



Rural Municipality of Val Marie No. 17

112 Railway Ave E, PO Box 59, Val Marie, Saskatchewan

Meeting Minutes

Regular Meeting February 13, 2026 - 01:00 PM

PRESENT:

Reeve: Larry Grant
Division 2 Councillor: Timothy Christianson
Division 3 Councillor: Steven Gunter
Division 4 Councillor and Deputy Reeve: Shadrick Peno
Division 5 Councillor: Greg Kornfeld

ABSENT:

Division 1 Councillor: Tyler Jensen

STAFF ATTENDANCE: Logan Resch, Acting Administrator

Ben McLearn, Public Works Foreman

1 Call to order

A quorum being present, Reeve Grant called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

2 Approval of the Agenda

Res. No. 2026-0035

Moved by: Div. 4 Councillor Peno

That the agenda for this February 13, 2026 meeting be approved as presented with the addition of Texas Gates - Adam Laturnus, Road Allowances - West Flat (Gunter Yard), Road Maintenance (N of NW 31-06-13-W3) under New Business.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3 Adoption of Minutes

3.1 January 13, 2025 Regular Meeting

Res. No. 2026-0036

Moved by: Div. 4 Councillor Peno

That the minutes of the January 13, 2026 Regular Meeting be approved as read.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4 Public Hearings

5 Delegations

6 Reports of Administration & Committees

6.1 Administrative Update

Res. No. 2026-0037

Moved by: Div. 3 Councillor Gunter

That the Acting Administrator's Report be accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6.2 List of Accounts for Approval

Res. No. 2026-0038

Moved by: Div. 2 Councillor Christianson

That the "List of Accounts for Approval" detailing the following payments be approved:

Inn. CU - Cheques No.'s 4699 to 4721 totalling - \$547,939.79

Inn. CU - CAFT Payments No.'s 2026-0005 to 2026-0014 totalling - \$14,783.78

Inn. CU - Online Banking Payments No.'s 2026-0010 to 2026-0021 totalling - \$18,889.81

Inn. CU - Automatic Withdrawals No. 2026-0003 totalling - \$1,928.58

Credit Invoice No.'s 2026-0001 to 2026-0002 totalling - \$0.00

Collabria Credit Cards Payments No.'s 2026-0002 to 2026-0011 totalling - \$6,804.38

Total Payments - \$590,346.34

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6.3 Monthly Statement of Financial Position and Balance Sheet

Res. No. 2026-0039

Moved by: Div. 3 Councillor Gunter

That the Statement of Financial Position, Balance Sheet and Bank Reconciliations as of January 31, 2026 be accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6.4 Committee Reports

Res. No. 2026-0040

Moved by: Div. 4 Councillor Peno

That the committee reports and minutes be accepted and filed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7 In Camera Session

7.1 Move to In-Camera Session

Res. No. 2026-0041

Moved by: Div. 3 Councillor Gunter

That we now move to an in-camera session to discuss employee matters, time 1:49 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Ben McLearn left the meeting room, time 2:05 p.m. Logan Resch left the meeting room, time 2:15 p.m.

Ben McLearn and Logan Resch returned to the meeting room, time 2:50 p.m.

7.2 Rise from In-Camera Session

Res. No. 2026-0042

Moved by: Div. 3 Councillor Gunter

That we now rise from in-camera session, time 2:50 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8 Unfinished Business

8.1 Provincial Lease Land Purchase - Road Allowance Survey Payment Request Response

Res. No. 2026-0043

Moved by: Div. 2 Councillor Christianson

That the response from the Ministry of Agriculture indicating they do not compensate RM's for survey requirements be acknowledged. That the Acting Administrator approach the Beaver Valley Grazing Corporation to enter into an agreement for the roads located in the NW-33-06-15-W3 and SW-33-06-15-W3 due to the road not being the right of way but maintained by the RM, and the Acting Administrator gather more information for a long-term solution that is cost effective.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.2 Reschedule March Regular Council Meeting

Res. No. 2026-0044

Moved by: Div. 4 Councillor Peno

That resolution 2026-0013 be rescinded and that the March 2026 Regular Meeting be re-scheduled to Tuesday, March 24, 2026 at 1:00 p.m. due to the second Tuesday of March conflicting with the SARM Annual Convention and that this resolution serves as notice to all Council members present.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9 New Business

9.1 SARM Annual Convention 2026 - Attendees & Voting Delegates

Res. No. 2026-0045

Moved by: Div. 4 Councillor Peno

That Reeve Larry Grant, Councillor Tim Christianson, Councillor Steven Gunter attend the SARM Convention (and other Councillors if their schedules allow). That Reeve Larry Grant & Councillor Steven Gunter are voting delegates for the 2026 Annual SARM Convention and Reeve Larry Grant be appointed as the R.M.'s SMHI Annual Meeting representative.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.2 Municipal Approval of Application to Purchase Lease Land

Res. No. 2026-0046

Moved by: Div. 5 Councillor Kornfeld

That the R.M. of Val Marie No. 17 agrees to the sale of the following quarters by the Province of Saskatchewan - Ministry of Agriculture - Lands Branch to the lessee applicants:

- NW & NE 07-01-12-W3
- SW & SE 01-01-13-W3
- SW 08-01-12-W3

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.3 SaskPower - Request to Work Through Road Bans in 2026

Res. No. 2026-0047

Moved by: Div. 4 Councillor Peno

That SaskPower be permitted to work through the road restrictions provided they pay for permits and compensate the R.M. for extra road repairs/damages that crews may cause in 2026.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.4 SaskPower - Rural Rebuild Notification

Res. No. 2026-0048

Moved by: Div. 2 Councillor Christianson

That the R.M. of Val Marie have no concerns with the rural rebuild of the existing CLX-502 circuit, but requests a road inspection prior to the work and upon completion, the inspection is to be completed by the Foreman and a representative from SaskPower (if they wish) to monitor for any damage to the road due to the increased use.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.5 Saskatchewan Assessment Management Agency (SAMA) - 2026 Reinspection Program

Res. No. 2026-0049

Moved by: Div. 2 Councillor Christianson

That a request be sent to the Saskatchewan Assessment Management Agency (SAMA) to attend a council meeting to provide further details on the reinspection program that is occurring within the R.M. of Val Marie in 2026.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.6 SARM Resolution - RM of Langenburg No. 181: Restructuring of Villages into RMs
Res. No. 2026-0050
Moved by: Div. 4 Councillor Peno

That the R.M. of Val Marie No. 17 support the resolution, Restructuring of Villages into Rural Municipalities, submitted by the R.M. of Langenburg No. 181 for the 2026 Annual SARM Convention.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.7 Brightsand Gravel & Aggregate LTD - Contract for Aggregate, Loading, Hauling, & Excavation Services
Res. No. 2026-0051
Moved by: Div. 3 Councillor Gunter

That the 2026 Gravel Loading, Hauling, & Spreading contract with Brightsand Gravel & Aggregate LTD be approved and signed by the Reeve and Acting Administrator.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.8 TCA Purchases 2025 - Useful Life
Res. No. 2026-0052
Moved by: Div. 4 Councillor Peno

That the amortization period for the 2 seacans purchased in 2025 be recorded at 20 years and the new server computer also purchased in 2025 be recorded at 3 years, both purchases recorded with no residual value.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.9 Fire Department Appointments for 2026
Res. No. 2026-0053
Moved by: Div. 5 Councillor Kornfeld

That the following additions be appointed to the list of Fire Department Members who are authorized to respond with municipal equipment:

- Rapley Fire Station: Ryder Jensen and Cooper Jensen
- Orkney Fire Station: Aiden Peno
- Rosefield Fire Station: Kyle Kornfeld and Ryder Gaff

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.10 Texas Gates - Adam Laturnus
Res. No. 2026-0054
Moved by: Div. 4 Councillor Peno

That Adam Laturnus be approved to install two texas gates located in the SW 03-05-14-W3 and NW 34-04-14-W3 on the Newton Lake Road. That the Acting Administrator be authorized to enter into the agreement, and the installation of the gates may be completed after the agreement has been signed by both parties. That the following provisions be added into the agreement with Adam Laturnus:

- Additional aggregate may need to be purchased by the applicant as required, to be determined by the RM, for spreading between the two gates as there will be more possible activity on the roadway.
- A minimum distance requirement between the two gates, to be determined by the RM Foreman.
- The term “landowner” within the agreement be changed to “applicant”.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.11 Road Allowances West Flat (Gunter Yard)

Res. No. 2026-0055

Moved by: Div. 3 Councillor Gunter

That agenda item 9.11, Road Allowances West Flat (Gunter Yard), be tabled until the next meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.12 Road Maintenance - North of NW 31-06-13 W3

Res. No. 2026-0056

Moved by: Reeve Grant

That pending approval from the R.M. of Wise Creek No. 77, due to the road being located in their RM, custom work be completed for Sand Lake Colony on the road north of NW-31-06-13-W3 and they be charged the rates outlined in Bylaw 2025-04, the Fees Bylaw, for the road work that they request.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10 Communications

Res. No. 2026-0057

Moved by: Div. 4 Councillor Peno

That the communications listed on the agenda be acknowledged as required and filed as deemed appropriate.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11 Reeve & Councillors Forum

12 Adjournment

Res. No. 2026-0058

Moved by: Reeve Grant

That this meeting does now adjourn, time 6:16 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
