

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 Friday, October 17<sup>th</sup>, 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  
Division 6 – Gilles Bissonnette

**Enter “In Camera” or “Closed Session”**

159.2025 Scott Kirby: That the RM enter in an “in camera” session at 7:32 a.m. to discuss issues as per Section 12.4 of the Council Procedures Bylaw and that those in attendance are Denis Lesperance, Dale Berner, Scott Kirby, Albert Lavallee, Patrick Bellefleur, Colby Cairns, Gilles Bissonnette, Sharleine Eger.  
Carried

**Exit “In Camera” or “Closed Session”**

160.2025 Albert Lavallee: That the RM acknowledge having exited the in camera-closed session at 8:27 a.m.  
Carried

**Consent Agenda**

161.2025 Scott Kirby: That the consent agenda be adopted as presented with the following items included:  
**Minutes:** September 2025 regular minutes  
**Hamlet Water Reports** St. Victor Lagoon and Waterworks Compliance  
**Correspondence** – not requiring action  
a) CDO Report  
b) RCMP Report  
c) SARM – Navigating Conflict Workshops  
d) SSR – Transition to Digital Applications  
e) SARM – SEEDS for Elected Officials  
f) SARM – Tariffs Continue to Hurt Saskatchewan’s Canola Industry  
g) SSR – Upcoming Workshop on Marketing  
Carried

**Rescind Motion 151.2025**

162.2025 Albert Lavallee: That motion 151.2025 providing for gravel pile surveying be rescinded.  
Carried

**Gravel Pit Survey**

163.2025 Dale Berner: That Council engage Prefontaine & Associates to perform the year end surveys at the Giraudier and Sabourin pits at \$1,113.00 plus applicable tax.  
Carried

**Committee Reports**

164.2025 Albert Lavallee: That the following verbal committee reports be accepted as presented:  
a) Pat Bellefleur: Gregoire’s Gravel  
b) Albert Lavallee: Speed on Park Road  
c) Colby Cairns: Road Agreement  
Mowing road allowances (trails)?  
d) Dale Berner: Gravel Spots – Twp Rd. 064 from Hwy 36 S up the hill to Rge Rd 2282  
Rge Rd 2285 ¼ mile from boundary South  
e) Scott Kirby: Trees at Andrew O’Reilly’s Road – remove trees before winter (growing in the shoulder of the road)  
Property Lisieux – Sister’s of Charity of the Northwest  
f) Gilles Bissonnette: Call Milo Chubb – ditch along his property  
Area where ditch is higher than the property – Milo Chubb

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g) Denis Lesperance: Meet with employees

Carried

#### **Derelict Buildings Pilot Project**

165.2025 Colby Cairns: That Council of the Rural Municipality of Willow Bunch No. 42 confirms its intention to voluntarily participate in the Government of Saskatchewan's Derelict Buildings Pilot project;  
That the property with the following legal description is hereby declared to be derelict:  
That the administrator is hereby authorized to take all necessary steps to prepare and submit the municipality's application for the pilot project; and  
The Council acknowledges and accepts the liabilities associated with participation in the pilot project, as specified in the Acknowledgment of Liability and Indemnity of the project agreement and authorizes the Administrator and a second designated official to both sign the Agreement on behalf of the municipality.

Carried

#### **Development Permit Applications**

166.2025 Dale Berner: That Council approve the development permit applications, as submitted by Access Communications Co-Operative, to build 4 fixed wireless communication towers that offer high speed internet services to residents within reach of the tower at the following locations;  
NW 06-05-27 W2 SW 10-05-30 W2  
NW 20-05-29 W2 NW 19-04-28 W2

Carried

#### **Request for Consideration**

167.2025 Albert Lavallee: That Council approve the request submitted by the Willow Bunch Branch Library to apply for funding to paint a mural on the north-facing exterior wall of the library building; and further, that the mural design be limited to nature-inspired themes that reflect the community's landscape, environment, and shared appreciation for the natural world, with no inclusion of content that may be interpreted as ideological, symbolic, or representative of specific social or political movements

Carried

#### **Check Off Increase – Request for Support**

168.2025 Scott Kirby: That, at the request of the RM of Val Marie No. 17, the RM of Willow Bunch No. 42 send a letter to the Honourable Daryl Harrison, Minister of Agriculture, expressing concern regarding the recent increase to the check-off rate for cattle producers in Saskatchewan. The letter should note the lack of transparency surrounding the allocation of the increased funds and emphasize that stakeholder consultation would have been beneficial prior to implementing the change.

Carried

#### **Appoint Member to Attend SARM Mid Term Convention**

169.2025 Colby Cairns: That Scott Kirby be appointed to attend the SARM mid-term convention.

Carried

#### **Financials**

170.2025 Dale Berner: That the Statement of Financial Activities for September 2025 and the August 2025 bank reconciliation be accepted as presented.

Carried



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DELEGATION: Colin Durand – Acting Foreman

- Hitch on tractor and mower arm need repair
- Priority – Culvert on Twp Rd 50, trees on Twp Road 42 at NE 08-04-28 W2 (Lamontagne),
- Fixed dip/corner at Rge Rd 2282 (Bourdages Rd/Gold) but still soft
- Fixed dip on Twp Rd 44 (Eger/Hwy 36)
- Real Durand cut across complete
- Harptree Grid at RM boundary is being worked on right away.
- Culvert at Rge Rd 2263 (Guy Delorme culvert) – if it doesn't get done this fall, it can be left until spring (priority changed)
- Culvert at the "U" complete
- Millers corner – mower can cut?
- Seasonal hours – stay at 10 hour days until end of October

#### **Accounts Payable**

171.2025 Colby Cairns: That the accounts paid and presented for payment be approved and a list of the cheques #22061 – 22121 inclusive totalling (\$142,689.76), September payroll of (\$37,046.37) and EFT payments (\$112,118.21) be annexed hereto and form part of these minutes.

Carried

#### **November Meeting – Change Date**

172.2025 Scott Kirby: That the November council meeting be rescheduled to Friday, November 14<sup>th</sup>, to accommodate the Remembrance Day observance.

Carried

#### **Adjournment**

173.2025 Patrick Bellefleur: That this meeting adjourn at 1:50 p.m.

REEVE

ADMINISTRATOR

Next Meeting – November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2025