

MINUTES OF THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF ABERDEEN NO. 373 REGULAR MEETING
OF COUNCIL HELD ON THE 13th DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2025 IN THE RURAL MUNICIPAL
OFFICE, 101 INDUSTRIAL DRIVE IN ABERDEEN, SASKATCHEWAN

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 Shwytyk and the following members of Council:

Division No. 1 – Graham White

Division No. 3 – Absent

Division No. 5 – Paul Martens

Foreman: Garrett Beaulieu 8:46 am

Division No. 2 – Mark Schaffel

Division No. 4 – Real Hamoline

Division No. 6 – Absent

Conflict of Interest: None Declared

49/25 Agenda

White: BE IT RESOLVED that the agenda for the February 13th, 2025 Regular Meeting of Council be accepted as presented.

Carried Unanimously

50/25 Approval of Minutes

Schaffel: BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on January 9th, 2025, the minutes of the Special Joint Meeting of Council held on January 16th, 2025, the minutes of the Special Meeting of Council held on January 22nd, 2025, and the minutes of the Public Hearing held on January 22nd, 2025 be accepted as presented;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the notes of the Safety Meetings held on February 5th, 2025, the 2024 meeting minutes from Highway 41 Water Utility, and the minutes and financials of the Parks & Rec January meeting be accepted for information.

Carried Unanimously

Foreman Beaulieu arrived at the meeting at 8:46 am.

51/25 Financial Activities

Martens: BE IT RESOLVED that the statements of Financial Activities for the month of January, 2025 be accepted as presented;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Bank Reconciliation for January, 2025 be also accepted as presented.

Carried Unanimously

52/25 Payroll Summary

Hamoline: BE IT RESOLVED that the Council approve the Payroll Summary for the month of January, 2025.

Carried Unanimously

53/25 Mastercard Purchases

Schaffel: BE IT RESOLVED that the RM Mastercard purchases from the Foreman and Administrator from December 18th, 2024 to January 15th, 2025 be approved.

Carried Unanimously

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54/25 List of Accounts for Approval

White: 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

Councillor Schaffel left the meeting at 9:00 am.

55/25 Foreman's Report

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

Carried Unanimously

Councillor Schaffel returned to the meeting at 9:40 am.

56/25 Council's Reports

Hamoline: 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 11:00 am.

57/25 Snow Removal Policy Revision

Schaffel: BE IT RESOLVED that the Snow Removal Policy be revised to change the order of operations as follows, effective today:

- Main Grids/Bus Routes/Country Residential Developments
- Municipal Access Roads
- Custom Work

Carried Unanimously

58/25 Administrator's Report

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

Carried Unanimously

59/25 Discretionary Use Application

Schaffel: BE IT RESOLVED that pursuant to Section 8 of Bylaw 2007-05 known as the Zoning Bylaw, the Council approves the Discretionary Use Permit for Dr. Heather Gordon to operate Axon Medical Clinic as a home-based business subject to the following conditions:

- Hours of operation are from 9:30am – 5:00pm, 2 days per week
- Limit of 5 clients per day

Carried Unanimously

The meeting was recessed for Public Hearing from 1:15 pm-1:20 pm.

60/25 Discretionary Use Application

White: BE IT RESOLVED that the Council table the Discretionary Use Application for a Place of Worship on Parcel C on Cherry Hills Road until the March Meeting of Council.

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61/25 Second Dwelling Request

White: BE IT RESOLVED that the Council approves the request as submitted by Nathan Lastiwka to allow the existing dwelling to remain on the property during the construction of a new dwelling, subject to the condition that the existing dwelling is to be removed or demolished upon the close of the building permit for the new dwelling.

Carried Unanimously

62/25 First Reading Bylaw 2024-07

Martens: BE IT RESOLVED that Bylaw No. 2024-07 being a Bylaw to Provide for Entering into an Agreement for the Purpose of Establishing the Joint Funding and Use of the Aberdeen Digital Sign be read a first time.

Carried Unanimously

63/25 Second Reading Bylaw 2024-07

Hamoline: BE IT RESOLVED that Bylaw No. 2024-07 being a Bylaw to Provide for Entering into an Agreement for the Purpose of Establishing the Joint Funding and Use of the Aberdeen Digital Sign be read a second time.

Carried Unanimously

64/25 Permission for Third Reading Bylaw 2024-07

Schaffel: BE IT RESOLVED that Bylaw No. 2024-07 be given a third reading at this meeting.

Carried Unanimously

65/25 Third Reading Bylaw 2024-07

White: BE IT RESOLVED that Bylaw No. 2024-07 being a Bylaw to Provide for Entering into an Agreement for the Purpose of Establishing the Joint Funding and Use of the Aberdeen Digital Sign be read a third time and adopted.

Carried Unanimously

66/25 First Reading Bylaw 2025-01

Schaffel: BE IT RESOLVED that Bylaw No. 2025-01 being a Bylaw to Provide for Entering into an Agreement for the Purpose of Constituting a Joint Recreation Board be read a first time.

Carried Unanimously

67/25 Second Reading Bylaw 2025-01

White: BE IT RESOLVED that Bylaw No. 2025-01 being a Bylaw to Provide for Entering into an Agreement for the Purpose of Constituting a Joint Recreation Board be read a second time.

Carried Unanimously

68/25 Third Reading Bylaw 2025-01

Martens: BE IT RESOLVED that Bylaw No. 2025-01 be given a third reading at this meeting.

Carried Unanimously

69/25 Third Reading Bylaw 2025-01

Schaffel: BE IT RESOLVED that Bylaw No. 2025-01 being a Bylaw to Provide for Entering into an Agreement for the Purpose of Constituting a Joint Recreation Board be read a third time and adopted.

Carried Unanimously

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70/25 Gravel Purchase

Schaffel: BE IT RESOLVED that the Reeve and CAO be authorized to sign the agreement for the purchase of gravel, as awarded by tender, with Lonesome Prairie Sand and Gravel.

Carried Unanimously

71/25 Nor Sask Board Services

White: BE IT RESOLVED that the following members of Nor Sask Board Services be appointed to the 2025 Board of Revisions: Kirby Fesser, Glen Neuert, Sabrina Saccucci, and Laurie Pilkey.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Mike Ligtermoet be appointed as the secretary for the Board of Revisions.

Carried Unanimously

72/25 Western Municipal Consulting

Martens: BE IT RESOLVED that the following members of Western Municipal Consulting be appointed to the 2025 Development Appeals Board:

Dave Gurnsey, Dave Thompson, Donna Rae Zadvorny, Gordon Parkinson, Jeff Hutton, Kevin Kleckner, Mike Waschuk, Stew Demmans, Tim Lafreniere, Wayne Adams, Ken Friesen, Femi Ogunrinde, Fife Ogunde, Maureen Jickling, Jamie Tiessen, Stu Hayward, Pam Malach, Barry Clark, John Krill, Christopher Blueman, Alan Sawatsky, Mike Meleca, Hany Amin, Kimberly Speers, Nick Coroluick, Farrah Ovans, JayDee Mazier, Jordan Boyes, Kenneth Tan, Tyler Shandro and Rick Leigh;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Claudette McGuire be appointed as the secretary for the Development Appeals Board.

Carried Unanimously

73/25 Building Officials

Hamoline: BE IT RESOLVED that the following inspectors are appointed to act as the Building Officials for the RM of Aberdeen for 2025:

Inspector Name	Class	Licence #
Ryan Shepherd	BOL-3	BOL360
Chris Gates	BOL-3	BOL105
Karly Heatcoat	BOL-3	BOL421
Raymond Humenny	BOL-2R	BOL635
Ben McLeod	BOL-2R	BOL805
Virginia Shepley	BOL-3	BOL517
Jerry Wintonyk	BOL-1	BOL142
Dale Wagner	BOL-3R	BOL379
Dan Knutson	BOL-3	BOL112
Janelle Cox	BOL-1	BOL696
Dwayne Williams	BOL-2	BOL122
Rashel Gervais	BOL-3	BOL307

Carried Unanimously

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74/25 SARM Voting Delegates

White: BE IT RESOLVED that Jim Korpan and Kevin Kirk be appointed as the voting delegates for the 2025 SARM Annual Convention and that Graham White and Paul Martens be appointed as alternates.

Carried Unanimously

75/25 SMHI Representative

Schaffel: BE IT RESOLVED that the Council appoint Paul Martens as the RM representative for the Saskatchewan Municipal Hail Insurance Annual Meeting held on March 11th, 2025.

Carried Unanimously

76/25 March Meeting Date

Hamoline: BE IT RESOLVED that the Regular Meeting of Council for March be moved to 2:00pm on March 13th, 2025.

Carried Unanimously

77/25 Cash Reserves

Martens: BE IT RESOLVED that the RM of Aberdeen set the following cash reserves for 2025.

MUNICIPAL RESERVES		2024	Adjustments	2025
31-Dec-24			In & Out	
Cash as of December 31,2024				
	\$ 2,337,866.21			\$ 2,337,866.21
		Feb 2024	Adjustments	Feb 2025
			In & Out	
Road Construction Reserve	\$ 270,000.00			\$ 270,000.00
Gravel Reserve	\$ 300,000.00	\$ 439,035.31		\$ 739,035.31
Fire Fee Reserve	\$ 17,000.00			\$ 17,000.00
Recreation Fee Reserve	\$ 7,750.00			\$ 7,750.00
Municipal Infrastructure Reserve	\$ 330,000.00			\$ 330,000.00
Economic Development Reserve	\$ -			\$ -
Fire Capital Reserve Aberdeen	\$ 67,686.00	\$ 35,833.34		\$ 103,519.34
Fire Capital Reserve Blucher/Aberdeen	\$ 62,000.00	\$ 62,000.00		\$ 124,000.00
Equipment Purchase Reserve	\$ 368,560.56			\$ 368,560.56
EMO Reserve	\$ 10,000.00			\$ 10,000.00
First Responders Reserve	\$ 49,400.00	\$ 10,000.00		\$ 59,400.00
Building Upgrade Reserve	\$ 215,000.00			\$ 215,000.00
Community Hall Reserve	\$ -			\$ -
Contingency Fund Reserve	\$ 65,601.00			\$ 65,601.00
TOTAL	\$ 1,762,997.56	\$ 546,868.65		\$ 2,309,866.21
PUBLIC RESERVE	\$ 28,000.00			\$ 28,000.00
Total	\$ 1,790,997.56			\$ 2,337,866.21

Carried Unanimously

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

The meeting was recessed for Public Hearing from 1:15 pm-1:20 pm.

78/25 Discretionary Use Application

Hamoline: BE IT RESOLVED that pursuant to Section 6 of Bylaw 2007-05 known as the Zoning Bylaw, the Council approves the Discretionary Use Application for Olaf Boettcher to operate a Custom Farming and Drainage Installation Business as a home-based business, subject to the following conditions:

- Must adhere to the spring road restrictions

Carried Unanimously

79/25 SaskPower Fibre Optic

White: BE IT RESOLVED that the Council approves the installation of a fibre optic line along Highway 5 on section 4, 5, and 6-37-3-W3 as per the construction plans submitted by SaskPower.

Carried Unanimously

80/25 Hearing Loss Prevention Clinic

Schaffel: BE IT RESOLVED that the Council schedule a CANWORKSAFE Hearing Loss Prevention Clinic for the RM Employees.

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

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81/25 St. Denis Cultural Club Grant

White: BE IT RESOLVED that the RM approve the payment of the grant of \$2,000 per year to the St. Denis Cultural Club for 2024 and 2025.

Carried Unanimously

82/25 Aberdeen Community Pasture Grant

Martens: BE IT RESOLVED that the Council approve the payment of the grant of \$1,000 per year to the Aberdeen Community Pasture for 2023 and 2024.

Carried Unanimously

83/25 Aberdeen School Trailblazer Award

Hamoline: BE IT RESOLVED that the Council approve to sponsor the 2025 Aberdeen School Trailblazer Graduate Award for \$250.

Carried Unanimously

84/25 RMAA Workshop

Martens: BE IT RESOLVED that the Council approve registering Bridgette Shwytky, Leah Johnston, and Zoe Neudorf for the RMAA Workshop in Prince Albert on April 3rd, 2025.

Carried Unanimously



85/25 Correspondence

White: BE IT RESOLVED that the following Correspondence, as presented to Council, be filed:

- ADD BOARD – Meeting Invite/Meeting Minutes
- Basic Truck & Trailer Labour Rate change
- Canadian Union of Postal Workers
- Core Rock Construction
- Green Earth Road Spraying
- Hudson Energy Offer
- Ministry of Ag - Minister's Order - Weeds
- Ministry of Parks & Heritage Workshop
- Munisoft Committee Charity Draw
- SPSA MVA Dispatching Changes
- NCTPC letter to Stakeholders/Workshop
- Northbound Planning Software Demo
- Parcel Services
- Perimeter Road Phase 3 Public Engagement
- RCMP Elected Official Meeting Invite
- SAMA AGM Invite
- SARM - Services/Municipalities Act Amendments
- Aquatic Species Webinar Invite
- Prairie Energy Dust Control
- Fazekas concerns - Highway 41
- Hamilton concerns - Proposed Place of Worship
- Wheeler concerns - Proposed Place of Worship
- Bubnick concerns - Approval of Discretionary Use/Proposed Place of Worship
- Fremont concerns - Snow Clearing
- Peever concerns - Township Road 374

Carried Unanimously

86/25 Adjournment

Schaffel: BE IT RESOLVED that the meeting now be adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

Carried Unanimously


Reeve


C.A.O.

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SCHEDULE "A"
Council Reports

Reeve Martin Bettker

- Received complaints about custom work being completed for SaskPower before all the roads were done. Main roads need to be done first.
- Questions about Digital Sign.

Councillor Graham White Division #1

- Concerns from Ratepayers about snow clearing. Last snow event took longer than usual to clear the roads.
- Roads issues with wind causing drifting.
- Library - working through some issues.
- Blucher/Aberdeen Fire - Truck arrived. Looks really good.
- Receiving lots of calls from ratepayers about proposed temple.

Councillor Mark Schaffel Division #2

- Needs ice scratched on Drews + Valley View Rd
- Thanked staff for staying late to clear snow.
- Received complaints from ratepayers about snow clearing.
- Stop ahead sign broken.
- Ice build up on Bergheim Rd.
- Receiving calls from Valley View ratepayers requesting update about SB90 improvement levy.
- Aberdeen Firewall – Need new gas-powered pressure washer/ working on budget – will be an increase for turnout gear & remunerations and maintenance costs for tank compressor.
- Parks + Rec – Discussion about new regulations/revoted the executive positions.

Councillor Kevin Kirk Division #3 – Absent no Report

Councillor Real Hamoline Division #4

- Thanked staff about clearing snow.
- Concerns about ridges at intersections causing drifting on highway.
- Sissing sign from Smuts Road left at Fish Creek.
- Break ins at farms in Div 4 × 6.
- Olaf Boettcher - has a D6 Cat if we need custom work done.
- Should contact Parks Canada for update.

Councillor Paul Martens Division #5

- Roads look good for conditions.
- Lots of signs being broken/knocked down.
- Concern about one of the operators plowing too slow, not pushing snow out far enough.
- 6–8-foot culvert extension needed on approach to bin yard. Landowner willing to pay

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for the culvert.

- Div 5 well not shutting off properly. May need to replace timer or install Kell switch.

Councillor Jim Korpan Division #6 – Absent, Report submitted via email

- I would like to thank the guys for doing an excellent job clearing roads. All roads are in excellent shape.
- The Laniwci water station is getting full with snow so some payloader work might be needed in future to make more room.
- I'm curious to why snow ridging is not complete along Hwy 41. Hopefully it resumes quickly. I would like it if the guys could ridge closer to the highway and go between the highway and dugouts (burrow pits).
- Also, the Laniwci fundraiser is March 15th and we would appreciate if the Hall parking lot could get cleared a few days before.

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