



COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

January 23, 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 Ogradnick, Division 6

Administration Present: Pat Podoborzny, Chief Administrative Officer
Jason Warawa, Director of Corporate Services
Norm De Wet, Director of Operations
Mike Fundytus, Director of Protective Services
Davin Gegolick, Director of Planning and Community Services
Audra Kropielnicki, Executive Coordinator
Quentin Bochar, Agriculture Fieldman and Municipal Services Manager

1 CALL TO ORDER
Reeve Konieczny called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

2 ADOPTION OF AGENDA

2025-001
Moved by: Councillor Anderson
THAT the January 23, 2025 regular Council meeting agenda be adopted as presented. **Carried**

3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

3.1 December 16, 2024 County Council Meeting

2025-002
Moved by: Councillor Nafziger
THAT the December 16, 2024 regular Council meeting minutes be adopted as presented. **Carried**

4 DELEGATIONS

5 PUBLIC HEARING – Bylaw Enforcement Officer Bylaw No. 1359-24

Reeve Konieczny declared the Public Hearing open for Bylaw Enforcement Officer Bylaw No. 1359-24 at 10:17 a.m.

Administration introduced proposed Bylaw Enforcement Officer Bylaw No. 1359-24 and provided a brief overview.

There were two members of the public present.

There were no written submissions received.

Council heard from the following members of public:

1. Dwayne Kisilevich
2. Chad Bown

Michelle Pinon, Vegreville News Advertiser entered at 10:23 a.m.

Reeve Konieczny declared the Public Hearing closed at 10:34 a.m.

6 COUNCIL PRIORITIES

2025-003

Moved by: Councillor Kuzio

THAT the Council Priorities be accepted as information.

Carried

7 REQUESTS FOR DECISION

- 7.1 Road Encroachments on CN Property

2025-004

Moved by: Councillor Nafziger

THAT Council approve entering into a lease agreement with Canadian National Railway for the encroachments on Township Road 502A in the Hamlet Minburn and Township Road 512A in the Hamlet of Ranfurly.

Carried

- 7.2 Road Closure Bylaw No. 1353-24

2025-005

Moved by: Deputy Reeve Bentley

THAT Council approve Second Reading to Road Closure Bylaw No. 1359-24.

Carried

2025-006

Moved by: Councillor Anderson

THAT Council consider giving unanimous and final consent to Third and Final Reading of Road Closure Bylaw No. 1353-24.

Carried

2025-007

Moved by: Councillor Wowdzia

THAT Council approve Final Reading to Road Closure Bylaw No. 1353-24.

Carried

- 7.3 Bylaw Enforcement Officer Bylaw No. 1359-24

2025-008

Moved by: Councillor Nafziger

THAT Council approve Second Reading to Bylaw Enforcement Officer Bylaw No. 1359-24.

Carried

2025-009

Moved by: Councillor Kuzio

THAT Council direct Administration to arrange two public engagement sessions prior to third and final readings of Bylaw Enforcement Officer Bylaw No. 1359-24 with one meeting in the Hamlet of Minburn and one in the Hamlet of Lavoy.

Carried

7.4 Subdivision File No. 09-2024

2025-010

Moved by: Councillor Anderson

THAT Council move to conditionally approve Subdivision File No. 09-2024 per the recommendations of the report.

Carried

7.5 Subdivision File No. 10-2024

2025-011

Moved by: Councillor Ogradnick

THAT Council move to conditionally approve Subdivision File No. 10-2024 per the recommendations of the report.

Carried

7.6 BF 01865 Repair Tender

2025-012

Moved by: Councillor Wowdzia

THAT County Council approve including BF 01865 in the 2025 bridge repair tender at an approximate cost of \$383,000.00, including engineering and contingency, with any cost overages to be covered by Bridge Reserves.

Carried

7.7 Fleet Truck Tender 2025

2025-013

Moved by: Councillor Anderson

THAT County Council approve the purchase of one half-ton F150 4X4 from Vegreville Ford for a cost of \$53,275 and one three-quarter ton F250 4X4 from Vegreville Ford at a cost of \$62,046 excluding GST.

Carried

7.8 Bylaw No. 1354-24 Weed Control on Provincial Highways

2025-014

Moved by: Councillor Anderson

THAT County Council give First Reading to Bylaw No. 1354-24 Weed Control on Provincial Highways.

Carried

2025-015

Moved by: Councillor Ogradnick

THAT County Council give Second Reading to Bylaw No. 1354-24.

Carried

2025-016

Moved by: Deputy Reeve Bentley

THAT the County of Minburn Council consider giving unanimous and final consent to Third and Final Reading of Bylaw No. 1354-24.

Carried

2025-017

Moved by: Councillor Wowdzia

THAT the County of Minburn Council give Third Reading to Bylaw No. 1354-24, and that Bylaw No. 714-1973 be rescinded on the date this bylaw comes into force.

Carried

7.9 Bylaw No. 1355-24 Warble Control Area

2025-018

Moved by: Councillor Kuzio

THAT County Council give First Reading to Bylaw No. 1355-24 Warble Control Area which rescinds Bylaw No. 668-1971.

Carried

2025-019

Moved by: Councillor Nafziger

THAT County Council give Second Reading to Bylaw No. 1355-24 Warble Control Area.

Carried

2025-020

Moved by: Councillor Ogrodnick

THAT County of Minburn Council consider giving unanimous and final consent to Third and Final Reading of Bylaw No. 1355-24 Warble Control Area.

Carried

2025-021

Moved by: Councillor Anderson

THAT County of Minburn Council give Third Reading to Bylaw No. 1355-24 Warble Control Area, and that Bylaw No. 668-1971 be rescinded on the date this bylaw comes into force.

Carried

- 7.10 Bylaw 1356-24 Rescinding Warble Control Area Amending Bylaw No. 679-1972

2025-022

Moved by: Deputy Reeve Bentley

THAT County Council give First Reading to Bylaw No. 1356-24 Warble Control Area.

Carried

2025-023

Moved by: Councillor Wowdzia

THAT County Council give Second Reading to Bylaw No. 1356-24 Warble Control Area.

Carried

2025-024

Moved by: Councillor Kuzio

THAT County of Minburn Council consider giving unanimous and final consent to Third and Final Reading of Bylaw No. 1356-24 Warble Control Area.

Carried

2025-025

Moved by: Councillor Ogrodnick

THAT County of Minburn Council give Third Reading to Bylaw No. 1356-24 Warble Control Area and that Amending Bylaw No. 679-1972 be rescinded on the date this bylaw comes into force.

Carried

- 7.11 Bylaw No. 1357-24 Agricultural Appeal Committee

2025-026

Moved by: Councillor Nafziger

THAT County Council give First Reading to Bylaw No. 1357-24 establishing an Appeal Committee for agricultural concerns.

Carried

2025-027

Moved by: Councillor Anderson

THAT County Council give Second Reading to Bylaw No. 1357-24.

Carried

2025-028

Moved by: Deputy Reeve Bentley

THAT County of Minburn Council consider giving unanimous and final consent to Third and Final Reading of Bylaw No. 1357-24.

Carried

2025-029

Moved by: Councillor Ogradnick
THAT County of Minburn Council give Third Reading to Bylaw No. 1357-24.

Carried

7.12 Agricultural Service Board Terms of Reference

2025-030

Moved by: Councillor Kuzio
THAT County Council approve the Terms of Reference for the Agricultural Service Board.

Carried

7.13 Education Requisition Deferral and Repayment Terms

2025-031

Moved by: Councillor Kuzio
THAT Council approve the repayment of the 2025 education requisition deferral for non-residential property by increasing the non-residential education tax rate equally over a two-year period in both 2025 and 2026.

Carried

7.14 County of Minburn and County of Vermilion River Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework (ICF) Extension

2025-032

Moved by: Councillor Anderson
THAT County of Minburn Council approve the amending agreement to extend the Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework Agreement with County of Vermilion River from 2024 to 2027.

Carried

7.15 Candidate Nominations to be Accompanied by Deposit Bylaw No. 1360-25

2025-033

Moved by: Councillor Nafziger
THAT County of Minburn Council give First Reading to Candidate Nominations to be Accompanied by A Deposit Bylaw No. 1360-25.

Carried

2025-034

Moved by: Councillor Ogradnick
THAT County of Minburn Council give Second Reading to Candidate Nominations to be Accompanied by a Deposit Bylaw No. 1360-25.

Carried

2025-035

Moved by: Deputy Reeve Bentley
THAT County of Minburn Council consider giving unanimous and final consent to Third and Final Reading of Bylaw No. 1360-25.

Carried

2025-036

Moved by: Councillor Wowdzia
THAT County of Minburn Council give Third Reading to Candidate Nominations to be Accompanied by a Deposit Bylaw No. 1360-25 and that Bylaw 912-83 be rescinded on the date this bylaw comes into force.

Carried

7.16 Election Bylaw No. 1361-25

2025-037

Moved by: Councillor Ogradnick

THAT Council give First Reading to Elections Bylaw No. 1361-25.

Carried

2025-038

Moved by: Councillor Nafziger

THAT Council give Second Reading to Elections Bylaw No. 1361-25.

Carried

2025-039

Moved by: Councillor Kuzio

THAT Council consider giving unanimous and final consent to Third and Final reading of Elections Bylaw No. 1361-25.

Carried

2025-040

Moved by: Councillor Wowdzia

THAT Council give Third reading to Elections Bylaw 1361-25 and that Bylaws 1351-21, 1225-13, and 959-86 be repealed on the date this bylaw comes into force.

Carried

8 REPORTS

8.1 Reeve

8.2 Council

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

Reeve Konieczny reconvened the meeting at 11:37 a.m.

8.3 CAO

8.4 Operations

8.5 Planning and Community Services

8.6 Protective Services

8.7 Corporate Services

2025-041

Moved by: Councillor Wowdzia

THAT Council accepts the reports as presented.

Carried

9 CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION ITEMS

9.1 Town of Vegreville Annual Family Day Breakfast

Letter received from Town of Vegreville seeking additional funding of \$250 to support broader advertising of the annual Family Day breakfast.

2025-042

Moved by: Councillor Wowdzia

THAT Council approves an additional \$250 for advertising costs.

Carried

9.2 Vegreville Jr. B Rangers Thank You

Thank you received from Vegreville Jr. B. Rangers for donation of a gift basket for their 50th anniversary celebration.

9.3 **Elk Island Public Schools re Annual Education Results Report**

Received a copy of the Annual Education Results Report for 2023-24.

9.4 **Elk Island Public Schools re Alberta Rural Education Symposium**

Letter received about the Alberta Rural Education Symposium initiatives and registration information.

2025-043

Moved by: Councillor Kuzio

THAT Council accept the correspondence as information.

Carried

10 COUNCILLOR REQUESTS (Information Requests and Notices of Motion)

10.1 Action Item List

2025-044

Moved by: Councillor Anderson

THAT Council accept the Action Item List as information.

Carried

11 CLOSED SESSION

12 OPEN SESSION

13 MOTIONS ARISING OUT OF THE CLOSED SESSION

14 ADJOURNMENT

Reeve Konieczny declared the meeting adjourned at 12:09 p.m.

Reeve

Acting Chief Administrative Officer