



MINUTES
County Council Regular Meeting

Lac Ste. Anne County held a County Council Regular Meeting on March 12, 2026 commencing at 9:30 a.m. in the Council Chambers of the County Administration Building in Sangudo, Alberta.

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

Councillors Absent:

Staff Present: A. Mitchell, Chief Administrative Officer
C. Callihoo, GM of Corporate Services
T. Court, GM of Community Engagement
B. Hartman, GM of Infrastructure
T. Lee Chen, Finance Manager
T. Lesko, Communications Coordinator
J. Lowry, Administrative Support Clerk
S. McGrath, Finance Technician
B. Parker, Public Works Manager
C. Suter, Legislative & Support Services Supervisor
T. Vanderwell, Acting Manager of Planning & Development

Also Present: Seven members of the public were in attendance.
Twenty members of the public were on-line.

CALL TO ORDER

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

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

9.3 Gravel Haul Surcharge Rate - Rescind Motion 64-2026
11.B.3 Barrhead County Appreciation Dinner

ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

Acceptance of the Agenda

84-2026 MOVED BY Councillor Stoney that County Council approves the March 12, 2026, County Council meeting as amended. Carried.

PUBLIC INPUT SESSION

1. Garth Ward - Darwell Lagoon Commission Phase B:Part II Extension
2. Bernie Poulin - Darwell Lagoon Commission Phase B: Part II Extension
3. Andy Harapchuk - Road Safety - RR 63 Twp 564

ADOPTION OF MINUTES**Adoption of the Minutes****February 5, 2026 Governance & Priorities Meeting Minutes**

85-2026 MOVED BY Councillor Gifford that County Council resolves to approve the February 5, 2026 Governance & Priorities Meeting minutes as presented. Carried.

February 26, 2026 County Council Meeting Minutes

86-2026 MOVED BY Councillor Derksen that County Council accepts the February 26, 2026 County Council Meeting minutes as presented. Carried.

February 27, 2026 Budget Meeting Minutes

87-2026 MOVED BY Deputy Reeve Johnson that County Council approves the February 27, 2026, County Council Budget Meeting minutes as presented. Carried.

DELEGATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

~~11:30 a.m. Appointment – Angela Pauls Proposed Municipal Animal Intake Partnership Proposal~~
Rescheduling

INFRASTRUCTURE**Darwell Lagoon Commission Phase B: Part II Extension Project**

88-2026 MOVED BY Deputy Reeve Johnson that County Council approve the 2025 engineering fees for Darwell Lagoon Commission Transmission Line Phase B:Part II in the amount of \$45,023.07 with funding from the Wastewater Tax Fund and further approve the County's share of the 2026 project for the Darwell Lagoon Transmission Line Phase B:Part II – Northeast Lagoon Expansion in the amount of \$1,600,493 with funding to come from long term debt using a 25 year term.

Reeve Preugschas	For
Deputy Reeve Johnson (Moved By)	For
Councillor Derksen	For
Councillor Gifford	For
Councillor Knysh	Against
Councillor Stoney	For
Councillor Voltner	For

Carried.

CP2025-13 Backup Generator Capital Project

89-2026 MOVED BY Councillor Gifford that County Council approve transferring \$15,148 from the 2025 tower operating budget to cover the additional costs of the propane tanks for the 2025 Capital Project (CP2025 13: Backup Generators). Carried.

2026 Gravel Haul Rate - Motion 64-2026

90-2026 MOVED BY Deputy Reeve Johnson that County Council rescind motion 64-2026,

- *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.

Gravel Haul Policy

91-2026

MOVED BY Deputy Reeve Johnson that County Council approve the gravel haul rates for gravel haul contractors as follows:

\$0.950 Load Factor
\$0.1500 Tonne / km

Fuel Surcharge according to the Table in Section 18 of Policy 04-040-011 Gravel Truck, equipment and loader policy with the fuel surcharge to be reviewed on the first workday of each calendar month and will be changed according to a \$0.12 / litre deviation from the current rate.

Carried.

OPERATIONS

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

Encroachment Agreement Request between, Applicants/Landowners Donald and Marlene Chetek (Lot 3A, Block 15, Plan 8622884, Losie Glade within SW 35-56-02 W5M) and Lac Ste. Anne County (Lot R7, Block 15, Plan 8622884)

92-2026

MOVED BY Deputy Reeve Johnson that the application for an Encroachment Agreement between Applicants/Landowners Donald and Marlene Chetek (Lot 3A, Block 15, Plan 8622884, Losie Glade within SW 35-56-02 W5M) Tax Roll #5602352004 (Div.2) and Lac Ste. Anne County (Lot R7, Block 15, Plan 8622884) be deferred for further information.

Carried.

CORPORATE SERVICES

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

ADMINISTRATION

Appointment of Subdivision Development Appeal Board Members

93-2026

MOVED BY Councillor Derksen that County Council appoint the following as members to our Subdivision & Development Appeal Board (SDAB):

- Becky Oxtton
- Christine Goodvin
- Lindsay Zagorski

Carried.

BYLAWS & POLICIES

Procedural Bylaw

94-2026 MOVED BY Councillor Stoney that County Council direct Administration to bring the Bylaw 09-2026 Procedural Bylaw back to future meeting with the discussed amendments and for first reading.

Carried.

COUNTY MANAGER

Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework Agreements

95-2026 MOVED BY Councillor Derksen that County Council adopt the timeline and direct Administration to initiate the process of negotiations with our regional partners for Lac Ste Anne Intermunicipal Framework Agreements for the 2026 year.

Carried.

Council Meeting Dates

96-2026 MOVED BY Councillor Voltner that County Council adopt the attached meeting dates for the remainder of 2026.

Carried.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Committee Reports

97-2026 MOVED BY Councillor Derksen that County Council accepts the following Committee Reports for information:

- Community Futures Yellowhead East (CFYE) Board Meeting Minutes
- Lac Ste. Anne Foundation Board Meeting Minutes
- Lac Ste. Anne County Library Board Meeting Minutes

Carried.

Barrhead County Appreciation Dinner

County Council has been provided with two free tickets to the Barrhead County Appreciation Dinner to be held on April 11, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. with Reeve Preugschas and Councillor Stoney expressing interest in attending.

ADJOURNMENT

Reeve Preugschas adjourned the meeting at 11:11 a.m.

Reeve

Chief Administrative Officer

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