Village of Val Marie
Minutes - Regular Meeting of Council
Held in the Municipal Office Boardroom, 112 Railway Ave E, Val Marie, Saskatchewan
Wednesday, March 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 7:15 p.m.

Councillors Adam Ducan and John Reynolds were not present at the call to order.

2025-051	MINUTES	M.DUCAN: That the minutes of the February 19, 2025 Regular Meeting be approved as read. DENNIEL: For A. DUCAN: Absent M. DUCAN: For FACETTE: For REYNOLDS: Absent Carried Unanimously. *Councillor John Reynolds joined the meeting, time 7:18 p.m.*
2025-052	MINUTES	DENNIEL: That the minutes of the March 5, 2025 Special Meeting be approved as read. DENNIEL: For A. DUCAN: Absent M. DUCAN: For FACETTE: For REYNOLDS: For Carried Unanimously. *Councillor Adam Ducan joined the meeting, time 7:26 p.m.*
	DELEGATE	Ms. Judith Wright was received by council by teleconference at 7:29 p.m. as the Chinook Regional Library representative for the Village of Val Marie. Ms. Wright provided an update stating that there were irregularities in the Chinook Regional Library's 2024 financials as well as the 2023 audit was not received until 2025. Ms. Wright also mentioned 5 positions were terminated at the Swift Current headquarters and that the AGM is approaching soon. At the AGM there will be discussions about the levy and hours of operation for libraries. It was noted that all current operations have been financed from reserves because of the delayed financials and the levy not being set, it was also noted that the library in Val Marie has quite high circulation and use. Council noted they want to keep the library open and would like to know the details of the levy once it has been decided. Ms. Wright said she would provide an update following the AGM and excused herself at 7:39 p.m.
2025-053	ADMIN REPORT	REYNOLDS: That the Administrator's report be accepted as read. DENNIEL: For A. DUCAN: For M. DUCAN: For FACETTE: For REYNOLDS: For Carried Unanimously.

2025-054	PAYMENTS	DENNIEL: That the following payments be approved: • Inn. CU - Cheques 4391-4405 totaling $18,703.05 • Inn. CU – CAFT Payment # 2025-0006 to 2025-0012 totaling $1,617.09 • Inn. CU - Online Banking Payment #2025-0026 to 2025-0038 totaling $3,313.28 • Inn. CU – Automatic Withdrawal Payment #2025-0002 to 2025-0003 totaling $680.20 o Total Payments - $24,313.62 DENNIEL: For A. DUCAN: For M. DUCAN: For FACETTE: For REYNOLDS: For Carried Unanimously.
2025-055	FIN STMTS	A.DUCAN: That the February 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.
2025-056	LIST OF LANDS IN ARREARS	REYNOLDS: That the "List of Lands in Arrears" as required by section 3 of The *Tax Enforcement Act* be noted as received and that all properties with arrears that are less than one half of the previous year's levy be omitted from advertising in The Tax Enforcement List. DENNIEL: For A. DUCAN: For M. DUCAN: For FACETTE: For REYNOLDS: For Carried Unanimously. *Mayor Facette left the meeting room, time 8:00 p.m. Deputy Mayor John Reynolds assumed the position of meeting chair.*
2025-057	2024 AUDITED FINANCIAL STMTS	M. DUCAN: That the 2024 Final Audited Financial statements be approved and posted on the Village of Val Marie website, and a newsletter be sent with the 2025 tax notices indicating the financials are on the website for viewing. DENNIEL: For A. DUCAN: For M. DUCAN: For FACETTE: Absent REYNOLDS: For Carried Unanimously.
2025-058	COMMITTEE REPORTS	A.DUCAN: That the committee reports and minutes be accepted as presented. DENNIEL: For A. DUCAN: For M. DUCAN: For FACETTE: Absent REYNOLDS: For Carried Unanimously. *Mayor Facette rejoined the meeting, time 8:22 p.m. and assumed the position of meeting chair.*

2025-059	ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE MEETING	REYNOLDS: That a public meeting be held to see if there is any interest in forming an anniversary committee. If so, the Village of Val Marie will consider appointing an "Anniversary Committee" to celebrate 100 years of the Village and its heritage properties in 2026 and 2027. DENNIEL: For A. DUCAN: For M. DUCAN: For FACETTE: For REYNOLDS: For Carried Unanimously.
2025-060	CANADA POST AED INSTALL	DENNIEL: That it be acknowledged that Canada Post responded to the AED installation request and declined the installation. DENNIEL: For A. DUCAN: For M. DUCAN: For FACETTE: For REYNOLDS: For Carried Unanimously.
2025-061	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.
2025-062	ADJOURN	REYNOLDS: That this meeting adjourn, time 9:00 p.m. DENNIEL: For A. DUCAN: For M. DUCAN: For FACETTE: For REYNOLDS: For Carried Unanimously.