

**M.D. of Ranchland No. 66**  
**Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting**  
**Tuesday, October 3, 2023**

The meeting of the Council of the Municipal District of Ranchland No. 66 was held in Council Chambers in the Municipal Office located at the Chain Lakes Provincial Park on Tuesday, October 3, 2023, commencing at 1:00 p.m.

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**IN ATTENDANCE**

Ron Davis, Reeve  
Harry Streeter, Deputy Reeve  
Cam Gardner, Councillor

Robert Strauss, Chief Administrative Officer  
Greg Brkich, Accountant  
Sheldon Steinke, Council Liaison  
Nikki Funk, Recording Clerk  
Rick Niwa, Agriculture Fieldman

**CALL TO ORDER**

Reeve Davis called the meeting to order at 1:04 p.m.

**ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA**

**Motion No. 23/10/03/324** MOVED by Councillor Gardner that the minutes of the September 19, 2023, meeting be adopted as amended with the addition of:

6.A.iv – LAPP Approval of “opt-out” clause  
6.B.i – AB Transportation improvements on Hwy 22  
6.D.i – RCMP Questions for RMA convention

and the deletion of:

4.A. – Delegation: Mike Young – Northback Holdings Corp.

CARRIED

**ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES**

**Motion No. 23/10/03/325** MOVED by Deputy Reeve Streeter that the minutes be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

**BUSINESS**

**Motion No. 23/10/03/326** 6.C.i – Provincial Parks Maintenance Contract  
MOVED by Deputy Reeve Streeter that the Provincial Parks Maintenance Contract discussion be accepted for information.

CARRIED

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**Motion No. 23/10/03/327** 6.C.i – Agriculture Equipment Rental Policy  
MOVED by Councillor Gardner to approve the Agriculture  
Equipment Rental Policy as presented.

CARRIED

Rick Niwa left the meeting at 1:21 p.m.

**Motion No. 23/10/03/328** 6.A.i – Action List  
MOVED by Deputy Reeve Streeter to accept the Action List for  
information.

CARRIED

**Motion No. 23/10/03/329** 6.A.ii – MD Year to Date Budget  
MOVED by Councillor Gardner to accept the year-to-date budget  
report for information.

CARRIED

**Motion No. 23/10/03/330** 6.A.iii – Update to the Salary Allocation for the 2023 Operating  
Budget.  
MOVED by Reeve Davis to approve the 2023 budget adjustment  
for salary allocation be approved as presented, effective May 1,  
2023.

CARRIED

**Motion No. 23/10/03/331** 6.B.i – AB Transportation improvements on Hwy 22  
MOVED by Reeve Davis that the MD of Ranchland contact Alberta  
Transportation and Economic Corridors department for an update  
on Highway #22 work, regarding the emergency pull out lane in the  
vicinity of Section 35-12-2-W5M.

CARRIED

**Motion No. 23/10/03/332** 6.A.iv – L.A.P.P. Approval of “opt-out” clause  
MOVED by Deputy Reeve Streeter to accept the update regarding  
the LAPP’s approval of the one time “opt-out” clause.

CARRIED

**Motion No. 23/10/03/333** 6.D.i – RCMP Questions for RMA convention.  
MOVED by Reeve Davis to accept the email correspondence from  
Cpl. Thomas Nairn, for information.

CARRIED

**Motion No. 23/10/03/334** 6.F.i – A/V System Upgrade  
MOVED by Deputy Reeve Streeter to table the discussion  
regarding the A/V system upgrade pending additional information  
from administration.

CARRIED

Reeve Davis recessed the meeting at 2:39 p.m.  
Reeve Davis resumed the meeting at 2:48 p.m.



**IN-CAMERA**

**Motion No. 23/10/03/335** MOVED by Reeve Davis that, in accordance with Section 197 of the Municipal Government Act, Council moves into a closed meeting at 2.35 p.m. to discuss matters involving advice from officials, per section 24 as well as matters regarding legal privilege, per section 27 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOIP)

CARRIED

**Motion No. 23/10/03/336** MOVED by Reeve Davis that Council return to an open meeting at 4:13 p.m.

CARRIED

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM IN-CAMERA**

**Motion No. 23/10/03/337** 8.E – Liaison Officer’s Report to Council  
MOVED by Deputy Reeve Streeter that the MD of Ranchland direct its legal counsel to file the Statement of Concern with the Alberta Energy Regulator (AER) as presented, prior to the October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023, deadline.

CARRIED

**Motion No. 23/10/03/338** 8.E – Liaison Officer’s Report to Council  
8.A – Update RE: Legal Opinion on Undeveloped Road Allowance  
MOVED by Councillor Gardner to accept items 8.A and 8.E for information.

CARRIED

**ADJOURNMENT**

Being that the agenda matters have concluded, the Reeve declared the meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

These minutes approved this 24th day of October, 2023.



Ron Davis, Reeve



Robert Strauss, Chief Administrative Officer