size in R2 District

Council recessed the meeting at 8:00 pm for the purpose of a Public Hearing for Bylaw 2025-12.

Reconvene Meeting

The Regular Council Meeting reconvened at 8:03 pm.

Committee Reports

Resolution No.

October 7, 2025 - Deer Valley Organized Hamlet AGM Report

2025-478

Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 3 Forster Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 1 Skolney

"That the October 7, 2025, Deer Valley Organized Hamlet Annual General Meeting Report be accepted as presented verbally by Councillor Schlosser." **CARRIED**

Resolution No.

Organized Hamlet of Deer Valley - MR1 Development at Whitetail Ridge

2025-479

Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 2 Schlosser Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 5 Catley

"That, with the support of the Deer Valley Organized Hamlet Board, we authorize Leon Friesen to complete landscaping work on MR1, Plan 101986678 Ext 0. all costs associated with topsoil, trees and plants, labour and two years of maintenance will be the responsibility of Whitetail Ridge Estates Ltd.; and further, that we authorize Leon Friesen to plant trees along the north side of Deer Valley Road, in the municipal right-of-way, north of Lots 1 through 6, Block 1, Plan 101986678 Ext. 0."

Director of Planning and Development, Aimee Bryck, left for the remainder of the meeting at 8:22 pm.

Public Works Foreman, Scott Haynes, left for the remainder of the meeting at 8:23 pm.

New Business Continued

Resolution No.

Canada Housing Infrastructure Fund (CHIF) - Letter of Support

2025-480

Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 4 Nordstrom **Seconded by:** Councillor, Division No. 5 Catley

"That we agree to provide a letter of support to the Town of Lumsden for their submission to the Canada Housing Infrastructure Fund (CHIF), (Provincial-Territorial Stream Intake) for a regionalized water supply project that includes upgrades to the Town of Lumsden's Water Treatment Plant to accommodate a potable water pipeline from the Town of Lumsden to the Organized Hamlet of Deer Valley, which is located within the Rural Municipality of Lumsden No. 189."

CARRIED

Resolution No.

Rescind Resolution 2025-343

2025-481

Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 2 Schlosser **Seconded by:** Councillor, Division No. 4 Nordstrom

"That we rescind our July 17, 2025, Resolution No. 2025-343, due to updated information from Information Services Corporation (ISC), that prevents the Deer Valley Water & Sewer Board from holding assets in their name."

CARRIED

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Reports of Administration

Resolution No.

Council Update

2025-482

Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 1 Skolney **Seconded by:** Councillor, Division No. 4 Nordstrom

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

CARRIED

Resolution No.

2026 Meeting Schedule

2025-483

Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 2 Schlosser **Seconded by:** Councillor, Division No. 5 Catley

"That 2026 Regular Council Meetings be held at 1:00 pm in the Dew Drop In (1st meeting), 7:00 pm in Municipal Office (2nd meeting), and via Zoom (all meetings),

as follows:

January 8 and 22

February 5 and 19

March 5 and 19

April 2 and 23

May 7 and 21

June 4 and 18

July 9 and 23

August 6 and 20

September 3 and 17

October 8 and 22

November 5 and 26

December 10."

CARRIED

Resolution No.

Communications

2025-484

Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 1 Skolney **Seconded by:** Councillor, Division No. 5 Catley

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

a. Fraser Tolmie - Member of Parliament

b. SAMA - Certificate of Confirmation

c. Municipal Potash Tax Sharing Administration Board

d. Pense Daycare Committee

e. Senior Support Workers for the Lumsden and Craven Seniors Program

f. Flax Burning

g. SARM - Seeds for Elected Officials

h. Miscellaneous."

CARRIED

Bylaws

Resolution No.

Bylaw No. 2025-12 - Zoning Bylaw Amendment - Reduce Minimum Site Size in R2

2025-485

District - 2nd Reading

Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 2 Schlosser **Seconded by:** Councillor, Division No. 5 Catley

"That Bylaw No. 2025-12, being a bylaw to amend the Zoning Bylaw to reduce the minimum site size in the R2 District, be read a second time." **CARRIED**

Resolution No.

Bylaw No. 2025-12 - Zoning Bylaw Amendment - Reduce Minimum Site Size in R2

2025-486 District - 3rd Reading

Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 4 Nordstrom **Seconded by:** Councillor, Division No. 5 Catley

"That Bylaw No. 2025-12, being a bylaw to amend the Zoning Bylaw to reduce the minimum site size in the R2 District, be signed, sealed and adopted." **CARRIED**

Resolution No.

Closed Session

2025-487

Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 5 Catley **Seconded by:** Councillor, Division No. 3 Forster

"That we move into Closed Session at 9:19 pm for the purpose of discussing strategic planning and employee-related matters as allowed pursuant to Section 120 of *The Municipalities Act* and Section 16(1)(b) of LAFOIP, with staff to be included in the session."

CARRIED

Conflict Declared

Councillor Glenda Schlosser declared a conflict of interest with respect to a discussion related to QBG 1157 of 2019. Councillor Schlosser abstained from discussion on the matter and left for the council chambers at 9:22 pm.

Conflict - Returned to Chambers

At the conclusion of discussion on the matter, Councillor Schlosser returned to the council chambers at 9:31 pm.

Rise from Closed Session

At 9:36 pm, Council left the Closed Session and returned to the open meeting.

Resolution No.

Human Resource Policy Review

2025-488

Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 4 Nordstrom **Seconded by:** Councillor, Division No. 1 Skolney

"That we table the Human Resource Policy review to the November 20, 2025, Committee of the Whole meeting." CARRIED

Resolution No.

Adjournment

2025-489

Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 5 Catley

"That we adjourn the meeting at 9:39 pm."

CARRIED

Chief Administrative Officer