

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Council of the Rural Municipality of Willow Bunch No. 42 held at the Municipal Office, #16 Edouard Beaupre St., Willow Bunch, Saskatchewan on Thursday, August 7th, 2025

Present were: Reeve – Denis Lesperance, Administrator Sharleine Eger and the following councillors:

- Division 1 – Patrick Bellefleur
- Division 2 – Albert Lavallee
- Division 3- Colby Cairns
- Division 4 – Scott Kirby
- Division 5 – Dale Berner (via Zoom)
- Division 6 – Gilles Bissonnette

Consent Agenda

- 131.2025 Colby Cairns: That the consent agenda be adopted as presented with the following items included:
Minutes: July 2025
Hamlet Water Reports Scout Lake June
Correspondence – not requiring action
- a) RCMP Report
 - b) CDO Report
 - c) Ministry of Agriculture – Noxious Weeds
 - d) South Sask Ready Municipal Newsletter
 - e) Saskatchewan Association of Fire Chiefs – Fire Skids
- Carried.

Committee Reports

- 132.2025 Patrick Bellefleur: That the following verbal committee reports be accepted as presented:
- a) Pat Bellefleur: Gravel – Gregoire's
 - b) Albert Lavallee: Fire Ban - JLLRP
 - c) Colby Cairns: Lafleche Fire Department – Assisting with Fires up North
Lisieux Grid – feathering gravel to Hwy 36 S
 - d) Dale Berner: No Report
 - e) Scott Kirby: Survey at Rge Rd 2301 – Jim and Valda Dean
Local fire meeting – Town/RM/departement – budgetary items for 2026
 - f) Gilles Bissonnette: Road pas Turiff's was fixed but 2 big rocks were left
Pavement to the SV park – SV board putting money towards
 - g) Denis Lesperance: Meeting with Colin and Admin to discuss wage allocation and holidays while acting foreman.
Giraudier Pit Road
Weeds on back road
SSR Report
- Carried

Seasonal Employee

- 133.2025 Scott Kirby: That the RM proceed with advertising for a temporary Equipment Operator position to fulfill duties for the remainder of the current season, with the provision that the term may be extended into the 2026 season, subject to operational needs.
- Carried

DELEGATION: Real Durand – cut across road from Transfer Station Road to his yard

Canada Community Building Fund

- 134.2025 Scott Kirby: That Council approve the submission of the Park Roadway Enhancement Program (Jean Louis Legare and Sylvan Valley Regional Parks) to the Canada Community-Building Fund for funding consideration, and authorize administration to complete all necessary documentation and reporting as required under the program guidelines.
- Carried

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Bylaw 6.2025 Tax Rates Bylaw First Reading

135.2025 Scott Kirby: That Bylaw 5.2025 being a bylaw to provide for tax rates, penalties and discounts for 2025 be given first reading.

Carried

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136.2025 Patrick Bellefleur: That Bylaw 5.2025 being a bylaw to provide for tax rates, penalties and discounts for 2025 be given second reading.

Carried

Bylaw 6.2025 Tax Rates Bylaw First Reading

137.2025 Albert Lavallee: That Bylaw 5.2025 being a bylaw to provide for tax rates, penalties and discounts for 2025 be read three times at this meeting.

Carried Unanimously

Bylaw 6.2025 Tax Rates Bylaw First Reading

138.2025 Colby Cairns: That Bylaw 5.2025 being a bylaw to provide for tax rates, penalties and discounts for 2025 be given third and final reading.

Carried

Foreman Holidays

139.2025 Dale Berner: That Council acknowledges the Foreman's holidays effective July 2nd, 2025 up to and including October 24, 2025, and confirms that these holidays were scheduled and mandated by the RM in accordance with municipal audit, employment policies and operational requirements; Further, that administration ensure continued documentation and reporting of staff leave in alignment with audit standards and council directives.

Carried

Rescind Fire Ban

140.2025 Albert Lavallee: That Council acknowledge and ratify the decision to rescind the fire ban effective July 24th, 2025.

Carried

Financials

141.2025 Colby Cairns: That the Statement of Financial Activities for July 2025 and the June 2025 bank reconciliation be accepted as presented.

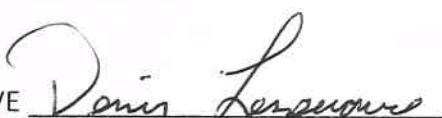
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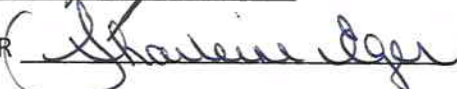
Accounts Payable

142.2025 Scott Kirby: That the accounts paid and presented for payment be approved and a list of the cheques #21986 – 22023 inclusive totalling (\$77,682.90), July payroll of (\$33,520.06) and EFT payments (\$32,094.34) be annexed hereto and form part of these minutes.

Carried

DELEGATION: Colin Durand – Acting Foreman
Scraper should be complete next week.
Giraudier Pit – will use a 30" straight (not 36" ripple) culvert
Ordered a lift of sign posts.
Will finish signboards for the hamlets
Will order culvert for Harptree Grid (North/South road)

REEVE 

ADMINISTRATOR 

Next Meeting – September 9th, 2025