

Rural Municipality of Lumsden No.189

Meeting Minutes

Regular Council Meeting July 23, 2026 - 7:00 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, July 23, 2026 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

Assistant Chief Administrative Officer: Krystal Strong

Senior Planner: Saedi Soubolsky (attended via Zoom from 7:00 pm - 7:26 pm)

Absent:

Councillors: Division 5: Trent Catley, Division 6: Cody Jordison

Chief Administrative Officer: Monica M. Merkosky

Director of Finance: Ryan Haresign

Resolution No.

2026-313

Approval of Agenda

Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 1 Skolney

Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 4 Nordstrom

"That we approve the agenda as presented."

CARRIED

Declaration of Conflict of Interest

Councillor Glenda Schlosser declared a conflict of interest with item 7.2 on today's agenda, being an invoice from Big Rock Trucking for gravelling in Divisions 1, 4 and 5. Councillor Schlosser is an owner of Big Rock Trucking.

Resolution No.

2026-314

Public Works Reports

Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 3 Forster

Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 2 Schlosser

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

CARRIED

Financial Reports

Resolution No.

2026-315

Bank Reconciliation and Financial Statement

Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 4 Nordstrom

Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 3 Forster

"That the Bank Reconciliation and Financial Statement for the period ending June 30, 2026, be accepted as presented."

CARRIED

Accounts for Approval

Resolution No.

2026-316

List of Accounts

Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 2 Schlosser

Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 1 Skolney

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

CARRIED

July 23, 2026

Conflict Declared

Councillor Glenda Schlosser declared a conflict of interest with respect to the Big Rock Trucking invoice. Councillor Schlosser abstained from discussion and voting on the matter and left the council chambers at 7:16 pm

Resolution No.
2026-317

List of Accounts - Big Rock Trucking Invoice
Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 4 Nordstrom
Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 3 Forster

"That the list of accounts - Big Rock Trucking Invoice attached as Schedule "B" is approved for payment."
CARRIED

Conflict - Returned to Meeting

At the conclusion of discussion and voting on the matter, Councillor Glenda Schlosser returned to the council chambers at 7:20 pm.

Planning and Development Applications and Reports

Resolution No.
2026-318

Council Update - Planning and Development - July 23, 2026
Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 2 Schlosser
Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 3 Forster

"That the Planning and Development Report be accepted as presented by Senior Planner Saedi Soubolsky."
CARRIED

Resolution No.
2026-319

SARM Resolution Support - Enforcement under the PDA
Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 2 Schlosser
Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 4 Nordstrom

"That we support the resolution submitted by the Rural Municipality of Prince Albert No. 461 to the Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities (SARM), requesting that SARM lobby the Government of Saskatchewan amend *The Planning and Development Act, 2007* to:

1. authorize municipalities to add unpaid zoning enforcement costs, administrative penalties, and remedial action costs to the tax roll of the subject property; and
 2. amend the applicable regulations to increase or remove the legislated maximum development appeal fee, thereby allowing municipalities to establish appeal fees that better reflect the costs of administering development appeals."
- CARRIED**

Senior Planner, Saedi Soubolsky left for the remainder of the meeting at 7:26 pm.

Adoption of Minutes

Resolution No.
2026-320

July 9, 2026 - Committee of the Whole Meeting
Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 4 Nordstrom
Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 3 Forster

"That the minutes of the July 9, 2026 - Committee of the Whole Meeting be approved, as circulated."
CARRIED

Resolution No.
2026-321

July 9, 2026 - Regular Council Meeting
Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 3 Forster
Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 4 Nordstrom

"That the minutes of the July 9, 2026 - Regular Meeting be approved, as circulated."
CARRIED

Resolution No.
2026-322

July 9, 2026 - Joint Administration Committee Meeting
Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 2 Schlosser
Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 1 Skolney

"That the minutes of the July 9, 2026 - Joint Administration Committee Meeting be approved, as circulated."
CARRIED

Committee Reports

Resolution No.
2026-323

Deer Valley Hamlet Board Meeting Report - July 13, 2026
Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 1 Skolney
Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 3 Forster



"That the Deer Valley Organized Hamlet Board Meeting Report be accepted as presented verbally by Councillor Schlosser."
CARRIED

Resolution No. **Joint Administration Committee Report - July 9, 2026**
2026-324 **Moved by:** Councillor, Division No. 4 Nordstrom
 Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 3 Forster

"That the Joint Administration Committee Meeting Report be accepted as presented verbally by Councillor Schlosser."
CARRIED

Resolution No. **Fire Truck Replacement**
2026-325 **Moved by:** Councillor, Division No. 2 Schlosser
 Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 1 Skolney

"That we accept the recommendation of the Joint Administration Committee and award a request for proposals for a 2027 Freightliner Fire Truck as follows:
Acres Industries Inc. - \$895,147 (pre-tax);
This expenditure will be shared equally with the Town of Lumsden."
CARRIED

Resolution No. **Rescue Truck Replacement**
2026-326 **Moved by:** Councillor, Division No. 3 Forster
 Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 4 Nordstrom

"That we accept the recommendation of the Joint Administration Committee and award a request for proposals for a 2026 Ford F-550 Rescue Truck as follows:
Otex Manufacturing - \$275,000 (pre-tax);
This expenditure will be shared equally with the Town of Lumsden."
CARRIED

New Business

Resolution No. **Tax Enforcement - Proceed to Acquire Titles**
2026-327 **Moved by:** Councillor, Division No. 1 Skolney
 Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 2 Schlosser

"That TAXervice, on behalf of the R.M. of Lumsden No. 189, be authorized to proceed under the Tax Enforcement Act to acquire title for the following described lands:

Roll	241	BLK/PAR BB-PLAN 89R04994 EXT 1
Roll	480	NE 05-19-21-2 EXT 45
Roll	505	BLK/PAR A-PLAN 101422303 EXT 270 BLK/PAR B-PLAN 101422303 EXT 271 BLK/PAR C-PLAN 101422303 EXT 272
Roll	755	SW 02-19-22-2 EXT 4
Roll	756	SW 02-19-22-2 EXT 4."

CARRIED

Appointments

Resolution No. **2026 Lumsden Library Board Appointments**
2026-328 **Moved by:** Councillor, Division No. 1 Skolney
 Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 2 Schlosser

"That we appoint the following people to the Lumsden Library Board:
RM of Lumsden Members:
Yolandi Burnett
Curtis Skolney
Michelle Duncan."
CARRIED

Resolution No. **Communications**
2026-329 **Moved by:** Councillor, Division No. 4 Nordstrom
 Seconded 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. Minister of Highways - Response to Grid 734 at Highway No. 11 Safety Concerns
b. Miscellaneous."
CARRIED

Bylaws

Resolution No.
2026-330
Bylaw 2026-08 Mutual Aid Agreement - First Reading
Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 4 Nordstrom
Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 1 Skolney
"That Bylaw No. 2026-08, being a bylaw to enter into an agreement for the establishment of a Mutual Aid Area, be read a first time."
CARRIED

Resolution No.
2026-331
Bylaw 2026-08 Mutual Aid Agreement - Second Reading
Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 1 Skolney
Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 2 Schlosser
"That Bylaw No. 2026-08, being a bylaw to enter into an agreement for the establishment of a Mutual Aid Area, be read a second time."
CARRIED

Resolution No.
2026-332
Bylaw 2026-08 Mutual Aid Agreement - Give Three Readings
Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 3 Forster
Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 4 Nordstrom
"That Bylaw No. 2026-08, being a bylaw to enter into an agreement for the establishment of a Mutual Aid Area, be given 3 readings at this meeting."
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolution No.
2026-333
Bylaw 2026-08 Mutual Aid Agreement - Third Reading
Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 2 Schlosser
Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 1 Skolney
"That Bylaw No. 2026-08, being a bylaw to enter into an agreement for the establishment of a Mutual Aid Area, be read a third time, adopted, signed, and sealed."
CARRIED

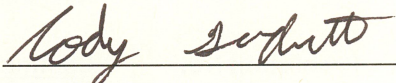
Resolution No.
2026-334
Closed Session
Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 2 Schlosser
Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 1 Skolney
"That we move into Closed Session at 8:05 pm for the purpose of discussing strategic planning as allowed pursuant to Section 120 of *The Municipalities Act*, with the Assistant CAO to be included in the session."
CARRIED

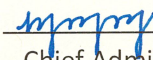
Rise from Closed Session
At 8:09 pm, Council left the Closed Session and returned to the open meeting.

Resolution No.
2026-335
Closed Session - LAFOIP S. 16(1)(b) Employee-Related Matters
Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 4 Nordstrom
Seconded by: Councillor, Division No. 1 Skolney
"That we move into Closed Session at 8:09 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 Assistant Chief Administrative Officer included in the session."
CARRIED

Rise from Closed Session
At 9:04 pm, Council left the Closed Session and returned to the open meeting.

Resolution No.
2026-336
Adjournment
Moved by: Councillor, Division No. 4 Nordstrom
"That we adjourn the meeting at 9:04 pm."
CARRIED


Reeve


Chief Administrative Officer