

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the Rural Municipality of Orkney No. 244 Held
Friday the 10th Day of April, 2026 held at 137 George Avenue, R.M. of Orkney No. 244, Sk.**

Present:

Reeve	Randy Trost
Councillor Division 1	Joseph Zarowny
Councillor Division 2	Trevor Protz
Councillor Division 3	Kristine Procyshen (Deputy Reeve)
Councillor Division 4	Jack Maksymiw
Councillor Division 5	Vern Effa
Councillor Division 6	Robert Kriger
Administrator	Bridgette Rushkewich

Call to Order:

A quorum being present, Reeve, Randy Trost, called the meeting to order, at 8:02 a.m.

Minutes:

88/26 **Maksymiw:** That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on March 5th, 2026 be approved as presented. **Carried.**

89/26 **Protz:** That the Minutes of the Special Meeting of Council held on March 13, 2026 be approved as presented. **Carried.**

Delegation(s):

K. Wood and N. Bird attended Council chambers from 8:04 a.m. to 8:15 a.m. to discuss Bylaw No. 3/2026, a Bylaw to Lease an unused Road Allowance.

Channel Clearing and Road Repairs:

90/26 **Maksymiw:** That the Council approves of providing a budget of an estimated ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to complete some channel clearing and minor road repairs, which may include the installation of a culvert, and for the installation of proper signage, for the summer road located between NE/SE 3-27-05-W2. **Carried.**

Form for Miscellaneous Sales:

91/26 **Procyshen:** That the Administrator create a form addressing liability for the sale of miscellaneous items for Council to review at the next Regular Council Meeting. **Carried.**

Springside Fire Chief - Presentation

92/26 **Effa:** That the Council request that the Springside Fire Chief attend an upcoming Council Meeting to give an update for the Springside Fire Department. **Carried.**

Councillor Report:

93/26 **Procyshen:** That Council acknowledges the written report received by myself, Kristine Procyshen, Division 3 Councillor, and as attached hereto. **Carried.**

Unfinished/New Business:

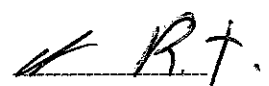
Bylaws:

Bylaw 3/2026 A Bylaw to Renew Lease

94/26 **Effa:** That, after further consideration from the information received from the adjacent land owners, the Council agrees to keep in agreement with Resolution 65/26, providing that the Council does not wish to renew the lease for the seasonal road located NE/SE 36-27-05-W2; therefore, the road will be open for seasonal public use. **Carried.**

Bylaw No. 5/2026 Council Procedures Bylaw:

95/26 **Protz:** That the Council approves Bylaw No. 5/2026, being the Council Procedure Bylaw, be given a first reading at this meeting. **Carried.**


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96/26 **Kruger:** That the Council approves Bylaw No. 5/2026, being the Council Procedure Bylaw, be given a second reading at this meeting.
Carried.

97/26 **Procyshen:** That the Council approves Bylaw No. 5/2026, being the Council Procedure Bylaw, be given three readings at this meeting.
Carried Unanimously.

Kristine Procyshen, Division 3 Councillor, requested a recorded vote for the final reading of Bylaw No. 5/2026, the Council Procedure Bylaw.

98/26 **Procyshen:** That the Council approves Bylaw No. 5/2026, being the Council Procedure Bylaw, be given a third reading and adopted at this meeting.

In Favour:

Randy Trost, Reeve
Trevor Protz, Division 2 Councillor
Kristine Procyshen, Division 3 Councillor
Jack Maksymiw, Division 4 Councillor
Vern Effa, Division 5 Councillor
Robert Kriger, Division 6 Councillor

Against: (by abstaining)

Joseph Zarowny, Division 1 Councillor
The Municipalities Act, section 99

Carried.

Bylaw No. 6/2026 Special Waste Willowbrook:

99/26 **Procyshen:** That the Council approves Bylaw No. 6/2026 being a Bylaw to Authorize for a Special Levy for Waste Removal in Willowbrook, be given a first reading at this meeting.
Carried.

100/26 **Zarowny:** That the Council approves Bylaw No. 6/2026 being a Bylaw to Authorize for a Special Levy for Waste Removal in Willowbrook, be given a second reading at this meeting.
Carried.

101/26 **Maksymiw:** That the Council approves Bylaw No. 6/2026 being a Bylaw to Authorize for a Special Levy for Waste Removal in Willowbrook, be given three readings at this meeting.
Carried Unanimously.


102/26 **Effa:** That the Council approves Bylaw No. 6/2026 being a Bylaw to Authorize for a Special Levy for Waste Removal in Willowbrook, be given three readings at this meeting and adopted.
Carried.

Bylaw No. 7/2026, Special Waste Collacott and Pleasant Heights:

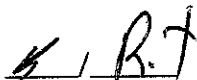
103/26 **Maksymiw:** That the Council approves Bylaw No. 7/2026 being a Bylaw to Authorize for a Special Levy for Waste Removal in Collacott and Pleasant Heights be given a first reading at this meeting.
Carried.

104/26 **Protz:** That the Council approves Bylaw No. 7/2026 being a Bylaw to Authorize for a Special Levy for Waste Removal in Collacott and Pleasant Heights be given a second reading at this meeting.
Carried.

105/26 **Kruger:** That the Council approves Bylaw No. 7/2026 being a Bylaw to Authorize for a Special Levy for Waste Removal in Collacott and Pleasant Heights be given three readings at this meeting.
Carried Unanimously.


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- 106/26 **Trost:** That the Council approves Bylaw No. 7/2026 being a Bylaw to Authorize for a Special Levy for Waste Removal in Collacott and Pleasant Heights be given a third reading and adopted at this meeting.
Carried.
- Bylaw No. 8/2026, Special Waste Maple Grove:**
- 107/26 **Maksymiw:** That Council approves that Bylaw No. 8, 2026 being a Bylaw to Authorize for a Special Levy for Waste and Recycling Removal in Maple Grove Estates be given a first reading at this meeting.
Carried.
- 108/26 **Effa:** That the Council approves that Bylaw No. 8/2026 being a Bylaw to Authorize for a Special to Authorize for a Special Levy for Waste and Recycling Removal in Maple Grove Estates be given a second reading at this meeting.
Carried.
- 109/26 **Protz:** That the Council approves that Bylaw No. 8/2026 being a Bylaw to Authorize for a Special to Authorize for a Special Levy for Waste and Recycling be given three readings at this meeting
Carried Unanimously.
- 110/26 **Kruger:** That the Council approves that Bylaw No. 8/2026, being a Bylaw to Authorize for a Special Waste and Recycling Removal in Maple Grove Estates be given a third reading and adopted at this meeting.
Carried.
- Bylaw No. 9/2026, Regulate the Operation of Vehicles**
- 112/26 **Maksymiw:** That the Council approves that Bylaw No. 9/2026, being a Bylaw to Authorize to Regulate the Operation of Vehicles and the Use of Highways, be given a first reading at this meeting.
Carried.
- 113/26 **Effa:** That the Council approves that Bylaw No. 9/2026, being a Bylaw to Regulate the Operation of Vehicles and the Use of Highways, be given a second reading at this meeting.
Carried.
- 114/26 **Protz:** That the Council approves that Bylaw No. 9/2026, being a Bylaw to Regulate the Operation of Vehicles and the Use of Highways, be given three readings at this meeting.
Carried Unanimously.
- 115/26 **Kruger:** That the Council approves that Bylaw No. 9/2026, being a Bylaw to Regulate the Operation of Vehicles and the Use of Highways, be given a third reading and adopted at this meeting.
Carried.
- Dust Suppressant Policy:**
- 116/26 **Procyshen:** That Council defers the Dust Suppressant Policy to the next meeting.
Carried.
- Proposed Agricultural Subdivision: SW 02-25-04-W2:**
- 117/26 **Zarowny:** That the Council recommends the approval of the plan of proposed 6.54-acre subdivision being Parcel B, on SW 02-25-04-W2, with a servicing agreement being completed for the installation of an approved approach to be constructed off of the all-weather road being Township Road 250.
Carried.
- RIRG (Rural Integrated Roads for Growth); CTP (Clearing the Path) Grant Agreement:**
- 118/26 **Maksymiw:** That the Council approves of the Reeve and Administrator signing the Rural Integrated Roads For Growth, Clearing the Path Corridor Grant agreement and that it be filed.
Carried.


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- Shop Truck Repairs (2017 Chevy Silverado):**
119/26 **Procyshen:** That the Council approves taking the R.M.'s shop truck, 2017 GMC, to Hector's Autobody Ltd. for a repair assessment and estimate.
Carried.
- Occupational Health and Safety Program:**
120/26 **Trost:** That the Council approves of contracting South East College to complete the Occupational Health and Safety program with the draft to be completed before the end of July, 2026 for an estimated cost of two thousand five hundred dollars.
Carried.
- H.R. (Human Resource) Services:**
121/26 **Effa:** That the Council requests that Knibbs HR Consulting be contacted to complete a presentation to Council.
Carried Unanimously.
- Council/Administration Training:**
122/26 **Maksymiw:** That the Council approves of all Council that is interested and applicable staff be authorized to take the Council and Administration training course offered by Evolution Training with the payments to be made as required for the training.
Carried.
- Melville Fire Committee Tendering:**
123/26 **Protz:** That the Council authorizes the Melville and Fire District Association to proceed with the tender for the replacement of the T31 and further that the municipality will contribute the R.M. of Orkney No. 244's eleven percent share of the cost of replacement in accordance with the Fire Services Agreement schedule C Truck Replacement Ownership Clause once a successful tender is accepted.
Carried.
- Purchase of Packers:**
124/26 **Protz:** That the Council approves of purchasing one set of packers with the quick attachment(s) from Dionco Sales and Service Ltd. for the quoted price of forty-six thousand five hundred and thirty-three dollars and ninety-four cents (\$46,533.94).
Carried.
- Operating Lead-Hand Job Description:**
125/26 **Effa:** That the Council approves the Operating Lead-Hand job description as amended and discussed and that it be filed.
Carried.
- Recess:**
126/26 **Trost:** That the Council Meeting recess for a lunch break at 12:10 p.m.
Carried.
- The Council Meeting reconvened at 12:41 p.m.
- Budget Meeting:**
127/26 **Trost:** That the Council approves of having a Special Meeting of Council to discuss budget and legal matters to be held on Tuesday, April 21, 2026 at 9:00 a.m. with Council to have submitted any outstanding projects numbers prior to the meeting.
Carried.
- Employee Holidays:**
128/26 **Procyshen:** That the Council approve B. Rushkewich's holidays for April 17 and 20.
Carried.
- Administrative Reports:**
List of Accounts For Approval:
129/26 **Effa:** That the Council approve the list of accounts as presented and attached hereto:
EFT numbers 1990 -2025 \$75,004.60,
Cheque numbers 11861 – 11877 \$22,505.67,
INT numbers 26023 -26034 \$59,455.31 and
Payroll totaling: \$20,431.42.
Carried.


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- Monthly Financial Statements:**
- 130/26 **Kruger:** That the Statement of Financial Activities and Credit Card Statement for the month of March, 2026 and the bank reconciliations for the months of February and March 2026 be accepted as presented and filed.
Carried.
- Administrators Report:**
- 131/26 **Maksymiw:** That the Council accepts the Administrators report as being received and filed.
Carried.
- Willowbrook Water Report:**
- 132/26 **Procyshen:** That the Annual Waterworks Compliance Inspection Report and the Willowbrook Water Daily Reports and Environmental Analysis for the month of March 2026 be accepted as presented and filed.
Carried.
- Correspondence: all correspondence sent via email**
- 133/26 **Zarowny:** That the following correspondence having been read now be filed
APAS/FCM – Updates,
Land Rental Request,
FCM – Update,
RCMP – Monthly Newsletter and Report,
SARM – Monthly Updates,
Silver Dirt Works Inc. – Custom Mowing Information and
Water Security Agency – Spill Way Work.
Carried.
- In-Camera:**
- 134/26 **Trost:** That the Regular Meeting of Council moves into a closed session to discuss Legal, the Operating Lead Hand position and amendments to the Administrators contract at 2:17 p.m.
Carried.
- Bridgette Rushkewich, Administrator left Council Chambers at 2:18 p.m. for the discussion of amendments to her contract.
- Trevor Protz, Division 2 Councillor, left Council Chambers at 2:37 p.m. declaring a conflict of interest regarding an employee complaint that was filed with the Human Resource Committee that was not placed on the agenda, therefore, he is leaving Council chambers, he is not participating in the conversation.
- Bridgette Rushkewich, Administrator, returned to Council Chambers at 3:05 p.m., to discuss expropriation.
- Trevor Protz, Division 2 Councillor returned to Council Chambers at 3:08 p.m.
- The Council Meeting reconvened into open session at 3:45 p.m.
- Operating Lead-Hand Position:**
- 135/26 **Maksymiw:** That the position of Operating Lead-Hand will earn an additional five dollars per hour for the additional duties in accordance with the job description.
Carried.


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136/26 **Effa:** That M. Graham be given the position of Operating Lead Hand.

The Division 1 Councilor, Joseph Zarowny, requested a recorded vote for the hiring of the Operating Lead-Hand position.

In Favour:

Randy Trost, Reeve
Joseph Zarowny, Division 1 Councillor
Kristine Procyshen, Division 3 Councillor
Jack Maksymiw, Division 4 Councillor
Vern Effa, Division 5 Councillor
Robert Kriger, Division 6 Councillor

Against:

Trevor Protz, Division 2 Councillor

Carried.

The Division 1 Councilor, Joseph Zarowny, requested a recorded vote for the amendments to the Administrators contract.

137/26 **Effa:** That the Council accept the amendments to the Administrators contract as requested and that it be filed.

In Favour:

Randy Trost, Reeve
Trevor Protz, Division 2 Councillor
Kristine Procyshen, Division 3 Councillor
Jack Maksymiw, Division 4 Councillor
Vern Effa, Division 5 Councillor
Robert Kriger, Division 6 Councillor

Against:

Joseph Zarowny, Division 1 Councilor

Carried.

Municipal Expropriation:

138/26 **Trost:** That the Council acknowledge the information received from C. Dewarle, B. Chernipeski and Big D Farms and that this matter will be further discussed at the April 22, 2026 Special Meeting of Council.

Carried.

Adjourn:

139/26 **Procyshen:** That this Regular Meeting of Council adjourn at 3:53 p.m.

Carried.



Reeve, Randy Trost



Administrator, Bridgette Rushkewich


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