

MINUTES OF THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF ABERDEEN NO. 373 REGULAR MEETING
OF COUNCIL HELD ON THE 12th DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2026 IN THE RURAL MUNICIPAL
OFFICE, 101 INDUSTRIAL DRIVE IN ABERDEEN, SASKATCHEWAN

Call to Order The meeting was called to order at 8:06 a.m. by Reeve Martin Bettker.

Present were the following staff and members of Council:

Reeve – Martin Bettker
Division No. 1 – Absent
Division No. 3 – Absent
Division No. 5 – Paul Martens
Foreman: Garrett Beaulieu

C.A.O. – Bridgette Shwytky
Division No. 2 – Mark Schaffel
Division No. 4 – Real Hamoline
Division No. 6 – Jim Korpan -9:27am

Conflict of Interest: None declared

53/26 Agenda

Schaffel: BE IT RESOLVED that the agenda for the February 12th, 2026 Regular Meeting of Council be accepted as presented.

Carried Unanimously

54/26 Approval of Minutes

Martens: BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the regular meeting of council held on January 8th, 2026, the minutes of the public hearing held on January 8th, 2026, and the minutes of the Joint Meeting of Councils held on January 26th, 2026 be accepted as presented/amended.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the notes from the Safety Meetings held January 12th and January 22nd, 2026, the minutes of the AGM and First Meeting following the AGM held on January 12th, 2026 from the Aberdeen Hall Committee, the minutes from the Aberdeen Wellness Committee meeting held on January 8th, 2026, and the minutes from the Aberdeen Parks & Rec meeting held on January 22nd, 2026 be accepted for information.

Carried Unanimously

55/26 Financial Activities

Martens: BE IT RESOLVED that the statements of Financial Activities for the month of January, 2026 be accepted as presented;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Bank Reconciliation for January, 2026 be also accepted as presented.

Carried Unanimously

56/26 Payroll Summary

Hamoline: BE IT RESOLVED that the Payroll Summary for the month of January, 2026 be accepted as presented.

Carried Unanimously

Foreman Beaulieu arrived at the meeting at 8:35 a.m.

57/26 List of Accounts for Approval

Schaffel: 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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58/26 Foreman's Report

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

Carried Unanimously

Councillor Korpan arrived at the meeting at 9:27 a.m.

59/26 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

60/26 Administrator's Report

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

Carried Unanimously

Foreman Beaulieu left the meeting at 10:20 a.m.

61/26 In Camera

Hamoline: BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Rural Municipality of Aberdeen No. 373 go In Camera at 10:20 a.m. per section 120(2)(a) of The Municipalities Act and 17(1)(g) of The Local Authority Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

Carried Unanimously

Council moved out of Camera and the regular meeting resumed at 11:00 a.m.

Meeting was recessed for a Public Hearing from 11:00 am to 11:10 a.m.

Karla Hayworth and Trenton Spence from the Water Security Agency attended the meeting via Zoom from 11:15 a.m. to 11:35 a.m. as delegates to discuss a proposed drainage project.

Councillor Hamoline left the meeting at 11:35 a.m.

62/26 Subdivision Application NE 28-38-02-W3

Martens: BE IT RESOLVED that the Subdivision request submitted by Dean Sawatzky to subdivide 6.81 acres from the NE ¼ Section 28-38-02-W3rd be approved pursuant to Section 6.3.2(1) of Bylaw 2007-05 known as the Zoning Bylaw and Section 5.3(8) of the Bylaw 2007-04 known as the Basic Planning Statement (Official Community Plan) subject to the approval of the Ministry of Government Relations-Community Planning Branch;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the subdivision shall be subject to the execution of a Servicing Agreement and payment of the required fees.

Carried Unanimously

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63/26 Second Dwelling NW 12-37-02-W3

Schaffel: BE IT RESOLVED that the council approve the request as submitted for the NW 12-37-02-W3 for a second dwelling, subject to the condition that the original dwelling will remain on the site for use as an accessory storage building and is to remain uninhabited.

Carried Unanimously

64/26 Bylaw No. 2026-03, 3rd Reading

Schaffel: BE IT RESOLVED that Bylaw No. 2026-03 being a Bylaw to Manage Vehicle Weights Within the Rural Municipality of Aberdeen No. 373 and to Authorize the Issuance of Overweight Permits be read a third time and adopted.

Carried Unanimously

65/26 SARM Voting Delegates

Martens: BE IT RESOLVED that the council appoint Paul Martens and Kevin Kirk as the voting delegates for the SARM Annual Convention held March 10th-12th, 2026, and that Martin Bettker be appointed as an alternate.

Carried Unanimously

66/26 SMHI Representative

Korpan: BE IT RESOLVED that the council appoint Paul Martens as the RM representative for the SMHI Annual Meeting held on March 10th, 2026.

Carried Unanimously

67/26 SaskPower Construction

Schaffel: BE IT RESOLVED that the Council approve the installation of aerial markers by SaskPower adjacent to the NW 04-37-03-W3 as indicated on the construction drawing dated January 19, 2026.

Carried Unanimously

68/26 RMAA Training

Martens: BE IT RESOLVED that the council approve registering Bridgette Shwytyk and Zoe Neudorf for the RMAA Workshop in Prince Albert on March 25th, 2026.

Carried Unanimously

69/26 Trailblazer Award

Korpan: BE IT RESOLVED that the council approves sponsoring the 2026 Trailblazer Graduate Award for \$250.00.

Carried Unanimously

70/26 Road Haul Clearance

Schaffel: BE IT RESOLVED that the council ratify the approval of issuing a Road Haul Clearance to relieve Lonesome Prairie Sand and Gravel and the Ministry of Highways and Infrastructure of any further responsibilities arising for hauling completed under the 2025 Road Haul Agreement.

Carried Unanimously

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71/26 GPS Hauling System

Schaffel: BE IT RESOLVED that the council approve the purchase and installation of ConX Wireless RMFM Haulage GPS system for both gravel trucks.

Carried Unanimously

72/26 Reserves

Korpan: BE IT RESOLVED that the council set the following cash reserves for 2026:

	Feb 2025	Adjustments In & Out	Feb 2026
Road Construction Reserve	\$ 270,000.00		\$ 270,000.00
Gravel Reserve	\$ 739,035.31		\$ 739,035.31
Fire Fee Reserve	\$ 17,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 19,000.00
Recreation Fee Reserve	\$ 7,750.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 8,750.00
Municipal Infrastructure Reserve	\$ 330,000.00		\$ 330,000.00
Economic Development Reserve	\$ -		\$ -
Fire Capital Purchase Reserve Aberdeen	\$ 103,519.34	\$ 75,000.00	\$ 178,519.34
Fire Capital Purchase Reserve Blucher/Aberdeen	\$ 124,000.00	-\$ 124,000.00	\$ -
Equipment Purchase Reserve	\$ 368,560.56	\$ 252,966.79	\$ 621,527.35
EMO Reserve	\$ 10,000.00		\$ 10,000.00
First Responders Reserve	\$ 59,400.00	-\$ 49,400.00	\$ 10,000.00
Building Upgrade Reserve	\$ 215,000.00		\$ 215,000.00
Community Hall Reserve	\$ -	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
Cemetery Fence Reserve	\$ -	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 7,500.00
Contingency Fund Reserve	\$ 65,601.00		\$ 65,601.00
Conditional Grant Reserve	\$ -	\$ 7,894.74	\$ 7,894.74
TOTAL	\$ 2,309,866.21	\$ 182,961.53	\$ 2,492,827.74
PUBLIC RESERVE	\$ 28,000.00	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 40,000.00
PARKS & REC RESERVE	\$ -	\$ 121,923.46	\$ 121,923.46
Total	\$ 2,337,866.21	\$ 316,884.99	\$ 2,654,751.20

Carried Unanimously

Meeting was recessed for lunch from 12:10 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Julien Slater from the Blucher/Aberdeen First Responders attended the meeting from 1:00p.m. to 1:30 p.m. as a delegate to present the first responders' annual report and budget request.

Robin Bloski from Northbound Planning Consultants attended the meeting from 1:30 p.m. to 2:20 p.m. as a delegate to discuss the updates to the RM's Zoning & Official Community Plan Bylaws.

73/26 Amend Resolution 24/26

Korpan: BE IT RESOLVED that Resolution 24/26 be amended by adding Mark Schaffel to the Aberdeen Recreation Board.

Carried Unanimously

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74/26 Correspondence

Martens: BE IT RESOLVED that the following correspondence, as presented to council be filed.

- SARM- NR Broadband Committee
- Government Relations- Municipal Financial Statements
- Building & Technical Standards- January Update
- Prairie Steel Hospitality Invite
- WSP Hospitality Invite
- Finning Hospitality Invite
- Stars- Letter to SARM Members/Thank You letter
- SAMA AGM Notice
- Munisoft Community Grant Winners
- Communities in Bloom Grant
- CN Snow Clearing Letter
- NCTPC Minutes
- PRRC Request for Funding
- RM of Blucher- Temporary Scrap Tire Storage
- Possibilities Youth Connection Fundraiser
- Highway 41 Annual Notice
- ADD Board- 2025 Financials/2025 Activities/ Agenda/ Draft Minutes

Carried Unanimously

75/26 Adjournment

Korpan: BE IT RESOLVED that the meeting now be adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Carried Unanimously



Reeve



C.A.O.



SCHEDULE "A"
Council Reports

Reeve Martin Bettker

- Need to start planning capital purchases
- Library ranked #4 on stats for Wheatland
- Roads are good. Need to watch for frozen culverts.

Councillor Graham White Division #1 – Absent, no report.

Councillor Mark Schaffel Division #2

- Washboard and icy roads developing from the thaw/freeze
- Fire Dept- Steak night tickets are \$30/ticket. Looking for raffle prizes. / Working to draft an updated operating procedures guideline manual/ will be using a decontamination cleaner for the hoses and suits following a fire call/ Have been applying for grants for the new training facility. Hoping to purchase 2 more sea cans
- Parks & Rec- Randy, Grace, & Lori will be conducting interviews for an employee to maintain the ball grounds/ Crystal and Grace are applying for grants to put on small community events.

Councillor Kevin Kirk Division #3 – Absent, no report.

Councillor Real Hamoline Division #4

- Lots of ice on the roads. Thanks to the crew for trying to deal with it.
- Noticed petition being circulated in Town requesting trees be planted along Central Ave. Trees planted along that road would cause significant issues with snow clearing.
- Hall boiler is being installed. Had to order more parts. Should be completed soon.

Councillor Paul Martens Division #5

- Roads are good considering the weather challenges. Happy with the job the crew did to remove the ice on Friesen Interstate in Edenburg.

Councillor Jim Korpan Division #6

- Thanked shop staff for clearing snow. Happy with the job they are doing.

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