

MINUTES OF THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF ABERDEEN NO. 373 REGULAR MEETING
OF COUNCIL HELD ON THE 7TH DAY OF MAY, 2026 IN THE RURAL MUNICIPAL OFFICE,
101 INDUSTRIAL DRIVE IN ABERDEEN, SASKATCHEWAN

Call to Order The meeting was called to order at 8:00 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 – Kevin Kirk
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

Foreman Beaulieu arrived at the meeting at 8:00 a.m.

142/26 Agenda

Hamoline: BE IT RESOLVED that the agenda for the May 7th, 2026 Regular Meeting of Council be accepted as presented.

Carried Unanimously

143/26 Approval of Minutes

Schaffel: BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the regular meeting of council held on April 9th, 2026, the public hearings held on April 9th, 2026, the special meeting of council held on April 22nd, 2026, and the minutes of the special joint meeting of Councils held on April 27th, 2026 be approved as presented.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the notes from the Safety Meetings held May 4th, 2026, and the minutes from the Aberdeen Parks & Rec meeting held on April 16th, 2026 be accepted for information.

Carried Unanimously

144/26 Financial Activities

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

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

Carried Unanimously

145/26 Payroll Summary

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

Carried Unanimously

146/26 List of Accounts for Approval

Korpan: 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

147/26 Foreman's Report

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

Carried Unanimously

148/26 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

149/26 Fire Ban

Schaffel: BE IT RESOLVED that the RM place a fire ban on all fire pits and burning barrels and that controlled burns in the fields will require approval at the discretion of the fire chief prior to lighting.

Carried Unanimously

150/26 SCBA Purchase

Schaffel: BE IT RESOLVED that the RM council approve paying cash for the fire SCBA's for the RM's portion.

Carried Unanimously

151/26 Administrator's Report

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

Carried Unanimously

152/26 Christmas Party Booking and Office Closure

Kirk: BE IT RESOLVED that the RM book the Christmas Party at the Western Development Museum for December 22nd, 2026 and that the office and shop shall be closed for the Christmas holidays on December 23rd-25th, 2026.

Carried Unanimously

153/26 Purchase of Skid Steer with Mulcher Attachment and Grader

Kirk: BE IT RESOLVED that the council approve the purchase of a CAT 275 XE skid steer and mulcher attachment and a 150M CAT grader for an approximate purchase price of \$834,315.40 without GST.

Carried Unanimously

154/26 Lunch

Kirk: BE IT RESOLVED that the meeting be recessed for lunch from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Carried Unanimously

Councillor Korpan and Foreman Beaulieu left the meeting at 12:00 p.m.

155/26 Grain Bag Collection

Schaffel: BE IT RESOLVED that the Reeve be authorized to sign the Grain Bag Collection service agreement with Cleanfarms Inc.

Carried Unanimously

156/26 Provincial Disaster Assistance Program (PDAP)

Schaffel: BE IT RESOLVED that the RM of Aberdeen No. 373 apply to the Saskatchewan Public Safety Agency to be designated an eligible assistance area under the Provincial Disaster Assistance Program (PDAP) which provides financial assistance for restoring essential services and property as a result of damage caused by the spring melt runoff that began on April 15th, 2026.

Carried Unanimously

157/26 Municipal Budget

Kirk: BE IT RESOLVED that the RM of Aberdeen No. 373 municipal budget for 2026 be adopted and that a copy be attached to and form part of these minutes.

Carried Unanimously

158/26 Mill Rate

Hamoline: BE IT RESOLVED that the uniform mill rate for 2026 be set at 5.75 mills.

Carried Unanimously

159/26 SMHI Withdrawal Application

Kirk: BE IT RESOLVED that the following SMHI withdrawal application has been considered by the council and has been approved:

373-1626 – Jones/Kucheran

Carried Unanimously

160/26 Bylaw No. 2026-05, 1st reading

Hamoline: BE IT RESOLVED that Bylaw No. 2026-05 being a Bylaw to Establish a Code of Ethics for Volunteer Boards be read a first time.

Carried Unanimously

161/26 Bylaw No. 2026-05, 2nd reading

Kirk: BE IT RESOLVED that Bylaw No. 2026-05 being a Bylaw to Establish a Code of Ethics for Volunteer Boards be read a second time.

Carried Unanimously

162/26 Bylaw No. 2026-05, 3rd reading

Schaffel: BE IT RESOLVED that Bylaw No. 2026-05 be given a third reading at this meeting.

Carried Unanimously

163/26 Bylaw No. 2026-05 Adoption

Martens: BE IT RESOLVED that Bylaw No. 2026-05 being a Bylaw to Establish a Code of Ethics for Volunteer Boards be read a third time and adopted.

Carried Unanimously

164/26 In Camera

Schaffel: BE IT RESOLVED that the council of the RM of Aberdeen No. 373 go In Camera at 1:47 p.m. per section 120(2)(a) of the Municipalities Act and 23.1 of the Local Authority Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

Carried Unanimously

165/26 Subdivision Fees – Pollock

Schaffel: BE IT RESOLVED that the RM approves entering into an agreement with Carly Pollock of \$1,000/month for the payment of the outstanding subdivision fees.

Carried Unanimously

166/26 Correspondence

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

- SARM CAP Funding
- Ministry of Highways 2026-27 Construction List by ATPC
- H25029 Flat Sheet Rev 1
- H25029 Project Information Sheet – Twinning on Highway #5
- Elected Officials Meeting Minutes 2026-03-25
- Armtec & Prairie Steel Price Increase
- Advisory – Structural Welding Certification Requirements
- 2026 EPT Mill Rates
- St. Paul’s RCSSD No. 20 Education Property Tax 2026 Resolution
- Central Pole – Power Pole Inspections
- RM of Corman Park Letter to Agencies 2026-04-21
- SREDA Meeting Invite
- NCTPC AGM Invite
- PRRC Meeting Invite
- PRRC Agenda 2026-04-29
- Amendment List Wildlife Species at Risk
- List of Eligible Species
- Questions to Guide Your Comments
- Consultation on Amending List of SAR Under SARA
- Macropis Cuckoo Bee
- Short-billed Dowitcher hendersoni griseus
- Snowy Owl
- Least Bittern

Carried Unanimously

167/26 Adjournment

Hamoline: BE IT RESOLVED that the meeting now be adjourned at 2:07 p.m.

Carried Unanimously

Reeve


C.A.O.

MB

SCHEDULE "A"
Council Reports

Reeve Martin Bettker

- Need to prioritize road repairs over road maintenance.
- Tractor parked on road with forks elevated. Need to contact owner to remove tractor immediately.
- Fire: Blucher Aberdeen – Met with committee members. Agreed to move finances and admin duties to Aberdeen office January 1st 2027. Agreed that the revenues and expenses of the man hours from forest fires will be split 50/50 but other expenses will be covered by the RM of Blucher.

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

Councillor Mark Schaffel Division #2

- Roads are in decent shape. Have been doing a good job.
- \$28,000 profit on fire supper.
 - SCBAs: \$148,000 + taxes
 - 12 extra tanks for free (45 min tank). Need 60 min tanks. Will need to pay difference in tank.
 - Calidon Financing will contact office to discuss.
- Parks & Rec – had bingo meeting. Have 4 board members currently on the license. Issues with hiring worker for ball diamonds.

Councillor Kevin Kirk Division #3

- Hall received \$3,200 profit from Fire Supper Bar
- Have been watching the water drainage on Jones' field, water is not up to the culvert on Gordon Road yet. Would like WSA to come look at it.
- Wruck Road north of highway is washed over. Lots of gravel in ditch.

Councillor Real Hamoline Division #4

- Very thankful to staff for response to flooding.
- Terminal road needs reshaping. Semi's parking on side wrecking shoulders.
- Aberdeen Days June 27th
- Fire ban. Fire chief recommending we put one on.
- Think we should finance grader and skid steer and use budget from skid steer to make the payments.

Councillor Paul Martens Division #5

- Roads are soft. Drove all the back roads with quad. Still have lots with water on them. Need smoothing.
- NCTPC – AGM: Highway #2 from Wakaw south 18 kms rebuilding. Work has started. A lot of RM's dropping out of NCTPC.
- Flooding. Run off ran for 9 days through Edenburg. Much longer than usual.
- Would like rock moved in road allowance north of NE 09-39-03-W3 to shape ditch properly.

Councillor Jim Korpan Division #6

- Thanks Garrett and crew for work and long hours dealing with flooding.
- Would like some of the roads bladed and smoothed for seeding.
- Supposed to rain next week. Need to get gravel on the wash over spot where people need to get out of yards.