

M.D. of Ranchland No. 66
Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting
Friday, January 5, 2024

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 Friday, January 5, 2024, commencing at 1:00 p.m.

IN ATTENDANCE

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

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

CALL TO ORDER

Reeve Davis called the meeting to order at 1:07 p.m.

ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

Motion No. 24/01/05/001

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Streeter to accept the agenda as amended with the addition of item:

6.C.i – Discussion RE: Ag Equipment Purchases

7.B – Infrastructure Update

7.C - Potential meeting with minister of Health RE: Nanton Community Health Centre

CARRIED

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

Motion No. 24/01/05/002

MOVED by Councillor Gardner to accept the minutes of the December 12th, 2023, meeting be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

BUSINESS

Rick Niwa joined the meeting at 1:11 p.m.

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

Motion No. 24/01/05/003

6.C.i – Discussion RE: Ag Equipment Purchases

MOVED by Deputy Reeve Streeter to accept the Agriculture Fieldman, Rick Niwa's update regarding the purchasing of Ag equipment, for information.

CARRIED

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EXTERNAL CORRESPONDANCE

5.F.i – Letter from Minister of Environment – Email Dec 20, 2023
5.F.ii – Oil and Gas Property Tax Incentives- Letter from Minister of Municipal Affairs.

Motion No. 24/01/05/004 MOVED by Reeve Davis to accept correspondence items 5.F.i and 5.F.ii, for information.

CARRIED

6.A.i – Year to Date Actual Vs. Budget Report

Motion No. 24/01/05/005 MOVED by Councillor Gardner to accept the Actual vs. Budget report as of November, 2023, as information.

CARRIED

6.A.ii – Update to COLA Policy wording to include Council.

Motion No. 24/01/05/006 MOVED by Reeve Davis to approve the new policy #015 as amended with the following changes: Striking the usage of the Canadian CPI and instead using Alberta Provincial CPI instead.

CARRIED

6.A.iii – Mileage Rate Review

Motion No. 24/01/05/007 MOVED by Councillor Gardner Effective January 1, 2024, approve the C.R.A. approved rate of \$ 0.70 per km. for:

- purposes of reimbursement for the use of personal vehicles usage while on Municipal District business (and)
- for purposes of the formula used to calculate the Municipal District Travel Allowance.

CARRIED

6.B.i – Lyndon Creek Road Closure Package

Motion No. 24/01/05/008 MOVED by Reeve Davis to accept and approve the package regarding the closure of Lyndon Creek/East Trout Creek for Alberta Transportation as presented.

CARRIED

6.D.i –Discussion RE: FireSmart 2024 Open House.

Motion No. 24/01/05/009 MOVED by Deputy Reeve Streeter to accept the discussion regarding the upcoming action regarding FireSmart.

CARRIED

6.E.i – LGFF Program Launch

6.E.ii – MD of Ranchland MDP Update

Motion No. 24/01/05/010 MOVED by Councillor Gardner to accept items 6.E.i and 6.E.ii

CARRIED

6.E.ii – SAEWA 2023

Motion No. 24/01/05/011 MOVED by Reeve Davis to accept the SAEWA 2023 year-end report for information.

CARRIED

Reeve Davis Recessed the meeting at 2:37 p.m.
Reeve Davis Reconvened the meeting at 2:44 p.m.

IN-CAMERA

Motion No. 24/01/05/012 MOVED by Reeve Davis that, in accordance with Section 197 of the Municipal Government Act, Council moves into a closed meeting at 2:44 p.m. to discuss advice from officials, per section 24 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOIP).
CARRIED

Motion No. 24/01/05/013 MOVED by Councillor Gardner that Council return to an open meeting at 3:27 p.m.
CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM IN-CAMERA

7.A. - Infrastructure Update
7.B - Infrastructure Update
7.C - Potential meeting with minister of Health RE: Nanton Community Health Centre
Motion No. 24/01/05/014 MOVED by Deputy Reeve Streeter to accept items 7.A, 7.B, and 7.C. for information.
CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT Being that the agenda matters have concluded, the Reeve declared the meeting adjourned at 3:28 p.m.

These minutes approved this 16th day of January, 2024.



Ron Davis, Reeve



Robert Strauss, Chief Administrative Officer