

MINUTES
MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF PINCHER CREEK NO. 9
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
OCTOBER 28, 2025

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The Regular Meeting of Council of the Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9 was held on Tuesday, October 28, 2025, following the Organizational Meeting, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal District Administration Building, Pincher Creek, Alberta.

PRESENT Reeve Rick Lemire, Deputy Reeve Tony Bruder, and Councillors Dave Cox, John MacGarva and Jim Welsch.

STAFF CAO Roland Milligan, Director of Corporate Services Meghan Dobie, Utilities & Infrastructure Manager David Desabrais, Public Works Manager Alan McRae, Development Officer Laura McKinnon, and Executive Assistant Jessica McClelland.

Reeve Rick Lemire called the meeting to order at 3:53 pm.

A. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Councillor Jim Welsch 25/485

Moved that the agenda for October 28, 2025, be amended to include:

Finance:

a) Purchase of Grader

Information Action:

b) Fish Lake License Agricultural Use

c) Minister of Transportation Response to RMA Meeting Request

AND THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

Carried

B. DELEGATIONS

C. MINUTES

1) Council Committee Meeting Minutes – October 14, 2025

Councillor John MacGarva 25/486

Moved that the minutes of the Council Committee Meeting of October 14, 2025, be approved as presented.

Carried

2) Council Meeting Minutes – October 14, 2025

Councillor Tony Bruder 25/487

Moved that the minutes of the Council Meeting of October 14, 2025, be approved as presented.

Carried

D. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

E. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

F. COMMITTEE REPORTS / DIVISIONAL CONCERNS

1. Councillor Tony Bruder – Division 1
 - Crowsnest Pincher Creek Landfill Association
2. Reeve Rick Lemire – Division 2
 - Pincher Creek Chamber Awards of Excellence

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- 3. Councillor Dave Cox– Division 3
 - Pincher Creek and District Library Board
 - Pincher Creek Foundation
 - Curling Rink Sod Turning
 - Community Solar Open House
- 4. Councillor Jim Welsch - Division 4
 - Pincher Creek Foundation
 - Community Solar Open House
- 5. Councillor John MacGarva – Division 5
 - Community Solar Open House
 - Pincher Creek Chamber Awards of Excellence
 - Council Orientation

Councillor John MacGarva 25/488

Moved to accept the Committee Reports as information.

Carried

G. ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

1. Operations

a) Public Works Operations Report

Councillor Tony Bruder 25/489

Moved that Council receive the Public Works Operations Report, including Schedule A – Shop/Fleet Report and the 2025-2026 Bus Route map, for the period October 6, 2025, to October 19, 2025, as information.

Carried

b) Utilities & Infrastructure Report

Councillor Jim Welsch 25/490

Moved that Council receive the Utilities & Infrastructure report for October 9, 2025 to October 21, 2025, as information.

Carried

c) Community Events Board - Budgetary Increase Request

Councillor Tony Bruder 25/491

Moved that Council approve an additional \$4,000 from the MD Buildings Reserve, for a total capital project cost of \$45,000, for the Community Events Board.

Carried

d) Alberta Community Partnership Grant Application – Regional Facilities Condition Assessment & Master Plan

Councillor John MacGarva 25/492

Moved that Council supports the submission of a 2025/26 Alberta Community Partnership grant application for a Regional Facilities Condition Assessment & Master Plan project as the managing partner,

AND THAT Council direct Administration to verify the Village of Cowley Council's support of the grant application as a project participant.

Carried

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2. Finance

a) Purchase of Grader

Councillor Dave Cox 25/493

Moved that Council approve the capital purchase of a 2025 150M Grader in 2025, for up to a maximum \$675,000 with said funds coming from MSI/LGFF.

Carried

3. Development and Community Services

4. Municipal

a) CAO Report

Councillor Jim Welsch 25/494

Moved that Council receive the CAO Report for the period October 10, 2025, to October 24, 2025, as information.

Carried

H. CORRESPONDENCE

A. For Action

a) Invitation to Attend Strategic Planning Session

Councillor Jim Welsch 25/495

Moved that Councillor Tony Bruder be authorized to attend the Strategic Planning Session for the Allied Arts Council on November 7, 2025, from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm.

Carried

b) Fish Lake License Agricultural Use

Councillor Tony Bruder 25/496

Moved that administration respond to the request for the MD to cover the cost of water pumping from Fish Lake, advising that the users be responsible for the cost of pumping for their own usage.

Carried

c) Minister of Transportation Response to RMA Meeting Request

Councillor Jim Welsch 25/497

Moved that the response from the Minister of Transportation be received as information.

Carried

B. For Information

Councillor Tony Bruder 25/498

Moved that the following be received as information:

a) Highway 3 Twinning, Town of Pincher Creek to Town of Fort Macleod Functional Planning Study

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- Update from Project Manager, dated October 17, 2025
- b) Support for Cardston County Concerns – Grizzly Bear Numbers
 - Letter from Town of Cardston, dated October 10, 2025
- c) Request to Distribute Grassy Mountain Project Materials from Slopes Studio Creative Resistance
 - Selenium Poisoning and the Impact of Toxic Watersheds
 - The Alberta Coal Timeline
 - Issues of Water (Short Form) 11/18/2025
- d) ALUS Pincher Creek
 - ALUS Municipalities One-Pager
 - ALUS WRRP Project Impact 2018-2025
 - ALUS National Brochure
- e) Indoor Sport Court update
 - Update from Town of Pincher Creek

Carried

I. NEW BUSINESS

J. CLOSED SESSION

Councillor Dave Cox

25/499

Moved that Council move into closed session to discuss the following, the time being 5:12 pm.

- a) Public Works Call Log – ATIA Sec. 29.1
- b) Pincher Creek Early Learning Center Update – ATIA Sec. 19.1
- c) Road Closure Request – ATIA Sec. 29.1

Councillor Jim Welsch

25/500

Moved that Council move out of closed session, the time being 5:54 pm.

Carried

Road Closure Request - Adjacent to SW 31-5-29 W4M

Councillor Tony Bruder

25/501

Moved that, based on policy 123 Purchase, Sale and Disposal of Road Allowances or Roadways, as there is no direct benefit to the MD, Council deny the applicant's request to close and purchase portions of undeveloped Statutory Road Allowance between SW 31-5-29 W4M and SE 36-5-30 W4M.

Carried

K. ADJOURNMENT

Councillor John MacGarva

25/502

Moved that Council adjourn the meeting, the time being 5:54 pm.

Carried


 REEVE


 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER