



MINUTES

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

6:00 PM - Wednesday, April 15, 2026

Council Chambers, 1 Parklane Drive, Strathmore AB

COUNCIL PRESENT: Mayor Pat Fule, Councillor Claude Brown, Councillor Jim Chisholm, Councillor Matt Hyde, Councillor Melissa Langmaid, Councillor Richard Wegener (virtual), and Deputy Mayor Brent Wiley

STAFF PRESENT: Kevin Scoble (Chief Administrative Officer), Jamie Dugdale (Director of Infrastructure, Operations, and Development Services), Mark Pretzlaff (Director of Community and Protective Services), Kara Rusk (Director of Strategic, Administrative, and Financial Services), and Johnathan Strathdee (Manager of Legislative Services)

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Fule called the April 15, 2026 Regular Council Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. **CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA**

Resolution No. 100.04.26

Moved by Councillor Langmaid

THAT Council adopt the April 15, 2026 Regular Council Meeting Agenda as presented.

FOR: Mayor Fule, Councillor Brown, Councillor Chisholm, Councillor Hyde, Councillor Langmaid, Councillor Wegener, and Councillor Wiley

AGAINST: None.

CARRIED

3. **PUBLIC HEARING**

3.1. **Bylaw No. 25-27, Land Use Bylaw Amending Bylaw (Lakewood Phase 2 Amendments: Secondary Suites, Garage Suites, and Reduced Side Yard Setbacks)**

Mayor Fule opened the Public Hearing for Bylaw No. 25-27 at 6:02 p.m. This public hearing was held pursuant to the Municipal Government Act, RSA 2000, Chapter M-26 and amendments there to.

Two written submissions were received from Wheatland County and Ryan and Kari Pender.

Chuck Procter presented for Administration.

Scott Silva spoke to Bylaw No. 25-27.

Brian Martin spoke to Bylaw No. 25-27.

Kent Riehl spoke to Bylaw No. 25-27.

Ryan Pender spoke to Bylaw No. 25-27.

Mayor Fule closed the Public Hearing for Bylaw No. 25-27, being a bylaw to amend the Town's Land Use Bylaw No. 14-11 at 6:42 p.m.

4. **BYLAWS**

4.1. **Bylaw No. 25-27, Land Use Bylaw Amending Bylaw (Lakewood Phase 2 Amendments: Secondary Suites, Garage Suites, and Reduced Side Yard Setbacks)**

Resolution No. 101.04.26

Moved by Councillor Brown

THAT Council give Second Reading to Bylaw No. 25-27, being a bylaw to amend the Town of Strathmore Land Use Bylaw.

FOR: Mayor Fule, Councillor Brown, Councillor Chisholm, Councillor Hyde, Councillor Langmaid, Councillor Wegener, and Councillor Wiley

AGAINST: None.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 102.04.26

Moved by Councillor Wiley

THAT Council give Third Reading to Bylaw No. 25-27, being a bylaw to amend the Town of Strathmore Land Use Bylaw.

FOR: Mayor Fule, Councillor Brown, Councillor Chisholm, Councillor Hyde, Councillor Langmaid, Councillor Wegener, and Councillor Wiley

AGAINST: None.

CARRIED

5. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None.

6. DELEGATIONS

6.1. Delegation – Western District Historical Society

- Rhonda Stockwell
- Lynn Fair

Resolution No. 103.04.26

Moved by Councillor Wiley

THAT Council direct Administration to work with the Western District Historical Society to create a report on the financial and organizational implications of the request for two binzebos at Gray's Park and a bulletin board at Kinsmen Park and another one at Gray's Park.

AND THAT Council direct Administration to bring the report to the June Committee of the Whole Meeting.

FOR: Mayor Fule, Councillor Brown, Councillor Chisholm, Councillor Hyde, Councillor Langmaid, Councillor Wegener, and Councillor Wiley

AGAINST: None.

CARRIED

7. CONSENT AGENDA

Resolution No. 104.04.26

Moved by Councillor Chisholm

THAT Council adopt the recommendations of the following agenda reports by an omnibus motion:

- 8.1 Regular Council Meeting Minutes – April 1, 2026
- 9.2 Corporate Strategic Plan & Financial Plan Quarterly Report – Q4 2025
- 9.3 Stormwater Agreement Amendment
- 11.2.1 2025-2026 Community Futures Wild Rose Impact Report
- 12.1 Minister Letter 2026 – Town of Strathmore – March 24, 2026
- 12.3 FAIM – Letter of Appreciation – March 31 2026
- 12.4 WSC & True North Society – Letter – March 30, 2026
- 12.5 Letter from Minister Williams Re: Bill 28

FOR: Mayor Fule, Councillor Brown, Councillor Chisholm, Councillor Hyde, Councillor Langmaid, Councillor Wegener, and Councillor Wiley

AGAINST: None.

CARRIED

8. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

8.1. Regular Council Meeting Minutes – April 1, 2026

The following motion was adopted by the consent agenda:

THAT Council adopt the April 1, 2026 Regular Council Meeting Minutes as presented in Attachment I.

9. BUSINESS

Councillor Langmaid left the April 15, 2026 Regular Council Meeting at 7:20 p.m.

Resolution No. 105.04.26

Moved by Councillor Brown

THAT Council take a 5-minute recess.

FOR: Mayor Fule, Councillor Brown, Councillor Chisholm, Councillor Hyde, Councillor Wegener, and Councillor Wiley

AGAINST: None.

CARRIED

Councillor Langmaid rejoined the April 15, 2026 Regular Council Meeting at 7:27 p.m.

Mayor Fule reconvened the April 15, 2026 Regular Council Meeting at 7:27 p.m.

9.1. 2025 Audited Financial Statements

Resolution No. 106.04.26

Moved by Councillor Langmaid

THAT Council accept the 2025 Annual Audited Financial Statements as presented in Attachment I.

FOR: Mayor Fule, Councillor Brown, Councillor Chisholm, Councillor Hyde, Councillor Langmaid, Councillor Wegener, and Councillor Wiley

AGAINST: None.

CARRIED

9.2. Corporate Strategic Plan & Financial Plan Quarterly Report – Q4 2025

9.3. Stormwater Agreement Amendment

The following motion was adopted by the consent agenda:

THAT Council authorize the Mayor and CAO to sign the First Amending Agreement of the existing Stormwater Discharge Agreement.

9.4. 911 Fire Dispatch Options

Resolution No. 107.04.26

Moved by Councillor Wiley

THAT Council direct Administration to request a meeting with Wheatland County Administration for the purpose of reviewing 911 Fire Dispatch Services and bring a report back to Council including a 911 Fire Dispatch Agreement with a recommended provider.

AND THAT Council direct Administration to bring a report on May 6, 2026.

Resolution No. 108.04.26

Moved by Councillor Wegener

THAT the motion be amended to read as follows:

“THAT Council direct Administration to request a meeting with Wheatland County, the Villages and Siksika Administrations for the purpose of reviewing 911 Fire Dispatch Services and bring a report back to Council including a 911 Fire Dispatch Agreement with a recommended provider.

AND THAT Council direct Administration to bring a report by May 6, 2026.”

WITHDRAWN

Resolution No. 109.04.26

Moved by Councillor Wiley

THAT the motion be amended to read as follows:

“THAT Council direct Administration to request a meeting with Wheatland County and Siksika Administrations for the purpose of reviewing 911 Fire Dispatch Services and bring a report back to Council including a 911 Fire Dispatch Agreement with a recommended provider.

AND THAT Council direct Administration to bring a report by May 6, 2026.”

FOR: Mayor Fule, Councillor Brown, Councillor Chisholm, Councillor Hyde, Councillor Langmaid, Councillor Wegener, and Councillor Wiley

AGAINST: None.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 107.04.26

Moved by Councillor Wiley

THAT Council direct Administration to request a meeting with Wheatland County and Siksika Administrations for the purpose of reviewing 911 Fire Dispatch Services and bring a report back to Council including a 911 Fire Dispatch Agreement with a recommended provider.

AND THAT Council direct Administration to bring a report by May 6, 2026.

FOR: Mayor Fule, Councillor Brown, Councillor Chisholm, Councillor Hyde, Councillor Langmaid, Councillor Wegener, and Councillor Wiley

AGAINST: None.

CARRIED

9.5. Strathmore Motor Products Sports Centre – Sport Court Feasibility

Resolution No. 110.04.26

Moved by Councillor Chisholm

THAT Council direct Administration to bring the Strathmore Motor Products Sports Centre – Sport Court Feasibility, including financial implications to a future Committee of the Whole Meeting.

FOR: Mayor Fule, Councillor Brown, Councillor Chisholm, Councillor Hyde, Councillor Langmaid, Councillor Wegener, and Councillor Wiley

AGAINST: None.

CARRIED

10. BYLAWS

10.1. Cemetery Bylaw No. 26-04

Resolution No. 111.04.26

Moved by Councillor Brown

THAT Council give First Reading to Bylaw No. 26-04, being the Cemetery Bylaw.

FOR: Mayor Fule, Councillor Brown, Councillor Chisholm, Councillor Hyde, Councillor Langmaid, Councillor Wegener, and Councillor Wiley

AGAINST: None.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 112.04.26

Moved by Councillor Wegener

THAT Council amend Bylaw No. 26-04, section 10.1 Field of Honour to read:

The Town maintains a Field of Honour section for the burial of Veterans, Canadian Armed Forces (CAF) members, still serving and retired Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) members.

FOR: Mayor Fule, Councillor Brown, Councillor Chisholm, Councillor Hyde, Councillor Langmaid, Councillor Wegener, and Councillor Wiley

AGAINST: Councillor Brown, Councillor Chisholm, and Councillor Hyde

CARRIED

Resolution No. 113.04.26

Moved by Councillor Langmaid

THAT Council take a 5-minute recess.

FOR: Mayor Fule, Councillor Brown, Councillor Chisholm, Councillor Hyde, Councillor Wegener, and Councillor Wiley

AGAINST: None.

CARRIED

Mayor Fule reconvened the April 15, 2026 Regular Council Meeting at 9:37 p.m.

Resolution No. 114.04.26

Moved by Councillor Langmaid

THAT Council give Second Reading to Bylaw No. 26-04, being the Cemetery Bylaw as amended.

FOR: Mayor Fule, Councillor Brown, Councillor Chisholm, Councillor Hyde, Councillor Langmaid, Councillor Wegener, and Councillor Wiley

AGAINST: None.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 115.04.26

Moved by Councillor Langmaid

THAT Council gives unanimous consent to proceed with Third and Final Reading to Bylaw No. 26-04, being the Cemetery Bylaw as amended.

FOR: Mayor Fule, Councillor Brown, Councillor Chisholm, Councillor Hyde, Councillor Langmaid, Councillor Wegener, and Councillor Wiley

AGAINST: None.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 116.04.26

Moved by Councillor Wiley

THAT Council give Third and Final Reading to Bylaw No. 26-04, being the Cemetery Bylaw as amended.

FOR: Mayor Fule, Councillor Brown, Councillor Chisholm, Councillor Hyde, Councillor Langmaid, Councillor Wegener, and Councillor Wiley

AGAINST: None.

CARRIED

10.2. Tax Arrears Payment Plan Bylaw No. 26-09

Resolution No. 117.04.26

Moved by Councillor Wiley

THAT Council give First Reading to Bylaw No. 26-09, being the Tax Arrears Payment Plan Bylaw.

FOR: Mayor Fule, Councillor Brown, Councillor Chisholm, Councillor Hyde, Councillor Langmaid, Councillor Wegener, and Councillor Wiley

AGAINST: None.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 118.04.26

Moved by Councillor Wiley

THAT Council give Second Reading to Bylaw No. 26-09, being the Tax Arrears Payment Plan Bylaw.

FOR: Mayor Fule, Councillor Brown, Councillor Chisholm, Councillor Hyde, Councillor Langmaid, Councillor Wegener, and Councillor Wiley

AGAINST: None.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 119.04.26

Moved by Councillor Wiley

THAT Council gives unanimous consent to give Third and Final Reading to Bylaw No. 26-09, being the Tax Arrears Payment Plan Bylaw.

FOR: Mayor Fule, Councillor Brown, Councillor Chisholm, Councillor Hyde, Councillor Langmaid, Councillor Wegener, and Councillor Wiley

AGAINST: None.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 120.04.26

Moved by Councillor Wiley

THAT Council give Third and Final Reading to Bylaw No. 26-09, being the Tax Arrears Payment Plan Bylaw.

FOR: Mayor Fule, Councillor Brown, Councillor Chisholm, Councillor Hyde, Councillor Langmaid, Councillor Wegener, and Councillor Wiley

AGAINST: None.

CARRIED

10.3. Tax Penalty and Tax Installment Payment Plan Bylaw No. 26-10

Resolution No. 121.04.26

Moved by Councillor Hyde

THAT Council give First Reading to Bylaw No. 26-10, being the Tax Penalty and Tax Installment Payment Plan Bylaw.

FOR: Mayor Fule, Councillor Brown, Councillor Chisholm, Councillor Hyde, Councillor Langmaid, Councillor Wegener, and Councillor Wiley

AGAINST: None.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 122.04.26

Moved by Councillor Hyde

THAT Council give Second Reading to Bylaw No. 26-10, being the Tax Penalty and Tax Installment Payment Plan Bylaw.

FOR: Mayor Fule, Councillor Brown, Councillor Chisholm, Councillor Hyde, Councillor Langmaid, Councillor Wegener, and Councillor Wiley

AGAINST: None.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 123.04.26

Moved by Councillor Hyde

THAT Council gives unanimous consent to proceed with Third and Final Reading to Bylaw No. 26-10, being the Tax Penalty and Tax Installment Payment Plan Bylaw.

FOR: Mayor Fule, Councillor Brown, Councillor Chisholm, Councillor Hyde, Councillor Langmaid, Councillor Wegener, and Councillor Wiley

AGAINST: None.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 124.04.26

Moved by Councillor Hyde

THAT Council give Third and Final Reading to Bylaw No. 26-10, being the Tax Penalty and Tax Installment Payment Plan Bylaw.

FOR: Mayor Fule, Councillor Brown, Councillor Chisholm, Councillor Hyde, Councillor Langmaid, Councillor Wegener, and Councillor Wiley

AGAINST: None.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 125.04.26

Moved by Councillor Langmaid

THAT Council extend the April 15, 2026 Regular Council Meeting until 11:00 p.m.

FOR: Mayor Fule, Councillor Brown, Councillor Chisholm, Councillor Hyde, Councillor Langmaid, Councillor Wegener, and Councillor Wiley

AGAINST: None.

CARRIED

11. COUNCILLOR INFORMATION & INQUIRIES

11.1. QUESTIONS BETWEEN COUNCILLORS AND COUNCIL STATEMENTS

Resolution No. 126.04.26

Moved by Councillor Wiley

THAT Council direct Administration to create a report on our Bylaw Officer's coverage regarding:

- Do we align with best practices with like-sized municipalities regarding: number of officers, hours of coverage (i.e., Monday to Friday, 6 a.m. to 5 p.m.) and description of duties
- Does our RCMP require increased assistance from bylaw officers

AND THAT Council direct Administration to bring the report to the May 13 Committee of the Whole for Council's review and consideration.

FOR: Mayor Fule, Councillor Brown, Councillor Chisholm, Councillor Hyde, Councillor Wegener, and Councillor Wiley

AGAINST: Councillor Langmaid

CARRIED

11.2. BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

11.2.1. 2025-2026 Community Futures Wild Rose Impact Report

11.3. QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD

None.

11.4. ADMINISTRATIVE INQUIRIES

None.

11.5. NOTICES OF MOTION

Resolution No. 127.04.26

Moved by Councillor Brown

THAT Council waive the requirement for a notice under section 30.1 of *Council Procedure Bylaw No. 23-17* to hear Councillor Wegener's motions regarding Provincial Funding for Regional Water Infrastructure and Provincial Support for Small-Municipality Transit Connections tonight.

FOR: Mayor Fule, Councillor Brown, Councillor Chisholm, Councillor Hyde, Councillor Langmaid, Councillor Wegener, and Councillor Wiley

AGAINST: None.

CARRIED

11.5.1. Provincial Funding for Regional Water Infrastructure – Councillor Wegener

Resolution No. 128.04.26

Moved by Councillor Wegener

WHEREAS Strathmore Town Council's 2025-2030 Strategic Plan includes the priority of Protecting Water and Green Spaces to ensure Council is proactive in responding to changing environmental conditions.

AND WHEREAS water is a finite and essential resource, and responsible long-term planning is required to ensure the Town's environmental impact is minimized while supporting sustainable development for current and future residents;

AND WHEREAS the Town relies on a limited and regulated water supply that must be managed carefully to ensure reliability, resilience, and affordability over time;

AND WHEREAS the Calgary region is experiencing rapid population and economic growth, resulting in increased demand on shared water resources, with many smaller municipalities facing similar capacity and allocation pressures;

AND WHEREAS water allocations in southern Alberta are driven by provincial regulation, existing licensed allocations, and environmental considerations, limiting opportunities for expansion.

AND WHEREAS funding and resourcing continues to be a challenge in managing fast growing municipalities.

I move:

THAT Council direct Administration to complete a draft Resolution for the 2026 Alberta Municipalities Convention that advocates for increased provincial funding and regulatory reform to support regional water supply infrastructure and new water licenses for high- growth municipalities.

AND that Council direct Administration to bring the resolution to the May 20, 2026 Council Meeting for consideration.

FOR: Councillor Wegener

AGAINST: Mayor Fule, Councillor Brown, Councillor Chisholm, Councillor Hyde, Councillor Langmaid, and Councillor Wiley

DEFEATED

11.5.2. Provincial Support for Small-Municipality Transit Connections – Councillor Wegener

Resolution No. 129.04.26

Moved by Councillor Wegener

WHEREAS Strathmore Town Council's 2025-2030 Strategic Plan includes the priority of Community Safety and Wellbeing , intended to create communities for residents which promote optimum lifestyles.

AND WHEREAS many Strathmore residents commute to Calgary on a daily basis;

AND WHEREAS encouraging the use of mass transit helps reduce highway congestion, improves road safety, and lowers greenhouse gas emissions;

AND WHEREAS providing cost-effective transit options helps alleviate the financial strain caused by rising fuel costs and ensures residents have transportation choices that meet their needs;

AND WHEREAS expanding regional transit options supports regional economic development and connectivity.

I move:

THAT Council direct Administration to complete a draft Resolution for the 2026 Alberta Municipalities Convention that asked the Provincial Government to create a funding program for intermunicipal transit between mid-sized towns and major cities.

AND that Council direct Administration to bring the resolution to the May 20, 2026 Council Meeting for consideration.

FOR: Councillor Langmaid, and Councillor Wegener

AGAINST: Mayor Fule, Councillor Brown, Councillor Chisholm, Councillor Hyde, and Councillor Wiley

DEFEATED

11.5.3. Neutrality Bylaw – Councillor Wiley

WHEREAS Municipalities are responsible for developing and maintaining safe, viable, and representative communities pursuant to the Municipal Government Act ;

AND WHEREAS Council is responsible for ensuring that municipal facilities and infrastructure remain welcoming and inclusive to all residents by maintaining a position of political and ideological neutrality;

AND WHEREAS Council desires that municipal assets—including flagpoles, streets, and crosswalks—be used to represent the common identity of all citizens through the display of official government symbols and standardized safety markings;

Notice is hereby given that the following motion will be brought forward for consideration at the May 6, 2026 Regular Council Meeting:

THAT Council direct Administration to draft a "Public Space Neutrality Bylaw" for Council's consideration, which shall include provisions to:

1. Limit the flags displayed on municipal buildings, flagpoles, and Town-owned property to official government flags, including the National Flag of Canada, the Province of Alberta Flag, the Town of Strathmore Flag, and the flags of our municipal partners, such as Siksika Nation and Wheatland County;
2. Ensure that all future municipal crosswalks and roadway markings are maintained in standardized traffic-safety configurations (such as continental or ladder patterns) and remain free from non-standard colors or symbols associated with specific ideological causes or social movements;
3. Include a grandfathering provision stating that any existing non-standard crosswalks, or those previously approved by Council motion, be permitted until such a time as scheduled maintenance or replacement is required, at which point they shall be converted to standardized configurations; and
4. Clarify that such regulations apply only to flagpoles and crosswalks on public municipal property and do not regulate displays or symbols on private property.

Councillor Langmaid left the April 15, 2026 Regular Council Meeting at 10:19 p.m.

Councillor Langmaid rejoined the April 15, 2026 Regular Council Meeting at 10:21 p.m.

12. CORRESPONDENCE

12.1. Minister Letter 2026 – Town of Strathmore – March 24, 2026

12.2. Letter – Strathmore Alliance Church – March 25, 2026

12.3. FAIM – Letter of Appreciation – March 31 2026

12.4. WSC & True North Society – Letter – March 30, 2026

12.5. Letter from Minister Williams Re: Bill 28

13. CLOSED MEETING

Resolution No. 130.04.26

Moved by Councillor Chisholm

THAT Council move In Camera to discuss items related to section 29(1)(b)(iii) and 26 of the *Access to Information Act* at 10:25 p.m.

FOR: Mayor Fule, Councillor Brown, Councillor Chisholm, Councillor Hyde, Councillor Langmaid, Councillor Wegener, and Councillor Wiley

AGAINST: None.

CARRIED

13.1. Council CAO Dialogue – Advice from officials – ATIA S. 29(1)(b)(iii)

13.2. Closure of TWP 240 Project – Disclosure Harmful to Intergovernmental Relations – ATIA S. 26

Resolution No. 131.04.26

Moved by Councillor Langmaid

THAT Council move out of Camera at 10:46 p.m.

FOR: Mayor Fule, Councillor Brown, Councillor Chisholm, Councillor Hyde, Councillor Langmaid, Councillor Wegener, and Councillor Wiley

AGAINST: None.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 132.04.26

Moved by Councillor Langmaid

THAT Council authorize Administration to capitalize the entire TWP 240 Project, funded by \$950,000 from the Capital Budget and \$184,459 from the Operating Budget for a total of \$1,134,459.

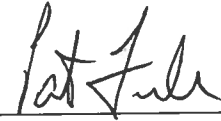
FOR: Mayor Fule, Councillor Brown, Councillor Chisholm, Councillor Hyde, Councillor Langmaid, Councillor Wegener, and Councillor Wiley

AGAINST: None.

CARRIED

14. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Fule adjourned the April 15, 2026 Regular Council Meeting at 10:50 p.m.



Mayor



Director of Strategic, Administrative,
and Financial Services