

MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF NEEPAWA REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD TUESDAY, JANUARY 6, 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 Clark, Gerrard, Kostenchuk, Nadeau and Sisley, CAO Colleen Synchyshyn, Manager of Operations Denis Saquet, Asset Management Co-ordinator Kara Sylvester

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

1. Approval of Agenda

Resolution No: 2026-1

Clark/Parrott

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the Regular Meeting agenda for January 6, 2026.

CARRIED

2. Approval of Minutes

Resolution No: 2026-2

Sisley/Gerrard

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the minutes of the Public Hearing and Regular Meeting held December 16, 2025, as circulated.

CARRIED

3. Presentations/Delegations/Public Hearings

3.1 S. Sgt. Andrew Cowan, Area Commander, Spruce Plains RCMP

- Reviewed December statistics - traffic stops only resulted in a single roadside suspension.
- The Neepawa Detachment now serves as a “safe exchange zone” for people buying/selling items.
- All municipal RCMP positions are currently filled with one rural vacancy. The vacant Detachment Clerk position has received approval for filling and will be advertising in the near future.
- An application has been sent to the Criminal Property Forfeiture Fund to obtain funding to install speed display signage on PTH 16.

3.2 Arts Forward – Ron Nordstrom & Diane Martin

- Provided a summary of the 2025 operating year which showcased how Arts Forward has evolved to include tourism and recreational components. Requesting funding in amount of \$25,000 for 2026.

4. Council Reports

4.1 Councillor Sisley – Health Action Committee

- Met earlier to talk about actions in 2026 to support health care workers, including resident doctors.

4.2 Councillor Nadeau – Rossburn Subdivision Trails Association

- Currently working on policies and will be applying for grants to assist with trail sign replacements.

4.3 Deputy Mayor Parrott

- Extended appreciation to Public Works for their attention to snow clearing and keeping the streets clear.

4.4 Councillor Kostenchuk – Home Assistance Neepawa & District (HAND)

- Chili fundraiser set for January 23rd at Arts Forward; seniors foot clinic scheduled for February.

5. Department Reports

5.1 Manager of Operations Denis Saquet

- A new water main is being installed adjacent to the public works yard as a start to the necessary utility installations for the new development. Further extensions are in the planning stages for tender.
- Working on implementing a grease program. Details will be forthcoming.
- The new well at Oberon is finally in line for commissioning in the next few weeks.

6. Correspondence

6.1 Multi-Material Stewardship Manitoba – 2026 Recycling Rebate

- Neepawa to receive \$87,351.79 for 2026, as well as an in-kind advertising credit in amount of \$3,390.51.

6.2 Neepawa and District Disabled Persons Association

- Letter requesting Council to once again support a funding request of \$1.80 per capita for 2026.

7. Finance

7.1 Accounts – December 2025

Resolution No: 2026-3

Kostenchuk/Gerrard

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the accounts for December 2025, totalling \$981,389.74, as reviewed and representing electronic fund transfers #1839 to #1967 and cheques #2025000954 to #2025001025, but excluding #2025000975 and #2025001015.

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 – December 2025 (HH & Co-op)

Resolution No: 2026-4

Sisley/Nadeau

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve cheque #2025000975 and #2025001015 for December 2025 to Home Hardware and Neepawa Gladstone Co-op totalling \$5,475.39.

CARRIED

7.3 Tax Sale for 2026

Resolution No: 2026-5

Gerrard/Clark

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we hereby designate 2025 as the year which properties in arrears will be offered for sale by the way of public auction; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the tax sale be held November 4, 2026 at 2:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Town of Neepawa at 275 Hamilton St., Neepawa, Manitoba, with TAXservice appointed to manage the tax sale process and conduct the proceedings on behalf of the Town.

CARRIED

8. Unfinished Business – Nil

9. New Business

9.1 Lease – Neepawa Municipal Airport

Resolution No: 2026-6

Parrott/Kostenchuk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we authorize the Mayor and CAO to renew the Airport Farming Agreement with The Yellowhead Farming Committee for the five-year period from January 2026 - December 31, 2030 at a rate of \$25/acre.

CARRIED

9.2 Appoint Weed Inspectors

Resolution No: 2026-7

Sisley/Parrott

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we hereby appoint Scott Boxall and Matthew Barrett as Weed Inspectors for the Town of Neepawa for 2026.

CARRIED

9. **By-Laws** - Nil

10. **Other Business** - Nil

11. **Adjournment**

Resolution No: 2026-8

Kostenchuk/Nadeau

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we now adjourn this Regular Meeting of Council at 6:13 pm.

CARRIED



Mayor – Brian Hedley



CAO – Colleen Sychyshyn

MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF NEEPAWA REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD TUESDAY, JANUARY 20, 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 Clark, Gerrard, Nadeau and Sisley, CAO Colleen Synchyshyn, Manager of Operations Denis Saquet, Asset Management Co-ordinator Kara Sylvester

Regrets: Councillor Kostenchuk

Guests: Rrain Prior – NACTV, Eoin Devereaux – Neepawa Banner & Press

1. Approval of Agenda

Resolution No: 2026-9

Nadeau/Parrott

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the Regular Meeting agenda for January 20, 2026.

CARRIED

2. Approval of Minutes

Resolution No: 2026-10

Gerrard/Clark

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held January 6, 2026, as circulated.

CARRIED

3. Presentations/Delegations/Public Hearings - Nil

4. Council Reports

4.1 Deputy Mayor Parrott

- Along with various community stakeholders, met with Prairie Mountain Health (Treena Slate, Glenda Short and Stacey Wilson) to receive health region updates.
- Participated in consultant interviews for a review of the NAPD Development Plan.
- Yvonne Sisley has been named a finalist for a Travel Manitoba Tourism Award in recognition of outstanding contributions made to the tourism industry in promoting Manitoba (Neepawa).

4.2 Councillor Sisley

- The Neepawa Health Action Committee recently met with the group from Carberry to talk about regional efforts in support of health care. Also participated in a Recreation and Economic Development meeting and Handivan meeting.

4.3 Councillor Gerrard - Finance & General Government Committee

- Discussions for the 2026 budget have begun. The committee is currently reviewing unfinished and upcoming projects as well as grant requests. These expenses will assist in determining how to balance the budget taking into account new assessment.

4.4 Councillor Nadeau

- Participated in a meeting of the Spruce Plains Justice Committee.

4.5 Councillor Clark – Yellowhead Centre

- The 2026 budget was approved. Currently reviewing sponsorship and marketing opportunities and will be looking at memberships, ice rentals and other rental rates at the next meeting.

5. Department Reports

5.1 Director of Recreational Services - Cassandra Noonan-Robinson

- Highlights from 2025 – 11 grants applied for and received; 56 programs held with 756 pre-registrations; 793 swimming lessons; 209 day camp registrations; 916 campground bookings.
- Looking at introducing new programs in 2026, including evening activities at the pool, continuing with age friendly dances and acquiring Kobo readers for use by seniors.

5.2 Economic Development Officer - Marilyn Crewe

- A few 2025 notables – 2 Storefront Improvement applications; website improvements; housing information added to the website; two new billboards; 7 new businesses, Habitat for Humanity house built; succession of the BP Museum; 22 new builds (up from 10 in 2024).
- 2026 Focus – Storefront improvement program to continue. Preparing for the business walk as part of the Business Retention and Expansion program and working on the immigration initiative with Brandon, as well as the marketing of lots and the exploration of educational opportunities for 2026, including Adult Education and preparation for the LPN program in 2027.

5.3 Manager of Operations Denis Saquet

- Staff have been busy with snow clearing operations.
- Work continues at the new well site with the intent to complete the commissioning of the project.
- Strong winds have once again disrupted the communication tower at the water treatment plant.
- Working on the 2026 budget with a major focus on Phase 1 of Project 320.

6. Correspondence

6.1 Statistics Canada

- Currently hiring for the next Population Census to take place in May 2026. Visit: census.gc.ca/jobs.

7. Finance - Nil

8. Unfinished Business – Nil

9. New Business

9.1 Appoint Senior Election Official – 2026 General Municipal Election (October 28, 2026)

Resolution No: 2026-11

Parrott/Sisley

WHEREAS Section 10(1) of *The Municipal Councils and School Boards Elections Act* requires a municipality to appoint a Senior Election Official (SEO) who will be responsible to manage and conduct all aspects of a municipal election;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT Colleen Synchyshyn be hereby appointed to the position of SEO for the Town of Neepawa for the 2026 General Municipal Election.

CARRIED

9.2 Chamber of Commerce Fair May 22 to 24, 2026

Resolution No: 2026-12

Sisley/Clark

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Neepawa and District Chamber of Commerce Fair scheduled for May 22 - 24, 2026 be declared as a Town of Neepawa community event.

CARRIED

9.3 Subdivision 4437-25-8767 – Town of Neepawa

Resolution No: 2026-13

Gerrard/Nadeau

WHEREAS the Town of Neepawa intends to create 3 parcels from an existing 1.07-acre property currently zoned as institutional and containing a museum building, a garage and a rail car;

AND WHEREAS to maximize the use of space, this subdivision will require the closure of a portion of public lane on the north and east side of the property;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Town of Neepawa approve Subdivision 4437-25-8767 to provide a dedicated 0.39 acres for the continued use of the Beautiful Plains Museum and divide the remaining property into two lots being 0.50 acres and 0.27 acres in size; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT as a condition of this subdivision, Council obtain the required approvals to close those portions of public lane outlined in the subdivision application.

CARRIED

9.4 Project 320 – New Lift Station & Forcemain – Contract Administration Services

Resolution No: 2026-14

Sisley/Parrott

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we accept the proposal of Associated Engineering for contract administration services for construction and post-construction services for contract 1 of the new lift station and forcemain respecting the Project 320 development for an upset fee of \$173,425.00 plus applicable taxes.

CARRIED

9.5 Water & Sewer Services – Project 320 – Part 1 of Phase 1

Resolution No: 2026-15

Nadeau/Parrott

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we accept the proposed rates of Rob Smith and Son Backhoe & Trucking Ltd. to proceed with the installation of utility services into the eastern part of a 58-acre subdivision initiated by the Town of Neepawa and identified as Phase 1 of Project 320.

CARRIED

10. By-Laws - Nil

11. Other Business - Nil

12. Adjournment

Resolution No: 2026-16

Clark/Nadeau

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we now adjourn this Regular Meeting of Council at 6:08 pm.

CARRIED



Mayor – Brian Hedley

CAO – Colleen Synchyn

MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF NEEPAWA REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2026, AT 5:30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, NEEPAWA MUNICIPAL OFFICE, 275 HAMILTON ST., NEEPAWA, MB

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

Regrets: Deputy Mayor Parrott

Guests: Rrain Prior – NACTV

1. Approval of Agenda

Resolution No: 2026-17

Kostenchuk/Gerrard

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the Regular Meeting agenda for February 3, 2026.

CARRIED

2. Approval of Minutes

Resolution No: 2026-18

Sisley/Clark

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held January 20, 2026, as circulated.

CARRIED

3. Presentations/Delegations/Public Hearings – Nil.

4. Council Reports

4.1 Councillor Sisley

- Encouraged the public to participate in the 'Love Where You Live Event' with a variety of activities promoting Neepawa throughout the month of February.

4.2 Councillor Nadeau

- Westlake Employments Skills and Services held their AGM – continues to advocate for funding.
- New computers are being sourced for the library; an application will be sent for approval of a Green Team Student; 65% of the local borrowing relates to 4% of the users who are non-resident.
- Rossburn Subdivision Trails Association – AGM scheduled for March 2nd; adopted revised by-laws; currently focused on re-doing and improving sections of the trail.

4.3 Councillor Kostenchuk – County Court Building

- Met to discuss the 2026 budget, the buildings condition, and opportunities that would attract renters.

5. Department Reports

5.1 Manager of Operations Denis Saquet

- Staff have been working on snow clean-up and building a complement of new barricades.
- Construction work continues over at the Project 320 site.

6. Correspondence

6.1 Westlake Employment Skills and Service

- Letter to thank the municipal partners for support. The Partnership Funds still have a balance of \$1,903.92 and as a result, the Board will not be seeking additional funding.

7. Finance

7.1 Accounts – January 2026

Resolution No: 2026-19

Clark/Nadeau

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the accounts for January 2026, totalling \$1,393,072.75, as reviewed and representing electronic fund transfers #1968 to #2055 and cheques #202600001 to #202600079, but excluding #202600018 and #202600052.

CARRIED

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

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

Resolution No: 2026-20

Kostenchuk/Clark

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve cheque #202600018 and #202600052 for January 2026 to Home Hardware and Neepawa Gladstone Co-op totalling \$10,429.11.

CARRIED

8. Unfinished Business – Nil

9. New Business

9.1 Approval to Host Fireworks Displays – February 15th & July 1st, 2026

Resolution No: 2026-21

Sisley/Kostenchuk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we hereby approve the hosting of a fireworks display at the Flats/Riverbend Park in Neepawa, Manitoba on February 15, 2026, in celebration of the Winter Festival, and on July 1, 2026, in celebration of Canada Day.

CARRIED

9.2 Authorize Destruction of Nuisance Birds and Vermin

Resolution No: 2026-22

Gerrard/Kostenchuk

WHEREAS certain species of birds such as crows and pigeons; and vermin such as beavers and gophers, pose a public nuisance and a danger to the public; and

WHEREAS Council deems it necessary to protect the community and its residents by shooting those certain species that pose a public nuisance and a health risk;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Town of Neepawa authorize Chad Campbell, Jake Birch, Matthew Barrett, Sheldon Enns and Zachary Enns, through direction and consultation with the local Police Detachment and the CAO, to discharge firearms for this purpose, within Town limits during the 2026 year.

CARRIED

9. By-Laws - Nil

10. Other Business - Nil

11. Adjournment

Resolution No: 2026-23

Kostenchuk/Nadeau

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we now adjourn this Regular Meeting of Council at 5:43 pm.

CARRIED



Mayor – Brian Hedley



CAO – Colleen Synchishyn

MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF NEEPAWA REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 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 Clark, Gerrard, Kostenchuk and Nadeau, CAO Colleen Synchyshyn

Regrets: Councillor Sisley

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

5:00 p.m. – 5:30 P.M. – Committee of the Whole

In-Camera

Resolution No: 2026-24

Parrott/Nadeau

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we do now sit a “Committee of Whole In-Camera” at 5:00 p.m. to discuss strategic planning and development matters.

CARRIED

Adjourn In-Camera

Resolution No: 2026-25

Kostenchuk/Clark

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we do now adjourn the “In-Camera” session at 5:23 p.m.

CARRIED

1. 5:30 p.m. Approval of Agenda

Resolution No: 2026-26

Nadeau/Kostenchuk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the Regular Meeting agenda for February 17, 2026.

CARRIED

2. Approval of Minutes

Resolution No: 2026-27

Clark/Parrott

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held February 3, 2026, as circulated.

CARRIED

3. Presentations/Delegations/Public Hearings – Nil.

4. Council Reports

4.1 Councillor Nadeau – Spruce Plains Justice Committee

- The Committee has been discussing how to improve their visibility within the community.

4.2 Councillor Gerrard – Finance & General Government

- Continue to work on the 2026 budget based on maintaining existing service levels while still progressing with growth and development projects. To minimize the need to borrow funds and ensure that the burden of development does not significantly impact the Town’s residents, budgetary discussions focus on utilizing a balanced approach to managing the Town’s growth.

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4.3 Councillor Kostenchuk – Home Assistance Neepawa & District

- Working through issues whereby the signal strength and connection for the lifeline units is not functioning as intended. This issue may need to be addressed by hardwiring the units.

4.4 Councillor Clark

- Yellowhead Centre Board - has been discussing the struggles they are having with aging infrastructure and the importance of looking after the existing facility pending any possibility of a new facility.
- Recreation and Economic Development Committee – discussed upcoming programs for 2026.
- Attended a meeting with the executive members of the Fire Department to discuss budgetary needs, etc.

5. Department Reports - Nil

6. Correspondence

6.1 Manitoba Public Insurance – 2026 Firefighting Rates

- Effective March 1, 2026, a basic call rate will increase from \$1,085 to \$1,125; a complex call rate will increase from \$1,450 to \$1,503; and securing the scene rate will increase from \$81.26/hr to \$84.27/hr to a maximum of \$252.79. These changes reflect a 3.7% increase from 2025.

6.2 Hamilton Street – Speed Bump Request

- Correspondence was received from Mr. Shawn Buchanan who resides on Hamilton Street expressing concern regarding the speed of vehicles travelling on this street. Similar to Davidson Street, he requests council to consider installing a speed bump to slow traffic down from spring to fall. Council to review this request as part of the 2026 budget.

6.3 Trans Canada Trail

- Neepawa's application for the trail care grant was approved to a maximum of \$2,000.

7. Finance

7.1 Beautiful Plains Recreation Commission – Update Signing Authorities

Resolution No: 2026-28

Parrott/Kostenchuk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we update the signing authorities for the Beautiful Plains Recreation Commission by removing former Mayor Blake McCutcheon.

CARRIED

8. Unfinished Business – Nil

9. New Business

9.1 Storefront Improvement Incentive Program – 2026 Intake – Orv's Appliance

Resolution No: 2026-29

Clark/Kostenchuk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve an application to the Storefront Improvement Program submitted by Aaron VanDenBussche of Orv's Appliance to update the windows and stucco on the second level of the storefront with metal siding at 396 Mountain Ave. Incentive provided at 50% of the total cost and equating to \$4,356.00.

CARRIED

9.2 Amending Policy – Disposal & Tipping Fees at Evergreen

Resolution No: 2026-30

Parrott/Gerrard

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Policy OP-015 be updated to reflect and increase of \$5.00 per tonne for construction & demolition material (now \$88.00/tonne), hog hair (now \$130.00/tonne) and contaminated recycling (now \$255.00/tonne)

CARRIED

9.3 Cemetery Trees – Maintenance and Replacement

- Council discussed a proposal received from Cemetery Chargehand Matthew Barrett to start a tree program at the cemetery to eradicate the spider mites and insects that have infested the spruce trees. The older trees are nearing the end of their life span and some of them are too far gone to save. Channeling is evident under the bark where the larvae of bark beetles are prominent. This information supported by Gontree Tree Service Ltd who inspected the trees in August 2025.
- The program would involve a regular application of Safer Insecticidal Soap to the younger trees to save them, and a removal of the large older trees which are beyond saving. The intent is to remove 40 older trees per year over the next 5 years. The largest trees, and those that would cause the most damage (if they fell), will be removed in the first few years with the aid of a professional tree service.
- The smaller trees would continue to be sprayed, and replacement trees planted to ensure a reasonable canopy of healthy trees throughout the cemetery.
- Council expressed an understanding of the condition of the older trees and acknowledged their concerns that several of the older trees are strewn throughout the cemetery amongst the monuments and headstones. With the trees aging and becoming more susceptible to damage during high wind events, proceeding with the proposed tree program will mitigate the potential for damage to property that cannot be easily replaced (headstones and monuments).
- Council to consider designating the required funding in the 2026 budget, which can be covered by the Cemetery Reserve. Mr. Barrett to be asked to outline in greater detail his methodology for proceeding.

9. By-Laws - Nil

10. Other Business

- Thankyou to staff and volunteers for a successful Family Day on February 15, 2026.
- Appreciation and well wishes to Cassandra Noonan-Robinson who will be leaving her position as Director of Recreation Services to pursue a new career path.

11. Adjournment

Resolution No: 2026-31

Kostenchuk/Nadeau

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we now adjourn this Regular Meeting of Council at 5:54 pm.

CARRIED



Mayor – Brian Hedley

CAO – Colleen Synchishyn

MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF NEEPAWA REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD TUESDAY, MARCH 3, 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 Clark, Gerrard, Kostenchuk, Nadeau and Sisley, CAO Colleen Synchyshyn, Manager of Operations Denis Saquet, Asset Management Co-ordinator Kara Sylvester

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

5:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. Committee of the Whole

- Preliminary 2026 budget review and discussions.

1.. Approval of Agenda

Resolution No: 2026-32

Clark/Kostenchuk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the Regular Meeting agenda for March 3, 2026.

CARRIED

2. Approval of Minutes

Resolution No: 2026-33

Gerrard/Nadeau

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

CARRIED

3. Presentations/Delegations/Public Hearings – Nil.

4. Council Reports

4.1 Councillor Sisley

- The Health Action Committee sponsored a successful games night on March 2nd for the resident doctors and their families.
- 187 job seekers attended the Job Fair on March 2nd to speak with the 18 businesses in attendance.
- Reminder of the Emergency Medical Responder (EMR) information sessions on March 24th.

4.2 Councillor Nadeau

- Westlake Employments Skills and Services – working on policy development and attended the Job Fair.
- Interesting statistics show that the use of e-resources for the regional libraries has doubled since 2016.
- As part of the Age Friendly funding, the local library will be the recipient of computers, kobo readers and a printer for use by the senior population.

4.3 Deputy Mayor Parrott

- Attended the Tourism AGM; HyLife was the recipient of the Business of the Year Award.

5. Department Reports

5.1 Manager of Operations Denis Saquet

- The first section of watermain installs for Phase 1 of Project 320 is 95% complete with sewer mains progressing in the next week. Services will be stubbed out for the proposed lots.
- Working on resolving issues with the runway lights at the airport.
- Seasonal positions have been posted.

6. Correspondence

6.1 RCMP Report/Crime Statistics – February 2026

- Received as information and filed.

7. Finance

7.1 Accounts – February 2026

Resolution No: 2026-34

Gerrard/Parrott

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the accounts for February 2026, totalling \$1,543,986.04, as reviewed and representing electronic fund transfers #2056 to #2132 and cheques #202600080 to #202600144, but excluding #202600091 and #202600118.

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 – February 2026 (HH & Co-op)

Resolution No: 2026-35

Sisley/Kostenchuk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve cheque #202600091 and #202600118 for February 2026 to Home Hardware and Neepawa Gladstone Co-op totalling \$10,933.04.

CARRIED

7.3 Year-End Surplus Transfers for 2025

- At close of the 2025 year, the General Operating budget had a surplus of \$1,023,470.66 attributable to projects that remained uncompleted at year-end due to seasonal delays or timing. Such projects include street renewals for Adelaide Street, Second Ave. From Mill St. to Hamilton Street and new road work on the east side of Neepawa in SW 34-14-15W.
- The Utility Operating budget closed with a surplus of \$263,230.06 also as a result of uncompleted renewals on Adelaide and Second Ave, as well as new sewer and water infrastructure.
- Recommendation of Administration to transfer the surpluses into reserves to close the 2025 year and return them back into the 2026 budget to offset these costs.

Resolution No: 2026-36

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the transfer of the year-end unaudited General Operating Fund surplus of \$1,023,470.66 to the Building and Land Reserve and the Utility Operating Surplus of \$263,230.06 to the Utility Sewage and Collection Reserve; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the transfers be net of any year-end audit adjusting entries.

CARRIED

7.4 December 2025 Financial Statements

Resolution No: 2026-37

Gerrard/Parrott

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the unaudited financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2025.

CARRIED

8. Unfinished Business

8.1 Hamilton Street Bridge Evaluation

- Tetra Tech has completed their inspection of the Hamilton Street Bridge as well as performing superstructure load rating services. High level findings propose that the bridge rail posts need to be replaced; the asphaltic top needs to be replaced; the bridge requires posting for reduced capacity; and that the bridge is close to the end of its useful life and Council should be planning for its replacement.
- All information is based on the current condition which may be impacted if and when future traffic patterns are altered on Hamilton Street. Tetra Tech recommends replacing the guard rail posts and the asphalt at an estimated cost of \$92,580.75 and inspecting the bridge every four years.

- Council in agreement to proceed with works to replace the posts and asphalt; install the required signage and engage in discussions that will outline a plan for the inevitable replacement of this bridge.

9. New Business

9.1 Updating the Personnel Policy PER #010

Resolution No: 2026-38

Sisley/Kostenchuk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Personnel Policy PER #010 be approved as updated and re-indexed as Policy AD-075.

CARRIED

10. By-Laws

10.1 By-Law 3238-26 Close Part Public Lane Plan 65638 in SW 33-14-15WPM – 1st Reading

Resolution No: 2026-39

Gerrard/Kostenchuk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 3238-26, being a By-law of the Town of Neepawa to close Part Public Lane Plan 65638 in SW 33-14-15 WPM and transfer that portion so closed to the Town of Neepawa to consolidate with Lot 2 of Subdivision 4437-25-8767, be now read for a first time.

CARRIED

11. Other Business

- Congratulations extended to Tim Speiss who, in advance of the meeting, was presented with a Manitoba Association of Fire Chiefs Long Service Award reflecting 25 years of service as a firefighter on the Neepawa Fire Department. The certificate and medal was presented by Mayor Hedley and Fire Chief Guillas.

12. In-Camera

Resolution No: 2026-40

Nadeau/Kostenchuk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we do now sit as a "Committee of the Whole In-Camera" at 5:57 p.m. to discuss personnel and development matters.

CARRIED

Resolution No: 2026-41

Kostenchuk/Nadeau

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we do now adjourn the "In-Camera" session at 7:04 p.m.

13. Adjournment

Resolution No: 2026-42

Parrott/Sisley

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we now adjourn this Regular Meeting of Council at 7:05 pm.

CARRIED



Mayor – Brian Hedley



CAO – Colleen Synchyshyn

MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF NEEPAWA REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD TUESDAY, MARCH 17, 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 Clark, Gerrard, Kostenchuk, Nadeau and Sisley, CAO Colleen Synchyshyn, Manager of Operations Denis Saquet, Asset Management Co-ordinator Kara Sylvester

Guests: Rrain Prior – NACTV

5:00 p.m. – 5:30 P.M. – Committee of the Whole

In-Camera

Parrott/Kostenchuk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we do now sit a “Committee of Whole In-Camera” at 5:00 p.m. to discuss strategic planning and development matters.

CARRIED

Adjourn In-Camera

Gerrard/Sisley

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we do now adjourn the “In-Camera” session at 5:27 p.m.

CARRIED

1. 5:30 p.m. Approval of Agenda

Resolution No: 2026-43

Nadeau/Parrott

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the Regular Meeting agenda for March 17, 2026.

CARRIED

2. Approval of Minutes

Resolution No: 2026-44

Clark/Gerrard

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held March 3, 2026, as circulated.

CARRIED

3. Presentations/Delegations/Public Hearings – Nil.

4. Council Reports

4.1 Councillor Sisley

- Upcoming events include Multi-Cultural Day on March 21st and the Riverbend Market on July 18th.
- Yellowhead Investment Corridor is disbanding. Remaining funds will be returned to the partners.
- Handivan continues to work on an advertising decal campaign and in recognition of the higher costs related to gas, they will be reviewing their rates.

4.2 Councillor Nadeau

- Attended the Rossburn Subdivision Trails Association AGM in Erickson. Individuals using the trails for snowmobiling were present, as well as members of the Trail Association. Discussions were held about accessing trees from the 2 billion Tree Program to plant along the trail.
- At the most recent Spruce Plains Justice Committee meeting, the group honoured Jodi Baker who is retiring from this committee with 27 years of service.

4.3 Deputy Mayor Parrott

- The Community Clinic Committee is once again running the Farm & Leisure Lottery. Profits from the lottery have served the community well. These funds provide the ability to continually improve and create space at the medical clinic.

- Neepawa is fortunate to have 11 doctors. 2 additional doctors graduate in June, and we are hopeful they will choose to practice in Neepawa. Upcoming clinic renovations will include an expansion into the north side of the building to create more office for the doctors.
- Along with Councillor Clark, attended Economic Development training in Portage. It was evident through the various discussions that Neepawa is used as an example for progression.

4.4 Councillor Kostenchuk – Home Assistance Neepawa & District

- Three new lifelines have been installed; hosted a successful social afternoon and a movie day; Foot care clinics are popular, and further clinics will be scheduled.

4.5 Mayor Hedley – Project 320 Update

- Significant progress has been made over the last number of weeks to complete actions that will assist in completing the subdivision of 58 acres of land for housing.
- Construction is underway including the installation of new water and sewer lines and a lift station.
- This development is being structured to pay for itself with the potential sales expected to cover costs.
- Staff will continue to work on cost estimates to determine lot prices.
- Lot prices will be announced as soon as there is sufficient information.

5. Department Reports

5.1 Manager of Operations - Denis Saquet

- Water and sewer installation continue in the new subdivision; storm sewer and road work will commence as we near spring.
- Staff are busy thawing drains and participating in training sessions.

6. Correspondence - Nil

7. Finance

7.1 January & February 2026 Financial Statements

Resolution No: 2026-45

Gerrard/Parrott

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the Financial Statements for the months ended January 31, 2026 and February 28, 2026.

CARRIED

8. Unfinished Business – Nil

9. New Business

9.1 Manitoba Water Services Board – Capital Projects Request

Resolution No: 2026-46

Sisley/Clark

WHEREAS the Manitoba Water Services Board is requesting the identification of water and sewer projects slated for the next five years in rural Manitoba in order to prepare a capital plan for the prioritization and allocation of funding;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Town of Neepawa hereby identify the following water and sewer projects to be considered for technical and financial assistance through the Manitoba Water Services Board capital plan:

- 1) Water Tower Rehabilitation
- 2) Distribution Flow and Pressure Analysis of Watermains
- 3) Water & Sewer Mains - New Development (Project 320 - Phase 1B)
- 4) Install 3rd RO Train - Water Treatment Plant

CARRIED

9.2 Storefront Improvement Incentive Program – 2026 Intake – the Mill

Resolution No: 2026-47

Sisley/Clark

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve an application to the Storefront Improvement Program submitted by Lisa Adams of The Mill to remove and replace windows at 263 Hamilton Street; and taking into account that the total cost of the project is greater than the project threshold of \$10,000, the project be approved at an amount no greater than \$5,000.

CARRIED

9.3 Beautiful Plains County Court Building

- Council discussed the shared ownership of the building with the Rural Municipality of Rosedale and the Municipality of North Cypress Langford, as well as the continuing issues related to keeping the building sustainable. Based on the existing income, it is increasingly difficult to avoid annual operating deficits.
- Further, without being able to offset costs with sufficient revenues at the time the budget is passed, the operational year starts with a projected deficit. In the instance that annual deficits continue, there is limited funding available in the savings account to cover deficits for a period longer than 1 – 2 years.
- More recently, the Minister of Municipal and Northern Relations clarified for the partners that “contribution” to the building was different than revenue generated from “users” of the building.
- Over the last several years, the old boiler system has failed on many occasions. It is difficult to service; is very expensive to repair and the users of the building more recently have expressed concerns with the lack of heating for days at a time when the system fails and the inability of the electrical system to support space heaters without tripping the breakers.
- Council will encourage discussions with the partners to talk about the viability of the building and the short term and long-term solutions for the continued operations of this designated heritage site.

9. By-Laws - Nil

10. Other Business - Nil

11. In-Camera

Resolution No: 2026-48

Sisley/Parrott

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we do now sit as a “Committee of the Whole” In-Camera at 6:09 p.m. to discuss planning, development and personnel matters.

CARRIED

Resolution No: 2026-49

Gerrard/Kostenchuk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we do now adjourn the “In-Camera” session at 7:30 p.m.

CARRIED

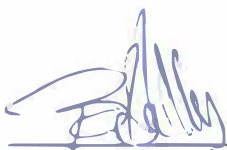
Adjournment

Resolution No: 2026-50

Parrott/Nadeau

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we now adjourn this Regular Meeting of Council at 7:31 pm.

CARRIED



Mayor – Brian Hedley

CAO – Colleen Synchyn

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 Synchyshyn

**MINUTES OF A PUBLIC HEARING HELD TUESDAY, APRIL 20, 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 Clark, Gerrard, Kostenchuk, Nadeau & Sisley, CAO Colleen Synchyshyn, Manager of Operations Denis Saquet, Director of Finance Jamie Davie, Asset Management Co-ordinator Kara Sylvester

Guests: Jessica Omen – NACTV, Eoin Devereaux – Neepawa Banner/Press, Jodi Baker

1. Call to Order

Resolution No: 2026-58

Nadeau/Gerrard

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Town of Neepawa do now open this Public Hearing at 5:30 p.m. to present the 2026 Financial Plan.

CARRIED

2. 2026 Financial Plan

- Director of Finance Jamie Davie presented the 2026 Financial Plan by way of PowerPoint.
- Neepawa's 2026 assessment is \$552,912,900 which includes an increase of \$11,122,120 (4.46%).
- The general mill rate will rise from 22.86 to 23.456 which results in an increase of 2.59%.
- There will be a 10.32% increase in the Beautiful Plains School Division mill rate (from 10.37 to 11.444) and an increase of 4.13% for the Education Support Levy.
- The Homeowners' Affordability Tax Credit (HATC) has increased from \$1,500 to a maximum of \$1,600.

3. Adjourn

Resolution No: 2026-59

Gerrard/Kostenchuk

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Town of Neepawa do now adjourn this Public Hearing at 5:45 p.m.

CARRIED



Mayor – Brian Hedley



CAO – Colleen Synchyshyn

**MINUTES OF A PUBLIC HEARING HELD TUESDAY, APRIL 20, 2026 AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS,
NEEPAWA MUNICIPAL OFFICE, 275 HAMILTON ST., NEEPAWA, MB**

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

Guests: Jessica Oman – NACTV, Eoin Devereaux – Neepawa Banner & Press, Jodi Baker

1. Call to Order

Resolution No: 2026-60

Parrott/Sisley

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Town of Neepawa do now open this Public Hearing at 6:00 p.m. to hear representation to By-Law No. 3238-26 being a by-law to close a part of public lane plan 65638 in SW 33-14-15WPM.

CARRIED

2. By-Law 3238-26 Close Part Public Lane Plan 65638 in SW 33-14-15W – Subdivision 4437-25-8767

- As part of subdividing the 1-acre lot where the museum is situated, a small parcel of land designated as public lane is to be closed and consolidated with the northern lot.
- No conditions or requirements came forward as a result of the provincial circulation process, and no concerns or objections were received from the public.

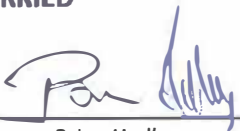
3. Adjourn

Resolution No: 2026-61

Kostenchuk/Parrott

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Town of Neepawa do now adjourn this Public Hearing at 6:05 p.m.

CARRIED



Mayor – Brian Hedley



CAO – Colleen Synchyshyn

MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF NEEPAWA REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD MONDAY, APRIL 20, 2026, AT 5:45 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, NEEPAWA MUNICIPAL OFFICE, 275 HAMILTON ST., NEEPAWA, MB

Present: Mayor Hedley, Deputy Mayor Parrott, Councillors Clark, Gerrard (attending until 6:00 p.m.), Kostenchuk, Nadeau and Sisley, CAO Colleen Synchyshyn, Manager of Operations Denis Saquet, Asset Management Coordinator Kara Sylvester, Director of Finance Jamie Davie

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

5:00 p.m. – 5:30 P.M. – Pre-Meeting Committee of the Whole

In-Camera

Resolution No: 2026-62

Parrott/Kostenchuk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we do now sit a “Committee of Whole In-Camera” at 5:00 p.m. to discuss strategic planning and development matters.

CARRIED

Adjourn In-Camera

Resolution No: 2026-63

Kostenchuk/Parrott

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we do now adjourn the “In-Camera” session at 5:27 p.m.

CARRIED

5:30 p.m. – Public Hearing – 2026 Financial Plan *(Separate Minutes)*

1. 5:46 p.m. Approval of Agenda

Resolution No: 2026-64

Nadeau/Clark

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the Regular Meeting agenda for April 20, 2026.

CARRIED

2. Approval of Minutes

Resolution No: 2026-65

Sisley/Kostenchuk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held April 7, 2026, as circulated.

CARRIED

3. Presentations/Delegations/Public Hearings

- 6:00 p.m. Public Hearing – Close Part Public Lane Under By-Law 3238-26 *(Separate Minutes)*

4. Council Reports

4.1 Deputy Mayor Parrott

- Neepawa Farm & Leisure Lotto – early bird winner was Crystal Stewart; final draw is May 4th.

4.2 Councillor Nadeau

- Westlake Employment Skills & Services - exploring opportunities for new revenue streams.
- Western Manitoba Regional Library – 2027 will mark their 60th anniversary; looking into self check out.
- Neepawa Library – upcoming activities include a seed exchange and wand duels.

4.3 Councillor Kostenchuk – Home Assistance Neepawa & District

- The free income tax program has been busy; foods safe courses that are required for the meal program have been updated; footcare clinics hosted every 6 weeks.

4.5 Councillor Clark

- Yellowhead Centre – the ice is out and the hall has several bookings; the board has been doing some long-term planning to prepare for equipment replacement to keep the facility operational.
- Meetings continue with the firefighters to discuss vacancies in the executive, training, and upgrades.

5. Department Reports

5.1 Manager of Operations - Denis Saquet

- Pothole patching and culvert steaming continues; summer students and seasonals will be starting soon.
- Manitoba Hydro is currently on-site at the new hospital location to install the services and streetlights.
- The new lift station at the Project 320 location has had slow progress due to a delay in parts & materials.

6. Correspondence

6.1 Minister of Environment and Climate Change

- Neepawa to receive a recycling rebate pertaining to the period July 1 to December 31, 2025, in amount of \$12,918.15 under the Waste Reduction and Recycling Support Program.

7. Finance

7.1 March 2026 Financial Statement

Resolution No: 2026-66

Clark/Nadeau

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the Financial Statement for the month ended March 31, 2026.

CARRIED

7.2 Adoption of the 2026 Financial Plan

Resolution No: 2026-67

Sisley/Parrott

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we hereby adopt the 2026 Financial Plan.

CARRIED

8. Unfinished Business – Nil

9. New Business

9.1 Filipino Heritage Parade – June 13, 2026

Resolution No: 2026-68

Sisley/Nadeau

BE IT RESOLVED THAT in order to facilitate the 2026 Filipino Heritage Parade scheduled for Saturday, June 13, 2026 @ 1:00 p.m., we hereby authorize the closure of that part of Hamilton Street from Riverbend Park westward to Mountain Avenue and that part of Mountain Avenue northward from Hamilton Street to the Yellowhead Centre. These portions of street to remain closed until the end of the parade.

CARRIED

9.2 Water Tower – Interior Tank Cleaning, Inspection & Post-Inspection Report

Resolution No: 2026-69

Kostenchuk/Sisley

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we accept the proposal of Landmark Municipal Services to perform an interior tank cleaning and inspection and provide a comprehensive post-inspection report for \$30,000 plus tax.

CARRIED

10. By-Laws

10.1 By-Law 3240-26 Levy of Taxes for 2026 – 1st Reading

Resolution No: 2026-70

Clark/Kostenchuk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 3240-26, being a By-Law of the Town of Neepawa to levy taxes for the year 2026; to provide for a tax due date; & to provide for late payment penalties, be now read for a first time.

CARRIED

10.2 By-Law 3238-26 Close Part Public Lane Plan 65638 in SW 33-14-15WPM - 2nd Reading

Resolution No: 2026-71

Parrott/Nadeau

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 3238-26, being a By-law of the Town of Neepawa to close Part Public Lane Plan 65638 in SW 33-14-15 WPM and transfer that portion so closed to the Town of Neepawa to consolidate with Lot 2 of Subdivision 4437-25-8767, be now read for a second time.

CARRIED

10.3 By-Law 3238-26 Close Part Public Lane Plan 65638 in SW 33-14-15 WPM - 3rd Reading

Resolution No: 2026-72

Parrott/Sisley

BE IT RESOLVED By-Law No. 3238-26, being a By-law of the Town of Neepawa to close Part Public Lane Plan 65638 in SW 33-14-15 WPM and transfer that portion so closed to the Town of Neepawa to consolidate with Lot 2 of Subdivision 4437-25-8767, be now read for a third time and passed.

For: All; Against/Abstained: Nil

CARRIED

11. Other Business - Nil

12. Adjournment

Resolution No: 2026-73

Kostenchuk/Parrott

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we now adjourn this Regular Meeting of Council at 6:12 pm.

CARRIED



Mayor – Brian Hedley



CAO – Colleen Synchyshyn

MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF NEEPAWA REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD TUESDAY, MAY 5, 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 Clark, Gerrard, Kostenchuk, Nadeau and Sisley, CAO Colleen Synchysyn, Manager of Operations Denis Saquet, Asset Management Co-ordinator Kara Sylvester

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

1.. Approval of Agenda

Resolution No: 2026-74

Clark/Parrott

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the Regular Meeting agenda for May 5, 2026.

CARRIED

2. Approval of Minutes

Resolution No: 2026-75

Gerrard/Nadeau

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting and two public hearings held April 20, 2026, as circulated.

CARRIED

3. Presentations/Delegations/Public Hearings – Nil.

4. Council Reports

4.1 Mayor Hedley

- Attended the AMM Conference April 21 – 23, 2026 in Brandon where we had the opportunity to speak with Minister Sala (Finance – MB Hydro), Minister Simard (Municipal and Northern Relations) and key individuals from Manitoba Hydro to discuss Neepawa's growth and the need for timely hydro service.
- Attended the MB Good Roads Association banquet where John and Gerry Nelson received an award for best urban home grounds and Joe and Glenda MacPhee received an award for Best Farm Home grounds.
- 2026 Census - Encouraged community participation in completing the Census as it helps shape important decisions about education, health care, roads, community services and planning for Neepawa.

4.2 Councillor Nadeau

- Provided Council with a copy of the statistics that can be tracked in relation to the installation of digital speed signs. The signs track the number of vehicles, speeds, time of day, etc. The CAO noted that S/Sgt Cowan was asked to file an application on Neepawa's behalf to obtain approval to purchase some of this signage through the Proceeds of Crime Fund which invests funding in community safety, etc.

4.3 Deputy Mayor Parrott

- Appreciation extended to Mary Ellen Clark and crew for another successful Farm & Leisure Lottery.
- Clinic renovations will start on May 11, 2026 to expand the clinic with 8 new examination rooms.
- Members of Council will be assisting with the upcoming Economic Development Business Walk.
- Congratulations to Yvonne Sisley who was a finalist for the Manitoba Tourism Employee of the Year Award. This award recognizes individuals who demonstrate service excellence and who make positive and lasting impacts for visitors and the community.

4.4 Councillor Sisley

- Jennifer Forsyth started April 27th as the Director of Recreation Services.
- The Health Action Committee met to start planning the appreciation barbecue and to discuss Neepawa's interest in having a booth at the upcoming resident doctor retreat to be held in Winkler.
- Day camp registration is now open; the Business Walk will proceed in the short term; and the Pickleball Association has started their planning for a spring pickleball tournament.

5. Department Reports

5.1 Manager of Operations Denis Saquet

- Met with our engineering consultant (SBC) and Zenith Paving regarding completion of the roads and paving near the new hospital. Zenith has started mobilizing equipment.
- Manitoba Hydro is almost finished with installing the required services and streetlights for the development east of Neepawa. Next step will be to energize the infrastructure.
- Seasonal workers started on May 4, 2026, and street sweeping is underway.
- Spring yard waste collection will start on May 11th and run for 4 weeks.

6. Correspondence

6.1 Minister for Municipal and Northern Relations

- Neepawa's Municipal Operating Grant for 2026 will be \$669,233.39 and the One Manitoba Growth Revenue fund will be \$53,193.66.

6.2 Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure

- Neepawa is approved to receive \$4,800 in support of the maintenance and operation of the airport.

6.3 Citizens on Patrol

- Appreciation letter for continued support of the Neepawa COPP Program.

7. Finance

7.1 Accounts – April 2026

Resolution No: 2026-76

Gerrard/Clark

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the accounts for April 2026, totalling \$1,012,561.81, as reviewed and representing electronic fund transfers #2268 to #2240 and cheques #202600217 to #202600273, but excluding #202600236.

CARRIED

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

7.2 Accounts – April 2026 (HH)

Resolution No: 2026-77

Parrott/Kostenchuk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve cheque #202600236 for April 2026 to Home Hardware totalling \$308.01.

CARRIED

8. Unfinished Business - Nil

9. New Business

9.1 Remuneration of Election Officials

Resolution No: 2026-78

Sisley/Parrott

BE IT RESOLVED THAT individuals serving as election officials for the 2026 General Municipal Election to be held on October 28, 2026, be remunerated at a rate of \$300.00 for the full day of service.

CARRIED

9.2 Next Generation 9-1-1 Authority Service Agreement

Resolution No: 2026-79

Kostenchuk/Nadeau

WHEREAS in July 1998, the Town of Neepawa entered into a Province Wide E9-1-1 Emergency Reporting Services Agreement with MTS;

AND WHEREAS Next Generation 9-1-1 Service will replace the existing service under BELL CANADA with a mandated transition deadline of March 31, 2027;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve entering into agreement with BELL Canada to transition to Next Generation 9-1-1 Service.

CARRIED

9.3 Amend Policy OP-PK-005 – Campground Rules and Regulations

Resolution No: 2026-80

Gerrard/Parrott

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve an amendment to Policy OP-PK-005 respecting the rules and regulations of the campground to clarify that reservations shall only be accepted starting on opening day of each year on a first come first served basis.

CARRIED

10. By-Laws

10.1 By-Law 3240-26 Levy of Taxes for 2026 – 2nd Reading

Resolution No: 2026-81

Clark/Nadeau

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 3240-26, being a By-Law of the Town of Neepawa to levy taxes for the year 2026; to provide for a tax due date; and to provide for late payment penalties be now read for a second time.

CARRIED

10.2 By-Law 3240-26 Levy of Taxes for 2026 – 3rd Reading

Resolution No: 2026-82

Sisley/Gerrard

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 3240-26, being a By-Law of the Town of Neepawa to levy taxes for the year 2026; to provide for a tax due date; and to provide for late payment penalties be now read for a third time and passed.

For: All

Against/Abstained: Nil

CARRIED

11. Other Business

- Concerns were relayed to Councillor Kostenchuk regarding the need for pedestrian signage and speed bumps on certain streets (i.e. Brown Ave.). Recommendation that residents make a formal request to the office which can be brought forward as a business item.
- Councillor Kostenchuk echoed congratulations to Yvonne Sisley as a nominee for Manitoba Tourism's Employee of the Year Award and for all her hard work and dedication to the community.

12. In-Camera Session

Resolution No: 2026-83

Kostenchuk/Parrott

BE IT RESOLVED that we do now sit as a "Committee of the Whole In-Camera" at 5:58 p.m. to discuss strategic planning and development matters.

CARRIED

Resolution No: 2026-84

Sisley/Nadeau

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we do now adjourn the "In-Camera" session at 7:05 p.m.

CARRIED

13. Adjournment

Resolution No: 2026-85

Parrott/Kostenchuk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we now adjourn this Regular Meeting of Council at 7:06 pm.

CARRIED



Mayor – Brian Hedley

CAO – Colleen Synchyshyn

MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF NEEPAWA REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD TUESDAY, MAY 19, 2026, AT 5:45 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, NEEPAWA MUNICIPAL OFFICE, 275 HAMILTON ST., NEEPAWA, MB

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

Regrets: Councillor Sisley

Guests: Liway Cabrera – NACTV

Committee of the Whole - Delegations

4:30 p.m. - S/Sgt Andrew Cowan – Divisional /Community Priorities for 2026/27

- Discussed policing priorities and traffic and by-law enforcement.
- Will be bringing back foot patrols and currently offering bicycle training to members.
- Conducting a review to ensure sufficient members are available in Neepawa and to service the area. It is timely to consider increasing the complement of members both municipally and provincially.
- Neepawa has received approval for the purchase of a radar speed sign at a cost of \$7,400 from the Proceeds of Crime Fund. Location on PTH 16 to be determined.

5:10. p.m. - Lisa Pottinger, Property Assessment Services – 2027 Tax Impact

- 2027 is a reassessment year and there will be an open house on July 10, 2026, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. to allow property owners the opportunity to meet with the Assessor and discuss their assessment.
- Neepawa's taxable assessment will increase by \$30 million (12%) to \$291 million from \$260 million.

6:20 p.m. – Ana Mullen & Melissa Balness – U of M Rural and Remote Learning Experiences

- Provided Council with information relative to the placement of learners in communities. In 2025-26 there were 37 placements in Neepawa, however there continues to be barriers to placement due to a lack of available accommodations. Any support the community could provide to identify or assist with accommodations would greatly increase the likelihood of providing opportunities for learners which may lead to successful recruitment.

1. Approval of Agenda

Resolution No: 2026-86

Nadeau/Kostenchuk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the Regular Meeting agenda for May 19, 2026.

CARRIED

2. Approval of Minutes

Resolution No: 2026-87

Kostenchuk/Gerrard

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held May 5, 2026, as circulated.

CARRIED

3. Council Reports

3.1 Deputy Mayor Parrott

- Contractors are set to begin the renovation of the community clinic now that demolition part of the project is now complete.

3.2 Councillor Nadeau

- Attended a Restorative justice Committee meeting and a Neepawa Library meeting. Summer students have been approved and some renovations are taking place.

3.3 Councillor Kostenchuk – Home Assistance Neepawa & District

- 122 individuals participated in the Income Tax Program; looking at starting up the community meal program again (1 x/month).

4. Department Reports

4.1 Manager of Operations - Denis Saquet

- The pothole patcher has been booked; staff have been busy street sweeping and painting lines; yard waste cleanup continues; individuals needing to dispose of large trees need to take them to the old waste site. Concrete and asphalt also need to go to the old compost site.

5. Correspondence

5.1 Letter – Darryl & Belinda Critchlow (366 Brock Ave.)

- Drainage concerns related to their property and the potential impact on their property.
- Public Works will be directed to make the necessary repairs to channel the water down the hill in a manner that does not compromise the vegetation.

5.2 FilCan Organization of Neepawa and Area

- Request for support/sponsorship – Administration to review.

6. Finance

6.1 April 2026 Financial Statement

Resolution No: 2026-88

Gerrard/Parrott

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the Financial Statement for the month ended April 30, 2026.

CARRIED

7. Unfinished Business

7.1 Cemetery Trees – Maintenance & Replacement

Resolution No: 2026-89

Nadeau/Clark

WHEREAS following an extensive inspection of the trees at Riverside Cemetery, it was evident that the older trees are nearing the end of their life span, and are infected with spider mites and insects;

AND WHEREAS it is timely to establish a maintenance and replacement program for the protection of property, to maintain the appearance of the cemetery and to prevent the current infection from spreading to the remaining healthy trees;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council support the five-year plan as set out by the Cemetery Custodian for the gradual removal of the infected trees and a staged replanting to replenish the treescape over the course of the next five years.

CARRIED

8. New Business

8.1 Street Closure Request – August 14, 2026 – Rolling Barrage

Resolution No: 2026-90

Parrott/Kostenchuk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the closure of that portion of Brown Avenue from Hamilton Street to Davidson Street on August 14, 2026, from 4:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. to enable the hosting of The Rolling Barrage.

CARRIED

8.2 Council Meetings – July & August 2026

Resolution No: 2026-91

Nadeau/Kostenchuk

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT only one regular meeting of Council be held during the summer months, those dates being July 14th and August 11th.

CARRIED

8.3 Approve Mower Purchase**Resolution No: 2026-92****Parrott/Kostenchuk**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the purchase of a new Kioti Diesel Zero Turn 61" Mower from Virden Ag & Parts in amount of \$18,600.00 plus applicable fees and taxes.

CARRIED**8.4 Approve Chipper Purchase****Resolution No: 2026-93****Clark/Kostenchuk**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the purchase of a Bandit 12XC Chipper from Westcon Equipment and Rentals Ltd. for a purchase price of \$65,036.63 plus taxes.

CARRIED**8.5 Approve Cargo Trailer Purchase****Resolution No: 2026-94****Clark/Nadeau**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the purchase of a 2026 Rainbow 8.5' x 20' trailer from Penner Trailers for \$17,018.00 plus taxes.

CARRIED**8.6 Neepawa Swimming Pool – Admission Rates****Resolution No: 2026-95****Gerrard/Kostenchuk**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve changes to the Neepawa Swimming Pool admissions/rates as follows:

Public Swimming	Preschool (2 - 4 yrs.)	Student/Senior (5 - 17 yrs. & 55+)	Adult	Family
Single Admission	\$4.00	\$6.00	\$6.75	\$25.00*
Punch Card (10 for 8)	\$32.00	\$48.00	\$54.00	n/a
Season Pass	\$80.00	\$120.00	\$135.00	\$275.00**
Observer	\$2.00			

*Max. of 5 per family - immediate family only, does not include grandparents. Additional members - \$2.00 each.

** Max. of 5 per family - immediate family only, does not include grandparents. Additional members - \$10.00 each.

Programs	Fee Per Entry
Parents & Tots	\$5.50
Family Swim	\$10.50
Aqua Fit***	\$6.00
Lap Swim***	\$6.00

*** Punch cards available for convenience (10 for \$60.00)

Lessons	Time/Session	Fee
Preschool Lessons	30 minutes	\$75.00/session
Levels 1 - 3	30 minutes	\$75.00/session
Levels 4 - 6	45 minutes	\$80.00/session
Private Lessons	30 minutes (individual)	\$35.00/lesson
Private Lessons	30 minutes (group)	\$26.00 per person/lesson

CARRIED

9. **By-Laws**

9.1 **By-Law 3239-26 Town of Neepawa Zoning By-Law – 1st Reading**

Resolution No: 2026-96

Gerrard/Clark

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 3239-26, being a By-Law of the Town of Neepawa to regulate the use and development of land within the Town of Neepawa (otherwise known as the Town of Neepawa Zoning By-Law), be now read for a first time.

CARRIED

10. **Other Business**

- EDO Crewe with the assistance of a staff members and a few Council members participated in the Business Walk on May 14th.
- The Chamber of Commerce Fair will be hosted from May 22 – 24. 2026.

11. **In-Camera Session**

Resolution No: 2026-97

Kostenchuk/Parrott

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we do now sit a “Committee of Whole In-Camera” at 6:25 p.m. to discuss strategic planning, development and legal matters.

CARRIED

Adjourn In-Camera

Resolution No: 2026-98

Parrott/Kostenchuk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we do now adjourn the “In-Camera” session at 7:20 p.m.

CARRIED

12. **Adjournment**

Resolution No: 2026-99

Gerrard/Nadeau

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we now adjourn this Regular Meeting of Council at 7:21 pm.

CARRIED



Mayor – Brian Hedley



CAO – Colleen Synchyshyn

MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF NEEPAWA REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD TUESDAY, JUNE 2, 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 Clark, Gerrard, Kostenchuk, Nadeau and Sisley, CAO Colleen Synchyshyn, Manager of Operations Denis Saquet, Asset Management Co-ordinator Kara Sylvester

Guests: Jessica Omen – NACTV, Jodi Baker, Jeff Braun – NAPD

4:30 p.m. – 5:30 P.M. – Pre-Meeting Committee of the Whole

In-Camera

Resolution No: 2026-100

Gerrard/Clark

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we do now sit a “Committee of Whole In-Camera” at 4:30 p.m. to discuss legal and development matters.

CARRIED

Adjourn In-Camera

Resolution No: 2026-101

Parrott/Kostenchuk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we do now adjourn the “In-Camera” session at 5:25 p.m.

CARRIED

1. 5:30 p.m. Approval of Agenda

Resolution No: 2026-102

Parrott/Sisley

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the Regular Meeting agenda for June 2, 2026.

CARRIED

2. Approval of Minutes

Resolution No: 2026-103

Nadeau/Clark

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held May 19, 2026, as circulated.

CARRIED

3. Presentations/Delegations/Public Hearings – Nil.

4. Council Reports

4.1 Deputy Mayor Parrott

- NADCO was the recipient of \$5,000 from the Beautiful Plains Community Foundation in support of proceeding with a Feasibility Study for a Multi-Use Facility.
- Clinic renovations continue with the installation of plumbing and electrical services.

4.2 Councillor Sisley

- Dr. Emma Ball & Dr Gabby Alvero recently graduated from the doctor residency program; 3 new doctors will start the program in September; and thanks to Mary Ellen Clark for her contribution to Rural week.
- Town wide cleanup was held on May 30th. Ashlie Gonzales was recognized for her efforts over the last number of years in helping to organize and participate in the clean up of the trails.
- Upcoming events include the LPN information session on June 11, June Participation, Pickleball Tournament and Canada Day celebrations.

4.3 Councillor Nadeau

- Attended the 84th anniversary celebration of the Calvary Church.
- Western Regional Library Board – received funding for a summer student; and creating a new web page
- Rossburn Subdivision Trails Association - municipal partners are being asked to help with brush cutting along their respective portions of the trail; June 6th is trail day; and looking at installing “live” cameras.

4.4 Councillor Kostenchuk

- Velda Bradley has resigned her position as chair of the Home Assistance Neepawa & District Board. Jim Cockburn will fill in temporarily.

4.5 Councillor Gerrard

- The County Court Committee will be looking for another Secretary/Treasurer nearing the end of 2026 to align with the resignation date of Karen McDonald.

5. Department Reports

5.1 Economic Development Office Marilyn Crewe

- Presented Council with the results of the Business Walk and the Neepawa and Area Business Survey.

6. Correspondence

6.1 Property Assessment Services

- Council reviewed the 2025 assessment statistics.
- Neepawa had 1,830 entries on the assessment roll at a market value of \$554,952,400

6.2 Spruce Plains RCMP Detachment – May Statistics

- Notable information includes the recovery of a car that was stolen and the destruction of some old, abandoned ammunition that was found at the Bike Park and turned over to the detachment.
- Neepawa received approval in the amount of \$7,400 from the Proceeds of Crime Program to purchase a radar speed sign which will be installed on PTH 16 in the near future.

7. Finance

7.1 Accounts – May 2026

Resolution No: 2026-104

Parrott/Kostenchuk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the accounts for May 2026, totalling \$1,356,171.72, as reviewed and representing electronic fund transfers #2329 to #2430 and cheques #202600286 to #202600380, but excluding #202600324, #202600370 & #202600371.

CARRIED

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

7.2 Accounts – May 2026 (HH & Co-op)

Resolution No: 2026-105

Sisley/Nadeau

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve cheque #202600324, 202600370 & 202600371 for May 2026 to Home Hardware and Neepawa Gladstone Co-op totalling \$19,972.19.

CARRIED

8. Unfinished Business - Nil

9. New Business – Nil

10. By-Laws - Nil

11. Other Business - Nil

12. Adjournment

Resolution No: 2026-106

Parrott/Kostenchuk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we now adjourn this Regular Meeting of Council at 6:02 pm.

CARRIED



Mayor – Brian Hedley

CAO – Colleen Synchyshyn

MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF NEEPAWA REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD TUESDAY, JUNE 16, 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 Clark, Gerrard, Kostenchuk, Nadeau and Sisley, CAO Colleen Synchyshyn, Manager of Operations Denis Saquet, Asset Management Co-ordinator Kara Sylvester

Guests: Rrain Prior – NACTV, Eoin Devereaux – Neepawa Banner & Press

Pre-Meeting Committee of the Whole – 5:00 p.m.

- Having received the final draft of the Town's Climate Change Local Action Plan from Intergroup Consultants, CAO Synchyshyn narrated a PowerPoint presentation summarizing the updated document for council's review and approval. No changes required.

1. 5:30 p.m. Approval of Agenda

Resolution No: 2026-107

Parrott/Sisley

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the Regular Meeting agenda for June 16, 2026.

CARRIED

2. Approval of Minutes

Resolution No: 2026-108

Kostenchuk/Clark

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held June 2, 2026, as circulated.

CARRIED

3. Presentations/Delegations/Public Hearings - Nil

4. Council Reports

4.1 Deputy Mayor Parrott

- Congratulations to ArtFest and Amazing Race Neepawa who recently won the Event of the Year (under 10K) in the 2026 Tribute to Tourism. Thank you to Arts Forward and Belinda Critchlow of Hid'n Hollow.

4.2 Councillor Clark – Yellowhead Centre

- Renovations have been completed to establish a wheelchair accessible washroom; insurance will assist for the water heater break; summer students have been hired, and day camps are being advertised.

4.3 Councillor Kostenchuk – Home Assistance Neepawa & District

- Lyle Watson will take over the duties of the chairperson as Velda Bradley steps down.
- The meal program will once again be offered in the dining room for a six-month trial starting in July.

4.4 Councillor Sisley

- Attended the Filipino flag raising ceremony on June 12th, which marked 128 years of independence.
- The Handivan is working on issuing sponsor decals as a fundraising opportunity.
- Information session on July 15, 2026, for persons interested in signing up to take an Early Childhood Educator II (ECE II) Program to be offered by Assiniboine College in Neepawa starting in January 2027.
- Planning continues for the Riverbend Market at the Courthouse & Canada Day at The Flats.
- Appreciation extended to Neepawa Men's Shed for all of the things they do to help the community and its various organizations.

4.5 Councillor Nadeau

- A student member of the Spruce Plains Justice Committee is graduating and will evolve to become a regular member of the committee.
- Along with Mayor Hedley, attended the Filipino Heritage Day on June 13, 2026.

5. Department Reports

5.1 Manager of Operations - Denis Saquet

- Recent issues with low water pressure relate to draining the water tower for refurbishment. Pressure was stabilized and the Office of the Drinking Water consulted to ensure regulatory compliance.
- The lift station barrel was installed to service the new subdivision at Project 320.
- The lift station to service the new hospital and any future development in that area, has now been energized by Manitoba Hydro. The first lift of asphalt has been applied on the new section of Hamilton Street. Work continues to complete the traffic circle portion of the road and excavation of the active transportation path has begun.

6. Correspondence

6.1 Manitoba Natural Resources and Indigenous Futures

- Letter to inform the community that the provincial Dutch Elm Disease (DED) survey and invasive pest monitoring is underway. The community can expect to see provincial inspectors walking through the community sometime between June 22, 2026, and early September.

7. Finance

7.1 May 2026 Financial Statement

Resolution No: 2026-109

Parrott/Nadeau

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the Financial Statement for the month ended May 31, 2026.

CARRIED

8. Unfinished Business - Nil

9. New Business

9.1 Stride Credit Union – Request for Temporary Lane Closure

Resolution No: 2026-110

Sisley/Gerrard

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the closure of the back lane to the east of Stride Credit Union from 10: a.m. to 1:30 p.m. from Hamilton Street to their norther property limit to facilitate a fundraising barbecue.

CARRIED

9.2 Approve Sidewalk Tender

Resolution No: 2026-111

Kostenchuk/Gerrard

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT we accept the bid from Chisle Construction Ltd. to install new sidewalk on Main Street from 51 Main St. E. to the west limit of 11 Main St. (3.3 meters x 141 meters) & on Commerce Street from Mountain Ave to Second Ave (1.5 meters x 152 meters) at a cost of \$86,900 plus GST.

CARRIED

9.3 Neepawa Dark Sky Viewing Area

Resolution No: 2026-112

Clark/Sisley

WHEREAS the night sky is a valuable, natural, cultural and educational resource; and

WHEREAS excessive or poorly designed artificial lighting contributes to light pollution, negatively impacting wildlife, human health, energy use and the visibility of the night sky; and

WHEREAS the Town of Neepawa recognizes the benefit of preserving dark skies for residents, visitors, education and tourism; and

WHEREAS the HyLife Back Forty Multi-Use Trail Park is suitable for night sky viewing due to its location, limited surrounding light sources and public accessibility;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Town of Neepawa hereby designate the HyLife Back Forty Multi-Use Trail Park as a municipally designated Dark Sky Viewing Area; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT municipal staff be directed to:

- use dark-sky friendly outdoor lighting within the park, where lighting is required, including fully shielded fixtures and appropriate brightness levels;
- limit non-essential lighting during nighttime hours where safety permits;
- install educational signage promoting responsible night sky viewing; and
- encourage public awareness & educational programming related to night skies and light pollution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this designation shall be a municipal designation only and does not imply certification or designation by the International Dark-Sky Association or the Royal Astronomical Society of Canada.

CARRIED

10. By-Laws - Nil

11. Other Business - Nil

12. In-Camera Session

Resolution No: 2026-113

Gerrard/Nadeau

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we do now sit a "Committee of Whole In-Camera" at 5:56 p.m. to discuss personnel and development matters.

CARRIED

Adjourn In-Camera

Resolution No: 2026-114

Kostenchuk/Parrott

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we do now adjourn the "In-Camera" session at 7:52 p.m.

CARRIED

13. Adjournment

Resolution No: 2026-115

Gerrard/Sisley

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we now adjourn this Regular Meeting of Council at 7:53 pm.

CARRIED



Mayor - Brian Hedley
COUNCILLOR DARRYL GERRARD



CAO - Colleen Synchishyn

MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF NEEPAWA SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD MONDAY JULY 6, 2026, AT 4:30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, NEEPAWA MUNICIPAL OFFICE, 275 HAMILTON ST., NEEPAWA, MB

Present: Mayor Hedley, Deputy Mayor Parrott, Councillors Clark, Gerrard, Nadeau and Sisley, CAO Colleen Synchyshyn

Regrets: Councillor Kostenchuk

1. Approval of Agenda

Resolution No: 2026-116

Clark/Parrott

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we hereby approve the Special Meeting agenda for July 6, 2026.

CARRIED

2. Business

2.1 Disaster Financial Assistance – 2026 June Heavy Rains

Resolution No: 2026-117

Gerrard/Sisley

WHEREAS flooding has occurred in the Town of Neepawa, due to intense rainfall on June 29, 2026, as well as significant overland flooding and water flows received from neighbouring municipal jurisdictions and upstream waterways; and

WHEREAS the excessive water has resulted in damage to both public and private properties and infrastructure; and

WHEREAS the resulting costs to the public and private sectors far exceed what individual property owners and the Town of Neepawa can reasonably be expected to bear on their own;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Neepawa respectfully requests that the Province of Manitoba provide Disaster Financial Assistance for both the public and private sectors affected by these heavy rains, through a Disaster Financial Assistance Program.

CARRIED

3. Adjournment

Resolution No: 2026-118

Nadeau/Parrott

BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby adjourn this Special Meeting at 4:56 p.m.

CARRIED



Mayor – Brian Hedley
COUNCILLOR DARRYL GERRARD:



CAO – Colleen Synchyshyn