

MINUTES OF THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF ABERDEEN NO. 373 REGULAR MEETING  
OF COUNCIL HELD ON THE 9<sup>th</sup> DAY OF JANUARY, 2025 IN THE RURAL MUNICIPAL  
OFFICE, 101 INDUSTRIAL DRIVE IN ABERDEEN, SASKATCHEWAN

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**Call to Order** The meeting was called to order at 8:04 a.m. by Reeve Martin Bettker.  
Present were: Reeve Bettker, C.A.O. Bridgette Shwytyky and the following members of council:

Division No. 1 – Graham White

Division No. 3 – Kevin Kirk

Division No. 5 – Paul Martens

Foreman: Garrett Beaulieu 8:34am

Division No. 2 – Mark Schaffel

Division No. 4 – Real Hamoline

Division No. 6 – Jim Korpan 9:00am

**Conflict of Interest:** None Declared

**01/25 Agenda**

**Martens:** BE IT RESOLVED that the agenda for the January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025 Regular Meeting of Council be accepted as amended by adding “Appointment of a pound keeper” under new business.

Carried Unanimously

**02/25 Approval of Minutes**

**White:** BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the regular meeting of council held on December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2024 and the minutes of the public hearing held on December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2024 be accepted as presented;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the minutes of the Parks & Rec AGM be accepted for information.

Carried Unanimously

**Foreman Beaulieu arrived at the meeting at 8:34 am**

**03/25 Financial Activities**

**Schaffel:** BE IT RESOLVED that the statements of Financial Activities for the month of December 2024 be accepted as presented;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Bank Reconciliation for December 2024 be also accepted as presented.

Carried Unanimously

**04/25 Payroll Summary**

**Kirk:** BE IT RESOLVED that the Council approve the Payroll Summary for the month of December, 2024.

Carried Unanimously

**05/25 Mastercard Purchases**

**Hamoline:** BE IT RESOLVED that the RM Mastercard purchases from the Foreman and Administrator from November 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2024 to December 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024 be approved.

Carried Unanimously

**Councillor Korpan arrived at the meeting at 9:00 am**

**06/25 List of Accounts for Approval**

**Martens:** BE IT RESOLVED that the Council approves the list of accounts for payment and they be attached and form part of these minutes.

Carried Unanimously

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**07/25 Foreman's Report**

**Korpan:** BE IT RESOLVED that the Foreman's report as submitted by Foreman Garrett Beaulieu be accepted as presented.

Carried Unanimously

**08/25 Council's Reports**

**Martens:** BE IT RESOLVED that the verbal Council reports be accepted as presented and that a written summary be recorded and attached to these minutes as Schedule "A".

Carried Unanimously

**Foreman Beaulieu left the meeting at 10:00 am.**

**09/25 Administrator's Report**

**Hamoline:** BE IT RESOLVED that the Administrator's report be accepted as presented.

Carried Unanimously

**10/25 Council Remuneration**

**Schaffel:** BE IT RESOLVED that the council remuneration for 2025 be set as follows:

|                    |   |
|--------------------|---|
| Council Meetings   | \$300 per day plus \$0.70 cents per Kilometer |
| Committee Meetings | \$300 per day plus \$0.70 cents per Kilometer |
| Supervision        | \$300 per day plus \$0.70 cents per Kilometer |
| Conventions        | \$300 per day plus \$0.70 cents per Kilometer |

/plus parking, meals, and hotels.

Carried Unanimously

**11/25 Council Family Benefits**

**Kirk:** BE IT RESOLVED that the RM will cover the cost of the family Health and Dental premiums for family coverage for the council members.

Carried Unanimously

**Collette Fischer attended the meeting from 11:00 am to 11:15 am to make a presentation regarding a Seniors' transportation program.**

**12/25 Pasture Regulations**

**White:** BE IT RESOLVED that the council approve and adopt the Aberdeen Community Pasture Regulations that were revised in January, 2025.

Carried Unanimously

**13/25 Wages-Coffee Server**

**White:** BE IT RESOLVED that the hourly wage for the Morning Coffee Server be set at \$17.00 per hour.

Carried Unanimously

**14/25 Bond, Insurance, & Titles**

**Schaffel:** BE IT RESOLVED that the Administrator's bond of \$100,000, Insurance Policies, and Titles of Land Owned by the Rural Municipality of Aberdeen No. 373 having been presented to council be approved.

Carried Unanimously

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**The meeting was recessed for lunch from 12:00 pm-1:00 pm.**

**15/25 Council Committees**

**White:** BE IT RESOLVED that the following appointments and committees of the council be set for 2025:

|  |   |
|--|---|
| Aberdeen Recreation Board              | Martin Bettker & Graham White, Mark Schaffel.                 |
| ADD Board                              | Paul Martens & Mark Schaffel.                                 |
| ADD Committee                          | Committee of Council.   |
| Cemetery Committee                     | Kevin Kirk & Paul Martens.                                    |
| Transfer Station Committee             | Real Hamoline & Jim Korpan.                                   |
| Wheatland Regional Library             | Graham White & Mark Schaffel.                                 |
| Employee Relations                     | Martin Bettker, Jim Korpan & Mark Schaffel.                   |
| Aberdeen Fire & Rescue                 | Real Hamoline, Mark Schaffel & Jim Korpan.                    |
| Blucher/Aberdeen Fire Committee        | Graham White, Real Hamoline & Martin Bettker.                 |
| Emergency Measures Organization        | Martin Bettker, Kevin Kirk & Graham White.                    |
| Fire Guardians                         | Councilor for each division.                                  |
| Finance Committee                      | Kevin Kirk, Jim Korpan & Martin Bettker.                      |
| Weed Inspector                         | Councilor for each division & Renny Grilz.                    |
| Gravel Committee                       | Jim Korpan, Kevin Kirk & Mark Schaffel.                       |
| Agr. Health & Safety Network           | Paul Martens & Mark Schaffel.                                 |
| Road Committee                         | Martin Bettker, Kevin Kirk & Councilor for affected Division. |
| Equipment Committee                    | Real Hamoline, Mark Schaffel, & Foreman.                      |
| Planning & Development Comm.           | Kevin Kirk, Jim Korpan, Paul Martens & Bridgette Shwytky.     |
| RCMP Advisory Committee                | Martin Bettker & Graham White.                                |
| Water Security Board                   | Graham White & Mark Schaffel.                                 |
| Community Pasture Committee            | Kevin Kirk & Graham White.                                    |
| NCTPC                                  | Graham White, Paul Martens & Bridgette Shwytky.               |
| Economic Development Committee         | Martin Bettker, Kevin Kirk & Bridgette Shwytky.               |
| Prairie River Reconciliation Committee | Kevin Kirk.   |
| Aberdeen Community Hall                | Real Hamoline & Kevin Kirk.                                   |
| Saskatoon Perimeter Rd Committee       | Real Hamoline & Paul Martens.                                 |

Carried Unanimously

**16/25 Aberdeen Fire & Rescue**

**Schaffel:** BE IT RESOLVED that the following be appointed to the Aberdeen & District Fire and Rescue for 2025:

**Firefighters:**

**Chief -** Adrien Hamoline, **Deputy Chief –** Bob Hack

Paul Martens, Elvin Dyck, Terry Pryma, Andrew Fehr, Brian Jones, Dylan Fehr, Andrew Martens, Matthew Martens, Sheldon Buhler, Cam Wutzke, Joel Hamoline, Wes Friesen, Ryan White, Grayson Jones, Jesse Komarychka, Daniel Unruh, Michael Yanush, Brian Vandenberg, Ryan Morlock.

**First Responders:**

Shirley Huffman, Bernadette Hamoline, Tammy Lynchuk, Ryan White, Bonnie Doige, Tina Stalker, Adrien Hamoline, Brian Vandenberg, Jill Cornish

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|---------|-------|---|---|---|---|---|---|
|         | Reeve | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| For     | X     | X | X | X |   | X | X |
| Against |       |   |   |   | X |   |   |

Carried

*Bob* *MB*

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**17/25 Blucher/Aberdeen Fire & Rescue**

**Kirk:** BE IT RESOLVED that the following be appointed to the Blucher/Aberdeen Fire and Rescue for 2025:

**Firefighters:**

**Chief** – Mike Steckhan, **Deputy Chief** – Gord Hangs, **Captain** – Ryan Bobert, **Admin-** Joan Steckhan

Quinton Andrude, Hubert Georget, Jase Jeanneau, Cam Jones, Micheal Lulchak, Dylan McAvory, Keith Newnham, Jeremy O'Connor, Jayden Propp, Pat Sereda, Taylor Smith, Connor Zatorski

**First Responders:**

**Team Lead** – Julian Slater, Jeremy O'Connor, Connor Zatorski, Cedric Denis, Merilee Morales, Taylor Smith, Quinton Andrade

Carried Unanimously

**18/25 Aberdeen Parks & Rec Board**

**Hamoline:** BE IT RESOLVED that the following be appointed to the Aberdeen Parks & Recreation Board for 2025:

**Chair Person-** Grace Wudrick, **RM Rep-** Mark Schaffel, **Town Rep-** Lori Sopatyk, Brian Vandenberg, Crystal Rainbow, Regan Crocker, Robyn Neufeld, Linda Moulds, Dacey Mansiere, Randy Doige, Wendy Campbell.

Carried Unanimously

**19/25 Aberdeen Library Board**

**Martens:** BE IT RESOLVED that the following be appointed to the Aberdeen Library Board for 2025:

**Chairperson-** Hope Lowe, **Treasurer-** Velma Assiniwe, **RM Rep-** Graham White  
**Members at large-** Wilma Marissen, Shelley Bettker, Darlene Martens, Regan Crocker, Tracey Strand.

Carried Unanimously

**20/25 Aberdeen Committee Hall Committee**

**Korpan:** BE IT RESOLVED that the following be appointed to the Aberdeen Community Hall Committee for 2025:

Real Hamoline, Kevin Kirk, Brian Vandenberg, Joel Dokken, Tammy Rettger, Jackie Boyenko, Tina Stalker.

Carried Unanimously

**21/25 Aberdeen Community Pasture**

**White:** BE IT RESOLVED that the following be appointed to the Aberdeen Community Pasture Committee for 2025:

**President-** Brian Jones, **Treasurer/Secretary-** Sheldon Buhler, **Pasture Manager-** Sam Morrison, **Members at large-** Bill Braun, Regan Brown, Norm Douville, Andrew Fehr, Ryan Hurlbert, Brad Kinar, Murray Kinar, Dan Martens, Lewis Wutzke, Trevor Wutzke, Dylan Fehr

Carried Unanimously

RM MB

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**22/25 Highway 41 Water Utility Board**

**Schaffel:** BE IT RESOLVED that the following be appointed to the Highway 41 Water Utility Board for 2025:

**Chairperson-** Rene Labrecque , **Vice Chair-** Mark Schaffel, **Administrator-** Christine Meachem, **Members at large-** Myron Romanchuk, Rochelle Blocka, Dale Cousin, Dave Tamney

Carried Unanimously

**23/25 Minute Subscription**

**Martens:** BE IT RESOLVED that the subscription for the minutes of the meetings of council of the Rural Municipality of Aberdeen No. 373 for 2025 be set at \$50.00 for ratepayers and \$100.00 for non-ratepayers.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any requests for the past years' minutes will be charged at \$1.00 per sheet.

Carried Unanimously

**24/25 Custom Work Rates**

**Korpan:** BE IT RESOLVED that the custom work rates for 2025 be set as follows:

|                  |                |               |
|------------------|----------------|---------------|
| Ratepayers       | \$200 per hour | Minimum \$100 |
| Elevators        | \$200 per hour | Minimum \$100 |
| Town of Aberdeen | \$250 per hour | Minimum \$125 |
| Non-Ratepayers   | \$250 per hour | Minimum \$125 |
| Developers       | \$250 per hour | Minimum \$125 |

Carried Unanimously

**25/25 Safety Committee**

**Hamoline:** BE IT RESOLVED that Garrett Beaulieu, Taylor Klippenstein, Bridgette Shwytky, and Leah Johnston be appointed to the safety committee for 2025.

Carried Unanimously

**26/25 2023 Financial Audit**

**Kirk:** BE IT RESOLVED that council authorize the CAO and Reeve to sign the engagement letter with Jensen Stromberg to complete the RM Financial Audit for the year ending December 31, 2024.

Carried Unanimously

**27/25 RM Solicitor**

**White:** BE IT RESOLVED that the council appoint M. Kim Anderson of Robertson Stromberg as the RM solicitor for 2025.

Carried Unanimously

**28/25 Ratepayers Supper**

**Hamoline:** BE IT RESOLVED that date for the Spring Rate Payers Supper be set for April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ticket prices be set at \$25 each.

Carried Unanimously

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**29/25 Cancel invoice 2024-254**

**Kirk:** BE IT RESOLVED that the RM cancel Invoice 2024-254 for snow clearing for the Aberdeen Community Pasture, in the amount of \$262.50.

LOST Unanimously

**30/25 Appointment of Pound Keeper**

**White:** BE IT RESOLVED that Brian Jones be temporarily appointed the RM pound keeper for the stray cow found within the Aberdeen Community Pasture.

Carried Unanimously

**31/25 Correspondence**

**Korpan:** BE IT RESOLVED that the following Correspondence, as presented to council, be filed:

- SARM -Resolution Response/Div 5 Greeting/Weed Webinar
- RMAA Winter Review/Curling Registration
- NCTPC- Workshop Invite
- SAMA -A Look Ahead to 2025/Certificate of Confirmation
- Evolution Training
- GWP Newsletter
- Ministry of Highways Staff Announcement
- Ministry of Gov Relations- Revenue Sharing Declaration Deadline
- SMHI Claims Report
- SGI Traffic Safety Grant

Carried Unanimously

**32/25 Adjournment**

**Kirk:** BE IT RESOLVED that the meeting now be adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

Carried Unanimously

  
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Reeve

  
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C.A.O.

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**SCHEDULE "A"**  
**Council Reports**

**Reeve Martin Bettker**

- Questions about SB90 snow clearing on RM of Corman Park section of Bergheim Road
- Good job clearing snow by the community mailboxes.

**Councillor Graham White Division #1**

- Roads staff doing a good job plowing.
- Should look into putting text2car map on our website.
- Blucher/Aberdeen Fire truck coming next Tuesday
- Questions- Any feedback about widows' snow clearing policy?

**Councillor Mark Schaffel Division #2**

- Good job managing drifts. Keep an eye on icy conditions
- Received complaints about ridges being left on driveways
- Should share hourly costs breakdowns to staff to show total costs to RM per hour

**Councillor Kevin Kirk Division #3**

- Sign down on Edenburg by Clarkboro intersection
- Got quote for Chevy ½ ton. \$65,000+ taxes
- Would like permission for ridging obtained sooner so not having to wait.

**Councillor Real Hamoline Division #4**

- Graders causing piles at intersections when turning. Go straight through intersections.
- Sanding road at P&H great to see.
- Fire Dept put anti-gel in IH Semi
- Operators not clearing close enough to grain bags when doing custom work.
- Gotten lots of compliments about mulching. Should budget for larger one.
- Hall committee doing more painting. Should give a gift to thank the volunteers for their time painting.
- Aberdeen Firehall- looking into installing new cameras.

**Councillor Paul Martens Division #5**

- Roads good condition but bit icy.
- Fire Dept- Steak Supper April 5
- Mulching Olgafeld & Cooper Road. Fence has been moved. Would still like the mulching to be done.

**Councillor Jim Korpan Division #6**

- Roads good
- People crossing river at Hague Ferry. Need to clear road up to the river.
- North grid going up the hill icy and rough
- Highway ridging needed. Will it be done soon.

*Jim MB*