

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Council Chambers, 240 Main St. Milk River, Alberta

Monday, July 13, 2026

Council Members	Mayor Larry Liebelt Deputy Mayor Shayne Johnson Councillor Don Cody Councillor Dave Degenstein Councillor Dorothy Fraser
Administration	CAO – Ethan Gorner

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Liebelt called the meeting to order at 6:08p.m.

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Res. 2026-142

MOVED by Councillor Cody

To adopt the agenda for the July 13, 2026, Regular Council Meeting, as presented.

Carried.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Res. 2026-143

MOVED by Councillor Degenstein

That the minutes for the **June 8, 2026** Regular Council Meeting be approved as presented.

Carried.

4. DELEGATIONS

a) CHINOOK REGIONAL HOSPITAL FOUNDATION (CEO Crystal Elliott)

Res. 2026-144

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Johnson

To thank Ms. Elliott for her presentation and accept it as information and to refer this to business item 7g for further consideration by Council.

Carried.

b) CALNAN REAL ESTATE GROUP

Res. 2026-145

MOVED by Councillor Degenstein

To thank Calnan Real Estate Group for their presentation and accept it as information and to refer this item to closed session for strategic discussion by Council, in accordance with sections 25 and 29 of the Access to Information Act (ATIA).

Carried.

5. PUBLIC HEARING - None

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6. POLICIES & BYLAWS

a) PROCEDURES BYLAW 1090-26

Res. 2026-146

MOVED by Councillor Degenstein

That Bylaw 1090-26 be approved for second reading.

Carried.

Res. 2026-147

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Johnson

That Bylaw 1090-26 be approved for third and final reading.

Carried.

b) LAGOON DEBENTURE BYLAW 1092-26

Res. 2026-148

MOVED by Councillor Cody

That Bylaw 1092-26 be approved for first reading.

Carried.

c) 8 AVE DEBENTURE BYLAW 1093-26

Res. 2026-149

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Johnson

That Bylaw 1093-26 be approved for first reading.

Carried.

d) WATER TRUCK DEBENTURE BYLAW 1094-26

Res. 2026-150

MOVED by Councillor Fraser

That Bylaw 1094-26 be approved for first reading.

Carried.

e) PICKUP TRUCK DEBENTURE BYLAW 1095-26

Res. 2026-151

MOVED by Councillor Cody

That Bylaw 1095-26 be approved for first reading.

Carried.

7. BUSINESS

a) CIRCULAR MATERIALS AGREEMENT

Res. 2026-152

MOVED by Councillor Degenstein

That the Circular Materials updated schedule A-1 be approved as presented.

Carried.



b) MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS MINISTER ENGAGEMENT

Res. 2026-153

MOVED by Councillor Cody

To accept this as information.

Carried.

c) BONANZA DAY PARADE

Res. 2026-154

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Johnson

To approve participation of Council, who are able, in the Bonanza Day Parade.

Carried.

d) 824 MAIN STREET

Res. 2026-155

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Johnson

To issue a notice to the neighbor directing the removal of the RV and that administration undertake a cleanup of the lot.

Carried.

e) NU HOOK TRENCHING EQUIPMENT STORAGE

Res. 2026-156

MOVED by Councillor Cody

To accept as information and direct administration to draft an equipment staging policy for Council consideration.

Carried.

f) MUNICIPAL TAXES / BYLAW

Res. 2026-157

MOVED by Councillor Degenstein

To accept as information.

Carried.

g) CHINOOK REGIONAL HOSPITAL FOUNDATION

Res. 2026-158

MOVED by Councillor Degenstein

To send a letter of support for the Cardiac Care Centre and explore strategies for securing the requested \$5 / capita contribution.

Carried.

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8. CORRESPONDENCE

The following correspondence items were reviewed by Council.

- a) Municipal Affairs – 2026 Funding Allocation
- b) ATEC Water for Life Application
- c) ORRSC Update & Strategic Direction
- d) Senior's BBQ Thank you

Res 2026-159

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Johnson

To accept the correspondence items as information.

Carried.

9. REPORTS

a) CAO REPORT

Res. 2026-160

MOVED by Councillor Degenstein

To accept the CAO Report as information.

Carried.

b) MAYOR & COUNCIL REPORTS

Res 2026-161

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Johnson

To accept the Mayor & Council Reports as information.

Carried.

Mayor Liebelt called a recess at 8:32p.m.

Mayor Liebelt reconvened the meeting at 8:42p.m.

10. CLOSED SESSION

Res 2026-162

MOVED by Councillor Degenstein

To go into **CLOSED** meeting at 8:46p.m. for the following items:

- a) *Organizational Planning – as per Sec 25, 29 of the Access to Information Act (ATIA)*

Carried.

Res 2026-163

MOVED by Councillor Cody

To return to **OPEN** meeting at 9:33p.m.

Carried.

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Res 2026-164

MOVED by Councillor Degenstein

That the Upper RV Overflow Camping Area be restricted to maximum stays of 14 days and that the current visitors be provided with 30 days' notice to leave.

AND that the lower main camping area be restricted as well to 14 days for all new visitors, unless approved by Council, and that the current long-term campers down there be considered as approved for continuing long term camping at the discretion of the golf course.

Carried.

Res 2026-165

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Johnson

That a property appraisal be undertaken on the old high school lot.

Carried.

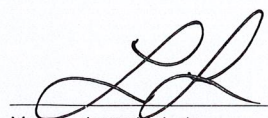
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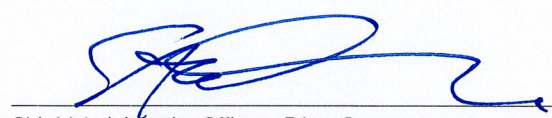
Res 2026-166

MOVED by Councillor Cody

To adjourn the meeting at 9:39p.m.

Carried.



Mayor – Larry Liebelt

Chief Administrative Officer – Ethan Gorner