



MINUTES
County Council Regular Meeting

Lac Ste. Anne County held a County Council Regular Meeting on February 26, 2026 commencing at 9:30 a.m. in the Council Chambers of the County Administration Building in Sangudo, Alberta.

Councillors Present: D. Johnson, Deputy Reeve
M. Derksen, Councillor
E. Gifford, Councillor
B. Knysh, Councillor
J. Stoney, Councillor
B. Voltner, Councillor

Councillors Absent: J. Preugschas, Reeve

Staff Present: A. Mitchell, Chief Administrative Officer
C. Callihoo, GM of Corporate Services
T. Court, GM of Community Engagement
G. Edwards, GM of Operations
B. Hartman, GM of Infrastructure
T. Lesko, Communications Coordinator
J. Lowry, Administrative Support Clerk
R. Schroeder, County Fire Chief
C. Suter, Legislative & Support Services Supervisor
T. Vanderwell, Acting Manager of Planning & Development

Also Present: Five members of the public were in attendance.
Seventeen members of the public were on-line.

CALL TO ORDER

Deputy Reeve Johnson called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

B.2. CAO Update on Capital Projects (2025) Update - verbal

ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

Acceptance of the Agenda

59-2026 MOVED BY Councillor Gifford that County Council accepts the February 26, 2026, County Council meeting agenda as amended. Carried.

PUBLIC INPUT SESSION

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Adoption of the Minutes

February 11, 2026 Budget Meeting Minutes

60-2026 MOVED BY Councillor Derksen that County Council approves the February 11, 2026, Budget Meeting minutes as presented.

Carried.

February 12, 2026 County Council Meeting Minutes

61-2026 MOVED BY Councillor Voltner that County Council approves the February 12, 2026, County Council meeting minutes as presented.

Carried.

DELEGATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

9:30 a.m. STARS Presentation

62-2026 MOVED BY Councillor Stoney that County Council accept the presentation from Glenda Farnden, Senior Municipal Relations Liaison on behalf of STARS, for information.

Carried.

9:52 a.m. Appointment Parkland RCMP Detachment

63-2026 MOVED BY Councillor Knysh that County Council accept the presentation from Corporal Yves Djomdi Djarsia, of the Parkland RCMP detachment, for information.

Carried.

OPERATIONS

PUBLIC WORKS & OPERATIONS

2026 Summer Gravel Haul Rate

64-2026 MOVED BY Councillor Gifford that County Council approve the 2026 Summer Gravel Haul Rate to reflect the following:

- \$0.950 Load Factor
- \$0.1500 Tonne/Km
- 11% Fuel Surcharge

and further direct Administration to review Policy 04-040-011 Gravel Truck, Equipment & Loader Policy, considering the use of commercial fuel rates for fuel surcharge and frequency of fuel surcharge review.

Carried.

CORPORATE SERVICES

ASSESSMENT & TAXATION

2026 Appointment of Assessment Review Board (ARB) Officials

65-2026 MOVED BY Councillor Stoney that County Council appoint the following as Assessment Review Board (ARB) officials for 2026.

ARB Chairman - Raymond Ralph

Certified ARB Clerk - Gerryl Amarin

- Certified Panalists - Darlene Chartrand
- Sheryl Exley
- Tina Groszko
- Richard Knowles
- Marcel LeBlanc
- Roland Merkosky

Raymond Ralph

Carried.

INFRASTRUCTURE

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Fire Apparatus Capital Budget Presentation

66-2026 MOVED BY Councillor Knysh that County Council defer decision regarding direction for the capital purchase pending further budget review and consultation for the the fire apparatus capital budget presentation. Carried.

Recess from 10:57 a.m. to 11:09 a.m.

ADMINISTRATION

BYLAWS & POLICIES

Bylaw 27-2019-01-2026 Mayerthorpe Intermunicipal Development Plan (IDP) Amendment

67-2026 MOVED BY Councillor Voltner that County Council give first reading to Bylaw 27-2019-01-2026 Mayerthorpe Intermunicipal Development Plan (IDP) Amendment. Carried.

68-2026 MOVED BY Councillor Derksen County Council that a joint Public Hearing with the Town of Mayerthorpe for Bylaw 27-2019-01-2026 Mayerthorpe Intermunicipal Development Plan (IDP) Amendment be scheduled for March 26, 2026 with the time to be confirmed with the Town of Mayerthorpe and advertise accordingly. Carried.

Bylaw 03-2026 Sangudo Utility Bylaw

69-2026 MOVED BY Councillor Stoney that County Council give second reading to Bylaw 03-2026 Sangudo Utility Bylaw. Carried.

70-2026 MOVED BY Councillor Stoney that County Council give third and final reading to Bylaw 03-2026 Sangudo Utility Bylaw. Carried.

Bylaw 04-2026 Solid Waste Utility Bylaw

71-2026 MOVED BY Councillor Gifford that County Council give second reading to Bylaw 04-2026 Solid Waste Utility Bylaw. Carried.

72-2026 MOVED BY Councillor Derksen that County Council give third and final reading to Bylaw 04-2026 Solid Waste Utility. Carried.

Chief Administrative Officer Performance Review Process Policy 01-018

73-2026 MOVED BY Councillor Derksen that County Council adopt the CAO Performance Review Process Policy 01-018 as presented. Carried.

Council Administration Communication Policy 01-019



74-2026 MOVED BY Councillor Gifford that County Council adopt the Council Administration Communication Policy 01-019 as presented.

Carried.

Financial Reporting Policy 03-050-022

75-2026 MOVED BY Councillor Derksen that County Council adopt the Financial Reporting Policy 03-050-022 as presented.

Carried.

COUNTY MANAGER

Governance and Priority Committee Meetings

76-2026 MOVED BY Councillor Stoney that County Council approves to discontinue the Governance and Priorities meetings and further that County Council directs Administration to update the procedural bylaw accordingly and bring it back to County Council for approval.

Carried.

2025 Capital Projects Update

77-2026 MOVED BY Councillor Derksen that County Council accepts for information the following 2025 Capital Project Updates for information:

- Operations - Spruce Lane Subdivision Base & Pave, Cold Storage Building Fire Replacement Project, Township Road 540 (RR 31-32), Range Road 33, Township Road 540 1 Road Rehab;
- Fire Services - Exhaust Scrubbers East End Station, Fire Engine Type 3 – Station 4, Crew Truck – East Station and Fire Engine Type 1 – East Station;
- Infrastructure - Bridge 9350, Bridge 02079, and Bridge 09312.

Carried.

COUNTY COUNCIL & COMMITTEE UPDATES

Recess at 11:53 a.m. to 12:39 p.m.

County Council & Committee Updates

78-2026 MOVED BY Councillor Knysh that County Council directs Administration to invite Lake Isle and Lac Ste. Anne Stewardship Society (LILSA), the LILSA WQ2, the Sturgeon River Watershed Alliance, and the North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance to give presentation at a future meeting.

Carried.

79-2026 MOVED BY Councillor Derksen that County Council directs Administration to invite the West Inter Lake District (W.I.L.D.) and the Highway 43 East Waste Commission give a presentation at a future meeting.

Carried.

80-2026 MOVED BY Councillor Derksen that County Council receive the County Council & Committee Updates for information:

Division 1
 Councillor Voltner
 Feb. 3 Council Orientation
 Feb. 4 Strategic Planning Meeting
 Feb. 5 Governance and Priorities Meeting
 Feb. 6 Budget Meeting
 Feb. 7 Pembina River District 3 Meeting



Feb. 11 Budget Meeting
Feb. 12 Governance & Priorities Meeting.
Feb. 26 County Council Meeting
Feb. 27 Budget Meeting
Numerous emails about the tiny home development

Division 2
Councillor Derksen

Feb. 2 LEPA & Lac La Nonne Council Meeting
Feb. 3 Council Budget Orientation
Feb. 4 Strategic Planning
Feb. 5 Governance and Priorities Meeting
Feb. 6 Campground, Fire Services and Agricultural Services Orientations
Feb. 9 Pembina Zone 3 Meeting
Feb. 11 Budget Meeting
Feb. 12 County Council Meeting
Feb. 18 RMA Webinar
Feb. 19 ORMC Meeting
Feb. 20 Sturgeon Water Shed Webinar
Feb. 25 East End Bus Society Meeting
Feb. 26 County Council Meeting
Feb. 27 Public Budget Meeting

Division 3
Deputy Reeve Johnson
Feb. 3 Council Budget Orientation
Feb. 4 Strategic Planning
Feb. 5 Governance & Priorities Meeting
Feb. 6 Campground, Fire Services and Agricultural Services Orientations
Feb. 9 Pembina Zone 3 Meeting
Feb. 10 WILD Water
Feb. 11 Budget Meeting
Feb. 12 County Council Meeting
Feb. 23 WILD Water
Feb. 24 Highway 43 East Waste Commission
Feb. 26 County Council Meeting
Feb. 27 Budget Meeting

Division 4
Councillor Gifford
Feb. 1 – Alberta Snowmobile Association working with Alberta Beach Snowmobile Association – Provincial Day of Snowmobiling at Stanger Hills Staging Area
Feb. 2 Darwell Ag Society Meeting
Feb. 3 LSAC Finance and Commissions Training
Feb. 4 LSAC Strategic Planning Day
Feb. 5 Governance & Priorities Meeting
Feb. 5 Public Works 101 Orientation
Feb. 5 Cherhill Legion Meeting
Feb. 6 Campground, Fire Services Orientation, Ag Services Orientation
Feb. 9 Darwell & District Recreation Association Meeting
Feb. 11 Budget Meeting
Feb. 12 County Council Meeting
Feb. 18 West End Bus Meeting
Feb. 18 Mayerthorpe ERC Building Meeting
Feb. 19 Community Future Yellowhead East Meeting
Feb. 23 Darwell Library Meeting
Feb. 26 County Council Meeting
Feb. 27 Budget Meeting

Division 5

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Councillor Knysh
 Feb. 3 Finance and Commission Orientation
 Feb. 4 Strategic Planning and Budget Meeting
 Feb. 5 Governance & Priorities Meeting and Public Works 101
 Feb. 6 Campground, Ag, and Fire Services Orientations
 Feb. 11 Budget Meeting
 Feb. 12 County Council Meeting
 Feb. 17 LILSA WQ2 Meeting
 Feb. 24 Highway 43 East Waste Commission
 Feb. 26 County Council Meeting
 Feb. 27 Budget Meeting

Division 6
 Deputy Reeve Preugschas
 Feb. 2 Reeve /CAO meeting
 Feb. 3 Finance Orientation and Commissions Orientation Meeting and a Town Hall Meeting in Greencourt with 55 attendees
 Feb. 4 Strategic Planning Session
 Feb. 5 Governance and Priorities Meeting and Public Works Orientation.
 Feb. 6 Campground, Fire Services and Agricultural Services Orientation
 Feb. 9 RMA Pembina Zone 3 Meeting and CAO/Reeve Meeting
 Feb. 11 Budget Meeting and an IDP Meeting with the Town of Mayerthorpe
 Feb. 12 Council Meeting
 Ratepayer calls

Division 7
 Councillor Stoney


Feb. 3 Finance and Commission Orientation
 Feb. 4 Strategic Planning and Budget Meeting
 Feb. 5 Governance & Priorities Meeting and Public Works 101
 Feb. 6 Campground, Ag, and Fire Services Orientations
 Feb. 11 Budget Meeting and Inter-Municipal Development Plan (IDP) Meeting
 Feb. 12 County Council Meeting
 Feb. 18 West End Bus Meeting and St. Anne Emergency Response Center Meeting
 Feb. 25 Lac Ste Anne Foundation Meeting
 Feb. 26 Council Meeting
 Feb. 27 Budget Meeting

Carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Deputy Reeve Johnson adjourned the meeting at 1:07 p.m


 Chief Administrative Officer


 Deputy Reeve