

**Rural Municipality of Lumsden No.189**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**Regular Council Meeting July 6, 2023 - 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, July 6, 2023 at 1:00 pm.

**Present:**

Reeve: Kent Farago

Councillors:

Division 2: Glenda Schlosser

Division 4: Marlise Nordstrom

Division 5: John Langford

Division 6: Cody Jordison (Joined at 1:01 pm via Zoom)

Chief Administrative Officer: Monica M. Merkosky

Assistant Administrator: Katherine Atkings (Left at 2:49 pm)

Planner: Denise Donahue (Left at 1:25 pm)

Public Works Manager: Leighton Watts (Left at 2:49 pm)

**Absent:**

Division 1 Councillor Jeremy Andrew

Division 3 Councillor Cody Garbutt

Director of Finance: Ryan Haresign

Director of Planning and Development: Aimee Bryck

**Resolution No.**

2023-295

**Additions to Agenda**

**Moved by:** Councillor Division No. 5 Langford

"That we add the following items to the agenda under New Business:

Council Resignation - Division 1 - Jeremy Andrew

By-Election - Division 1."

**CARRIED**

**Resolution No.**

2023-296

**Approval of Agenda**

**Moved by:** Councillor Division No. 4 Nordstrom

"That we approve the agenda as amended."

**CARRIED**

**Declaration of Conflict of Interest**

*Councillor Jordison declared a conflict of interest with respect to 14.1 Employee Service Awards and Staff Appreciation Luncheon as his spouse, Krystal Strong, is an employee of the Municipality.*

**Resolution No.**

2023-297

**Public Works Reports**

**Moved by:** Councillor Division No. 5 Langford

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

**CARRIED**

**Financial Reports**

**Resolution No.**

2023-298

**May 2023 Bank Reconciliation and Financial Statement**

**Moved by:** Councillor Division No. 5 Langford

"That the Bank Reconciliation and Financial Statement for the period ending May 31, 2023, be accepted as presented."

**CARRIED**

**Accounts for Approval**

**Resolution No. July 6, 2023 - List of Accounts**  
2023-299 **Moved by:** Councillor Division No. 5 Langford  
"That the list of accounts attached as Schedule "A" is approved for payment."  
**CARRIED**

**Planning and Development Applications and Reports**

**Resolution No. Development Application No. 2021-047 - Proposed Residential Subdivision - NW-06-19-21-W2M**  
2023-300 **Moved by:** Councillor Division No. 2 Schlosser  
"That Resolution #2021-382, relating to Development Application No. 2021-047 for a proposed residential subdivision within the NW-06-19-21-W2M Ext 1 and NW-06-19-21-W2M Ext 2, be amended by removing the original conditions and now be approved subject to the following:  
1. Prior to the construction of any new approach to access the property, a *Property Access Approach Application* shall be submitted to the RM of Lumsden No. 189.  
2. Prior to the construction of any new buildings or structures on the parcel, a Development Permit and Building Permit shall be submitted to and approved by the RM of Lumsden No. 189."  
3. Registration of an interest on title notifying future purchasers that the RM of Lumsden Development Levy Bylaw will apply to any future development on the subject lands."  
**CARRIED**

**Resolution No. Development Application No. 2023-017 - Proposed Residential Subdivision - NW-34-20-20-W2M**  
2023-301 **Moved by:** Councillor Division No. 5 Langford  
"That we respond to the Ministry of Government Relations, Community Planning Branch, by recommending approval of Development Application No. 2023-017 for a proposed residential subdivision on land legally described as NW-34-20-20-W2M."  
A recorded vote was requested.

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

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Planner, Denise Donahue left for the remainder of the meeting at 1:25 pm.**

**Adoption of Minutes**

**Resolution No. June 15, 2023 - Regular Council Meeting**  
2023-302 **Moved by:** Councillor Division No. 4 Nordstrom  
"That the minutes of the June 15, 2023 Regular Council Meeting be approved, as circulated."  
**CARRIED**

**Resolution No. June 21, 2023 - Joint Administration Committee**  
2023-303 **Moved by:** Councillor Division No. 2 Schlosser  
"That the minutes of the June 21, 2023 Joint Administration Committee Meeting be approved, as circulated."  
**CARRIED**

**Resolution No.**     **June 22, 2023 - Public Works Committee**  
2023-304     **Moved by:** Councillor Division No. 5 Langford

"That the minutes of the June 22, 2023 Public Works Committee Meeting be approved, as circulated."     **CARRIED**

**Committee Reports**

**Joint Administration Committee Report - Councillor Garbutt**

**Resolution No.**     **Regional EMO Coordinator**  
2023-305     **Moved by:** Councillor Division No. 2 Schlosser

"That we agree with the recommendation from the Joint Administration Committee that we jointly enter into a District Emergency Management Organization Agreement with the Town of Lumsden as well as approving the creation of the following positions:

- Regional Emergency Coordinator; and
- Deputy Regional Emergency Coordinator."

**CARRIED**

**Resolution No.**     **Youth Councillor Initiative**  
2023-306     **Moved by:** Councillor Division No. 4 Nordstrom

"That we agree with the recommendation of the Joint Administration Committee and offer a Lumsden High School student the opportunity to participate in the "Youth" council member program as per Section 82(1) of *The Municipalities Act*; for a one-year term with the RM of Lumsden No. 189 only."     **CARRIED**

**Resolution No.**     **Approve Joint Administration Committee Report**  
2023-307     **Moved by:** Councillor Division No. 2 Schlosser

"That the June 21, 2023 Joint Administration Committee report be accepted as presented by Reeve Farago."     **CARRIED**

**Public Works Committee Report - Reeve Farago**

**Resolution No.**     **Transfer to Road Reserve - For Urgent Situations**  
2023-308     **Moved by:** Councillor Division No. 5 Langford

"That we agree with the recommendation of the Public Works Committee and establish a subcategory within the Road Reserve to be utilized when hiring contractors to provide road maintenance assistance in urgent circumstances."     **CARRIED**

**Resolution No.**     **Approve Public Works Committee Report**  
2023-309     **Moved by:** Councillor Division No. 5 Langford

"That the June 22, 2023 Public Works Committee report be accepted as presented by Reeve Farago."     **CARRIED**

**Resolution No.**     **Closed Session**  
2023-310     **Moved by:** Councillor Division No. 5 Langford

"That we move into Closed Session at 1:49 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 2:03 pm, Council left the Closed Session and returned to the open meeting.

**Unfinished Business**

**Resolution No.**     **Wascana Creek Realignment**  
2023-311     **Moved by:** Councillor Division No. 2 Schlosser

"That we agree to contract MPE Engineering Ltd. to complete the preliminary and detailed design work necessary to apply to regulatory bodies to realign Wascana Creek and construct erosion control in the NW & NE 7-19-21 W2M with the engineering expected to be \$75,200."     **CARRIED**

**New Business**

**Conflict Declared**

*Councillor Jordison declared a conflict of interest with respect to 14.1 Employee Service Awards and Staff Appreciation Luncheon as his spouse, Krystal Strong, is an employee of the Municipality. Councillor Jordison abstained from discussion and voting on the matter and left the Zoom meeting at 2:04 pm.*

**Resolution No. Employee Service Awards and Staff Appreciation Luncheon**

2023-312 **Moved by:** Councillor Division No. 4 Nordstrom

"That we host a Staff Appreciation Luncheon for presentation of the 2023 employee service awards with the date and location to be determined by Administration."

**CARRIED**

**Conflict - Returned to Chambers**

*At the conclusion of voting on the matter, Councillor Jordison returned to the meeting via Zoom at 2:06 pm.*

**Resolution No. Resignation - Melissa Lenuik**

2023-313 **Moved by:** Councillor Division No. 2 Schlosser

"That we accept, with regret, the resignation of Melissa Lenuik, Office Services Clerk - Accounting 2, effective end of day July 7, 2023."

**CARRIED**

**Resolution No. Amend Custom Spraying Program Policy**

2023-314 **Moved by:** Councillor Division No. 5 Langford

"That we agree to the proposed amendments to the Custom Spraying Program Policy, attached as Schedule "B"."

**CARRIED**

**Resolution No. Council Resignation - Division 1 - Jeremy Andrew**

2023-315 **Moved by:** Councillor Division No. 2 Schlosser

"That we accept, with regret, the resignation of Division 1 Councillor Jeremy Andrew effective July 6, 2023."

**CARRIED**

**Resolution No. By-Election - Division 1**

2023-316 **Moved by:** Councillor Division No. 5 Langford

"That we hold a By-Election for Division No. 1 Councillor on Wednesday, October 25, 2023."

**CARRIED**

**Reports of Administration**

**Resolution No. Council Update**

2023-317 **Moved by:** Councillor Division No. 4 Nordstrom

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

**CARRIED**

**Resolution No. Communications**

2023-318 **Moved by:** Councillor Division No. 5 Langford

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

- a. Lumsden and District Heritage Home - Meeting Minutes, May 29, 2023
- b. Lumsden and District Heritage Home - Newsletter, July 2023
- c. South Shore First Responders - Meeting Minutes, May 24, 2023
- d. Lumsden RCMP - Community Policing Report, May 2023
- e. SaskPower - Wood Pole Inspections & Maintenance Program
- f. STARS - Announces New President & CEO
- g. Mobil Grain/C.N.R. - Crossing Rehab NW 23-19-21-W2
- h. Miscellaneous."

**CARRIED**

**Resolution No. Mobil Grain - Crossing Rehab**

2023-319 **Moved by:** Councillor Division No. 6 Jordison

"That we agree to pay MobilGrain 50% of the cost to maintain Crossing Mile Point MP 14.71 with the RM's share being \$3,826.50."

**CARRIED**



**Bylaws**

**Resolution No.**    **Bylaw No. 2023-10 - Speed of Vehicles - 1st Reading**  
2023-320            **Moved by:** Councillor Division No. 2 Schlosser

"That Bylaw No. 2023-10, being a bylaw to regulate the speed of vehicles on certain portions of road, be read a first time." **CARRIED**

**Councillor Jordison left meeting at 2:37 pm due to technical difficulties and returned to meeting at 2:38 pm.**

**Public Works Manager, Leighton Watts and Assistant Administrator, Katherine Atkings left for the remainder of the meeting at 2:49 pm.**

**Resolution No.**    **Closed Session**  
2023-321            **Moved by:** Councillor Division No. 2 Schlosser

"That we move into Closed Session at 2:49 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 3:16 pm, Council left the Closed Session and returned to the open meeting.

**Gerrand Rath Johnson LLP - Compliance Order Letter**  
**Moved by:** Councillor Division No. 5 Langford

"That we authorize Gerrand Rath Johnson to send a clarification letter pertaining to the illegal slope unloading in relation to Provincial Court File Number QBG 1157 of 2019." **CARRIED**

**Resolution No.**    **Closed Session - LAFOIP S. 16(1)(b) Employee-Related Matters**  
2023-322            **Moved by:** Councillor Division No. 5 Langford

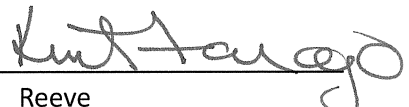
"That we move into Closed Session at 3:17 pm for the purpose of discussing employee-related matters as allowed pursuant to Section 120 of *The Municipalities Act* (LAFOIP S. 6(1)(b)), with the Chief Administrative Officer to be included in the session." **CARRIED**

**Rise from Closed Session**

At 3:33 pm, Council left the Closed Session and returned to the open meeting.

**Resolution No.**    **Adjournment**  
2023-323            **Moved by:** Councillor Division No. 4 Nordstrom

"That we adjourn the meeting at 3:33 pm."

  
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Reeve

  
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Chief Administrative Officer