

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Council of the Municipal District of Peace No.135,
held August 12, 2025, at the Municipal Office in Berwyn, in the Province of Alberta.

Present

Reeve	Robert Willing
Deputy Reeve	Sandra Eastman
Councillor	Theresa Johnson
Councillor	Ken Herlinveaux

Attending

Chief Administrative Officer	Brian Allen
Recording Secretary	Sandra Satchell

Regrets

Councillor	Lori Kinnee
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Call to Order

Reeve Willing called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.
Nasar Iqbal joined the meeting at 9:01 a.m.

**Adoption
of Agenda**

Councillor Johnson: 233/25	MOVED that the agenda for the August 12, 2025, regular meeting of Council be approved with the following additions: H.8. Email from Ratepayer Re: Citizen's Concerns CARRIED
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**Approval
of Minutes**

1. July 8, 2025 Regular Council Meeting

Deputy Reeve Eastman: 234/25	MOVED that the minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on July 8, 2025, be approved as presented. CARRIED
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2. July 9, 2025 Special Council Meeting

Councillor Johnson: 235/25	MOVED that the minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on July 9, 2025, be approved as presented. CARRIED
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Erik Fuller joined the meeting at 9:03 a.m.

**Agricultural Service
Board**

**1. Nasar Iqbal, Manager of Agricultural Services
a) Manager of Agricultural Services Report**

Council accepted this item as information.

Nasar Iqbal excused himself at 9:24 a.m.

Public Works

**1. Erik Fuller, Director of Operations
a) Director of Operations Report**

Deputy Reeve Eastman: 236/25	MOVED to direct Administration to explore options for paving RR 231, commonly referred to as Golf Course Road. CARRIED
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2. Ratepayer Request Follow Up

This item was unavailable for the meeting.

Erik Fuller excused himself at 9:43 a.m.

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**Water and
Wastewater**

1. Sandra Satchell, Manager of Water and Wastewater

Council accepted this item as information.

**Unfinished
Business**

None

New Business

1. Request for Decision: Participation in Peace River Regional Events Collaboration

Deputy Reeve Eastman: 237/25 MOVED to approve the MD's participation in the regional grant application led by Mighty Peace Tourism through the Travel Alberta Events & Festivals Grant Program, and direct Administration to develop one or more event concept. FURTHER, that Council commit to providing a financial contribution toward the matching requirements of the grant, subject to final budget confirmation.
CARRIED

2. Request for Decision: Rescheduling November 11, 2025 Council Meeting

Councillor Johnson: 238/25 MOVED to reschedule the regular meeting from Tuesday, November 11, 2025 to Wednesday, November 12, 2025, at 9:00 a.m.
CARRIED

3. Request for Decision: Timing of Next Council Meeting with MLA

Deputy Reeve Eastman: 239/25 MOVED to schedule the fall MLA meeting in early 2026, after the election.
CARRIED

4. Request for Decision: Gravel Request – Grimshaw Co-op Seed Cleaning Plant

Councillor Johnson: 240/25 MOVED to approve the provision of up to three loads of reject gravel to the Grimshaw Co-op Seed Cleaning Plant as in in-kind contribution, recognizing the organization's non-profit status and value to the agricultural sector.
CARRIED

Reeve Willing called for a short break at 10:23 a.m.
Meeting resumed at 10:33 a.m. with all present.

5. Request for Decision: Golf Course Road (RR231) Speed Reduction

Councillor Johnson: 241/25 MOVED to direct Administration to install 50 kilometer per hour speed limit signs to reduce the speed limit on Golf Course Road (RR231).
CARRIED

6. Request for Decision: Ham Radio Club Onsite Storage

Councillor Herlinveaux: 242/25 MOVED to authorize the placement of a shed for radio equipment in the MD yard with power lines to be installed by the radio club.
CARRIED

7. Request for Decision: Declaration of Agricultural Disaster

Deputy Reeve Eastman: 243/25 MOVED that Council formally declares an Agricultural Disaster for the 2025 growing season AND THAT the Municipality request the Government of Alberta and the Government of Canada to recognize this declaration and provide appropriate disaster relief and support to affected producers.
CARRIED

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**New Business
Continued**

8. Email from Ratepayer Re: Citizen's Concerns

Councillor Johnson: MOVED to direct Administration to write a letter to CN Rail regarding the state
244/25 of the railway crossings within the MD.

CARRIED

Dianna Butz joined the meeting at 11:06 a.m.

**Land Use/Planning/
Subdivisions**

1. Development Officer's Report

Council accepted this item as information.
Dianna Butz excused herself at 11:11 a.m.

**Administrative
Reports**

1. CAO Report

Council accepted this item as information.

2. Accounts for Payment

Council accepted this item as information.

Deputy Reeve Eastman: MOVED to direct Administration to prepare and send a letter to Minister
245/25 Todd Loewen, MLA for Central Peace – Notley, outlining the costs incurred
by the MD as a result of the large wildfire in 2024, the need to recover these
costs from the responsible landowner, and requesting the provision of an
unredacted copy of the fire investigation report to support this process.

CARRIED

3. Motion Status Matrix

Council accepted this item as information.

Doug Cooke joined the meeting at 11:35 a.m.

4. Financial Reports for the month ending July 31, 2025

- a) 2025 Capital Projects Summary as of July 31, 2025
- b) Capital Financial Statement for the Period Ending July 31, 2025
- c) Operating Financial Statement for the Period Ending July 31, 2025
- d) Funds Standing to the Credit of the MD as of July 31, 2025
- e) 2025 Capital Grant Summary for the Period Ending July 31, 2025

Council accepted the five items as information.

Reeve Willing called for lunch recess at 12:00 p.m.

Council reconvened from lunch at 1:00 p.m.

Delegations

- 1. Wyatt Lynd of Qube Investment joined the meeting at 1:00 p.m. via Zoom**
Wyatt Lynd excused himself at 1:23 p.m.

Deputy Reeve Eastman: MOVED to move forward with a complimentary portfolio review by Qube
246/25 Investment.

CARRIED

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**Delegations
Continued**

Doug Cooke excused himself at 1:24 p.m.

2. Glenn Moore and Megan Lemay of I Want Wireless joined the meeting at 1:30 p.m.
Glenn Moore and Megan Lemay excused themselves at 2:07 p.m.
3. Glenda Farnden of STARS Air Ambulance joined the meeting at 2:08 p.m.
Glenda Farnden excused herself at 2:37 p.m.

Councillor Johnson: MOVED to authorize the standing contribution of \$3,500.00 annually to
247/25 STARS Air Ambulance, to be included in the budget each year.
CARRIED

5. Correspondence Sent

- a) Letter to Northern Sunrise County Re: Premier Meeting Request
- b) Letter of Support for Ken Sargent House Grant Application

Council accepted this item as information.

Committee Reports

1. Councillor's July 2025 Reports

This item was accepted as information.

2. Brownvale Community and District Library July 2025 Update

Council accepted this item as information.

Information Items

1. Thank You Card from Maskwa Medical Center
2. Grimshaw Municipal Library June 2025 Monthly Report
3. Certificate of Appreciation from Royal Canadian Legion
4. Letter from Commanding Officer of the Alberta RCMP
5. Elected Officials Orientation Seminar October 29, 2025
6. Village of Donnelly Letter Re: Critical EMS Staffing Shortage
7. BC Hydro News Release Re: Fifth Generating Unit Online at Site C
8. RMA Assessment Model Review Member Update – July 2025
9. Peace Country Community Futures June/July 2025 Newsletter
10. Small Modular Reactors Canada Summit
11. Grimshaw Municipal Library July 2025 Monthly Report
12. MD of Peace Fire Department Monthly Reports April to July, 2025

The twelve items were accepted as information.

Councillor Johnson: MOVED to authorize the attendance of Reeve Willing at the orientation
248/25 CARRIED

Question Period

Dan Archer asked if the redacted report being discussed in relation to the wildfire indicated that one person started the fire.

Reeve Willing responded that is what the question was as we do not have the unredacted report.

Dan Archer asked if the amount outstanding was approximately \$250,000.00.

Reeve Willing answered we don't yet have hard numbers as the process is not complete.

**Question Period
Continued**

Confidential Items

- ## Adjournment


Chief Administrative Officer