REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY SEPTEMBER 14, 2026 @ 6:00 PM
COUNCIL CHAMBERS #400 – 10 ST. BEAVERLODGE, ALBERTA

COUNCIL	Mayor Gary Rycroft	Deputy Mayor Judy Kokotilo-Bekkerus
	Councillor Trevor Bartsch	Councillor Hugh Graw
	Councillor Jen Wolan	Councillor Tyke Longmore, absent
	Councillor Richard Lappenbush	
STAFF	Jeff Johnston, CAO	Tina Letendre, Deputy CAO
		Nichole Young, Legislative Services

1.0 CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Gary Rycroft called the meeting to order. **6:00 PM**

2.0 LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT:

As long as the sun shines, grass grows and the rivers flow – we acknowledge the homeland of the many diverse First Nation and Métis people whose ancestors have walked this land. We are grateful to live, learn and work on the traditional territory of Treaty 8 and we make this acknowledgement as an act of reconciliation and gratitude.

3.0 ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

#194-2026-09-14 Councillor Jen Wolan
CARRIED: That Council approves the agenda with he following additions to New Business – 7.7 ACP Grant and 7.8 GPRTA One Loud Voice Invitation.

4.0 ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

4.1 August 10, 2026 – Regular Council Meeting Minutes
#195-2026-09-14 Deputy Mayor Judy Kokotilo-Bekkerus
CARRIED: That Council adopts the Minutes of the August 10, 2026 Council meeting.

5.0 DELEGATIONS:

5.1 Reanna Stockman – Town of Beaverlodge Transportation Presentation

#198-2026-09-14 Councillor Hugh Graw
CARRIED: That Council accepts this presentation for information.

6.0 OLD BUSINESS:

7.0 NEW BUSINESS:

7.1 Rural Transit Solutions – Town of Beaverlodge Transit Project

#196-2026-09-14 Councillor Hugh Graw
CARRIED: That the Town of Beaverlodge can confirm that it meets all the requirements of the Canada – Rural Transit Solutions Fund Agreement, and that the CAO can be authorized to execute the agreement on behalf of the Town of Beaverlodge.

7.2 Fee Waiver/Reduction – Paizley's Purses & Bentley's Backpacks Oct 24, 2026

#197-2026-09-14 Councillor Jen Wolan
CARRIED: That Council approves the 50% fee reduction, from $300 to $150, for the rental of the pipe and drape equipment for the annual fundraising event for Paizley's Purses & Bentley's Backpacks.

7.3 Fall Clean-Up October 17, 2026

#199-2026-09-14 Deputy Mayor Judy Kokotilo-Bekkerus
CARRIED: That Council accepts this for information.

7.4 Service Provider & Community Groups Open House – Sept 17, 2026

#200-2026-09-14 Councillor Jen Wolan
CARRIED: That Council accepts this for information.

7.5 National Resilience Day Request – Sept 24, 2026

#201-2026-09-14 Councillor Hugh Graw
CARRIED: That Council proclaims that September 24, 2026 be National Resilience Day in the Town of Beaverlodge.

7.6 AB Munis Convention September 23-25, 2026

#202-2026-09-14 Councillor Trevor Bartsch
CARRIED: That Council accepts this for information.

7.7 ACP Grant

#203-2026-09-14 Councillor Jen Wolan
CARRIED: That Council makes the following resolution in regard to the ACP Grant:
THAT Council supports the joint application for funding under the Alberta Community Partnership (ACP) program for the Pavement and Sidewalk Assessment Study project; and
THAT Council authorizes the Town of Beaverlodge to participate in this project alongside partner municipalities and Town of Wembley; and
THAT Town of Sexsmith is designated as the Managing Partner for the project and is authorized to submit the grant application and manage the funds on behalf of the partnership.

7.8 GPRTA One Loud Voice Invitation – Oct 19, 2026
#204-2026-09-14 Councillor Trevor Bartsch
CARRIED: That Council accepts this for information.

8.0 CORRESPONDENCE:

8.1 County Bylaw Report – July 2026
#205-2026-09-14 Councillor Jen Wolan
CARRIED: That Council accepts this report for information.

8.2 County Bylaw Report – August 2026
#206-2026-09-14 Deputy Mayor Judy Kokotilo-Bekkerus
CARRIED: That Council accepts this report for information.

8.3 Invitation to the Grand Opening of the Karman Willis Park – Sept. 18, 2026
#207-2026-09-14 Councillor Hugh Graw
CARRIED: That Council accepts this invitation for information.

9.0 COMMITTEE & STAFF REPORTS:

9.1 Action List

#208-2026-09-14 Councillor Hugh Graw
CARRIED: That Council accepts the Action Item List for information.

9.2 Council Reports

#209-2026-09-14 Deputy Mayor Judy Kokotilo-Bekkerus
CARRIED: That Council accepts the Council Reports for information.

10.0 CLOSED SESSION:

#210-2026-09-14 Councillor Jen Wolan **6:55 PM**
CARRIED: That Council moves into Closed Session for Item 10.1 Personnel – Confidential Evaluations – CAO – *Access to Information Act Part 1 Division 2 Section 22.*

#211-2026-09-14 Deputy Mayor Judy Kokotilo-Bekkerus **7:09 PM**
CARRIED: That Council moves out of Closed Session.

#212-2026-09-14 Councillor Jen Wolan
CARRIED: That Council proceed with the CAO Performance Review on a date to be set by the Human Resources Committee.

11.0 ADJOURNMENT: Mayor Gary Rycroft adjourned the meeting. **7:10 PM**

Mayor Gary Rycroft

Jeff Johnston, CAO