



## COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

October 15, 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 Podoborozny, 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

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Reeve Konieczny called the meeting to order at 10:11 a.m.

**Carried**

### 2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

#### **2025-234**

**Moved by:** Councillor Ogrodnick

THAT the October 15, 2025 regular Council meeting agenda be adopted as presented.

**Carried**

### 3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

3.1 September 10, 2025 County Council Meeting

#### **2025-235**

**Moved by:** Councillor Anderson

THAT the September 10, 2025 regular Council meeting minutes be adopted as presented.

**Carried**

### 4. DELEGATIONS

### 5. COUNCIL PRIORITIES

#### **2025-236**

**Moved by:** Councillor Kuzio

THAT the Council Priorities be accepted as information.

**Carried**

### 6. REQUESTS FOR DECISION

6.1 Alberta Community Partnership (ACP) Application with Town of Vegreville for our IDP

**2025-237**

**Moved by:** Councillor Ogrodnick

THAT County Council approves to participate in an application under the Alberta Community Partnership (ACP) Program to conduct a review of the County of Minburn-Town of Vegreville Intermunicipal Development Plan (IDP), with the Town of Vegreville acting as the managing partner.

**Carried**

6.2 Integrity Dig/ Road Closure

**2025-238**

**Moved by:** Councillor Kuzio

THAT County Council approve TC Energy's request to conduct a pipeline integrity dig within Township Road 504 road allowance, per the plans submitted.

**Carried**

6.3 Letter of Support - NRED Application

**2025-239**

**Moved by:** Councillor Nafziger

THAT County Council provide a letter of support in the Town of Vegreville's application to the Northern and Regional Economic Development (NRED) Program for their application to the 2026 Regional Investment Readiness Project.

**Carried**

6.4 Letter of Support - Go East RTO for Travel Alberta Funding

**2025-240**

**Moved by:** Councillor Anderson

THAT County Council provide a letter of support to Go East of Edmonton Regional Tourism Organization (RTO) for their application to the 2026 Travel Alberta Rural Development and Promotion Fund.

**Carried**

6.5 Community Connect and Learn 2025 Conference Support Request

**2025-241**

**Moved by:** Councillor Anderson

THAT County Council approve a financial contribution of \$2000 in support of the Mannville-Minburn-Innisfree Family and Community Support Services Community Connect and Learn 2025 conference.

**Carried**

6.6 Unit 915 Replacement Truck Tender

**2025-242**

**Moved by:** Councillor Kuzio

THAT Council award the purchase of fleet truck for Unit 915 replacement to Vegreville Ford for the total of \$67,632.00 plus GST

**Carried**

6.7 Yield Sign Installation: Twp Rd 520 and RR 85 - Division 3

**2025-243**

**Moved by:** Councillor Nafziger

THAT County Council approve the installation of yield sign on RR 85 at the Twp 520 intersection.

**Carried**

6.8 Yield Sign Installation: RR 125 and Twp Rd 504 - Division 5

**2025-244**

**Moved by:** Councillor Kuzio

THAT County Council approve the installation of yield signs on RR 125 at the Twp 504 intersection.

**Carried**

6.9 Northern Lights Library System (NLLS) 2026 Levy - Proposed Increase

**2025-245**

**Moved by:** Councillor Anderson

THAT County Council approve the proposed 1.5% levy increase (\$11.10 per capita) for municipalities without library boards in conjunction with NLLS's 2026 budget approval process.

**Carried**

6.10 2025 Tax Sale - Reserve Prices and Conditions of Sale

**2025-246**

**Moved by:** Councillor Wowdzia

THAT County Council approve the reserve prices and conditions of sale for the 2025 tax sale as presented.

**Carried**

6.11 Bylaw No. 1369-25 to Amend Committees Bylaw 1329-22

**2025-247**

**Moved by:** Councillor Nafziger

THAT County Council give first reading to Bylaw No. 1369-25 that amends Committees Bylaw No. 1329-22.

**Carried**

**2025-248**

**Moved by:** Councillor Kuzio

THAT County Council give second reading to Bylaw No. 1369-25 that amends Committees Bylaw No. 1329-22.

**Carried**

**2025-249**

**Moved by:** Councillor Wowdzia

THAT County Council consider giving unanimous consent to going to third reading to Bylaw No. 1369-25 that amends Committees Bylaw No. 1329-22.

**Carried**

**2025-250**

**Moved by:** Councillor Ogrodnick

THAT County Council give third reading to Bylaw No. 1369-25 that amends Committees Bylaw No. 1329-22.

**Carried**

6.12 Committees and Boards

**2025-251**

**Moved by:** Councillor Ogrodnick

THAT County Council be a member of the St. Joseph's Hospital Board, Vegreville Attraction and Retention Committee, Vermilion District Health Care Providers Attraction and Retention Committee and the Vegreville and District Chamber of Commerce.

**Carried**

6.13 Role of the Reeve, Deputy Reeve and Acting Reeve Policy

**2025-252**

**Moved by:** Councillor Kuzio

THAT Council approve the Role of the Reeve, Deputy Reeve and Acting Reeve Policy as presented.

**Carried**

**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

**2025-253**

**Moved by:** Councillor Kuzio

THAT Council direct Administration to forward a letter to Honourable Joël Lightbound, M.P., Minister responsible for Canada Post, regarding closure of Canada Post rural offices and outline the negative impacts on rural communities.

**Carried**

*Reeve Konieczny recessed the meeting at 11:02 a.m.*

*Reeve Konieczny reconvened the meeting at 11:13 a.m.*

**2025-254**

**Moved by:** Councillor Anderson

THAT Council accepts the reports as presented.

**Carried**

**8 CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION ITEMS**

- 8.1 Royal Canadian Legion re Remembrance Day Ceremony

**2025-255**

**Moved by:** Councillor Nafziger

THAT Council accept the correspondence as information.

**Carried**

**9. COUNCILLOR REQUESTS** (Information Requests and Notices of Motion)

- 9.1 Action Item List

**2025-256**

**Moved by:** Councillor Kuzio

THAT Council accept the Action Item List as information.

**Carried**

**10. CLOSED SESSION**

**2025-257**

**Moved by:** Councillor Anderson

THAT Council meet in private to discuss matters protected from disclosure under the Access to Information Act (ATIA) specifically Sections 19, Disclosure harmful to business interests of a third party, Section 29, Advice from officials and Section 32, Privileged information at 11:35 a.m.

**Carried**

*Davin Gegolick, Mike Fundytus, and Audra Kropielnicki left the meeting at 11:35 a.m.*

## 10.1 Gravel Agreement

*Access to Information Act (ATIA), Section 19, Disclosure harmful to business interests of a third party*

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

## 10.2 Proposed Contract with County of Two Hills

*Access to Information Act (ATIA) Section 29, Advice from officials*

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

*Norm De Wet left the meeting at 11:51 a.m.*

## 10.3 Tax Forfeiture Property

*Access to Information Act (ATIA) Section 29, Advice from officials*

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

## 10.4 Assessment Services Contract Renewal

*Access to Information Act (ATIA) Section 32, Advice from officials*

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

**11. OPEN SESSION****2025-258**

**Moved by:** Councillor Nafziger

THAT Council move to revert to Open Session at 12:29 p.m.

**Carried**

**12. MOTIONS ARISING OUT OF THE CLOSED SESSION**

## 12.1 Gravel Agreement

*Access to Information Act (ATIA), Section 19, Disclosure harmful to business interests of a third party*

**2025-259**

**Moved by:** Councillor Nafziger

THAT County Council moves to approve extending the existing gravel supply contracts for two years with Bykowski Sand & Gravel for both the NE-5-52-9-W4 (Lobe Pit) and NW-34-52-10-W4 (Chomlak Pit) as discussed in closed session.

**Carried**

## 12.2 Proposed Contract with County of Two Hills

*Access to Information Act (ATIA), Section 19, Disclosure harmful to business interests of a third party, and Section 29, Advice from officials*

**2025-260**

**Moved by:** Councillor Wowdzia

THAT County Council approve the contract with County of Two Hills as discussed in Closed Session.

**Carried**

12.3 Tax Forfeiture Property  
*Access to Information Act (ATIA) Section 29, Advice from officials*

**2025-261**

**Moved by:** Councillor Nafziger

THAT County Council conditionally accept the offer to purchase the tax forfeiture property provided the purchase price includes all land title fees associated with reviving the title including registering a caveat as discussed in closed session.

**Carried**

12.4 Assessment Services Contract Renewal  
*Access to Information Act (ATIA) Section 32, Advice from officials*

County Council deferred discussion of the Assessment Services Contract renewal to the next Council meeting.

**13. ADJOURNMENT**

Reeve Konieczny declared the meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

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Chief Administrative Officer