

Rural Municipality of Lumsden No.189

Meeting Minutes

Regular Council April 17, 2025 - 7:00 PM

Call to Order

The Council of the Rural Municipality of Lumsden No. 189 convened their Regular Meeting in Council Chambers (in Lumsden) and via electronic means (Zoom), on Thursday, April 17, 2025 at 7:00 pm.

Present:

Reeve: Cody Garbutt

Councillors:

Division 2: Glenda Schlosser

Division 3: Hayden Forster

Division 4: Marlise Nordstrom

Division 5: Trent Catley

Division 6: Cody Jordison

Chief Administrative Officer: Monica M. Merkosky

Assistant Chief Administrative Officer: Krystal Strong (attended via Zoom from 7:00 pm to 9:43 pm)

Director of Finance: Ryan Haresign (attended via Zoom from 7:00 pm to 8:33 pm)

Director of Planning and Development: Aimee Bryck (attended via Zoom from 7:00 pm to 8:55 pm)

Absent:

Public Works Foreman: Scott Haynes

Public Works Manager: (vacant)

Councillor: Division 1: Curtis Skolney

Youth Member: Corbin Jenkins

Resolution No.
2025-162

Approval of Agenda

Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 5 Catley

Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 3 Forster

"That we approve the agenda as presented."

CARRIED

Declaration of Conflict of Interest

Councillor Jordison declared a Conflict of Interest with regard to Agenda Item 6.4 which proposes to increase a credit card limit for the Assistant Chief Administrative Officer who is his spouse. While Councillor Jordison does not have a financial interest in the matter, he wishes to support open and transparent dialogue among his fellow Councillors. As well as to avoid any perception of undue influence or bias, Council Jordison has chosen to voluntarily leave the meeting while this item is discussed.

Resolution No.
2025-163

Amend Agenda

Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 6 Jordison

Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 5 Catley

"That we agree to amend the agenda by removing the following item:

10.1.3.1 - Road Mulching - Equipment Disposal - Conflict of Interest."

CARRIED

Public Works Reports

Resolution No. **Grader Rental**
2025-164 **Moved by:** Councillor, Division No. 4 Nordstrom
 Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 6 Jordison

"That we authorize the rental of a grader in 2025 to work strictly on dirt roads, for a maximum of 2 months at a rate of \$10,000 per month."
CARRIED

Resolution No. **Grader Warranty**
2025-165 **Moved by:** Councillor, Division No. 5 Catley
 Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 2 Schlosser

"That we defer the discussion of the potential purchase of extended warranty for the 2021 CAT 150 AWD Grader, to the May 1, 2025, Committee of the Whole meeting."
CARRIED

Resolution No. **Public Works Report**
2025-166 **Moved by:** Councillor, Division No. 3 Forster
 Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 4 Nordstrom

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

Financial Reports

Resolution No. **Financial Statement - December 31, 2024 - Internal Draft**
2025-167 **Moved by:** Councillor, Division No. 2 Schlosser
 Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 4 Nordstrom

"That we accept the internally-prepared, cash-basis, Draft Financial Statement for the period ending December 31, 2024, as presented."
CARRIED

Resolution No. **Bank Reconciliation**
2025-168 **Moved by:** Councillor, Division No. 5 Catley
 Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 6 Jordison

"That the Bank Reconciliation for the period ending March 31, 2025, be accepted as presented."
CARRIED

Resolution No. **Credit Card - Public Works Foreman**
2025-169 **Moved by:** Councillor, Division No. 4 Nordstrom
 Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 2 Schlosser

"That we apply for a credit card with a \$10,000 limit, for the Public Works Foreman."
CARRIED

Conflict Declared

Councillor Jordison declared a Conflict of Interest with regard to Agenda Item 6.4 which proposes to increase a credit card limit for the Assistant Chief Administrative Officer who is his spouse. While Councillor Jordison does not have a financial interest in the matter, he wishes to support open and transparent dialogue among his fellow Councillors. As well as to avoid any perception of undue influence or bias, Council Jordison has chosen to voluntarily leave the meeting at 7:42 pm.

Resolution No. **Credit Card - Assistant Chief Administrative Officer**
2025-170 **Moved by:** Councillor, Division No. 5 Catley
 Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 3 Forster

"That we increase the limit on the Assistant Chief Administrative Officer's corporate credit card from \$5,000 to \$10,000."
CARRIED

Conflict - Returned to Chambers

At the conclusion of discussion and voting on the matter, Councillor Cody Jordison returned to the Council Chambers at 7:45 pm



Accounts for Approval

Resolution No. List of Accounts

2025-171

Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 2 Schlosser

Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 5 Catley

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

CARRIED

Planning and Development Applications and Reports

Resolution No.

2025-172

Development Application No. 2025-007 - Discretionary Use - Garden Suite - SE 7-19-21-W2M

Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 2 Schlosser

Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 3 Forster

"That we approve Development Application # 2025-007 for an accessory dwelling unit on the land legally described as SE 7-19-21-W2M subject to:

1. Approval for any changes required to the onsite wastewater system and plumbing system shall be obtained from the Saskatchewan Health Authority.
2. Prior to any additional development not included in this permit or an increase in the intensity of the use, discretionary use approval must be obtained from the RM of Lumsden No. 189.
3. Any new construction or placement of the dwelling shall not be undertaken without a valid building permit.
4. Entering into a development agreement with the RM to ensure the accessory dwelling unit will comply with all bylaw requirements, and that an interest based on the agreement shall be registered in the land registry against title to the subject lands at the applicant's cost pursuant to section 235 of The Planning and Development Act. "

CARRIED

Adoption of Minutes

Resolution No.

2025-173

April 3, 2025 - Committee of the Whole Meeting

Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 5 Catley

Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 3 Forster

"That the minutes of the April 3, 2025, Committee of the Whole Meeting be approved, as circulated."

CARRIED

Resolution No.

2025-174

April 3, 2025 - Regular Council Meeting

Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 6 Jordison

Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 5 Catley

"That the minutes of the April 3, 2025, Regular Meeting be approved, as circulated."

CARRIED

Resolution No.

2025-175

April 7, 2025 - Deer Valley Organized Hamlet

Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 2 Schlosser

Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 3 Forster

"That the minutes of the April 7, 2025, Deer Valley Organized Hamlet Board Meeting, be approved, as circulated."

CARRIED

Public Hearings

8:00 pm - Bylaw No. 2025-02 Zoning Bylaw Map Amendment - Parcel A, Plan 96R08987

Council recessed the meeting at 7:57 pm for the purpose of taking a short break and then holding a Public Hearing regarding Bylaw No. 2025-02, a Zoning Bylaw map amendment at 8:00 pm.

Reconvene Meeting

The meeting was reconvened at 8:11 pm.



Committee Reports

Resolution No. **Temporary Road Closure Policy - Amendment**
2025-176 **Moved by:** Councillor, Division No. 2 Schlosser
 Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 3 Forster

"That we agree with the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and adopt the amended Temporary Road Closure Policy."
CARRIED

Resolution No. **Letter of Support - SGI Provincial Traffic Safety Fund**
2025-177 **Moved by:** Councillor, Division No. 6 Jordison
 Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 4 Nordstrom

"That we agree with the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and request the Department of Highways provide a Letter of Support for a SGI Provincial Traffic Safety Fund grant application, to install a radar speed sign on Highway No. 20, near Lumsden."
CARRIED

Resolution No. **Road Mulching Program**
2025-178 **Moved by:** Councillor, Division No. 5 Catley
 Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 3 Forster

"That we agree with the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and, as a result of excessive operating cost and lack of staffing, we discontinue the mulching program, and investigate options for the disposal of the associated assets."

Name	Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
Trent Catley	✓			
Hayden Forster	✓			
Cody Garbutt	✓			
Cody Jordison		✓		
Marlise Nordstrom	✓			
Glenda Schlosser	✓			
Curtis Skolney				✓

CARRIED

Resolution No. **Recycled Asphalt Shingles**
2025-179 **Moved by:** Councillor, Division No. 5 Catley
 Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 3 Forster

"That we agree with the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and pursue a trial use of recycled asphalt shingles for road maintenance purposes."
CARRIED

Resolution No. **Development Levy Bylaw Review**
2025-180 **Moved by:** Councillor, Division No. 6 Jordison
 Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 2 Schlosser

"That we agree with the Committee of the Whole and have MPE Engineering review and suggest amendments to the Development Levy Bylaw."
CARRIED

Resolution No. **SARM Resolution**
2025-181 **Moved by:** Councillor, Division No. 4 Nordstrom
 Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 5 Catley

"That we agree with the Committee of the Whole and submit a SARM Resolution regarding division boundary realignments, specifically that realignments should not trigger bi-elections for Divisional Councillor positions."
CARRIED

Resolution No. **Inter-Municipal Road Maintenance Agreement - Village of Disley**
2025-182 **Moved by:** Councillor, Division No. 2 Schlosser
 Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 3 Forster

"That we agree with the Committee of the Whole and enter into a inter-municipal Road Maintenance Agreement with the Village of Disley, for annual maintenance (grading) of their municipal roads."
CARRIED



Director of Finance, Ryan Haresign, left for the remainder of the meeting at 8:33 pm.

Resolution No. **Deer Valley Organized Hamlet - April 7, 2025 Report**
2025-183 **Moved by:** Councillor, Division No. 4 Nordstrom
 Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 5 Catley

"That Councillor Schlosser's verbal report on the Deer Valley Organized Hamlet Board's April 7, 2025 Meeting, be accepted as presented." **CARRIED**

New Business

Resolution No. **Lumsden High School Scholarship & Presentation**
2025-184 **Moved by:** Councillor, Division No. 4 Nordstrom
 Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 5 Catley

"That we provide at \$1,000 scholarship to a 2025 graduate of the Lumsden High School, noting that the recipient must reside in the RM of Lumsden No. 189, and; That we authorize Reeve Garbutt to present the Lumsden High School Scholarship at the Awards' Presentation on June 27, 2025, at the Queensbury Convention Centre in Regina." **CARRIED**

Resolution No. **Town of Lumsden Utility Arrears Transfer - 17, 1, 102007190**
2025-185 **Moved by:** Councillor, Division No. 4 Nordstrom
 Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 3 Forster

"That, as per the Town of Lumsden's request for assistance, we agree to apply \$108.52 plus any interest accumulated as of April 8, 2025, 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**

Bylaws

Resolution No. **Bylaw No. 2025-02 - Zoning Bylaw Map Amendment - Parcel A, Plan 96R08987 -**
2025-186 **2nd Reading**
 Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 2 Schlosser
 Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 5 Catley

"That Bylaw No. 2025-02, being a bylaw to amend the Zoning Bylaw map, read a second time." **CARRIED**

Resolution No. **Bylaw No. 2025-02 - Zoning Bylaw Map Amendment - Parcel A, Plan 96R08987 -**
2025-187 **3rd Reading**
 Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 5 Catley
 Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 3 Forster

"That Bylaw No. 2025-02, being a bylaw to amend the Zoning Bylaw map, be read a third time, adopted, signed, and sealed." **CARRIED**

Resolution No. **Bylaw No. 2025-03 - Building Bylaw - 2nd Reading**
2025-188 **Moved by:** Councillor, Division No. 6 Jordison
 Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 5 Catley

"That Bylaw No. 2025-02, being a bylaw to repeal and replace the Building Bylaw, be read a second time." **CARRIED**

Resolution No. **Bylaw No. 2025-03 - Building Bylaw - 3rd Reading**
2025-189 **Moved by:** Councillor, Division No. 4 Nordstrom
 Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 6 Jordison

"That Bylaw No.2025-03, being a bylaw to repeal and replace the Building Bylaw, be read a third time, adopted, signed, and sealed." **CARRIED**

Resolution No. **Bylaw No. 2025-06 - Deer Valley Traffic Bylaw - 1st Reading**
2025-190 **Moved by:** Councillor, Division No. 2 Schlosser
 Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 5 Catley

"That we table Bylaw No. 2025-06, being a bylaw to repeal and replace the Organized Hamlet of Deer Valley Traffic Bylaw, until the next meeting." **CARRIED**



Director of Planning and Development, Aimee Bryck left for the remainder of the meeting at 8:55 pm.

Reports of Administration

Resolution No.
2025-191

Council Update

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

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

CARRIED

Resolution No.
2025-192

Meeting Locations

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

"That, for the remainder of 2025, Committee of the Whole Meetings be held at the Dew Drop In."

CARRIED

Resolution No.
2025-193

Communications

Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 3 Forster
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. Gov. of Saskatchewan - 2025 Education Property Tax Mill Rates
- b. Lumsden & District Heritage Home - Call for Nominations
- c. Minister of Agriculture - Response to SARM Resolution re: 4H Funding
- d. Welltraxx - Asset Management & Mapping
- e. J. Langford - Q1 Weed Inspector Report 2025
- f. Provincial Crack Sealing - New Ownership
- g. Miscellaneous."

CARRIED

Resolution No.
2025-194

Closed Session

Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 2 Schlosser
Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 6 Jordison

"That we move into Closed Session at 9:25 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 9:42 pm, Council left the Closed Session and returned to the open meeting.

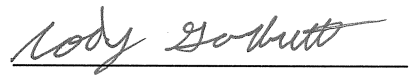
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Adjournment

Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 4 Nordstrom

"That we adjourn the meeting at 9:44 pm."

CARRIED


Reeve


Chief Administrative Officer