

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF BJORKDALE NO. 426

The minutes of the regular meeting of council for the Rural Municipality of Bjorkdale No. 426, held in the Municipal Office at 213A Forest View Drive in Bjorkdale on Thursday, February 12th, 2026.

Present:

- Reeve: Todd Hamel
- Councillor Division 1: Brett Norum
Councillor Division 2: Gilbert Desrosiers
Councillor Division 3: Steven Stewart
Councillor Division 4: James Spedding
Councillor Division 5: John Andris
Councillor Division 6: Jon Hudak
- Administrator: Cherie Hudon

The meeting was called to order by Reeve Todd Hamel at 9:04 AM

Employee Arrival

Employees Dean Murray, Trevett Bourgonje, Orin Bratton and Blake Mielnik arrived to the meeting at 9:12 AM

Employee Departure

Employees Dean Murray, Trevett Bourgonje, Orin Bratton and Blake Mielnik departed from the meeting at 9:37 AM

Minutes
Regular Meeting

022-26. Steven Stewart:
That the minutes of the Regular Meeting of council held January 16, 2026, be approved.

Carried

Delegate Arrived

Sgt. Seth Gouw, RCMP Officer for Tisdale Detachment arrived at 10:14 AM to introduce himself as the new sergeant to council and to inquire about any concerns that council may have within our RM.

Delegate Departed

Sgt. Seth Gouw departed the meeting at 10:38 AM.

Rescind Motion
039-25. RIRG
Agreement – Utke Bridge

023-26. John Andris:
That motion number 039-25 be rescinded.
The capital funding agreement originally approved in motion 039-25, project number BP25-426-41, for the Rural Integrated Roads for Growth Program with SARM, as represented by the Ministry of Highways for the purpose of grant funding of the Utke Bridge, Project located on NW 10-42-12 W2, has been re-applied for through the 2026 funding program.

Carried

Mower & Flex
Arm Purchase

- 024-26. Todd Hamel:
That we enter into a purchase agreement with Redhead Equipment for a new Schulte XH1500 Mower in the amount of \$54,000.00 and a new Schulte FLX1510 Flex Arm in the amount of \$34,000.00 with a trade in amount of \$28,000.00 for the 2025 Degleman 1820 Side Arm and \$20,000.00 for the 2022 Schulte XH1500 Mower. Purchase price before taxes after trades is \$40,000.00. **Carried**

Financial
Statement

- 025-26. Brett Norum:
That the Statement of Financial Activities for the month of January 2026 be accepted as presented by the Administrator. **Carried**

Ratify Accounts

- 026-26. Jon Hudak:
That we ratify payment of Other Payments 0001 to 0007 totaling \$8,750.00, 0008 to 0014 totaling \$24,346.16 and 2026-0001 to 2026-0029 totaling \$61,277.66 as per attached listings presented by the Administrator. **Carried**

Accounts For
Approval

- 027-26. Steven Stewart:
That the accounts submitted for payment by Cheques 15093 to 15144 totaling \$286,839.51 as per attached listings presented by the Administrator, be approved for payment. **Carried**

MLAC Election
Returning Officer

- 028-26. Bert Desrosiers:
That we appoint Administrator Cherie Hudon as the Returning Officer for the 2026 Marean Lake Advisory Committee Election. **Carried**

Allowance for
Uncollectable Taxes

- 029-26. Brett Norum:
That a journal entry be made on the 2025 financials indicating an amount of \$1,679.07 to increase the allowance for uncollectable taxes account. **Carried**

TAXervice
Engagement Letter

- 030-26. James Spedding:
That the RM of Bjorkdale hire Taxervice Inc. for the purpose of tax arrears recovery on behalf of the municipality for a term of 3 (three) years and that the engagement letter attached be signed. **Carried**

Spring Road Bans

- 031-26. John Andris:
That the RM of Bjorkdale participate in the spring road restriction orders issued by the Ministry of Highways. **DEFEATED**

Amendment
Motion 168-24.

- 032-26. Jon Hudak:
That motion 168-24 from August 2024 regular meeting minutes regarding Barrier Ford seasonal camping fees be corrected and amended to indicate \$1,100.00. **Carried**

Amendment
Motion 058-25.

033-26. Brett Norum:
That motion 058-25 from March 2025 regular meeting minutes regarding Barrier Ford seasonal camping fees be corrected and amended to indicate \$1,100.00.

Carried

Amendment
Motion 060-25.

034-26. Steven Stewart:
That motion 060-25 from March 2025 regular meeting minutes regarding Barrier Ford seasonal storage site fees be corrected and amended to indicate \$200.00.

Carried

Barrier Ford
Seasonal Camping
Fees

035-26. Bert Desrosiers:
That council accepts the following fees for 2026 set by the Hamlet of Barrier Ford board for the purpose of seasonal camping:

Seasonal Camping Site	\$1,200.00 per year
Seasonal Camping Site Storage	\$100.00 per year

Carried

Barrier Ford
Seasonal Boat
Docking Fees

036-26. Steven Stewart:
That council accepts the following fees for 2026 set by the Hamlet of Barrier Ford board for the purpose of seasonal boat docking:

Seasonal Boat Docking Spot	\$325.00 per year
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Carried

Barrier Ford
Seasonal Storage
Site Fees

037-26. John Andris:
That council accepts the following fees for 2026 set by the Hamlet of Barrier Ford board for the purpose of seasonal storage Sites:

Seasonal Storage Sites	\$200.00 per year
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Carried

Marean Lake
Seasonal Boat
Docking Fees

038-26. Bert Desrosiers:
That council accept the following fees for 2026 set by the Marean Lake Advisory Committee for the purpose of seasonal boat docking:

Co-op Docking Spot:	\$300.00 per year	Pontoon Boat
	\$200.00 per year	Regular Boat
RM Docking Spot:	\$600.00 per year	Pontoon Boat
	\$400.00 per year	Regular Boat

Carried

Waste Disposal
Fees – Peesane

039-26. Bert Desrosiers:
That the waste disposal fees for the Peesane Waste Disposal Site be updated as follows:

- Garbage Bags \$2.00
- 1/4 Ton \$50.00
- 1/2 Ton up to 1 Ton \$150.00
- No longer allowing anything over 1 Ton

Carried

<u>Seasonal Employee Termination</u>	040-26. John Andris: That seasonal employees Jeff Smith and William Stewart be terminated due to shortage of work and the RM changing direction with regards to job descriptions and tasks effective immediately. Carried
<u>Purchase Headsets</u>	041-26. Todd Hamel: That headsets be purchased for all 5 outside employees for the purpose of safety while operating equipment. Carried
<u>SARM Voting Delegates</u>	042-26. Steven Stewart: That Reeve Todd Hamel and Councillor Brett Norum be appointed as voting delegates for the 2026 SARM Convention in March to be held in Regina. Carried
<u>Dev. Permit Kowal, Joell</u>	043-26. Jon Hudak: That the development permit application to move a 14’ x 24’ shed on Lot 20 Block 4, 416 Centre Street within the RM of Bjorkdale and the Unorganized Hamlet of Crooked River as submitted by Joell Kowal be approved. Carried
<u>Dev. Permit Hesje/ Carpenter</u>	044-26. Bert Desrosiers: That the development permit application to place a modular home on Lots 1 & 2 Block 4, 492 Centre Street within the RM of Bjorkdale and the Unorganized Hamlet of Crooked River as submitted by Harvey Hesje and Marilyn Carpenter be approved. Carried
<u>Dev. Permit RF Now Communications</u>	045-26. Brett Norum: That the development permit application to build a 12’ x 20’ telecommunications point of presence building, to house fiber equipment serving customers in surrounding areas, to be located on R, Plan No. BE1022 EXT 0 within the Hamlet of Chelan as submitted by Kayla Gillard of RFNow Communications Inc., be approved. Carried
<u>Road Maint. Agreement</u>	046-26. James Spedding: That we approve a road maintenance agreement, with the municipality responsible for maintenance, with Premier Tech Horticulture for hauling peat moss using municipal roads to various destinations within and through our RM. Allowable weights are the legal weights for the haul period in the province of Saskatchewan for municipal roads unless otherwise stated by the Rural Municipality. Carried
<u>Road Maint. Agreement</u>	047-26. John Andris: That we approve a road maintenance agreement, with the municipality responsible for maintenance, with RM of Lakeside for hauling using municipal roads from Hamel’s Pit located on SW 15-41-12-W2 straight South to the RM of Kelvington. Allowable weights are the legal weights for the haul period in the province of Saskatchewan for municipal roads unless otherwise stated by the Rural Municipality. Carried

Road Maint.
Agreement

- 048-26. Brett Norum:
That we approve a road maintenance agreement, with the municipality responsible for maintenance, with **Folden Construction** for hauling using municipal roads from Hamel’s pit located on SE 29-41-12-W2 and Folden / Trembley pit located on SW 28-41-12 W2 on various routes within and through the RM of Bjorkdale. Allowable weights are the legal weights for the haul period in the province of Saskatchewan for municipal roads, unless otherwise stated by the Rural Municipality. **Carried**

Road Maint.
Agreement

- 049-26. James Spedding:
That we approve a road maintenance agreement, with the municipality responsible for maintenance, with **Langenburg Redi-Mix** for hauling using municipal roads from Hamel’s Pit located on SE 29-41-12-W2 straight South to the RM of Kelvington. Allowable weights are the legal weights for the haul period in the province of Saskatchewan for municipal roads unless otherwise stated by the Rural Municipality. **Carried**

STARS
Annual Donation

- 050-26. Bert Desrosiers:
That the RM of Bjorkdale annually donate \$2,000.00 to STARS being that it an essential service to our area and that the list of annual payments be amended to include this donation. **Carried**

Correspondence

- 051-26. Steven Stewart:
That the correspondence as presented, having been read now be filed. **Carried**

Adjourned

- 052-26. Todd Hamel:
That the meeting be adjourned at 4:01 PM. **Carried**

Minutes approved by resolution of Council on the 19th day of March 2026.

Reeve

Administrator