Village of Val Marie
Minutes - Regular Meeting of Council
Held in the Municipal Office Boardroom, 112 Railway Ave E, Val Marie, Saskatchewan
Wednesday, February 19, 2025

Present: Mayor Roland Facette
Councillor Ron Denniel
Councillor Adam Ducan
Councillor Mette Ducan
Councillor John Reynolds

Staff Attendance: Cathy Legault, Administrator
Logan Resch, Assistant Administrator

A quorum being present, Mayor Facette called the meeting to order at 1:08 p.m.

2025-032	MINUTES	REYNOLDS: That the minutes of the January 16, 2025 Regular Meeting be approved as read. DENNIEL: For A. DUCAN: For M. DUCAN: For FACETTE: For REYNOLDS: For Carried Unanimously.
	DELEGATE	Mr. Lee Friesen, Tourism Development Committee was received by council at 1:25 p.m. Mr. Friesen and council discussed the Community Anniversaries and Legacy Fund funding opportunities from Heritage Canada (Government of Canada). A discussion about having the Village apply for funding on behalf of Council Committees and heritage properties similar to the previous "Tourism Relief Fund" and "Community Revitalization Grant" was had. Mr. Friesen excused himself at 2:15 p.m.
2025-033	ANNIVERSAR-IES & LEGACY FUND	DENNIEL: That the Administrator be authorized to submit applications to the Community Anniversaries and Legacy Fund (both administered through Heritage Canada), for the 100th Anniversary celebrations of the Village, the Heritage Grain Elevator, and the Little Brick School House (the Village's municipal heritage properties). That an invitation to participate be offered to all local groups (Tourism Development Committee, Lions Club, Prairie Winds & Silver Sage, Heritage Elevator Committee, and Rec Board). The application will be applied for by the Village of Val Marie, with the matching funds coming from the groups that would like to participate. The Village will not incur any costs for events or projects held in conjunction with these applications. DENNIEL: For A. DUCAN: For M. DUCAN: For FACETTE: For REYNOLDS: For Carried Unanimously.
2025-034	ADMIN REPORT	A.DUCAN: That the Administrator's report be accepted as read. DENNIEL: For A. DUCAN: For M. DUCAN: For FACETTE: For REYNOLDS: For Carried Unanimously.
2025-035	PAYMENTS	M.DUCAN: That the following payments be approved: • Inn. CU - Cheques 4378-4390 totaling $23,563.48 • Inn. CU – CAFT Payment # 2025-0002 to 2025-0005 totaling $1,555.38 • Inn. CU - Online Banking Payment #2025-0012 to 2025-0025 totaling $4,815.92 • Collabria Credit Card Payment # 2025-0006 to 2025-0009 totaling $1,185.90 ○ Total Payments - $31,120.68 DENNIEL: For A. DUCAN: For M. DUCAN: For FACETTE: For REYNOLDS: For Carried Unanimously.

2025-036	FIN STMTS	REYNOLDS: That the January 2025 Statement of Financial Position, Balance Sheet, Sewer Utility Summary, Campground Summary, Innovation Bank Reconciliations, and Tax Enforcement Summary be accepted as presented. DENNIEL: For A. DUCAN: For M. DUCAN: For FACETTE: For REYNOLDS: For Carried Unanimously.
2025-037	DRAFT 2024 AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS	DENNIEL: That the draft 2024 Audited Financial Statements from Dudley & Company LLP be approved. DENNIEL: For A. DUCAN: For M. DUCAN: For FACETTE: For REYNOLDS: For Carried Unanimously.
2025-038	COMMITTEE REPORTS	A.DUCAN: That the committee reports and minutes be accepted as presented. DENNIEL: For A. DUCAN: For M. DUCAN: For FACETTE: For REYNOLDS: For Carried Unanimously.
2025-039	BYLAW 2025-01	REYNOLDS: That Bylaw 2025-01 “A Bylaw to Provide for the Village of Val Marie to Enter into an Administration Agreement with the R.M. of Val Marie No. 17” be read for the third time and adopted. DENNIEL: For A. DUCAN: For M. DUCAN: For FACETTE: For REYNOLDS: For Carried Unanimously.
2025-040	CAMP-GROUND RESERVATION SYSTEM	M.DUCAN: That “Let’s Camp” be approved as the online campground reservation system for the Village of Val Marie’s campground; and that the previous agreement with campreservations.ca (now purchased by campspot.com) be cancelled as soon as possible. DENNIEL: For A. DUCAN: For M. DUCAN: For FACETTE: For REYNOLDS: For Carried Unanimously.
2025-041	ANONYMOUS COMPLAINT	DENNIEL: That the owner of 213 First Street South be notified that there has been an anonymous complaint about parking in back alleys blocking access for walking and emergency vehicles that may need to obtain access. DENNIEL: For A. DUCAN: For M. DUCAN: For FACETTE: For REYNOLDS: For Carried Unanimously.

2025-042	SOUTHERN SK VACATION GUIDE	A.DUCAN: That advertising the Village of Val Marie in the Southern Saskatchewan Vacation Guide (ad cost $550) be continued for 2025. DENNIEL: For A. DUCAN: For M. DUCAN: For FACETTE: For REYNOLDS: For Carried Unanimously.
2025-043	CYPRESS HILLS DESTINATION AREA	M.DUCAN: That the Village of Val Marie continue as a Municipal Partner for 2025 with the Cypress Hills-Grasslands Destination Area Inc. DENNIEL: For A. DUCAN: For M. DUCAN: For FACETTE: For REYNOLDS: For Carried Unanimously.
2025-044	PRESENTA-TION OF BOND	REYNOLDS: That it be noted the Bond Coverage was presented to Council detailing the following coverage: $500,000 fidelity bond from SGI Canada Insurance, noting that the policy coverage is in effect from May 27, 2024 – May 27, 2025 at which time the coverage will be reviewed and renewed. DENNIEL: For A. DUCAN: For M. DUCAN: For FACETTE: For REYNOLDS: For Carried Unanimously.
2025-045	COUNCIL WCB COVERAGE	DENNIEL: That the WCB Coverage for council members for 2025 be set at the minimum coverage of $42,235. DENNIEL: For A. DUCAN: For M. DUCAN: For FACETTE: For REYNOLDS: For Carried Unanimously.
2025-046	COMMUN-ICATIONS	M.DUCAN: That the communications noted on the agenda be acknowledged as received, and filed as deemed appropriate. DENNIEL: For A. DUCAN: For M. DUCAN: For FACETTE: For REYNOLDS: For Carried Unanimously.
2025-047	ADJOURN	FACETTE: That this meeting adjourn, time 3:53 p.m. DENNIEL: For A. DUCAN: For M. DUCAN: For FACETTE: For REYNOLDS: For Carried Unanimously.