



Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes

August 13, 2026
10:00 a.m.

Members Present:

Reeve Roger Konieczny, Division 3
Deputy Reeve Tara Kuzio, Division 5
Councillor Joey Nafziger, Division 1
Councillor Ray Nedzielski, Division 2
Councillor Allen McCutcheon, Division 4
Councillor Carl Ogrodnick, Division 6
Councillor Jerri Ziegler, Division 7

Administration Present:

Pat Podoborzny, Chief Administrative Officer
Norm De Wet, Director of Operations
Jason Warawa, Director of Corporate Services
Davin Gegolick, Director of Planning & Community Services
Mike Fundytus, Director of Protective Services
Audra Kropielnicki, Executive Coordinator

1. CALL TO ORDER

Reeve Konieczny called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

2. CHANGES TO AGENDA & ADOPTION OF AGENDA

2026-W061

Moved by: Councillor Ziegler

THAT the Agenda for the August 13, 2026 Committee of the Whole meeting be adopted as presented.

Carried

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

2026-W062

Moved by: Councillor Nedzielski

THAT the July 20, 2026 Committee of the Whole meeting minutes be adopted as presented.

Carried

2026-W063

Moved by: Deputy Reeve Kuzio

THAT the Committee of the Whole meet in private to discuss matters protected from disclosure under the *Access to Information Act (ATIA)*, *Disclosure harmful to business interests of a third party*, at 10:03 a.m.

Carried

4. DELEGATIONS**4.1 Economic Development Opportunity**

ATIA Section 19, Disclosure harmful to business interests of a third party

Name	Reason/Purpose
Pat Podoborozny	Strategic Leader of the Organization
Davin Gegolick	Strategic Leader of the Organization
Presenters	

2026-W064

Moved by: Councillor Ziegler

THAT the Committee of the Whole revert to Open Session at 10:41 a.m.

Carried

Jason Warawa, Mike Fundytus, Norm De Wet and Audra Kropielnicki entered the meeting at 10:43 a.m.

5. REPORTS FOR DISCUSSION**5.1 Circular Materials Household Recycling Program****Administration Presenter:**

Norm De Wet, Director of Operations

2026-W065

Moved by: Councillor Nedzielski

THAT the Committee of the Whole accept this report for information.

Carried

5.2 Rural Broadband Policy**Administration Presenter:**

Davin Gegolick, Director of Planning and Community Services

2026-W066

Moved by: Councillor McCutcheon

THAT the Committee of the Whole directs administration to prepare an RFD for consideration at the August 17, 2026 Council Meeting, recommending that Council repeal Policy PDS 7001-01, Rural Broadband, and incorporate rural broadband initiatives as an action item supporting the County's economic development goal within the County's Strategic Plan.

Carried

6. COUNCILLOR REQUESTS (INFORMATION/PROGRAM REQUESTS)

- 6.1 Divisional Reports
- 6.2 Councillor Request Report

2026-W067

Moved by: Councillor Nafziger

THAT the Divisional Reports and Councillor Request Report be accepted as presented.

Carried

Reeve Konieczny recessed the meeting at 11:20 a.m.

Reeve Konieczny reconvened the meeting at 11:30 a.m.

7. CLOSED SESSION

2026-W068

Moved by: Councillor Nafziger

THAT the Committee of the Whole meet in private to discuss matters protected from disclosure under the *Access to Information Act* (ATIA), specifically Section 26, Disclosure harmful to intergovernmental relations and Section 29, Advice from officials, at 11:30 a.m.

Carried

- 7.1 Fire Services Agreement
ATIA Section 26, Disclosure harmful to intergovernmental relations

Name	Reason/Purpose
Pat Podoborzny	Strategic Leader of the Organization
Mike Fundytus	Strategic Leader of the Organization
Norm De Wet	Strategic Leader of the Organization
Jason Warawa	Strategic Leader of the Organization

Mike Fundytus left the meeting at 11:59 a.m.

- 7.2 2027 Capital Equipment
ATIA Section 29, Advice from officials

Name	Reason/Purpose
Pat Podoborzny	Strategic Leader of the Organization
Norm De Wet	Strategic Leader of the Organization
Jason Warawa	Strategic Leader of the Organization

Norm De Wet and Jason Warawa left the meeting at 12:20 p.m.

Davin Gegolick entered the meeting at 12:21 p.m.

Deputy Reeve Kuzio left the meeting at 12:21 p.m.

- 7.3 Mannville Agriculture Society Funding Request
ATIA Section 29, Advice from officials

Name	Reason/Purpose
Pat Podoborzny	Strategic Leader of the Organization
Davin Gegolick	Strategic Leader of the Organization

- 7.4 Viking Health Foundation
ATIA Section 29, Advice from officials

Name	Reason/Purpose
Pat Podoborzny	Strategic Leader of the Organization
Davin Gegolick	Strategic Leader of the Organization

- 7.5 Vegreville FCSS Funding
ATIA Section 29, Advice from officials

Name	Reason/Purpose
Pat Podoborzny	Strategic Leader of the Organization
Davin Gegolick	Strategic Leader of the Organization

8. OPEN SESSION

2026-W069

Moved by: Councillor Nedzielski

THAT the Committee of the Whole revert to open session at 12:45 p.m.

Carried

9. MOTIONS ARISING OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

- 9.1 2027 Capital Equipment

2026-W070

Moved by: Councillor Nafziger

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommend to County Council the purchase of three Cat 160 Graders at a total cost of \$1,950,000.00 (excluding GST), and that these items be approved and included in the 2027 Capital Budget; and further, that Units 326, 335, and 336 be sold by tender following delivery of the new graders.

Carried

- 9.2 Mannville Agriculture Society Funding Request

2026-W071

Moved by: Councillor Nafziger

THAT the Committee of the Whole direct Administration to bring the Mannville Agriculture Society Funding Request to the August 17, 2026 Council meeting for discussion.

Carried

10. ADJOURNMENT

Reeve Konieczny declared the meeting adjourned at 12:47 p.m.

Reeve

Chief Administrative Officer