



**MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF SPIRIT RIVER NO. 133 Council**  
**Minutes for Regular Council Meeting RM.07.26**  
**9:00 a.m., Wednesday, April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2026**

The Regular Meeting of the Council of the Municipal District of Spirit River No. 133 was held in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Office situated at 4202 50<sup>th</sup> Street in the Town of Spirit River in the Province of Alberta on Wednesday, April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2026 beginning at 9:00 a.m.

**In attendance:**

**Council Members:** Reeve Tony van Rootselaar  
Deputy Reeve Dean Wark  
Councillor Shelley Rozecki  
Councillor Evelyn Bzowy  
Councillor Bernie Schoorlemmer

**Administration:** Shirley Hayden, CAO  
Monty Bremont, Assistant CAO  
Elena Valdes, CFO  
Dave Johnson, Public Works Supervisor  
Simon Amting, Agricultural Fieldman  
Rebecca Fitzsimmons, Recording Secretary

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Reeve van Rootselaar called meeting RM 07-26 to order at 9:08 am.

**2. AGENDA ADDITIONS**

No additions to the Agenda.

**3. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

176.04.08.26 Moved by Councillor Rozecki that Council adopt Agenda RM 07-26 as presented.

Carried unanimously.

**4. ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

177.04.08.26 Moved by Councillor Bzowy that Council adopt the Minutes from meeting RM 06-26 as presented.

Carried unanimously.

**5. DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

**6. COUNCILLOR ABSENCES**

**7. PUBLIC HEARING**

8. **DELEGATIONS**

Municipal Affairs (12 pm)

9. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

10. **REPORTS**

A. **AGRICULTURAL FIELDMAN REPORT**

178.04.08.26 Moved by Deputy Reeve Wark that Council accept the Agricultural Fieldman Report for information.  
Carried unanimously.

B. **PUBLIC WORKS REPORT**

179.04.08.26 Moved by Councillor Rozecki that Council accept the Bid Invitation for Sale of Two (2) MD Graders as presented, and further that Administration advertise for tender to the public ending May 7th, 2026, as per the RFP.  
Carried unanimously.

180.04.08.26 Moved by Deputy Reeve Wark that Council accept the Public Works report for information.  
Carried unanimously.

Dave Johnson, Public Works Supervisor left the meeting at 9:44 am.

Simon Amting, Agricultural Fieldman left the meeting at 9:45 am.

C. **CAO REPORT**

181.04.08.26 Moved by Councillor Rozecki that Council accept the CAO report for information.  
Carried unanimously.

Councillor Bzowy left Council Chambers at 10:12 am and returned to Council Chambers at 10:14 am.

D. **FINANCE REPORT**

182.04.08.26 Moved by Councillor Schoorlemmer that Council direct Administration to investigate best options and costing for new audio visual equipment for Council Chambers sound, to come from Reserves.  
Carried unanimously.

183.04.08.26 Moved by Councillor Schoorlemmer that Council direct Administration to increase Council subsistence/mileage GL to \$8000 for the 2026 budget.  
Carried unanimously.

Councillor Rozecki left Council chambers at 10:29 am and returned at 10:31 am.

Assistant CAO Monty Bremont left Council Chambers at 10:33 and returned at 10:36 am.

184.04.08.26 Moved by Deputy Reeve Wark that Council accept the Financial Report for information.  
Carried unanimously.

E. COUNCIL REPORTS

185.04.08.26 Moved by Councillor Bzowy that Council accept the Deputy Reeve Wark's and Councillor Rozecki's reports for information.  
Carried unanimously.

186.04.08.26 Moved by Deputy Reeve Wark to accept Councillor Bzowy's report for information.  
Carried unanimously.

187.04.08.26 Moved by Councillor Rozecki to accept Reeve van Rootselaar's report for information.  
Carried unanimously.

11. TABLED ITEMS AND OLD BUSINESS

A. Cemetery Funding Policy CEM.06: discussed in Financial Report.

12. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM COMMITTEES

13. NEW BUSINESS

Deputy Reeve Wark left Council Chambers at 11:11 am and returned at 11:13 am.

CFO Elena Valdes left Council Chambers at 11:11 am and returned to Council Chambers at 11:24 am.

Councillor Rozecki left Council Chambers at 11:20 am and returned to Council Chambers at 11:25 am.

- A. 188.04.08.26 Moved by Councillor Schoorlemmer that Council direct Administration to send a response letter to the Central Peace FCSS advising that contingent upon execution of an Agreement with the Town of Spirit River, who as the acting unit authority for the Central Peace FCSS will be approved to utilize the Brownlee Building and yard to facilitate Camp Wanago.  
Carried unanimously.
- 189.04.08.26 Moved by Deputy Reeve Wark that Council approve the Brownlee Building lease between the Town of Spirit River and Municipal District of Spirit River for the purpose of delivering CP FCSS Camp Wanago as amended.  
Carried unanimously.
- B. 190.04.08.26 Moved by Councillor Rozecki that Council accept the Police Funding Model informational pamphlet as information.  
Carried unanimously.
- C. 191.04.08.26 Moved by Councillor Rozecki that Council host a Seniors Event and Ratepayers BBQ at Nardam on July 23rd from 11 am until 2 pm.  
Carried unanimously.
- 192.04.08.26 Moved by Councillor Schoorlemmer to contribute \$500 to the Pleasantview Lodge and donate the Municipal District of Spirit River No. 133 transit bus, for the purpose of celebrating Seniors Week 2026.  
Carried unanimously.
- D. 193.04.08.26 Moved by Deputy Reeve van Rootselaar that Council direct Administration to purchase the Owl 3 for \$1499.  
Carried unanimously.
- 194.04.08.26 Moved by Councillor Bzowy that Council direct Finance to increase the budget for GL 2110052000 to \$2500, to account for the audio and visual improvements.  
Carried unanimously.
- Delegation Municipal Affairs joined meeting RM 07-26 at 11:45 am.
- CFO Elena Valdes left the meeting at 11:55 am.
- 195.04.08.26 Moved by Deputy Reeve Wark that the meeting RM 07-26 move into closed session at 11:57 am, for the purpose of discussion regarding Intermunicipal Relations (Access to Information Act, Part 1, Division 2, Exceptions to Disclosure ATIA Section 26).  
Carried unanimously.
- Delegation left the closed meeting RM 07-26 at 1:44 pm.

196.04.08.26 Moved by Councillor Rozecki to come out of Camera at 3:50 pm.  
Carried unanimously.

CFO Elena Valdes returned to Council Chambers at 3:55 pm.

14.

**BYLAWS**

A.

**Bylaw No. 02-AM-2026: Tax Installment Payment Plan  
Amendment to Bylaw 01-2020**

197.04.08.26 Moved by Councillor Schoorlemmer that Bylaw No. 02-AM-2026, the Tax  
Instalment Payment Plan Bylaw, be read a first time.  
Carried unanimously.

198.04.08.26 Moved by Councillor Bzowy that Bylaw No. 02-AM-2026 be read a second  
time.  
Carried unanimously.

199.04.08.26 Moved by Deputy Reeve Wark that Council give consent for third reading of  
Bylaw 02-AM-2026.  
Carried unanimously.

200.04.08.26 Moved by Councillor Rozecki that Bylaw No. 02-AM-2026, the Tax  
Instalment Payment Plan Bylaw, be read a third and final time, and be  
passed.  
Carried unanimously.

15.

**CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION**

201.04.08.26 Moved by Deputy Reeve Wark that Administration send a thank you letter  
to MP Chris Warkentin and MLA Todd Loewen, for their assistance in issues  
with CN Rail.  
Carried unanimously.

202.04.08.26 Moved by Councillor Bzowy to accept the Correspondence and Information  
items A through H for information.  
Carried unanimously.

16.

**COUNCIL ISSUES AND CONCERNS**

17.

**CLOSED MEETING (FORMERLY IN-CAMERA)**

18.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Reeve van Rootselaar adjourned meeting RM 07-26 at 4:05 pm.

These minutes approved this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April, 2026.



Reeve  
Tony Van Rootselaar



CAO  
Shirley Hayden