



# Regular Council Meeting

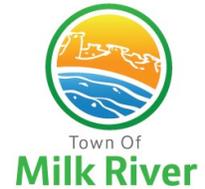
Monday, February 9, 2026 at 6:00pm  
Council Chambers

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1. CALL TO ORDER
  
2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA
  
3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES
  
4. DELEGATIONS – Brady Schnell, Western Gateway Initiative
  
5. CAO REPORT
  
6. BYLAWS & POLICIES
  - a) Remuneration Policy L6.3
  - b) Subclass Bylaw 1076-26
  
7. BUSINESS
  - a) County of Warner Sponsorship Request
  
8. CORRESPONDENCE – None of note
  
9. MAYOR & COUNCIL REPORTS
  - a) Border wall Committee Update
  
10. CLOSED SESSION
  - a) Land Proposal – as per Sec 16, 17 of the Access to Information Act
  - b) Property Financial Proposal – as per Sec 16, 17 of the Access to Information Act
  - c) Organizational Planning – as per Sec 25, 29 of the Access to Information Act
  
11. ADJOURNMENT

# REQUEST FOR DECISION

## Approval of Minutes



February 9, 2026

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### **BACKGROUND**

In accordance with section 208 of the Municipal Government Act and the Procedural Bylaw 1060, Council reviews the minutes from the previous meeting and considers them for approval and adoption.

Attached below are the draft minutes from the following meetings:

1. January 12, 2026, Regular Council Meeting

Council may make any amendments to the minutes prior to their adoption.

### **RECOMMENDED MOTION**

That the minutes for the January 12, 2026 Regular Council Meeting be approved as presented.

Council Members Present      Mayor Larry Liebelt  
   Deputy Mayor Shayne Johnson  
   Councillor Don Cody  
   Councillor Dave Degenstein  
   Councillor Dorothy Fraser, virtually via Zoom

Administration                      Chief Administrative Officer – Ethan Gorner

## **1. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Liebelt called the meeting to order at 6:00p.m.

## **2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

### **Res. 2025-276**

**MOVED** by Councillor Degenstein

To adopt the agenda for the January 12, 2026, Regular Council Meeting.

**Carried.**

## **3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

### **Res. 2025-277**

**MOVED** by Councillor Cody

That the minutes for the December 8, 2025 Regular Council Meeting be approved as presented.

**Carried.**

## **4. DELEGATIONS – None**

## **5. CAO REPORT (ADMINISTRATION)**

### **Res. 2025-279**

**MOVED** by Councillor Fraser

That the CAO Report be accepted as information.

**Carried.**

## **6. POLICIES & BYLAWS**

### **a) COUNCIL REMUNERATION POLICY L6.2**

#### **Res. 2025-280**

**MOVED** by Councillor Degenstein

To approve Council Remuneration Policy L6.2 as amended, effective January 1, 2026.

**Carried.**

## **7. BUSINESS**

### **a) MAKE A WISH – HOSPITAL ACTIVITY BOOKS**

**Res. 2025-284**

**MOVED** by Councillor Degenstein

To accept this as information.

**Carried.**

### **b) VISION BENEFITS**

**Res. 2025-285**

**MOVED** by Deputy Mayor Johnson

To approve the increase in the vision benefit to \$500.

**Carried.**

### **c) SIGNING AUTHORITY**

**Res. 2025-286**

**MOVED** by Councillor Cody

To approve the bank signing authority as follows and that any names not here listed be removed:

- Ethan Gorner, CAO
- Larry Liebelt, Mayor
- Don Cody, Councillor
- Dave Degenstein, Councillor
- Dorothy Fraser, Councillor
- Shayne Johnson, Councillor

**Carried.**

### **d) ASSET MANAGEMENT PILOT PROJECT**

**Res. 2025-287**

**MOVED** by Councillor Cody

To approve participation in principle in the asset management pilot program with Raymond, Warner, and Coutts and approve our collaborative submission for this funding.

**Carried.**

### **e) HANDIBUS GRANT – LETTER OF SUPPORT**

**Res. 2025-288**

**MOVED** by Deputy Mayor Johnson

To approve Mayor Liebelt sending the attached letter on Council's behalf in support of the Handibus application.

**Carried.**

### **f) MINISTER WILLIAMS INVITATION**

**Res. 2025-289**

**MOVED** by Councillor Degenstein

To accept as information and approve Councillors Cody, Degenstein, and Fraser to meet with the Senior's Minister to raise the issues requested by the FCSS Board.

**Carried.**

**g) SNOW CLEARING POLICY COMMITTEE**

**Res. 2025-289**

**MOVED** by Councillor Cody

To establish an ad hoc policy committee to review the snow clearing policy and make recommendations to Council, AND That Mayor Liebelt and Councillor Fraser be appointed to the Ad Hoc Snow Clearing Policy Committee.

**Carried.**

**h) NEWSLETTER PROTOCOL**

**Res. 2025-289**

**MOVED** by Deputy Mayor Johnson

To establish the newsletter protocol as follows and that this be incorporated into the newsletter policy for further review.

**Newsletter Protocol – January 12, 2026**

1. Digital copy made available on the website and promoted on Facebook
2. Printed copies available at the front desk
3. Printed copies made available to Heritage Hall, Riverside Market, Home Hardware
4. Printed copies made available to any individual who would like them for any other location.

**Carried.**

**8. CORRESPONDENCE**

- a) Member of Parliament (MP) Glen Motz – Letter on Bill C-9
- b) Municipal Affairs Minister Dan Williams – Follow Up Letter
- c) Public Safety Minister Mike Ellis – Police Funding Model Letter
- d) ORRSC Letter – 2026 Membership Fees

**Res 2025-290**

**MOVED** by Councillor Degenstein

To accept the correspondence items as information.

**Carried.**

**9. MAYOR & COUNCIL REPORTS**

**Res 2025-291**

**MOVED** by Councillor Cody

To accept the Mayor & Council Reports as information.

**Carried.**

**Res 2025-292**

**MOVED** by Councillor Cody

To approve Councillor's Cody, Fraser, and Johnson's attendance at the Tourism & Economic Power Summit in Hanna, AB, March 5, 2026.

**Carried.**

Mayor Liebelt called a recess at 7:40p.m.

Mayor Liebelt reconvened the meeting at 7:48p.m.

## **10. CLOSED SESSION**

### **Res 2025-293**

**MOVED** by Deputy Mayor Johnson

To go into **CLOSED** meeting at 7:53p.m. for the following items:

- a) Quad Meeting (with Coutts, Warner, County of Warner) – as per Sec 21, 25 of the AATI
- b) Land Development Updates – as per Sec 16, 17 of the Access to Information Act
- c) Organizational Planning – as per Sec 25, 29 of the Access to Information Act

**Carried.**

### **Res 2025-294**

**MOVED** by Councillor Degenstein

To return to **OPEN** meeting at 8:53p.m.

**Carried.**

## **11. ADJOURNMENT**

### **Res 2025-296**

**MOVED** by Councillor Cody

To adjourn the meeting at 8:54p.m.

**Carried.**

# REQUEST FOR DECISION

## DELEGATIONS – Brady Schnell, Western Gateway Initiative

February 9, 2026



### BACKGROUND

Canada's Western Gateway is a 3-year cluster initiative led by Economic Development Lethbridge, partially funded by Prairies Economic Development Canada that we are a part of. According to their information, *"it brings together municipalities to strengthen the transportation, logistics, and warehousing sector, support existing businesses, and attract new investment in both operations and critical infrastructure."*

Brady Schnell, regional manager of the initiative, will present to Council to share project updates, confirm municipal priorities, and discuss support for marketing, investment attraction, and land development.

He would also like to discuss the town's participation through their council rep and the potential contribution to the initiative (\$1000 / year over three years).

Attached below is the presentation he'll be making to Council.

Of note, Mayor Liebelt is Council's appointed representative for the initiative.

### RECOMMENDED MOTION

To thank Brady Schnell of the Western Gateway Initiative for his presentation and to accept it as information.

AND

Any other motions at the discretion of Council.



Canada's Western Gateway is a 3-year cluster initiative led by Economic Development Lethbridge, partially funded by Prairies Economic Development Canada.

It brings together municipalities to strengthen the transportation, logistics, and warehousing sector, support existing businesses, and attract new investment in both operations and critical infrastructure.

Together, we achieve more than any community could alone

- City of Lethbridge
- Lethbridge County
- County of Warner
- Town of Milk River
- Village of Coutts
- Village of Stirling
- Village of Warner



CWG includes seven municipal partners, from Coutts at the U.S. border to Lethbridge Airport, covering over 200 businesses employing 3,000+ people.

Our corridor benefits from three major highways, the CPKC main line, and the 24-hour Coutts border, connecting Alberta to the Canada–US–Mexico trade route.



Cando provides integrated rail logistics across Canada and the U.S., including first- and last-mile services.

Lethbridge is a strategic site for unit trains, highway access, and future expansion.

“Switching rail cars is like a sliding puzzle — each move opens new opportunities, but you must think steps ahead.”

## Cluster Development

- Connect industries, suppliers, & talent
- Boost innovation & competitiveness
- Create jobs, investment & resilience
- Proven driver of regional growth



Clusters combine businesses, municipalities, and institutions to strengthen a sector.

Rather than one community doing it alone, clusters pool expertise and resources, making the region more competitive.

Canada's Premier Food Corridor is a local example of cluster success.



Smaller municipalities often face capacity challenges. CWG helps these communities access opportunities that might otherwise pass them by.

By working together, these towns and villages gain visibility, share knowledge, and make a stronger case for infrastructure funding.

Essentially, it's about punching above their weight — and in doing so, they strengthen the entire region.

Rural areas contribute land, labour, and specialized industries that urban centres often can't provide on their own.

From farm to market, every step counts for the whole region.

## Canada's Western Gateway

- Investment Readiness
- Marketing & Awareness
- Workforce Development
- Direct Business Support



Investment readiness: preparing land and processes for growth.

Marketing & awareness: branding Highway 4 as a trade and logistics corridor.

Workforce development: closing skilled labor gaps.

Business support: assisting small and medium enterprise directly.

Together, these pillars make the corridor more attractive to investors and resilient for local businesses.



The Lethbridge Airport, owned by the City of Lethbridge, is more than a transportation hub — it's a gateway for people, goods, and ideas.

Looking ahead, this infrastructure and the Coutts/Sweetgrass border crossing with the United States, positions the region to capitalize on trade opportunity, logistics innovation, and workforce mobility.

As our industries grow and supply chains evolve, having modern, connected facilities like the airport and border will be critical to attracting investment and supporting innovation.

In essence, this image of the airport represents how Lethbridge and its partners can plan for the future, connecting the region locally, nationally, and globally.

## Project Outcomes Regional Impact



- Build Awareness of CWG
- Create Asset Map & Directory
- Identify Investment Ready Land
- Collect Industry Feedback
- Skilled Labour Initiatives
- Businesses Support
- Job Creation



CWG aims to support 40 businesses, contribute to the creation of jobs, and to identify and market prime investment sites.

We're building a complete asset map of businesses and partners to guide connections and marketing.

By strengthening Highway 4, Southern Alberta is positioned within the CANAMEX trade corridor — linking Canada to U.S. and Mexican markets.

**Investment  
Attraction**

**Industry  
Engagement**



**Brady Schnell**

**Rylan Howard**



Brady and Rylan work directly with supply chain and logistics businesses in Southern Alberta.

We connect investment opportunities and expansion projects to the region.

Please reach out — we're available to meet anytime.



## Legacy & Capacity

- Lasting Capacity
- Communities ready for opportunity
- Growth through collaboration
- Connect with CWG

CWG isn't just a three-year initiative — it builds long-term regional capacity and prepares municipalities for future opportunities.

Collaboration ensures sustainable growth and a resilient local economy.

We invite you to connect with CWG staff, explore partnership opportunities, and help strengthen Southern Alberta's supply chain.

# REQUEST FOR DECISION

## CAO REPORT

February 9, 2026



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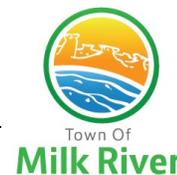
### **BACKGROUND**

Attached below for Council's information is the CAO Report. Please feel free to ask any questions or request any additional information.

### **RECOMMENDED MOTION**

That the CAO Report be accepted as information.

# CAO Report – February 9, 2026



- 1. Prepayments** – As per our incentive program to generate early revenue, we commenced the tax & utility pre-payment program in January and several residents pre-paid their taxes and received a 5% rebate. Residents who pre-pay in February will receive a 4% rebate and in March a 3%.
- 2. Increased Policing Costs** – further to the communication we received in December about updates that would be made to the Police funding calculations, several municipalities have been receiving updated 5-year cost estimates from the Alberta Police Funding Model team. These estimates are projecting significant increases in the police funding obligations that will be required from municipalities over the next five years. They have notified us that our 5-year estimate will be coming shortly. Attached below is the initial communication from Public Safety Minister Mike Ellis about the update to the calculation as well as a response letter from *Alberta Municipalities*.
- 3. Progressive West Grant Writing Update**  
We had a very successful Community Group / Grant Writing Session info session and meet and greet on January 27. We had more than a dozen attendees that we've been able to connect with our grant writers (Progressive West) and they all participated in a very helpful information session on grant writing that they all seemed to appreciate. Progressive West's monthly update is attached below.
- 4. Public Works Update**  
See attached below.
- 5. Financial Update**  
See attached below.
- 6. Bylaw Enforcement Update**

## RRCPO / MILK RIVER

Offence ID	Offence Description	Reporting District	Total
STRAY ANIMAL -	STRAY ANIMAL	RRPSS	3
UNSPR	UNSIGHTLY PREMISES	RRPSS	2
<b>Total</b>			<b>5</b>

## Ethan Gorner

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**From:** PSES Minister <PSES.Minister@gov.ab.ca>  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 18, 2025 7:31 AM  
**Subject:** Update on Changes to Alberta's Police Funding Model

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Dear colleagues,

I am writing to update you on changes to Alberta's Police Funding Model (PFM) that will affect your municipality beginning on April 1, 2026. The changes resulted from recommendations arising from the independent review of the PFM conducted by MNP LLP during spring and summer 2025, which included comprehensive stakeholder engagement. The changes to the PFM are designed to create a more equitable, transparent, and sustainable approach to funding front-line policing services for communities policed under the Provincial Police Service Agreement (PPSA).

### **Background**

Since 2020, the Police Funding Regulation has enabled communities policed under the PPSA to contribute toward front-line policing costs. This has supported 285 additional Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) officers and 244 civilian staff to RCMP units across Alberta. However, the original model tied contributions to 2018 policing costs (\$252.3 million) rather than current expenditures. The costs of the PPSA have risen over time to well over \$380.5 million for 2025-26. This increase is due to RCMP contracted salary adjustments and inflation, as well as the additional positions enabled by the PFM.

As Minister, I held the costs to municipalities at approximately 19% of front-line policing costs (which is below the intended 30%), and the province contributed a higher shared of the cost in order to allow for the review of the PFM to occur.

With the review complete, and the Police Funding Regulation expiring in March 2026, Alberta is now updating the model to ensure it reflects the real cost of policing today while maintaining predictability for municipal budgeting.

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### **Key Changes to the Funding Model**

#### **Phased Cost Sharing Implementation**

Beginning on April 1, 2026, municipal contributions will increase to 22% of current front-line policing costs, gradually reaching 30% over the next five years. This phased approach ensures predictable increases that support local fiscal planning. Importantly, contributions will now be based on actual front-line policing costs from the most recently completed fiscal year, rather than historical fixed costs.

To provide flexibility and to address unique circumstances, the Minister will have regulatory discretion to cap costs, remove significant one-time expenditures from municipal obligations, and provide targeted discounts to municipalities facing exceptional or substantial cost increases.

## Modernized Funding Formula

The formula for calculating municipal contributions is being updated to better reflect actual demand for policing services. The base formula updates will be phased-in, with changes to weighted occurrences beginning on April 1, 2028, and reaching full implementation by April 1, 2030. Once complete, the formula will be calculated based on:

- 50% population;
- 30% equalized assessment (reduced from 50%); and
- 20% weighted occurrences (calls for service).

This phased timeline allows the province to work with the RCMP and municipalities to refine the underlying data and ensure it reliably informs the model. The introduction of weighted occurrences reflects actual policing workload and demand which reduces reliance on property values alone.

## Revised Modifiers and Subsidies

Several adjustments are being made to improve equity and better reflect service delivery realities:

- **Removing inequitable subsidies:** The Crime Severity Index and detachment subsidies are being eliminated, as they were widely viewed as unbalanced and not aligned with actual service levels.
- **Updating shadow population:** The shadow population approach has been revised to subtract eligible shadow population directly from total population in calculations, rather than applying it as a separate subsidy (previously up to 5%).
- **New vacancy subsidy:** A vacancy modifier will provide discounts to municipalities experiencing RCMP staffing vacancies higher than the provincial average, acknowledging potential reduced service levels.
- **New population density subsidy:** This subsidy will reduce contributions for rural and remote municipalities with significantly lower than average density, recognizing these unique policing challenges and higher associated costs in these communities.

## Enhanced Transparency and Accountability

A new annual public reporting process will be introduced, providing clear visibility into:

- Amounts collected from municipalities under the model;
- How funds collected under the model are allocated; and
- How reinvestments support front-line policing capacity across Alberta.

The province will continue to look for opportunities to enhance transparency, including through collaboration with the Provincial Police Advisory Board. All funds collected through the PFM will continue to be invested in front-line policing provided under the PPSA to support ongoing costs and future growth where possible.

## Next Steps

Further details regarding implementation timelines and specific impacts to your municipality will be provided in the coming weeks. We are committed to working collaboratively with municipalities throughout this transition to ensure an effective implementation process.

Should you have questions or require additional information, please contact my ministry at [abpfm@gov.ab.ca](mailto:abpfm@gov.ab.ca).

Thank you for your continued partnership in maintaining safe and well-served communities across Alberta.

Sincerely,

Honourable Mike Ellis



## NEWS RELEASE

### ABmunis' initial response to provincial government's Police Funding Model announcement

December 19, 2025

**EDMONTON** – *The following statement is issued on behalf of Alberta Municipalities' President Dylan Bressey and the Board of Directors:*

Yesterday's Government of Alberta news release about the Police Funding Model (PFM) highlights the pressure that increased policing costs are placing on strained municipal budgets throughout Alberta.

Financial pressures such as those created by the PFM are what prompted us to launch our Property Taxes Reimagined initiative in October 2025. The initiative provides an overview of the various factors that, over the past 15 years, led to the fiscal dilemma many municipal councils currently find themselves in.

The Government of Alberta contracted the RCMP to provide provincial policing and shared the cost with the federal government until 2020. Since then, the PFM has required small communities that receive RCMP community policing to pay a percentage of the total cost. Combined with rising policing expenses, this has created additional strain on municipal finances at a time when population growth, inflation, reduced provincial funding, and restrictions on local revenue tools are already forcing municipalities to increase property taxes to maintain core services and infrastructure.

We have concerns about the timing, implementation and rollout of the PFM. Many municipalities have just set their annual budgets for 2026. When it comes to policing, an important principle is that our members have "say with pay." In this instance, the provincial government prioritized payment over governance. To date, municipalities have not had the input necessary to have confidence that their financial contributions are improving local community safety.

Alberta Municipalities believes something needs to be done to bend the "cost curve" down on policing. We know that investing in prevention is one of the best ways to accomplish this. That's why we're optimistic that the Government of Alberta will increase its annual funding for Family and Community Support Services (FCSS) by about 60 per cent in the 2026 Budget (from about \$105 million/year to \$161.5 million/year) so communities can deliver more evidence-based, preventative support services that reduce demand on more costly services like crisis intervention and policing.

Our association will continue advocating for an equitable funding model that reflects demand for services and ability to pay, strengthens oversight and accountability, and reinvests all funds raised back into front-line policing and public safety. We'll analyze the funding model announced on December 18 and speak with our members about it in the new year.

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# Monthly Progress Report — Town of Milk River

**Reporting Period:** January 2026

**Prepared by:** Progressive West Consulting

**Consultant:** Penny D’Agnone

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## Project Activity Summary

### 1. Submitted Grant Applications

- **Community Facility Enhancement Program - Riverside Community Golf Society**
  - Status: *Pending*
  - Applicant: Milk River Curling Rink
  - Project: Ammonia detection system, flooring and lighting
  - Request: \$17,701
  - Total Project Cost: \$36,362
  - Date Submitted: January 15, 2026
- **ADAMA Stomping Grounds**
  - Status: Pending
  - Applicant: Milk River Agricultural Society
  - Project: Replace chairs at the Civic Center
  - Total project cost: \$10,000
  - Date submitted: January 30, 2026 (Decision expected in 6 weeks)

### 2. Grants in Development

#### Milk River Fire Department

- **Firehouse Subs (due Feb 12) and TC Energy Grants (opens Feb 1)** - projects to support purchase of needed equipment for the firehall.
  - Discussions being started with the Fire Chief.

#### Milk River Curling Club

- **Fortis Save Energy grant** - Quote received for the lighting (included with CFEP small). Starting development of application to Fortis for lighting replacement.

#### Milk River Swimming Pool Projects

- **Community Foundation of Lethbridge and Southwestern Alberta**
  - Purpose: Construction of a wheelchair ramp into the pool
  - Status: *In progress*
  - *Matching funds:* Pool Society may contribute \$2,000–\$3,000
  - We now have a quote so we can submit it in March. Next deadline is March 15, 2026
- **Community Facility Enhancement Program (CFEP) Small – Need to find nonprofit applicant.**
  - Purpose: Multiple pool improvements
  - Status: Work on proposal initiated but application paused, revisit for January 2026. Need a nonprofit applicant to serve as lead, matching funds 1:1 at a minimum, need quotes, etc.
  - Deadline: January 15, 2025

- **Fortis Save Energy Grant (due Apr 30, 2026)** - inquiring as to reason it was declined in 2025. Consider reapplying based on feedback.

### 3. Other

- **MR Society Registration** - Start with identifying the 5 members to serve on the society
  - The next step is to complete forms and submit.

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## Upcoming Opportunities

- Due Feb 2 - Heritage Awareness Grants
- Opens Feb - TC Energy Grants
- Due Feb 12 - Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation Grant
- Due Feb 15 - Alberta Agricultural Societies Program - Operating Grant
- Due Mar 16 - Community Foundation of Lethbridge & SW Alberta
- Due Apr 30 - Fortis Save Energy Grant
- **Due May 15 - CFEP Small**
- Due May 15 - CFEP Large
- Due Jul 15 - TD Friends of the Environment (green space grants)





## Public Works Report January 2026

### General:

- Monthly generator preventative maintenance runs completed (Sewage lift station, Booster station, Water Treatment Plant, & Firehall.)
- Removed Christmas Lights with bucket truck from the Cable Club.

### Parks and Rec:

- Blue and Green garbage bin pickup every Thursday morning.

### Roads:

- Plowed streets and sidewalks when needed. Picked up all windrows.

### Water & Wastewater:

- **WATER:**
  - Daily water rounds and data collection.
  - Replaced 3 faulty water meters this month.
- **WTP:**
  - Reservoir levels are at 100%
  - Filled chlorine
  - Data collection
- **SEWER WORK:**
  - Daily checks and documentation.
  - Sewer lift station pump #3 repaired and now working.
  - Ran the camera down 3 home sewers and all were problems on the owner's side of the line.

### Garbage:

- Weekly garbage pickup: Milk River residential on Tuesday, Coutts on Wednesday, Warner on Thursday & Milk River businesses on Friday
- Pushed up Wood burn pit at the transfer station.
- Garbage truck went in for it's Annual CVIP Inspection.

### Swimming Pool:

- Closed pool on September 12<sup>th</sup>
- Kiddie pool removal is a work in progress through the fall and winter.

### Airport:

- Weekly run to airport to check condition of road in and runways, for unwanted activity. (When checking sewage lagoons).
- Plow snow when needed.

### Education & Training:

- Weekly safety meeting every Wednesday morning.



**TOWN OF MILK RIVER**  
For the Period Ending January 31, 2026

General Ledger	Description	2026 Opening Balance	2026 YTD Balance
<b>CHEQUING ACCOUNTS</b>			
3-12-00-120-00	General Bank Chequing Account (ATB)	(247,687.70)	460,708.26
3-12-00-130-00	General Savings Account (ATB)	1,133.21	34.22
3-12-00-150-00	AMWWP Savings Account (ATB)	347,894.79	348,728.22
4-00-00-323-00	Short Term Borrowing	0.00	(600,000.00)
* <b>TOTAL CHEQUING ACCOUNTS</b>		<b>101,340.30</b>	<b>209,470.70</b>
<b>TOWN TERM DEPOSITS</b>			
3-41-00-310-00	Water Capital GIC	4,176.66	4,186.59
3-43-00-310-00	Equipment Replacement Capital GIC	399,852.56	400,803.44
3-97-00-315-00	General Capital GIC	584,605.66	585,995.90
* <b>TOTAL TOWN TERM DEPOSITS</b>		<b>988,634.88</b>	<b>990,985.93</b>
<b>ARMS LENGTH TERM DEPOSITS</b>			
3-43-00-315-00	Transfer Station Operating GIC	5,825.85	5,839.70
* <b>TOTAL ARMS LENGTH TERM DEPOSIT</b>		<b>5,825.85</b>	<b>5,839.70</b>
<b>**P TOTAL CASH AND INVESTMENTS</b>		<b>1,095,801.03</b>	<b>1,206,296.33</b>

\*\*\* End of Report \*\*\*

**Revenue and Expenses - by Funtion  
for the 1 Month Ended January 31, 2026**

	2025 Actual	2026 Interim Budget	2026 YTD Actual	Remaining Dollars	% Collected/ Used
<b>Operating</b>					
<b>Revenues</b>					
Taxation	(1,344,891.71)	(1,347,955.00)	0.00	(1,347,955.00)	0.00
Sale of Goods and Services	(663,824.92)	(616,815.00)	(13,826.24)	(602,988.76)	2.24
Other Revenue/Franchise Fees	(299,884.76)	(381,560.00)	(24,916.34)	(356,643.66)	6.53
Conditional Grants	(2,836,482.97)	(207,360.00)	0.00	(207,360.00)	0.00
Transfer from other Functions	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Transfer from Reserves	0.00	(234,724.00)	0.00	(234,724.00)	0.00
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>(5,145,084.36)</b>	<b>(2,788,414.00)</b>	<b>(38,742.58)</b>	<b>(2,749,671.42)</b>	<b>1.39</b>
<b>Expenditures</b>					
Salaries, Wages & Benefits	794,092.78	779,306.00	60,514.95	718,791.05	7.77
Contracted & General Services	827,073.95	1,069,363.00	28,849.52	1,040,513.48	2.70
Materials, Goods & Utilities	438,435.12	480,315.00	26,038.04	454,276.96	5.42
Government Requisitions	311,739.88	311,740.00	0.00	311,740.00	0.00
Transfers to Local Boards	47,847.70	49,326.00	0.00	49,326.00	0.00
Transfers to Ind/Organizations	22,959.16	36,614.00	0.00	36,614.00	0.00
Bank Charges	11,153.85	10,000.00	1,617.22	8,382.78	16.17
Interest on Capital Long Term	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other Transactions	24,375.18	26,570.00	16,741.57	9,828.43	63.01
Transfer from Capital	0.00	25,180.00	0.00	25,180.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>2,477,677.62</b>	<b>2,788,414.00</b>	<b>133,761.30</b>	<b>2,629,472.70</b>	<b>4.80</b>

**Operating Revenue/Expenditures by Department for the 1 Month Ended January 31, 2026**

Department	REVENUES				EXPENDITURES				Actual
	Interim Budget	YTD Actual	Remaining Dollars	% Collected	Interim Budget	YTD Actual	Remaining Dollars	% Used	Contribution to Surplus
0 General Government	(1,733,885)	(24,490)	(1,709,395)	1.4	283,670	12,429	271,241	4.4	(12,061)
11 Council	0	0	0	0.0	97,807	3,517	94,290	3.6	3,517
12 Administration	(286,424)	(3,792)	(282,632)	1.3	442,618	31,201	411,417	7.0	27,409
23/24 Fire/Disaster Services	(20,000)	0	(20,000)	0.0	86,106	1,971	84,135	2.3	1,971
26 Bylaw Enforcement	(3,900)	(1,060)	(2,840)	27.2	77,570	8,260	69,310	10.6	7,200
31 Common Services	(300)	(60)	(240)	0.0	189,409	8,033	181,376	4.2	7,973
32 Roads	(25,380)	(37)	(25,343)	0.1	310,883	8,400	302,483	2.7	8,363
33 Airport	(465)	0	(465)	0.0	5,106	120	4,986	2.4	120
4101 Water Supply/Distribution	(267,800)	(2,017)	(265,783)	0.8	381,854	20,044	361,810	5.2	18,027
42 Wastewater	(97,000)	(70)	(96,930)	0.1	75,670	3,514	72,156	4.6	3,444
43 Solid Waste	(127,105)	(4,465)	(122,640)	3.5	125,758	5,094	120,664	4.1	629
43 Transfer Station	(12,405)	(14)	(12,391)	0.1	25,100	2,032	23,068	8.1	2,018
56 Cemetery	(3,000)	(650)	(2,350)	21.7	5,000	0	5,000	0.0	(650)
61 Planning & Development	(7,200)	(1,362)	(5,838)	18.9	85,000	9,887	75,113	11.6	8,525
62 Economic Development	(29,500)	0	(29,500)	0.0	5,915	0	5,915	0.0	0
72 General Recreation	(5,400)	0	(5,400)	0.0	215,018	14,367	200,651	6.7	14,367
7201 Campground	(17,000)	(726)	(16,274)	4.3	37,440	3,342	34,098	8.9	2,616
7202 Pool	(151,650)	0	(151,650)	0.0	239,415	1,775	237,640	0.7	1,775
7203 Golf Course	0	0	0	0.0	78,774	-225	78,999	-0.3	(225)
74 Culture & Library	0	0	0	0.0	20,301	0	20,301	0.0	0
<b>TOTAL OPERATING</b>	<b>(2,788,414)</b>	<b>(38,743)</b>	<b>(2,749,671)</b>	<b>1.4</b>	<b>2,788,414</b>	<b>133,761</b>	<b>2,654,653</b>	<b>4.8</b>	<b>95,018</b>

# REQUEST FOR DECISION

## COUNCIL REMUNERATION POLICY



February 9, 2026

### BACKGROUND

Council has recently worked on their remuneration policy for the new term. During their recent meeting on January 12, 2026, Council made several improvements and simplifications to the policy and directed additional wording be added to address professional development. The updated policy is attached below with the professional development wording highlighted in red. If Council is satisfied with this additional wording they may approved the updated policy by motion.

Additionally, Council considered the mileage reimbursement clause, which previously was set at the provincial base rate. Administration reviewed this further and is recommending that Council reconsider this. The province has a number of travel benefits in addition to the base rate, like a daily rate for own vehicle and a daily rate for poor weather. Therefore, the mere base rate does not adequately capture what the province reimburses for travel and by itself is quite low, especially if travelling in a truck or larger vehicle.

Therefore, it is recommended that this clause (also highlighted below) be updated to the current CRA base rate, which is the common practice amongst many municipalities, and for which Council colleagues from other municipalities are reimbursed for their travel.

As an alternative option, Council may consider an average rate between the CRA rate and the provincial base rate. Of note, the current CRA base rate is \$0.73 / km, and the provincial base rate is \$0.57 / km

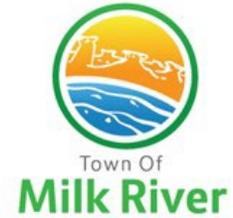
This policy will then be reviewed, as outlined therein, at the end of the term prior to the next election.

### RECOMMENDED MOTIONS

To approve Council Remuneration Policy L6.3 as revised, effective January 1, 2026

# Council Policy L6.3

## Council Remuneration



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**Responsibility:** CAO and Finance  
**References**

**Effective Date** January 1, 2026  
**Council Resolution**

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### **POLICY STATEMENT**

The Municipal Government Act allows for compensation to be made to Elected Officials for duties performed. The Town of Milk River will provide Remuneration to the Mayor and Councillors that reflects the demands of Council and Council's value to the community.

### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this policy is to outline the type and frequency of Remuneration for the Town of Milk River elected officials.

### **SCOPE**

This policy applies to all members of Town of Milk River Council.

### **DEFINITIONS**

"Council" means elected officials of the Town of Milk River, including Mayor and Councillors.

"Computer Workstation" means a laptop or tablet and any other associated computer software or hardware pieces, or any combination thereof, that will assist a member of Council in fulfilling their responsibilities.

"Expenses" means reimbursement made to elected officials for approved Expenses paid out-of-pocket, based on actual submitted receipts, not subject to applicable source deductions.

"Honorarium/Honoraria" means a flat monthly amount paid to elected officials as Remuneration for Council Meetings as outlined in Section 1, subject to applicable source deductions.

"Official Function" means an event, such as a convention, that has an official purpose for one's employment, vocation, or profession, whether run by a person, institution or governmental agency or an official duty.

"Remuneration" includes Expenses and Honoraria.

"Special Event" means a planned public or social occasion to which the Mayor and/or Council have been invited to attend.

### **RESPONSIBILITIES**

All members of Council are responsible for tracking, recording, and submitting their expenses. Administration is responsible for ensuring proper approvals have been granted, and the processing of remuneration.

## **1. STANDARDS**

### **1.1. Honoraria**

1.1.1. Council shall be compensated with an annual Honorarium. As of January 1, 2025, the annual Honorarium for members of Council is:

- Mayor \$500 per month; \$6,000 annually
- Councillor \$416.67 per month; \$5,000 annually

1.2. The following constitutes an Honorarium:

- Organizational Meeting
- Regular Council Meetings
- Preparation time for meetings
- Meetings with residents
- Correspondence related to Council business
- Public and/or Special Events

1.3. The Mayor and Council Honoraria shall receive an annual Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) in accordance with what the staff receive as set forth in the personnel policy.

1.4. Additional Honorarium or fees may be accepted from other organizations by a member of Council where they are received due to the member of Council:

- serving on a regional body, such as a regional Commission, where all members receive an Honorarium or fee, or
- if the number of meetings changes significantly (e.g., 3 meetings per month), the Honorarium will be reviewed at the time of the increase in meetings.

1.5 For each committee meeting, special council meeting, or planning, orientation, training, or conference session attended, including travel time for out-of-town meetings, the sum paid is as follows:

1.5.1 \$40 / hour, minimum amount, to a maximum of \$300

1.5.2 When two or more meetings which are held consecutively during the same calendar day will be considered as one meeting and shall be paid in accordance with the amounts in this section.

## **2. EXPENSES**

Expenses paid by an elected official out of pocket may be submitted to Finance for reimbursement. Receipts must accompany the claim.

### **2.1. Meals**

2.1.1. While traveling on Town business, meals may be claimed at the amount shown on receipts submitted. Where no receipt is submitted, a maximum amount for meals may be claimed at the rate approved by the Provincial Government. Gratuities on meals may be claimed to a maximum of fifteen (15) percent of the bill.

2.1.1.1. The allowable rate for meal expenses is as follows:

Breakfast	\$15.00
Lunch	\$25.00
Dinner	\$35.00

- 2.1.2. Meals that are previously paid for by the Town in the registration fees for meetings and conferences or included as part of the venue, are not an allowable expense that can be claimed except in special circumstances such as the mealtime conflicting with travel schedules, dietary considerations or the attendee has another meeting at the same time as the conference meal.

## 2.2. Travel

- 2.2.1. Travel is authorized for members of Council for a meeting or Official Function related to the appointment of that member of Council to a committee or regional body or **for various approved professional development opportunities.**
- 2.2.2. Travel is authorized for members of Council approved by policy or by resolution to attend a course, conference, or seminar on behalf of the Town of Milk River.
- 2.2.3. Other travel for members of Council shall be approved by resolution of Council.
- 2.2.4. Travel may be expensed for meetings of Authorities, Boards, Commissions, Committees in which the member, or alternate has been appointed to that do not Remunerate.
- 2.2.5. Council members will strive for fiscal responsibility when booking accommodations and travelling. This means standard accommodations and carpool whenever possible. Elected Officials shall not claim personal vehicle mileage inside the community. Travel by commercial carrier such as airlines, rail, taxi or bus may be claimed at the most economical costs of travel where possible. Most economical does not always mean lowest base fare as luggage fees, seat selection fees and air and airport time are also factors.
- 2.2.6. Travel by personal vehicle, **while travelling on approved town business, may be claimed at the base CRA claimable rate for travel, per kilometre.** ~~rate approved for Government of Alberta employees.~~
- 2.2.7. Councillors who attend an event or meeting of an Authority, Board, Commission or Committee to which they are not the designated Council representative, or the alternate, will not receive a travel reimbursement.

## 3.1 Miscellaneous

- 3.1.1 Miscellaneous charges such as parking, secretarial services, photocopying, internet, etc., may be claimed.
- 3.1.2 Lodging may be claimed.
- 3.1.3 Registration fees may be claimed.
- 3.1.4 Liquor is not an allowable expense that can be claimed, except where protocol dictates.

- 3.1.5 Conference partner programs and accommodation are the only allowable spousal expenses.
- 3.1.6 Costs will not be reimbursed when attending a political party function of any type.
- 3.1.7 Council will be provided with an allowance at the start of every term for up to \$2,500 to provide for themselves a computer workstation to conduct their business, communicate with residents, conduct town business. They will purchase these items and provide the receipt for reimbursement. They will be the owners of these pieces and may keep them after the term.
- 3.1.8 Council members will have the opportunity to join the town benefits program as approved by the annual budget.
- 3.1.9 **Professional Development** will be provided to the members of Council as follows:
  - 3.1.9.1 The annual Alberta Municipalities (AB Munis) Convention and the associated leadership caucus events are the premier events for Council members and their professional development, and funds will be included in the budget to allow all Council members to attend as they are able
  - 3.1.9.2 In addition to AB Munis, in setting their annual budget, Council will set aside funds for Professional Development and each member will be allowed to attend additional conferences, trainings, and seminars, as approved by motion of Council. If a member desires to attend an additional event, they may make the request at Council during the Council reports portion of the meeting. It would be helpful if information about the event was provided to Council ahead of time.

#### **4. EXPENSE SUBMISSION AND REIMBURSEMENT**

- 4.1. Council members will be responsible for reimbursing the Town the registration fee(s) for non-attendance unless due to extenuating circumstances as approved by the Mayor.
- 4.2. Procedures and forms for the submission and processing of claims shall be provided by the Chief Administrative Officer.
- 4.3. All expenses are required to be submitted to Finance before December 15th, annually.
- 4.4. Reimbursement will be paid by cheque.
- 4.5. Claims submitted by Councillors shall be approved by the Mayor.
- 4.6. Claims submitted by the Mayor shall be approved by the Deputy Mayor or an alternate member of Council in the absence of an assigned Deputy Mayor.

#### **5. FORMAL POLICY REVIEW AND REVISION**

- 5.1 This policy will be formally reviewed and revised at the discretion of Council in the year of the next election, with all changes to take affect following said election.

# REQUEST FOR DECISION

## ASSESSMENT SUBCLASS BYLAW 1076-26

February 9, 2026



### **BACKGROUND**

Council had previously directed an assessment subclass bylaw to be drafted to establish a distinct assessment class for both residential and non-residential vacant properties. This would then allow Council to set a specific tax rate for such properties and provide an incentive for these owners to further develop these lands for the benefit of the residents of the town.

Section 297 of the Municipal Government Act (MGA) allows municipal councils to establish assessment subclasses by bylaw that it deems appropriate. However, for non-residential, it does set forth that it may only be divided into the following subclasses:

- (a) vacant non-residential property;
- (b) small business property;
- (c) other non-residential property.

Therefore, applicable to our purposes in Milk River are the subclasses of “vacant non-residential” and “other non-residential properties” (which are regular ones with a current business operating out of).

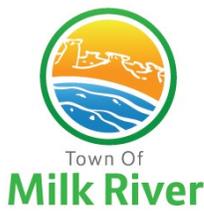
Below is a draft bylaw that we have drafted in consultation with legal counsel and the assessor.

In defining the vacant classes it is important that we can provide a criteria that can be clearly administered and implemented by administration and the assessor, which requires very careful wording in the definitions.

After consideration, discussion and providing input to administration, it is recommended that Council approve first reading and refer the bylaw back to administration for further review and recommendation.

### **RECOMMENDED MOTION**

That the Assessment Subclass Bylaw 1076-26 be approved for first reading and referred to administration for further review and recommendation.



## **BYLAW NO. 1076-26 ASSESSMENT SUBCLASS**

### **A BYLAW OF THE TOWN OF MILK RIVER IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, FOR MATTERS RELATED TO CLASSIFICATION OF ASSESSMENT AND ESTABLISHMENT OF SUB-CLASSES.**

**WHEREAS** the Municipal Government Act, R.S.A. 2000, c. M-26, provides that a Council of a municipality may pass bylaws for the safety, health and welfare of people and the protection of people and property; and

**WHEREAS** Part 9 of the Municipal Government Act, R.S.A. 2000, c. M-26, and amendments thereto, which details the rights, duties, and obligations of the municipality in appointing and authorizing an assessor and procuring property assessment or the purpose of taxation; and

**WHEREAS** Section 297 of the Municipal Government Act, R.S.A. 2000, c. M-26, and amendments thereto, provides that a municipality may pass a bylaw setting the assessment sub classes for residential and non-residential property authorizing the assessor to assign these subclasses in prepare the assessment and supplementary assessment of property; and

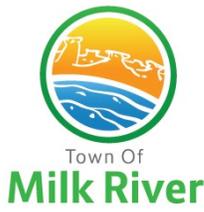
**WHEREAS** the Council of the Town of Milk River deem it proper and expedient to pass such a bylaw;

**NOW THEREFORE**, the Council of the Town of Milk River in the Province of Alberta, duly assembled, enacts as follows:

**1. TITLE** – This bylaw shall be known as the “Assessment Sub-Class Bylaw.”

#### **2. DEFINITIONS**

- 2.1. **RESIDENTIAL** means residential property as defined in Section 297(4)(c).
- 2.2. **OTHER NON-RESIDENTIAL** means regular non-residential property as defined in Section 297(4)(B), where a current business is operating.
- 2.3. **VACANT RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY** refers to any residential property, which the Assessor has deemed to be undeveloped or uninhabited continuously for two years or more, due to it not having any notable physical construction on site, or a building on it that is has been uninhabited as of a given statutory date.
- 2.4. **NON-RESIDENTIAL VACANT PROPERTY** refers to any non-residential property, which the Assessor has deemed to be undeveloped or un-utilized continuously for three years or more, due to it not having any notable physical construction on site, or a building on it that has been empty without any current business operating out wherein it has no valid business license, has not been connected to water or sewer utilities or used less than 10m3 of metered water and sewer annually in the preceding years, as of a given statutory date



## BYLAW NO. 1076-26 ASSESSMENT SUBCLASS

### 3. CLASSIFICATION OF ASSESSMENT AND ESTABLISHMENT OF SUB CLASSES

For the Municipal Assessment Roll for the 2026 taxation year, and any future Municipal Assessment Rolls, all Residential Assessment Rolls and all Residential Assessment Class Property within the Town of Milk River is hereby divided into the following subclasses:

#### 3.1. Class 1 – Residential

- 3.1.1. Residential
- 3.1.2. Vacant Residential Buildings

#### 3.2. Class 2 - Non-Residential

- 3.2.1. Non-Residential Vacant Property
- 3.2.2. Other Non-Residential Property

### 4. COMING INTO FORCE

- 4.1. This Bylaw shall come into force upon third and final reading
- 4.2. The Municipal Assessor is hereby authorized to compile assessments and present the annual assessment tax roll for the Town of Milk River with the prescribed assessment classifications established in this bylaw.

Read for a first time this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2026.

Read for a second time this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2026.

Read for a third and final time this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2025.

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Larry Liebelt – Mayor

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Ethan Gorner – Chief Administrative Officer

# REQUEST FOR DECISION

## County of Warner – Emergency Services Volunteer Appreciation

February 9, 2026



### **BACKGROUND**

Attached below is a request from the County of Warner for a door-prize contribution to their Emergency Services Volunteer Appreciation Evening.

### **CONSIDERATIONS**

This is an event to honour those emergency service volunteers that serve the larger region including the town. If Council is interested, administration could assemble a gift basket like what we have previously done.

### **RECOMMENDED MOTIONS**

1. That administration provide a gift basket or suitable door prize.

OR

Something else at the discretion of Council, or accept this as information.



# COUNTY OF WARNER NO. 5

OFFICE OF THE ADMINISTRATOR  
Box 90  
300 County Road  
WARNER, AB TOK 2L0

Ph: 403-642-3635  
Toll Free: 1-888-642-2241  
Fax: 403-642-3631

General Inquiries: [admin@warnercounty.ca](mailto:admin@warnercounty.ca)  
Administrator: [shathaway@warnercounty.ca](mailto:shathaway@warnercounty.ca)  
Tax Clerk: [mhollingsworth@warnercounty.ca](mailto:mhollingsworth@warnercounty.ca)  
Web: [www.warnercounty.ca](http://www.warnercounty.ca)

January 5, 2026

Town of Milk River  
Attention: Ethan Gorner  
PO Box 270  
Milk River, AB TOK 1M0

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To Whom It May Concern

**Re: Request for Door Prize Donation for Emergency Services Volunteer Appreciation Evening**

This will be the 36<sup>th</sup> year the County of Warner will hold an appreciation evening to honour approximately 150 emergency services volunteers throughout the County of Warner.

The County will be holding this event on **March 20, 2026**. The County provides a dinner and presents long term service awards to those with 10 years or more of service. A highlight of the evening is the draw for donations received from businesses within the County, business from which the County purchases goods and services, and businesses that would like to support the volunteer work of these men and women.

The County supports seven volunteer fire departments by providing fire equipment and contributing to the operational costs. The departments are located in the towns and villages and one hamlet in the County. These dedicated people volunteer their time to provide emergency fire and medical emergencies in the County and within their towns and villages. They also give of their time for training so that they are knowledgeable about what needs to be done during a fire or medical emergency.

If you would like to provide a donation for the evening on behalf of your business or to show appreciation for the services these volunteers give, please send it to the address above. If necessary, and you are located locally, please call or email to arrange for pickup. Any and all donations are greatly appreciated.

Thank you for your kind consideration of this request – your support is appreciated.

Sincerely,

Mackenzie Hollingsworth  
Tax Clerk

# Request for Decision

## Mayor & Councillor Reports (Roundtable)

February 9, 2026



### **BACKGROUND**

Mayor and Council will each have an opportunity to report on their assignments and any other items of interest to Council.

### **CONSIDERATION**

Attached below is the updated assignments list with all the recent appointments that Council has made since the election. Changes from the previous year are noted in red.

### **RECOMMENDED MOTION**

That the Mayor and Councillor reports be accepted as information.



## Town of Milk River Appointments to Authorities, Boards, Commissions and Committees 2025-2026

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Town Council (2025-2029 Term)

Mayor Larry Liebelt

Deputy Mayor Shayne Johnson

Councillor Don Cody

Councillor Dave Degenstein

Councillor Dorothy Fraser

### **COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS**

<b>Chief Mountain Regional Solid Waste Services Commission</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Town Agreement (2000)</li> </ul>	1 Councillor 1 Alternate	L. Liebelt <b>(alt) D. Cody</b>
<b>Chinook Arch Regional Library Board</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Town Agreement (2021)</li> </ul>	1 Councillor	<b>D. Fraser</b>
<b>Milk River Municipal Library Board</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Libraries Act</li> <li>Town Bylaw 574</li> </ul>	Max 2 Councillors	<b>D. Fraser</b>
<b>Committee of the Whole</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>When required</li> </ul>	5 Councillors	All of Council
<b>Family &amp; Community Support Services</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Town Bylaw 625: Agreement (1982)</li> <li>FCSS Governance Policies</li> </ul>	1 Councillor 1 Alternate	D. Degenstein <b>(alt) D. Cody</b>
<b>Heritage Handi-Bus</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Handi-Bus Bylaws</li> </ul>	1 Councillor	S. Johnson
<b>Canada's Western Gateway</b>	Silent	L. Liebelt
<b>Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework Committee</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ICF Agreement (2020)</li> </ul>	2 Councillors 1 Alternate	<b>D. Cody</b> and D. Degenstein <b>(alt) D. Fraser</b>
<b>Mayors and Reeves</b>	Mayor / Dep Mayor	L. Liebelt; Dep Mayor
<b>Milk River and District Ag Society</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ag Society Bylaw (2020)</li> </ul>	1 Councillor (Rep) – nonvoting rights	S. Johnson
<b>Milk River Senior Citizens Society</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Society Bylaws</li> </ul>	Silent	<b>D. Fraser</b>
<b>Milk River Cemetery Board</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cemetery Bylaws</li> </ul>	1 Councillor	L. Liebelt
<b>Milk River Community Business Assoc.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Association Bylaws</li> </ul>	Silent	D. Degenstein
<b>Milk River Health Professionals Attraction and Retention Committee</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Committee Bylaws</li> </ul>	Designate	<b>D. Fraser</b>
<b>Milk River Watershed Council Canada</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Watershed Bylaw</li> </ul>	1 Councillor	<b>D. Fraser</b>
<b>MPC (SubD &amp; Dev Authority)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Town Bylaw 803</li> </ul>	2 Councillors	D. Degenstein; <b>D. Cody</b>



## Town of Milk River Appointments to Authorities, Boards, Commissions and Committees 2025-2026

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<b>ORRSC BOARD</b> • ORRSC Bylaw 2013-2	1 Councillor 1 Alternate	D. Cody (alt) S. Johnson
<b>[ORRSC] Chinook ISDAB (Appal Board)</b> • Town Bylaw 1018	1 Councillor 2 At Large	L. Liebelt Peggy Losey
<b>[ORRSC] Regional ARB</b> • Town Bylaw 1039-23 / 3 year term	1 Councillor 1 At Large	D. Cody Jon Hood
<b>Quad Council</b>	All of Council	All of Council
<b>Regional Emergency Advisory Committee</b> • Town Bylaw 1030: Terms of Reference	1 Councillor 1 Alternate	S. Johnson (alt) D. Fraser
<b>Ridge Country Housing</b> • Housing Business Plan 2023-2025	1 Councillor	D. Degenstein D. Cody
<b>Ridge Regional Public Safety Services</b> • Ridge Bylaw 001-16	1 Councillor	D. Degenstein
<b>Riverside Community Golf Course Society</b> • Society Bylaws	Silent	L. Liebelt
<b>SouthGrow</b> • Articles of Association (2021)	1 Councillor 1 Alternate	S. Johnson (alt) D. Degenstein
<b>Veteran's Memorial Highway Highway 36</b>	1 Councillor	D. Degenstein (alt) S. Johnson
<b>SouthGrow Border Wall Exploratory Ad Hoc Committee</b>	2 Councillors	S. Johnson; D. Degenstein
<b>Snow Clearing Ad Hoc Policy Committee</b>	2 Councillors	L. Liebelt; D. Fraser

### Deputy Mayor Schedule

**2026 Councillor Johnson**; 2027 Councillor Degenstein; 2028 Councillor Fraser; 2029 Councillor Cody

### At Large Appointments

#### **Municipal Planning Commission (MPC)**

Bob Matlock, John Canaan, Beth Kappelar, Suzanne Liebelt, Melvin Sparks

#### **Milk River Library Board (terms expire April 1 of the noted year)**

Wendy Brown (2027), Darlene Fleming (2028), Scott Harvey (2026), Rita Lodermeier (2026), Lesley Oslanski (2026), Ron Oswald (2028), Jodie Wehlage (2027).