

Rural Municipality of Lipton, No. 217
Regular Meeting Minutes
February 18, 2025

The Regular Meeting of the Council of the Rural Municipality of Lipton No. 217 was held at the Municipal Office located at 226 Main Street, Lipton on February 18, 2025 commencing at 9:03 a.m.

Present: Reeve:

Garnet Harman

Councillors:

Division 1: Bill Huber (Via Zoom)

Division 2: Darwin Huber

Division 3: Dale Czemereres

Division 4: Christopher Catto

Division 5: Twila Miller

Division 6: Tomas Arthur

Administrator:

Ronda Heisler

Call To Order

Reeve Harman called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

Conflict of Interest Declarations

No conflicts were declared

Approval/Additions/Deletions To the Agenda

Moved By: Councillor Darwin Huber

THAT the agenda be adopted with the following additions:

- 1) GPS for Graders and Tractor at the end of new business
- 2) In Camera to Discuss Human Resources after the Administrator Report

CARRIED

Council Reports

Moved By: Deputy Reeve Dale Czemereres

THAT the verbal Council reports be accepted.

CARRIED

Administration Report

Moved By: Councillor Christopher Catto

THAT Council accepts the Administrator report as presented.

CARRIED

In Camera

Moved By: Councillor Darwin Huber

THAT this meeting move to closed session at 9:24 a.m.
as per section 120 of *The Municipalities Act* and section 16(1)(b) of *The Local Authority Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* to discuss the following matters:
Human Resources

In Attendance:

Reeve

Garnet Harman

Division 1 Councillor

Bill Huber (Via Zoom)

Division 2 Councillor

Darwin Huber

Division 3 Councillor

Dale Czemereres

Division 4 Councillor

Christopher Catto

Division 5 Councillor

Twila Miller

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CARRIED

Revert to Open Meeting

Moved By: Councillor Tomas Arthur

2025/035

THAT Council revert to an open meeting at 9:42 a.m.

CARRIED

January 21, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes

Moved By: Councillor Christopher Catto

2025/036

THAT the January 21st, 2025 Regular Council Meeting minutes be approved as presented.

CARRIED

Delegation - 9:45 a.m. MLA Travis Kesig for Last Mountain-Touchwood

To discuss various topics such as Tariffs, Trade Barriers, derelict buildings and propane furnace rebates.

MLA Travis Kesig left the meeting at 10:53 a.m.

Statement of Financial Activities

Moved By: Deputy Reeve Dale Czemerer

2025/037

THAT the Statement of Financial Activities for the month of January 2025 be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

Bank Reconciliations

Moved By: Councillor Twila Miller

2025/038

THAT the RCU and RBC Bank Reconciliations and Collabria Mastercard statement for the month of January 2025 be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

List of Accounts for Approval

Moved By: Councillor Tomas Arthur

2025/039

THAT Council approves the List of Accounts for Approval as presented including Cheque No. 5580 to 5590 and other online payments 2025-0019 to 2025-0030 totaling \$45,166.95 and Mastercard totaling \$155.40. This report shall be attached hereto and form part of these minutes.

CARRIED

Delegation - 11:00 a.m. Ross Fisher Executive Director of The Health Foundation of East Central Sask.

To discuss funding for the new hospital in Yorkton.

Ross Fisher left the meeting at 11:34 a.m.

Councillor Catto left the meeting at 11:38 a.m.

Janitor Fees Increase

Moved By: Councillor Twila Miller

2025/040

THAT Council approves of the Janitor Fees being increased to \$200.00 a month effective immediately.

CARRIED

Discussion on Municipal Office General Condition

Moved By: Councillor Bill Huber

2025/041

THAT the Reeve is given approval to explore obtaining quotes on the cost of drawings from an engineer or draftsman for an addition to the office. Two quotes should be

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obtained for 2 scenarios one with just a stand-alone addition or an addition that would have another space for another municipality.

CARRIED

Change Date of March Meeting

Moved By: Councillor Tomas Arthur

2025/042

THAT Council changes the date of the March regular meeting to April 1st, 2025.

CARRIED

Rescind Resolution 2024-326 Appointing Parkland Library Representative

Moved By: Councillor Tomas Arthur

2025/043

THAT Council rescinds resolution 2024/326.

CARRIED

Appoint Parkland Regional Library RM Representative & Indemnity for Representative

Moved By: Councillor Twila Miller

2025/044

THAT Council appoints Marie-Anne Gyorfí as the Rural Municipality of Lipton No. 217's Parkland Library board representative. Furthermore, Marie-Anne is to be paid the same indemnity and mileage as set by the 2025 Council indemnity.

CARRIED

SARM Annual Convention Attendees & Voting Delegate

Moved By: Deputy Reeve Dale Czemereres

2025/045

THAT Reeve Harman and Councillor Darwin Huber attend the SARM annual convention. Furthermore, Reeve Harman and Councillor Darwin Huber are the voting delegate for the RM at the SARM convention.

CARRIED

SMHI Annual General Meeting Voting Delegate

Moved By: Deputy Reeve Dale Czemereres

2025/046

THAT Council appoints Reeve Garnet Harman as the voting delegate at the SMHI annual general meeting.

CARRIED

2025 WCB Rates

Moved By: Councillor Twila Miller

2025/047

THAT the Worker's Compensation Rates for 2025 be acknowledged as \$1.33 per \$100.00 of assessable payroll for G3109 employees and that the Council of the Rural Municipality of Lipton #217 is also covered at a rate of \$80,000.00.

CARRIED

2024 Draft Audited Financial Statements

Moved By: Councillor Twila Miller

2025/048

THAT Council approves the 2024 draft audited financial statements as presented.

CARRIED

Board of Revision Secretary Fee Increase

Moved By: Councillor Twila Miller

2025/049

THAT Council approves of the fee increase for the Board of Revision Secretary to \$35.00 per hour.

CARRIED

Contract WSP to Perform Environmental Services for the Strasbourg Project

Moved By: Deputy Reeve Dale Czemereres

2025/050

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THAT the Rural Municipality of Lipton No. 217 contract WSP Canada Inc. to provide environmental services to support regulatory compliance for the Strasbourg Grid reconstruction project located North of 20,21-24-14-W2.

CARRIED

RIRG Approved Project Strasbourg Grid N 23,22-24-14W2

Moved By: Councillor Twila Miller

2025/051

THAT the RM was selected to receive the Rural Integrated Roads for Growth Program funding with \$182,739.25 funding to resurface the Strasboug Grid North of N 22,23-24-14-W2. It is acknowledged the RIRG program made an error in the amount of funds allocated therefore, once the Administrator receives the new proposal from RIRG covering 50% of the project costs being \$365,478.50 the Reeve and Administrator are hereby authorized to sign the Rural Integrated Roads for Growth Capital Project Agreement.

CARRIED

Acknowledge Receipt of Heritage Resources Impact Assessment from WF Botkin Construction Ltd.

Moved By: Councillor Tomas Arthur

2025/052

THAT Council acknowledges the receipt of the heritage resources impact assessment results from WF Botkin for their gravel pits that were conditionally approved for development permits in 2021 at NW & SW-14-24-15-W2 once the assessment was approved by the Heritage Conservation Branch.

CARRIED

Request from Ratepayer to Develop Road and Approach

Moved By: Councillor Bill Huber

2025/053

THAT Division 1 Councillor is to obtain quotes to build up the road West of Section 17-23-13-W2 as well as install an approach on the north end of NE-20-23-13-W2.

CARRIED

Purchase Mower

Moved By: Councillor Darwin Huber

2025/054

WHEREAS, the Rural Municipality of Lipton No. 217 called for quotes to purchase a 2024 Schulte XH1500 S5 rotary cutter and a 2024 Schulte FLX-1510 flex arm. Whereas Council has reviewed the quote packages from Flaman's, Pattison, and PMC Sales. THEREFORE, be it resolved, that the R.M. of Lipton No. 217 purchases the following from Pattison Agriculture Limited at a cost before taxes of \$78,000.00:
1 - 2024 Schulte FLX-1510 Flex Arm, serial number A10520915408
1 - 2024 Schulte XH1500 S5 Rotary Cutter, serial number C35020834412

CARRIED

Councillor Bill Huber left the meeting at 1:12 p.m.

Green Light Tractor

Moved By: Councillor Twila Miller

2025/055

THAT the JD tractor be scheduled for a green light inspection at the same time that the tractor goes to Pattison Agriculture to get the mower set up to it.

CARRIED

2025 Dust Control

Moved By: Councillor Darwin Huber

2025/056

That the 2025 dust control product be the DL 10 – 40% from Read on Roads. . Furthermore, the Administrator is to issue a letter to residents informing them of the dust control option and that the RM policy will be followed as to the cost share of the product, and that the responses for dust control be filed with the office by April 1st, 2025.

CARRIED

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