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Meeting Minutes

Council

Mayor Rod Shaigec
Deputy Mayor Sally Kucher Johnson
Council Member Jason Doucette
Council Member Ben Jespersen
Council Member Corey Kyle
Council Member Kristine Olson
Council Member John McNab

Tuesday, January 13, 2026

9:00 AM

Council Chambers

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Shaigec called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Present: 7 - Ben Jespersen, Kristine Olson, Corey Kyle, Sally Kucher Johnson, Jason Doucette, John McNab and Rod Shaigec

Administration:

Laura Swain, Chief Administrative Officer

Jeff Dyck, Chief Operating Officer

Krista Quesnel, Director, Agriculture & Environment Services (In-part)

Geoff Heritage, Director, Enforcement Services (In-part)

Dawna Woytowich, Municipal Land Specialist (In-part)

Matthew Good, Director, Public Works (In-part)

Jaitik Berawala, Manager, Water, Wastewater & Solid Waste Services (In-part)

Kara Woolsey, Director, Employee Services (In-part)

Lois Tyerman, Director, Governance & Engagement

Odessa Bartel, Manager, Legislative & Legal Services

Rachel Coupal, Legislative Officer, Legislative & Legal Services (Recording Secretary)

INSPIRATIONAL REFLECTION

Council Member Jespersen offered a short inspirational reflection.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Council Member McNab that the January 13, 2026 Council meeting agenda be adopted, as amended, with the following items added:

Amend the title of item 10.2 to now be named:

- Item 10.2 - Public Works Utility Rate Discussion

The motion carried unanimously.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

[MIN 25-039](#)

Adoption of the Meeting Minutes for meetings of Council held between November 24, 2025 and December 9, 2025

Proposed Motion

That the following Council Meeting Minutes be adopted, as presented:

November 24, 2025 - Budget Presentations
November 25, 2025 - Budget Presentations
November 26, 2025 - Budget Presentations
December 9, 2025 - Council Meeting

A motion was made by Council Member Kucher Johnson that the following Council Meeting Minutes be adopted, as presented:

November 24, 2025 - Budget Presentations
November 25, 2025 - Budget Presentations
November 26, 2025 - Budget Presentations
December 9, 2025 - Council Meeting

The motion carried unanimously.

DELEGATIONS

[App 25-088](#)

9:05 a.m. - Public Input (10 minutes)

Mayor Shaigec asked the gallery if there were any matters that the public wishes to bring to the attention of Parkland County.

Floyd Young, a resident of Parkland County, came forward to present concerns that Council is attending the Strategic Planning Session at the Doubletree Hotel. Mr. Young would also like to see Closed Session matters be made available to members of the public.

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor and Council Member Matters

NM 26-001

Notice of Motion

Take notice that at a regular meeting of Council on January 27, 2026, Mayor Shaigec will move that Council direct administration to implement a moratorium on the approval of new multi-parcel residential subdivisions within Parkland County, effective immediately, until such time as Administration presents a comprehensive report to Council with recommendations respecting when, where, and under what conditions future multi-parcel residential subdivisions may be considered.

NM 26-002

Notice of Motion

Take notice that at a regular meeting of Council on January 27, 2026, Mayor Shaigec will move that the Rural Municipalities of Alberta (RMA) advocate to the Government of Alberta for the creation of a Rural Charter, developed in meaningful partnership with rural municipalities, that formally recognizes the unique characteristics, roles, risks, and contributions of rural municipalities to the province; and FURTHER IT BE RESOLVED THAT the RMA works with the Government of Alberta to ensure the Rural Charter results in measurable, enforceable outcomes that strengthen the long-term financial sustainability, autonomy, and resilience of rural municipalities across Alberta.

NM 26-003

Notice of Motion

Take notice that at a regular meeting of Council on January 27, 2026, Mayor Shaigec will move that the Rural Municipalities of Alberta (RMA) advocates to the Government of Alberta to increase the general corporate income tax rate from 8% to 9.5% while maintaining the current small business corporate income tax rate; and FURTHER IT BE RESOLVED THAT all new revenue generated from the corporate income tax be directed to grant funding to Alberta municipalities to address infrastructure deficits.

Legislative Matters[RFD 25-248](#)

Request for Cancellation of the January 20, 2026 Governance and Priorities Committee Meeting

Proposed Motion

That the January 20, 2026 Governance and Priorities Committee meeting be cancelled, as presented.

A motion was made by Council Member Doucette that the January 20, 2026 Governance and Priorities Committee Meeting be cancelled, as presented.

The motion carried unanimously.

Chief Operating Officer[RFD 25-249](#)

Request to Re-Schedule Dates of Strategic Planning from March 11-12, 2026, to February 25-26, 2026

Proposed Motion

That the Strategic Planning schedule be amended, and regular meetings of Council be held for the purpose of Strategic Planning at the DoubleTree Hotel West Edmonton, commencing at 9:00 a.m, as presented:

- February 4, 2026
- February 5, 2026
- February 25, 2026
- February 26, 2026

A motion was made by Council Member Jespersen that the Strategic Planning schedule be amended, and regular meetings of Council be held for the purpose of Strategic Planning at the DoubleTree Hotel West Edmonton, commencing at 9:00 a.m, as presented:

- February 4, 2026
- February 5, 2026
- February 25, 2026
- February 26, 2026

The motion carried unanimously.

Operation Services

[RFD 25-247](#)

The Lake Isle and Lac Ste. Anne Stewardship Society (LILSA) Water Quality and Water Quantity Project Request

Proposed Motions

1. That Council direct administration to include the addition of a \$1,000 Lake Isle and Lac Ste. Anne Stewardship Society membership in the 2027 budget.
2. That Council endorse the development of a lake management plan for the Lake Isle and Lac Ste. Anne watershed.
3. That Council appoint a representative to the LILSA Water Quality and Water Quantity Project committee.

A motion was made by Council Member Olson that Council direct administration to include the addition of a \$1,000 Lake Isle and Lac Ste. Anne Stewardship Society membership in the 2027 budget.

The motion was defeated by the following vote:

For: 2 - Jespersen and Doucette

Against: 5 - Olson, Kyle, Kucher Johnson, McNab and Shaigec

A motion was made by Council Member McNab that Council endorse the development of a lake management plan for the Lake Isle and Lac Ste. Anne watershed.

The motion carried by the following vote:

For: 6 - Jespersen, Olson, Kyle, Kucher Johnson, Doucette and Shaigec

Against: 1 - McNab

A motion was made by Council Member Kucher Johnson that Council appoint a representative to the LILSA Water Quality and Water Quantity Project committee.

The motion was defeated unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS

[COM 25-093](#)

Rural Municipalities of Alberta Newsletter Update

Proposed Motion

That the Rural Municipalities of Alberta newsletter be received for information, as presented.

A motion was made by Council Member Doucette that the Rural Municipalities of Alberta newsletter be received for information, as presented.

The motion carried unanimously.

[COM 25-094](#)

Federation of Canadian Municipalities Update

Proposed Motion

That the Federation of Canadian Municipalities update be received for information, as presented.

A motion was made by Council Member Kyle that the Federation of Canadian Municipalities update be received for information, as presented.

The motion carried unanimously.

[COM 25-095](#)

Mayor's Report

Proposed Motion

That the Mayor's Report be received for information, as presented.

A motion was made by Mayor Shaigec that the Mayor's Report be received for information, as follows:

- Capital Regional Parkland Water Services Commission Board Meeting
- West InterLake District Water Commission Meeting
- MP Dane Lloyd Christmas Open House
- Parkland County/Summer Village of Seba Beach Inter-Municipal Collaboration Framework (ICF) Committee Meeting
- Westview Health Foundation Tri-Municipal Briefing

The motion carried unanimously.

[COM 25-096](#)

Committee Reports

Proposed Motion

That the Committee Reports be received for information, as presented.

A motion was made by Council Member Jespersen that the Committee Reports be received for information, as follows:

1. Council Member Kyle
 - Tri-Leisure Centre Christmas supper with Mayor
 - Town of Stony Plain Christmas Party
 - MLA Boitchenko's Open House in Drayton Valley

- Parkland County's Christmas party
- Spoke to residents in regard to sewage treatment and overstrength charges
- Fielded several concerns over the holiday period in regard to snow clearing and icy road conditions
- Spoke to resident regarding issues with a subdivision application
- Capital Region Parkland Water Services Commission Board Meeting with Mayor
- Agricultural Service Board Meeting

2. Council Member Olson

- All Staff Christmas Luncheon at Heritage Park
- Toured the Amazon Facility in Acheson for the Pack the Net event with Zack Hyman in support of Parkland and Edmonton Food Banks and AdaptAbilities
- Meeting with Greg Davis and his partner Mike from Landscape FX to discuss an exciting development opportunity for Wabamun
- Toured the Kinsmen Hamper Headquarters at Heritage Pavilion
- Attended the Wabamun Seniors Christmas Lunch at the Seniors Centre
- Spoke with Kirra Mac, owner of Thrive Wellness regarding permitting for the new gym facility opening in Wabamun
- Visited several outdoor skating rinks over the holidays
- Fielded several calls and inquiries over the past month from Division 5 residents on a variety of topics and concerns
- Attended the Spruce Grove Saints game at Heavy Metal Place
- Conversation with Walter Nielson from Mayatan Lake Management Association regarding their desire to present to Council

3. Council Member McNab

- Evergreen Foundation Report and Meeting Minutes

4. Council Member Kucher Johnson

- Staff Christmas function with the Parkland Library Board
- Attended the Spruce Grove Saints game at Heavy Metal Place
- Informal discussion with new and rejected Council
- Pembina Zone Meeting

5. Council Member Doucette

- Parkland Staff Christmas Luncheon
- Attended the Amazon Christmas Fundraiser supporting the regional food banks and Adaptabilities
- Stony Plain Mayor and Council Regional Networking Christmas Function
- Attended the ALUS PAC Meeting
- Attended the Member of Parliament Dane Lloyd Christmas Meet and Greet
- Developer Open house in Acheson (Select Engineering)
- Parkland RCMP Meeting Update
- Attended MLA Boitchenko's Open House
- New Years Celebration event with Parkland Sikh Community
- Met with Local Developers to discuss regional opportunity and ideas
- Pembina Zone Meeting

6. Council Member Jespersen

- All Staff Christmas Luncheon Parkland County
- Amazon – Help the Oiler's Zach Hyman Pack the net
- ALUS PAC Meeting
- Stony Plain Mayor and Council Christmas Luncheon

- Agricultural Service Board Meeting
- Dane Lloyd Christmas Open House
- Developer Open House – Acheson Zone 4 Conceptual Scheme and Land Use Bylaw Amendment
- Meeting with Parkland RCMP
- Agricultural Service Board Meeting
- Pembina River District 3 Meeting

The motion carried unanimously.

CLOSED SESSION

[RFD 25-239](#)

Closed Session

Proposed Motion

That Council convene in closed session pursuant to Section 197 of the Municipal Government Act to meet in private to discuss matters protected from disclosure by Sections 26 and 29 of the Access to Information Act.

A motion was made by Council Member Kyle that Council convene in closed session at 10:12 a.m. pursuant to Section 197 of the Municipal Government Act to meet in private to discuss matters protected from disclosure by Sections 26 and 29 of the Access to Information Act.

The motion carried unanimously.

RECESS

Mayor Shaigec recessed the meeting at 10:12 a.m., and reconvened the meeting at 10:24 a.m.

[PRE 25-130](#)

Land Management

ATIA Section 26 - Disclosure harmful to intergovernmental relations

ATIA Section 29 - Advice from Officials

[RFD 25-240](#)

Regular Session

Proposed Motion

That Council revert to the regular meeting session.

A motion was made by Council Member Olson that Council revert to regular meeting session at 11:17 a.m.

The motion carried unanimously.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM CLOSED SESSION

[PRE 25-130](#)

Land Management

ATIA Section 26 - Disclosure harmful to intergovernmental relations

ATIA Section 29 - Advice from Officials

A motion was made by Council Member McNab that Council Authorizes Administration to proceed with the negotiation and purchase of the subject

property.

The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Council Member Kucher Johnson that Council authorizes Administration to secure vacant possession and complete cleanup of the property in preparation of sale.

The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Council Member Doucette that Council authorizes Administration to fund the purchase, possession and cleanup expenses from Long Term Sustainability Restricted Surplus, with costs to be remitted back to Long Term Sustainability Restricted Surplus.

The motion carried unanimously.

CLOSED SESSION

[RFD 25-241](#)

Closed Session

Proposed Motion

That Council convene in closed session pursuant to Section 197 of the Municipal Government Act to meet in private to discuss matters protected from disclosure by Sections 19, 26 and 29 of the Access to Information Act.

A motion was made by Council Member Jespersen that Council convene in closed session at 11:20 a.m. pursuant to Section 197 of the Municipal Government Act to meet in private to discuss matters protected from disclosure by Sections 19, 26 and 29 of the Access to Information Act.

The motion carried unanimously.

RECESS

Mayor Shaigec recessed the meeting at 11:20 a.m., and reconvened the meeting at 11:24 a.m.

[PRE 25-131](#)

Public Works Update

ATIA Section 19 - Disclosure harmful to business interests of a third party

ATIA Section 26 - Disclosure harmful to intergovernmental relations

ATIA Section 29 - Advice from Officials

[RFD 25-242](#)

Regular Session

Proposed Motion

That Council revert to the regular meeting session.

A motion was made by Council Member Kyle that Council revert to regular meeting session at 12:09 p.m.

The motion carried unanimously.

RECESS

Mayor Shaigec recessed the meeting at 12:09 p.m., and reconvened the meeting at 1:00 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION

[RFD 25-243](#)

Closed Session

Proposed Motion

That Council convene in closed session pursuant to Section 197 of the Municipal Government Act to meet in private to discuss matters protected from disclosure by Section 29 of the Access to Information Act.

A motion was made by Council Member Olson that Council convene in closed session at 1:00 p.m. pursuant to Section 197 of the Municipal Government Act to meet in private to discuss matters protected from disclosure by Sections 29 of the Access to Information Act.

The motion carried unanimously.

[PRE 25-132](#)

Organizational Update
ATIA Section 29 - Advice from Officials

[RFD 25-244](#)

Regular Session

Proposed Motion

That Council revert to the regular meeting session.

A motion was made by Council Member McNab that Council revert to regular meeting session at 3:12 p.m.

The motion carried unanimously.

CLOSE OF MEETING

Mayor Shaigec closed the meeting at 3:14 p.m.

Mayor

Manager, Legislative Services

Unadopted