



RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF
L U M S D E N
NO. 189

Rural Municipality of Lumsden No.189
Meeting Minutes
Regular Council Meeting - via Zoom October 20, 2022 - 7:00 PM

Call to Order

The Council of the Rural Municipality of Lumsden No. 189 convened their Regular Meeting via electronic means (Zoom), on Thursday, October 20, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

Present:

Reeve: Kent Farago

Councillors:

Division 2: Glenda Schlosser

Division 3: Cody Garbutt

Division 4: Derek Neuls

Division 5: John Langford

Division 6: Cody Jordison

Chief Administrative Officer: Monica M. Merkosky

Assistant Administrator: Krystal Strong (in Chambers from 7:00 - 9:13pm, 9:40 - 9:41pm)

Director of Finance: Ryan Haresign (from 7:00 - 7:17pm, 7:33 - 8:09pm.)

Director of Planning and Development: Aimee Bryck (Left at 7:26pm)

Public Works Manager: Leighton Watts (from 7:32 - 7:52pm)

Absent:

Councillor Division 1: Jeremy Andrew

Resolution No. **Approval of Agenda**
2022-512 **Moved by:** Councillor Langford

"That we approve the agenda as presented."

CARRIED

Declaration of Conflict of Interest

Councillor Glenda Schlosser declared a conflict of interest pertaining to agenda item 6.1.1, List of Accounts for Payment - Invoice from Big Rock Trucking.

Financial Reports

Resolution No. **List of Accounts No. 1**
2022-513 **Moved by:** Councillor Langford

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

CARRIED

Conflict Declared

Councillor Schlosser declared a conflict of interest with respect to an invoice from Big Rock Trucking. Councillor Schlosser abstained from discussion and voting on the matter and left the meeting at 7:03 pm.

Resolution No. **List of Accounts No. 2**
2022-514 **Moved by:** Councillor Langford

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

CARRIED

Conflict - Return to Meeting

At the conclusion of voting on the matter, Councillor Schlosser returned to the meeting at 7:04 pm

Planning and Development Applications and Reports

Resolution No. **Special Events Policy Amendment**
2022-515 **Moved by:** Councillor Jordison

"That we accept the proposed amendments to the Special Events Policy, as per administration's recommendations, attached to these minutes as Schedule "C"."

CARRIED

Director of Finance, Ryan Haresign, left for the remainder of the meeting at 7:17 pm.

Resolution No. **Closed Session**
2022-516 **Moved by:** Councillor Jordison

"That we move into Closed Session at 7:17 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 7:25 pm, Council left the Closed Session and returned to the open meeting.

Resolution No. **Development Application #2022-040 - Proposed Subdivision**
2022-517 **Moved by:** Councillor Garbutt

"That we table Subdivision Application #2022-040 for land legally described as SW 28-19-21-W2 Ext 5, located within the RM of Lumsden, until we receive comments from the Town of Lumsden, pursuant to the Official Community Plan."

CARRIED

Director of Planning and Development, Aimee Bryck, left for the remainder of the meeting at 7:26 pm.

Adoption of Minutes

Resolution No. **October 6, 2022 - Regular Council Meeting**
2022-518 **Moved by:** Councillor Langford

"That the minutes of the October 6, 2022 regular meeting be approved, as circulated."

CARRIED

Resolution No. **October 12, 2022 - Finance Committee**
2022-519 **Moved by:** Councillor Schlosser

"That the minutes of the October 12, 2022 Finance Committee meeting be approved, as circulated."

CARRIED

Committee Reports

Resolution No. **Reserve Policy Amendments**
2022-520 **Moved by:** Councillor Langford

"That we accept the recommendation of the Finance Committee and adopt the Financial Reserve Policy, as amended, as Schedule "D"."

Public Works Manager, Leighton Watts, joined the meeting at 7:32 pm.

Director of Finance, Ryan Haresign, joined the meeting at 7:33 pm.

Grader Warranty Repair Investigation

Moved by: Councillor Neuls

"That we direct administration to investigate all factors related to grader warranty repairs."

DEFEATED

Resolution No. **Grader Replacement Schedule**
2022-521 **Moved by:** Councillor Langford

"That we accept the recommendation of the Finance Committee that the RM of Lumsden maintain a 5-year grader replacement schedule and include the purchase of extended warranty for each unit."

CARRIED

Public Works Manager, Leighton Watts, left for the remainder of the meeting at 7:52 pm.

Resolution No. Allowance for Doubtful Accounts
2022-522 **Moved by:** Councillor Schlosser
"That we accept the recommendation of the Finance Committee to increase the allowance for doubtful accounts by \$15,000." **CARRIED**

Resolution No. Public Works Committee Report
2022-523 **Moved by:** Councillor Langford
"That the Public Works Committee Report be accepted as presented by Councillor Jordison." **CARRIED**

Resolution No. EMO Coordinator Report - Hwy 54 Fire October 13, 2022
2022-524 **Moved by:** Councillor Langford
"That the EMO Coordinator's report pertaining to the October 13, 2022 fire event on Highway 54, be accepted as presented." **CARRIED**

Director of Finance, Ryan Haresign, left for the remainder of the meeting at 8:09 pm.

New Business

Elected Official Term Limits - Councillor Neuls
Moved by: Councillor Neuls
"That we submit a resolution for the next SARM Convention, requesting that SARM lobby the provincial government to change legislation to enact term limits for elected officials." **DEFEATED**

Reports of Administration

Resolution No. Council Update
2022-525 **Moved by:** Councillor Schlosser
"That the report of the Chief Administrative Officer be accepted as presented." **CARRIED**

Resolution No. SARM Midterm Convention Registration
2022-526 **Moved by:** Councillor Garbutt
"That we authorize the following Council and Staff to attend the SARM Midterm Convention November 16-17, 2022:

- Staff designated by the CAO;
- Reeve;
- Councillors for Divisions 1, 3 and 5; and
- Councillors elected on November 9, 2022 or acclaimed for Divisions 2, 4 and 6."

A recorded vote was requested.

Name	Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
Jeremy Andrew				✓
Kent Farago	✓			
Cody Garbutt	✓			
Cody Jordison	✓			
John Langford	✓			
Derek Neuls	✓			
Glenda Schlosser	✓			

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolution No. Communications
2022-527 **Moved by:** Councillor Langford
"That the following communications and reports have been reviewed and the Chief Administrative Officer is authorized to file the same accordingly:
a. Deer Valley Annual General Meeting - October 6, 2022
b. Lumsden and District Heritage Home - August 27, 2022
c. Lumsden and District Heritage Home - Quarterly Report July - Sept 2022." **CARRIED**

Resolution No. Closed Session

2022-528 **Moved by:** Councillor Langford

"That we move into Closed Session at 9:03 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 9:13 pm, Council left the Closed Session and returned to the open meeting.

Assistant Administrator, Krystal Strong, left the meeting at 9:13 pm.

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

2022-529 **Moved by:** Councillor Schlosser

"That we move into Closed Session at 9:13 pm for the purpose of discussing employee-related matters as allowed pursuant to Section 120 of *The Municipalities Act* (LAFOIP S. 16(1)(b)), with the CAO included in the session."

CARRIED

Rise from Closed Session

At 9:39 pm, Council left the Closed Session and returned to the open meeting.

Assistant Administrator, Krystal Strong, returned to the meeting at 9:40 pm.

Resolution No. Heavy Equipment Operator - C. Bohach

2022-530 **Moved by:** Councillor Langford

"That we acknowledge the Chief Administrative Officer's hiring of Chris Bohach as a Full Time, Permanent, Heavy Equipment Operator, effective October 17, 2022, with a probationary period of 13 weeks; and

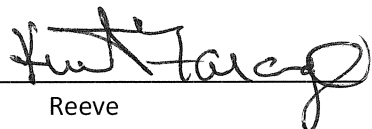
That we approve a wage at Step 3 of the 2022 Public Works Salary Grid, being \$27.78/hr." **CARRIED**

Resolution No. Adjournment

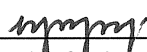
2022-531 **Moved by:** Councillor Jordison

"That we adjourn the meeting at 9:41 pm."

CARRIED



Reeve



Chief Administrative Officer