

**M.D. of Ranchland No. 66**  
**Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting**  
**Tuesday, November 26, 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 Tuesday, November 26, 2024, commencing at 10:00 a.m.

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**IN ATTENDANCE**

Ron Davis, Reeve  
Harry Streeter, Deputy Reeve  
Cam Gardner, Councillor  
  
Robert Strauss, CAO  
Sheldon Steinke, Council Liaison  
Greg Brkich, Municipal Treasurer  
Nikki Funk, Recording Clerk  
  
Rick Niwa, Agriculture Fieldman  
Rick Lawson, Public Works Manager  
Kelly Starling, Director of Emergency Services  
  
Sgt. Perry Pelletier, Claresholm RCMP  
Sgt. Dave Davis, Nanton RCMP  
Cpl. Mark Amatto, Crowsnest Pass RCMP  
Cst. Lessia Rudko, Crowsnest Pass RCMP

**CALL TO ORDER**

Reeve Davis called the meeting to order at 10:40 a.m.

**ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA**

**Motion No. 24/11/26/379**      MOVED by Deputy Reeve Streeter to accept the agenda, as amended as follows:

Change of: Delegation start time for Kelly Starling from 11:45 a.m. until 2:30 p.m.

Removal of Item: 6.A.i – Action List;

Addition of item: 6.E.ii – Horacji File Update

CARRIED

**ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES**

**Motion No. 24/11/26/380**      MOVED by Deputy Reeve Streeter that the minutes of the November 12<sup>th</sup> Council meeting be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

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## ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

**Motion No. 24/11/26/381** MOVED by Councillor Gardner to amend the agenda with the addition of items:

6.E.iii – Water Management Engagement Discussion  
6.E.iv – South Saskatchewan Regional Plan Discussion

CARRIED

## BUSINESS

Rick Lawson joined the meeting at 10:59 a.m.

**Motion No. 24/11/26/382** 6.A.ii – Bank Rec and Cheque Register  
MOVED by Councillor Gardner to accept the October 2024 Bank Rec and Vendor Payment report as information

CARRIED

**Motion No. 24/11/26/383** 6.A.iii – Rates and Fees Bylaw Amendment  
MOVED by Reeve Davis to amend the draft version of Schedule “A” Bylaw 2024-07 to \*\*\*strike the Truck and Side Dump item from Schedule A.

CARRIED

**Motion No. 24/11/26/384** 6.A.iii – Rates and Fees Bylaw Amendment  
MOVED by Deputy Reeve Streeter to give Bylaw 2024-07, a Bylaw to amend the rates and fees Schedule, its FIRST reading.

CARRIED

**Motion No. 24/11/26/385** MOVED by Councillor Gardner to give SECOND reading of Bylaw No. 2024-07.

CARRIED

**Motion No. 24/11/26/386** MOVED by Reeve Davis that Bylaw No. 2024-07 be authorized to be read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Motion No. 24/11/26/387** MOVED by Deputy Reeve Streeter to give THIRD AND FINAL reading of bylaw No. 2024-07.

CARRIED

**Motion No. 24/11/26/388** 6.A.iv – 2025 Salary Allocations  
MOVED by Councillor Gardner to approve the 2025 Salary Allocation Schedule as presented.

CARRIED

**Motion No. 24/11/26/389** 6.A.v – 2024 Christmas Holidays and Office Hours  
MOVED by Deputy Reeve Streeter to approve the 2024 Christmas Holidays and Office Hours Schedule as presented.

CARRIED



6.A.vi – 2024 Christmas Bonus Discussion

**Motion No. 24/11/26/390**

That the 2024 Holiday Season Bonus be calculated as \$500.00 for each permanent and casual employee (not including seasonal employees) that are or was employed by the M.D. of Ranchland during the 2024 calendar year, as determined by the CAO.”

CARRIED

6.A.vii – 2024 Budget Adjustments

**Motion No. 24/11/26/391**

MOVED by Reeve Davis to approve the 2024 Budget Adjustment Schedule as presented.

CARRIED

Reeve Davis recessed the meeting at 12:14 p.m.  
Reeve Davis resumed the meeting at 12:34 p.m.

Sgt. Pelletier joined the meeting at 12:34 p.m.  
Sgt. Pelletier left the meeting at 12:36 p.m.  
Sgt. Pelletier joined the meeting at 12:40 p.m.  
Sgt. Davis joined the meeting at 12:44 p.m.  
Kelly Starling joined the meeting at 12:47 p.m.  
Rick Lawson left the meeting at 12:52 p.m.

6.B.i – Public Works Update

**Motion No. 24/11/26/392**

MOVED by Reeve Davis to accept the public works PowerPoint presentation for information.

CARRIED

Sgt. Pelletier left the meeting at 1:44 p.m.  
Sgt. Davis left the meeting at 1:46 p.m.

Reeve Davis recessed the meeting at 2:10 p.m.  
Reeve Davis resumed the meeting at 2:17 p.m.

Cpl. Amatto joined the meeting at 2:17 p.m.  
Cst. Rudko joined the meeting at 2:17 p.m.

Reeve Davis recessed the meeting at 2:56 p.m.  
Reeve Davis resumed the meeting at 3:50 p.m.

Kelly Starling left the meeting at 3:50 p.m.

6.A.vi – Cost of Living Adjustment for 2025

**Motion No. 24/11/26/393**

MOVED by Reeve Davis to approve the cost-of-Living remuneration adjustment for the 2025 calendar year, for all Permanent and Casual Municipal District of Ranchland employees (not including seasonal employees) as well as Honorarium rates for both Council and the Agriculture Service Board; at the rounded rate of +2.0%.

CARRIED

6.A.ix – 2025 Budget 2<sup>nd</sup> Draft

**Motion No. 24/11/26/394**

MOVED by Reeve Davis to accept the Municipal District of Ranchland No.66, 2025 Budget second draft document, for information.

CARRIED

 

**Motion No. 24/11/26/395** 6.D.i – Emergency Services Update  
MOVED by Councillor Gardner to accept the Emergency Services Update report, provided by Director of Emergency Services Kelly Starling, for information.

CARRIED

**Motion No. 24/11/26/396** 6.D.ii – RCMP Delegations  
MOVED by Reeve Davis to accept the RCMP, Nanton Detachment, Claresholm detachment and Crowsnest Pass detachment delegations for information.

CARRIED

**Motion No. 24/11/26/397** 6.E.i – December 2024 Meeting Schedule Discussion  
MOVED by Councillor Gardner that an additional Regular Council meeting be established for December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024 starting at 10:30 a.m.

CARRIED

Sheldon Steinke joined the meeting at 4:39 p.m.

**Motion No. 24/11/26/398** 6.E.i – Horacji File Update  
MOVED by Reeve Davis to accept the update regarding the Horacji file as information.

CARRIED

**Motion No. 24/11/26/399** 6.E.iii – Water Management Engagement Discussion  
6.E.iv – South Saskatchewan Regional Plan Discussion  
MOVED by Reeve Davis to table agenda items 6.E.iii Water Management Engagement Discussion and 6.E.iv South Saskatchewan Regional Plan Discussion, to the December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024 meeting

CARRIED

**Motion No. 24/11/26/400** 6.F.i – Spirit of Christmas  
MOVED BY Deputy Reeve Streeter that the M.D donate \$100.00 toward the Spirit of Christmas concert in Nanton, Alberta on December 6<sup>th</sup>, in care of the Nanton Ministerial Foodbank.

Nikki Funk left the meeting at 4:42 p.m.

**Motion No. 24/11/26/401** 6.F.ii – Foothills Littlebow Notice of Meeting  
MOVED BY Councillor Gardner to accept the Foothills Littlebow notice of January 17, 2025 meeting for information.

CARRIED

#### IN-CAMERA

**Motion No. 24/11/26/402** MOVED by Reeve Davis that, in accordance with Section 197 of the Municipal Government Act, Council moves into a closed meeting at 5:06 p.m. to discuss advice from officials, per section 24, as well as matters involving legal privilege, per section 27, of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOIP).

CARRIED

**Motion No. 24/11/26/403** MOVED by Reeve Davis that Council return to an open meeting at 5:42 p.m.

CARRIED

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**BUSINESS ARISING FROM IN-CAMERA**

**Motion No. 24/11/26/404**      7.A – Liaison Officer's Report to Council  
MOVED by Deputy Reeve Streeter to accept the Liaison Officer's  
report to Council for information.  
**CARRIED**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Being that the agenda matters have concluded, Reeve Davis declared  
the meeting adjourned at 5:44 p.m.

These minutes approved on this 10<sup>th</sup> day of December 2024.

  
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Ron Davis, Reeve

  
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Robert Strauss, Chief Administrative Officer