

MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF NEEPAWA REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD TUESDAY, APRIL 7, 2026, AT 5:30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, NEEPAWA MUNICIPAL OFFICE, 275 HAMILTON ST., NEEPAWA, MB

Present: Mayor Hedley, Deputy Mayor Parrott, Councillors Gerrard, Kostenchuk, Nadeau and Sisley, CAO Colleen Synchyshyn, Manager of Operations Denis Saquet, Asset Management Co-ordinator Kara Sylvester

Regrets: Councillor Clark

Guests: Jessica Omen – NACTV, Eoin Devereaux – Neepawa Banner & Press

1.. Approval of Agenda

Resolution No: 2026-51

Gerrard/Parrott

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the Regular Meeting agenda for April 7, 2026.

CARRIED

2. Approval of Minutes

Resolution No: 2026-52

Parrott/Nadeau

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held March 17, 2026, as circulated.

CARRIED

3. Presentations/Delegations/Public Hearings – Nil.

4. Council Reports

4.1 Councillor Sisley

- Spring Cleanup is scheduled for May 30th and a First Aid & CPR course for May 30th & 31st.
- Assiniboine College is hosting a virtual informational session of April 8th for the LPN training in 2027.

4.2 Councillor Nadeau

- Westlake Employment Skills and Services - exploring new technology to assist clients in searching for employment, completing resume's, etc.
- Rossburn Subdivision Trails Association – Working on new trailhead signs; pursuing funding from the Off-Road Recreational Vehicle Grant program; working on brochures to have available in the warming huts along the trail; and the RM of Rosedale is in the process of installing culverts under the DFA program.

4.3 Councillor Gerrard

- The heating system at the County Court House has been repaired and the committee is looking at a installing a monitoring system to flag issues with the heating system that may occur on weekends.
- An engineer visited the building and other than a groundwater issue, the building is in good shape and no concerns were noted. Pumps were replaced to lower the groundwater.

5. Department Reports

5.1 Manager of Operations Denis Saquet

- Sewer and water installation continues in Phase 1 of the new 58-acre development.
- Manitoba Hydro is currently on-site to install the required services and streetlights for the development east of Neepawa.

6. Correspondence

6.1 Beautiful Plains Community Theatre – Request for financial support

- Having missed the 2026 grant intake, Council directed Administration to review the request based on the ability to accommodate this funding request within the small grant appropriation.

6.2 Canadian History Ehx – Community History Video Partnership

- Craig Baird, the creator and host of Canadian History Ehx, one of Canada’s leading history podcasts and radio programs is reaching out to see if Neepawa would be interested in participating in the documentation of Neepawa and its history.
- It was recommended that this correspondence be forwarded for consideration through the Economic Development office or the Tourism Committee.

7. Finance

7.1 Accounts – March 2026

Resolution No: 2026-53

Kostenchuk/Parrott

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the accounts for March 2026, totalling \$914,058.34, as reviewed and representing electronic fund transfers #2135 to #2221 and cheques #202600145 to #202600216, but excluding #202600156 and #202600210.

CARRIED

Mayor Hedley and Councillor Gerrard declared a conflict for the following resolution; vacated the room, returning at the close of discussion and debate. Deputy Mayor Parrott presided.

7.2 Accounts – March 2026 (HH & Co-op)

Resolution No: 2026-54

Nadeau/Sisley

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve cheque #202600156 and #202600210 for March 2026 to Home Hardware and Neepawa Gladstone Co-op totalling \$7,965.53.

CARRIED

7.3 Add Outstanding Utility Accounts to Taxes

Resolution No: 2026-55

WHEREAS Section 252 (2) of The Municipal Act authorizes a municipality to collect debts in the same manner as a tax may be collected or enforced under the Act;

AND WHEREAS there are outstanding utility charges which remain unpaid or uncollectible;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT that we approve the addition of the following outstanding utility accounts to the property tax roll:

Roll Number	Utility Account Number	Amount Outstanding
7000004	10500000	\$593.12
50025000	142150000	\$150.00
50900003	26800000	\$279.31
54800003	47100000	\$1,384.58
99900001	142150000	\$87.09
300522011	141732000	\$76.24
300669000	1450000	\$119.08
300684000	1450000	\$80.27
300799002	67000000	\$100.83
90500005	58400000	\$62.88

CARRIED

8. Unfinished Business - Nil

9. **New Business**

9.1 **Change Date of Council Meeting**

Resolution No: 2026-56

Kostenchuk/Parrott

BE IT RESOLVED THAT due to scheduling conflicts, the public hearings and regular meeting of Council scheduled for April 21, 2026, be now held on April 20, 2026.

CARRIED

10. **By-Laws** - Nil

11. **Other Business** – Nil

12. **Adjournment**

Resolution No: 2026-57

Parrott/Kostenchuk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we now adjourn this Regular Meeting of Council at 5:49 pm.

CARRIED



Mayor – Brian Hedley



CAO – Colleen Synchshyn