



COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

April 22, 2025

Council Members Present: Reeve Roger Konieczny, Division 3
Deputy Reeve Kevin Bentley, Division 7
Councillor Joey Nafziger, Division 1
Councillor Eric Anderson, Division 2
Councillor Cliff Wowdzia, Division 4
Councillor Tara Kuzio, Division 5
Councillor Carl Ogrodnick, Division 6

Administration Present: Pat Podoborzny, Chief Administrative Officer
Norm De Wet, Director of Operations
Jason Warawa, Director of Corporate Services
Mike Fundytus, Director of Protective Services
Davin Gegolick, Director of Planning and Community Services
Audra Kropielnicki, Executive Coordinator
Elaine Cartier, Administrative Assistant, Planning

1 CALL TO ORDER

Reeve Konieczny called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

2 ADOPTION OF AGENDA

2025-096

Moved by: Councillor Wowdzia

THAT the April 22, 2025 regular Council meeting agenda be adopted as presented.

Carried

3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

3.1 March 20, 2025 County Council Meeting

2025-097

Moved by: Councillor Kuzio

THAT the March 20, 2025 regular Council meeting minutes be adopted as presented.

Carried

4 DELEGATIONS

5 COUNCIL PRIORITIES

2025-098

Moved by: Councillor Nafziger

THAT the Council Priorities be accepted as information.

Carried

6 REQUESTS FOR DECISION

6.1 Subdivision File #03-2025

2025-099

Moved by: Deputy Reeve Bentley

THAT Council move to conditionally approve Subdivision File 03-2025 per the recommendations of the report.

Carried

6.2 Subdivision File #04-2025

2025-100

Moved by: Councillor Anderson

THAT Council move to conditionally approve Subdivision File 04-2025 per the recommendations of the report.

Carried

6.3 Community Investment Program

2025-101

Moved by: Councillor Anderson

THAT Council approve the Community Investment Program.

Carried

Councillor Wowdzia left the meeting at 10:09 a.m.

6.4 Hamlet Cleanup Program Applications

2025-102

Moved by: Councillor Nafziger

THAT County approve the applications submitted for the 2025 Hamlet cleanup.

Motion Defeated

2025-103

Moved by: Councillor Kuzio

THAT Council move to table the decision until later in the meeting.

Carried

Reeve recessed the meeting at 10:20 a.m.

Reeve reconvened the meeting at 10:28 a.m.

6.5 Gravel Inventory Control Policy

2025-104

Moved by: Deputy Reeve Bentley

THAT County Council move to adopt the new Gravel Inventory Control Policy.

Carried

6.6 Gravel Inventory Adjustments Policy OP 9014-01

2025-105

Moved by: Councillor Anderson

THAT County Council move to repeal Gravel Inventory Adjustments Policy OP 9014-01.

Carried

6.7 2025 STIP Projects – BF's 1195 and 75604

2025-106

Moved by: Councillor Ogrodnick

THAT County Council approve the contract with West-Can Seal Coating Inc. for the replacement of BF 1195, and BF 75604, with a total project cost of \$781,442 including engineering, contingency, geotech and fish capture, and excluding GST.

Carried

6.8 Bridge Maintenance Tender: BF's 1865 and 74718

2025-107

Moved by: Councillor Kuzio

THAT County Council approve the contract with Bridgemen Services Ltd. for the bridge maintenance and repair of BF 1865, and BF 74718, with a total project cost of \$529,054 including engineering, fish salvage, contingency, and excluding GST.

Carried

6.9 Winter Maintenance Policy

2025-108

Moved by: Deputy Reeve Bentley

THAT County Council move to adopt the new Winter Maintenance policy.

Carried

6.10 Snow Clearing Policy OP 9016-01-A

2025-109

Moved by: Councillor Ogrodnick

THAT County Council move to repeal Snow Clearing Policy OP 9016-01-A.

Carried

2025-110

Moved by: Deputy Reeve Bentley

Deputy Reeve Bentley moved to proceed to Item# 6.15 on the Council Meeting Agenda in order for Councillor Wowdzia to be present for the 2025 Final Budget discussion.

Carried

6.11 2025 Final Budget

2025-113

Moved by: Councillor Ogrodnick

THAT County Council approve the addition of RR 144 to the Road Oiling project as discussed at the April 16, 2025 Committee of the Whole meeting to the final budget.

Motion Defeated

2025-114

Moved by: Councillor Anderson

THAT County Council approve the 2025 operating and capital budgets totalling \$30,615,104 plus a non-cash operating expense of \$1,953,367 for amortization and accretion expenses related to tangible capital assets and associated retirement obligations.

Carried

6.12 2025 Property Tax Bylaw No. 1363-25

2025-115

Moved by: Councillor Nafziger

THAT County Council give first reading to Bylaw No. 1363-25 that authorizes the taxation rates to be levied against assessable property within the County of Minburn for 2025.

Carried

2025-116

Moved by: Deputy Reeve Bentley

THAT County Council give second reading to Bylaw No. 1363-25 that authorizes the taxation rates to be levied against assessable property within the County of Minburn for 2025.

Carried

2025-117

Moved by: Councillor Wowdzia

THAT County Council consider giving unanimous consent to going to third and final reading to Bylaw No. 1363-25 that authorizes the taxation rates to be levied against assessable property within the County of Minburn for 2025.

Carried

2025-118

Moved by: Councillor Anderson

THAT County Council give third reading to Bylaw No. 1363-25 that authorizes the taxation rates to be levied against assessable property within the County of Minburn for 2025.

Carried

6.13 Hamlet of Minburn Special Tax Rate Bylaw No. 1364-25

2025-119

Moved by: Councillor Kuzio

THAT County Council give first reading to Bylaw No. 1364-25 that authorizes a special tax to be levied against parcels of land in the Hamlet of Minburn to raise revenue to pay for sewer services in 2025.

Carried

2025-120

Moved by: Anderson

THAT County Council give second reading to Bylaw No. 1364-25 that authorizes a special tax to be levied against parcels of land in the Hamlet of Minburn to raise revenue to pay for sewer services in 2025.

Carried

2025-121

Moved by: Wowdzia

THAT County Council consider giving unanimous consent to go to third and final reading to Bylaw No. 1364-25 that authorizes a special tax to be levied against parcels of land in the Hamlet of Minburn to raise revenue to pay for sewer services in 2025.

Carried

2025-122

Moved by: Councillor Nafziger

THAT County Council give third reading to Bylaw No. 1364-25 that authorizes a special tax to be levied against parcels of land in the Hamlet of Minburn to raise revenue to pay for sewer services in 2025.

Carried

6.14 2024 Financial Statements

2025-123

Moved by: Councillor Kuzio

THAT County Council approve the 2024 Audited Financial Statements as presented.

Carried

6.15 County of Minburn No. 27 and MD of Wainwright Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework Extension

2025-111

Moved by: Deputy Reeve Bentley

THAT County Council approve the amending Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework agreement with the MD of Wainwright extending the term of the original agreement from 2024 to 2027.

Carried

6.16 Vegreville Intermunicipal Committee Meeting

2025-112

Moved by: Councillor Anderson

THAT Council move that Administration arrange a meeting with the County and Town of Vegreville Intermunicipal Committees to review the Recreation and Solid Waste agreements.

Carried

Councillor Wowdzia returned to the meeting at 10:50 a.m.

Council returned to Item# 6.11 on the Council Meeting Agenda.

Reeve Konieczny recessed the meeting at 11:03 a.m.

Reeve Konieczny reconvened the meeting at 11:10 a.m.

7 REPORTS

- 7.1 Reeve
- 7.2 Council
- 7.3 CAO
- 7.4 Operations
- 7.5 Planning and Community Services
- 7.6 Protective Services
- 7.7 Corporate Services

2025-124

Moved by: Councillor Anderson

THAT Council approve Innisfree Seed Cleaning Plant's request for 12 tonnes of gravel.

Carried

2025-125

Moved by: Councillor Kuzio

THAT Council accepts the reports as presented.

Carried

8 CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION ITEMS

- 8.1 Town of Vegreville Invitation to Regional Recreation Feasibility Study Presentation

2025-126

Moved by: Councillor Wowdzia

THAT Council accept the correspondence as information.

Carried

9 COUNCILLOR REQUESTS (Information Requests and Notices of Motion)

- 9.1 Action Item List

2025-127

Moved by: Councillor Ogradnick

THAT Council accept the Action Item List as information.

Carried

Reeve Konieczny recessed the meeting at 12:10 p.m

Audra Kropielnicki, Elaine Cartier, Davin Gegolick, Mike Fundytus, and Norm De Wet left the meeting at 12:10 p.m.

Reeve Konieczny reconvened the meeting at 12:20 p.m.

10 CLOSED SESSION

2025-128

Moved by: Councillor Nafziger

THAT County Council meet in private to discuss matters protected from disclosure under the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy (FOIP) Act* specifically Section 27, Privileged information and Section 16, Disclosure harmful to business interests of a third party at 12:20 p.m.

10.1 Sequoia Resources Corp. – Bankruptcy Proceedings
FOIP Section 27, Privileged information

Name	Reason/Purpose
Pat Podoborozny	Strategic Leader of the Organization
Jason Warawa	Strategic Leader of the Organization

Jason Warawa left the meeting at 12:25 p.m.

Davin Gegolick and Kathy Dmytriw entered the meeting at 12:25 p.m.

10.2 Development Application #2025-16
FOIP Section 16, 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
Kathy Dmytriw	Presenter

Kathy Dmytriw left the meeting at 12:43 p.m.

Davin Gegolick left the meeting at 1:28 p.m.

10.3 Hamlet Cleanup Program Applications
FOIP Section 16, Disclosure harmful to business interests of a third party

Name	Reason/Purpose
Pat Podoborozny	Strategic Leader of the Organization

Carried

11 OPEN SESSION

2025-129

Moved by: Councillor Anderson

THAT Council move to revert to Open Session at 1:34 p.m.

Carried

12 MOTIONS ARISING OUT OF THE CLOSED SESSION

2025-130

Moved by: Councillor Nafziger

THAT Council move approve the assignment of St. Martins School Council Advisory to the Hamlets of Lavoy and Ranfurly, and VegProud Council to the Hamlet of Minburn for the 2025 Hamlet Cleanup Program.

Carried

13 ADJOURNMENT

Reeve Konieczny declared the meeting adjourned at 1:35 p.m.

Reeve

Chief Administrative Officer