

Village of Val Marie
Minutes - Regular Meeting of Council
Held in the Municipal Office Boardroom, 112 Railway Ave E, Val Marie, Saskatchewan
Wednesday, May 20, 2026

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

Staff Attendance: Logan Resch, Acting Administrator

A quorum being present, Mayor Facette called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

2026-078	MINUTES	DENNIEL: That the minutes of the April 15, 2026 Regular Meeting be approved as read. DENNIEL: For A. DUCAN: For M. DUCAN: For FACETTE: For REYNOLDS: For Carried Unanimously.
	DELEGATE	Lee Friesen from the Tourism Development Committee (TDC) was received by Council at 7:12 p.m. to discuss 3 main items; the Grassroots meeting, Dark Skies, and the Val Marie Visitor Guide. Mr. Friesen gave an overview of the Grassroots meeting that was held on May 7 and reported it was well attended with 30+ people in attendance. He explained that Brendan Manz from Tourism Saskatchewan did a presentation on their new re-branding of the province. The province has been split into 4 areas (travel zones), and we are located in the 'Living Skies & Badlands' area. Council expressed their support for the areas and feel it an accurate representation. Mr. Friesen shared that Rick Huziak from the Royal Astronomical Society presented on dark skies, and that they are planning to have Rick give a public presentation at the hall on Saturday of the Beyond the Big Dipper event hosted by Grasslands. It was reported how we have the darkest dark skies in Canada and we can benefit from that. Lastly, Mr. Friesen talked about the Val Marie Visitor Guide and how Community Features is willing to cover up to \$2,500 for printing, which should cover a few hundred copies. Mr. Friesen expressed that Mooseworld will be willing to complete the updates to the guide, and Council suggested that specific dates should be left off the guide so it can be used for multiple years. Mr. Friesen excused himself at 7:33 p.m.
2026-079	ADMIN REPORT	REYNOLDS: That the Acting Administrator's report be accepted as read. DENNIEL: For A. DUCAN: For M. DUCAN: For FACETTE: For REYNOLDS: For Carried Unanimously.
2026-080	PAYMENTS	A.DUCAN: That the following payments be approved: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Inn. CU - Cheques 4571 to 4588 totaling \$38,382.01• Inn. CU – CAFT Payment #2026-0014 to 2026-0020 totaling \$3,933.23• Inn. CU - Online Banking Payment #2026-0051 to 2026-0069 totaling \$6,554.97• Inn. CU – Automatic Withdrawal Payment #2026-0005 totaling \$224.22• Collabria Credit Card Payment 2026-0007 to 2026-0021 totaling \$1280.34<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Total Payments - \$50,374.77 DENNIEL: For A. DUCAN: For M. DUCAN: For FACETTE: For REYNOLDS: For Carried Unanimously.

2026-081	FIN STMTS	<p>M.DUCAN: That the April 2026 Statement of Financial Position, Balance Sheet, Sewer Utility Summary, Campground Summary, Innovation Bank Reconciliations, and Tax Enforcement Summary be accepted as presented.</p> <p>DENNIEL: For</p> <p>A. DUCAN: For</p> <p>M. DUCAN: For</p> <p>FACETTE: For</p> <p>REYNOLDS: For</p> <p>Carried Unanimously.</p>
2026-082	INN CU FUNDS TRANSFER	<p>A.DUCAN: That the Acting Administrator transfers \$100,000 from the chequing account into a 12-month, non-redeemable investment account with an interest rate of 3% at Innovation Credit Union.</p> <p>DENNIEL: For</p> <p>A. DUCAN: For</p> <p>M. DUCAN: For</p> <p>FACETTE: For</p> <p>REYNOLDS: For</p> <p>Carried Unanimously.</p>
2026-083	AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS	<p>DENNIEL: That the 2025 Audited Financial Statements be tabled until the next meeting.</p> <p>DENNIEL: For</p> <p>A. DUCAN: For</p> <p>M. DUCAN: For</p> <p>FACETTE: For</p> <p>REYNOLDS: For</p> <p>Carried Unanimously.</p>
2026-084	COMMITTEE REPORTS	<p>REYNOLDS: That the committee reports and minutes be accepted as presented.</p> <p>DENNIEL: For</p> <p>A. DUCAN: For</p> <p>M. DUCAN: For</p> <p>FACETTE: For</p> <p>REYNOLDS: For</p> <p>Carried Unanimously.</p>
2026-085	JULY MEETING DATE	<p>DENNIEL: That the July 2026 Regular Meeting be re-scheduled for Wednesday, July 22, 2026 at 1:00 p.m. and that this resolution serves as notice to all Council members present.</p> <p>DENNIEL: For</p> <p>A. DUCAN: For</p> <p>M. DUCAN: For</p> <p>FACETTE: For</p> <p>REYNOLDS: For</p> <p>Carried Unanimously.</p>
2026-086	TIME BANK AGREEMENT	<p>A.DUCAN: That the Village of Val Marie does not implement "Time Bank Agreement" for their employees.</p> <p>DENNIEL: For</p> <p>A. DUCAN: For</p> <p>M. DUCAN: For</p> <p>FACETTE: For</p> <p>REYNOLDS: For</p> <p>Carried Unanimously.</p>
2026-087	SPECIAL OCCASION LIQUOR PERMIT	<p>REYNOLDS: That a special occasion liquor permit be approved for issuance to the Olson-Clark family for a wedding event at the Palais Royal Theatre and a fenced area outside the hall on Centre Street beginning on Saturday, August 15, 2026 at 2:00 p.m. and ending on Sunday, August 16, 2026 at 2:00 a.m.</p> <p>DENNIEL: For</p> <p>A. DUCAN: For</p> <p>M. DUCAN: For</p> <p>FACETTE: For</p> <p>REYNOLDS: For</p> <p>Carried Unanimously.</p>

2026-088	TEMPORARY STREET CLOSURE	<p>M.DUCAN: That a temporary street closure be approved for the Olson-Clark wedding event. Be it approved that Centre Street be closed from the intersection of Centre Street and First Avenue continuing east on Centre Street until the east property line of Lot 21, Blk 1, Plan BK4552 from Friday, August 14, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. until Sunday, August 16, 2026 at 2:00 p.m.</p> <p>DENNIEL: For A. DUCAN: For M. DUCAN: For FACETTE: For REYNOLDS: For Carried Unanimously.</p>
2026-089	SPECIAL OCCASION LIQUOR PERMIT	<p>DENNIEL: That a special occasion liquor permit be approved for issuance to the Celebrating Centuries Anniversary Committee for the 100th Anniversary Celebration at the Val Marie Curling Rink and a fenced area behind the rink on the following dates and times:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Friday, July 31, 2026 beginning at 5:00 p.m. and ending on Saturday, August 1, 2026 at 2:00 a.m. • Saturday, August 1, 2026 beginning at 2:00 p.m. and ending on Sunday, August 2, 2026 at 2:00 a.m. • Sunday, August 2, 2026 beginning at 2:00 p.m. and ending on Monday, August 3, 2026 at 2:00 a.m. <p>DENNIEL: For A. DUCAN: For M. DUCAN: For FACETTE: For REYNOLDS: For Carried Unanimously.</p>
2026-090	SHERRI PETERS – LETTER	<p>REYNOLDS: That the letter from Sherri Peters regarding the demolition of the outbuilding located at 105 Railway Avenue E be noted as received. That the demolition fee and deposit in Bylaw 2023-15 (The Building Bylaw) be waived in this instance as Council will be making updates to the building bylaw in the coming months, as they feel the demolition permit fee is too high.</p> <p>DENNIEL: For A. DUCAN: For M. DUCAN: For FACETTE: For REYNOLDS: For Carried Unanimously.</p>
2026-091	BUILDING BYLAW AMENDMENTS	<p>REYNOLDS: That the Acting Administrator make the discussed updates to the building bylaw and bring it to the next meeting for review.</p> <p>DENNIEL: For A. DUCAN: For M. DUCAN: For FACETTE: For REYNOLDS: For Carried Unanimously.</p>
2026-092	BYLAW 2026-03	<p>REYNOLDS: That Bylaw 2026-03, “A Bylaw of the Village of Val Marie in the Province of Saskatchewan to Provide for the Transitioning Negotiable Debenture to Non-Negotiable Debenture” be introduced and read for the first time.</p> <p>DENNIEL: For A. DUCAN: For M. DUCAN: For FACETTE: For REYNOLDS: For Carried Unanimously.</p>

2026-093	BYLAW 2026-03	<p>A.DUCAN: That Bylaw 2026-03, “A Bylaw of the Village of Val Marie in the Province of Saskatchewan to Provide for the Transitioning Negotiable Debenture to Non-Negotiable Debenture” be read for the second time.</p> <p>DENNIEL: For A. DUCAN: For M. DUCAN: For FACETTE: For REYNOLDS: For Carried Unanimously.</p>
2026-094	BYLAW 2026-03	<p>M.DUCAN: That Bylaw 2026-03, “A Bylaw of the Village of Val Marie in the Province of Saskatchewan to Provide for the Transitioning Negotiable Debenture to Non-Negotiable Debenture” be given three readings at this one meeting.</p> <p>DENNIEL: For A. DUCAN: For M. DUCAN: For FACETTE: For REYNOLDS: For Carried Unanimously.</p>
2026-095	BYLAW 2026-03	<p>DENNIEL: That Bylaw 2026-03, “A Bylaw of the Village of Val Marie in the Province of Saskatchewan to Provide for the Transitioning Negotiable Debenture to Non-Negotiable Debenture” be read for the third time and adopted.</p> <p>DENNIEL: For A. DUCAN: For M. DUCAN: For FACETTE: For REYNOLDS: For Carried Unanimously.</p>
2026-096	SPEED BUMPS – RAILWAY AVE	<p>DENNIEL: That the speed bumps on Railway Avenue be tabled until the next meeting.</p> <p>DENNIEL: For A. DUCAN: For M. DUCAN: For FACETTE: For REYNOLDS: For Carried Unanimously.</p>
2026-097	COMMUN- ICATIONS	<p>M.DUCAN: That the communications noted on the agenda be acknowledged as received, and filed as deemed appropriate.</p> <p>DENNIEL: For A. DUCAN: For M. DUCAN: For FACETTE: For REYNOLDS: For Carried Unanimously.</p>
2026-098	ADJOURN	<p>FACETTE: That this meeting adjourn, time 10:03 p.m.</p> <p>DENNIEL: For A. DUCAN: For M. DUCAN: For FACETTE: For REYNOLDS: For Carried Unanimously.</p>