

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the Rural Municipality of Orkney No. 244 Held
Thursday the 9th Day of July, 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 8:01 a.m.

Declarations of Conflict of Interest:

Randy Trost, Reeve, declared a conflict of interest in regards to two In-Camera items one being Code of Ethics Investigations for the Code of Ethics Complaints 2025 and the second one regarding a former employee; therefore, he will not participate in any of the discussion, he will abstain from voting and he will leave Council Chambers.

Kristine Procyshen, Division 3 Councillor declared a conflict of interest in regards to two items one regarding the dust suppressant complaints and the second one regarding an in-camera session regarding Code of Ethics Investigations for the Code of Ethics Complaints 2025; therefore, she will not participate in any of the discussion, she will abstain from voting and he will leave Council Chambers.

Jack Maksymiw, Division 4 Councillor declared a conflict of interest in regards to an in-camera session regarding Code of Ethics Investigations for the Code of Ethics Complaints 2025; therefore, he will not participate in any of the discussion, he will abstain from voting and he will leave Council Chambers.

Vern Effa, Division 5 Councillor declared a conflict of interest in regards to one item regarding the dust suppressant complaints; therefore, he will not participate in any of the discussion, he will abstain from voting and he will leave Council Chambers.

Joseph Zarowny, Division 1 Councillor, declared a conflict of interest in regards to an in-camera session regarding Code of Ethics Investigations for the Code of Ethics Complaints 2025; therefore, he will not participate in any of the discussion, he will abstain from voting and he will leave Council Chambers.

Trevor Protz, Division 2 Councillor arrived at 8:12 a.m.

Trevor Protz, Division 2 Councillor, declared a conflict of interest in regards to the In-Camera item regarding a former employee; therefore, he will not participate in any of the discussion, he will abstain from voting and he will leave Council Chambers.

Minutes:

221/26 **Effa:** That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on June 18, 2026 be approved as presented.

Carried.

Delegations:

Town of Springside: Fire Chief Suttor attended Council Chambers, in person from 8:30 a.m. to 8:59 a.m. to provide Council with an update on the Town of Springside Fire Department.

McQueen Advisory attended Council Chambers, virtually, from 9:00 to 9:15 a.m. to discuss Human Resource services.

Council Reports:

222/26 **Maksymiw:** That the Council acknowledges receipt of the Division 3, Councillor written report as received and attached hereto.

Carried Unanimously.


Admin./Reeve

Public Works Report:
223/26 **Procyshen:** That the Council acknowledges receipt of the Public Works Report as received and that it be filed.

Carried.

Unfinished/New Business:

Bylaws:

Bylaw No. 12/2026

224/26 **Procyshen:** That the Council approves Bylaw No. 12/2026, being the Criminal Record Check Bylaw be given a third reading at this meeting and adopted.

Defeated.

Bylaw No. 15/2026

225/26 **Zarowny:** That the Council approves Bylaw No. 15/2026, being a Bylaw for a Special Levy for Waste and Recycle Collection in Maple Grove Estates be given a first reading at this meeting.

Carried Unanimously.

226/26 **Maksymiw:** That the Council approves Bylaw No. 15/2026, being a Bylaw for a Special Levy for Waste and Recycle Collection in Maple Grove Estates be given a second reading at this meeting.

Carried Unanimously.

227/26 **Protz:** That the Council approves Bylaw No. 15/2026, being a Bylaw for a Special Levy for Waste and Recycle Collection in Maple Grove Estates be given three readings at this meeting.

Carried Unanimously.

228/26 **Trost:** That the Council approves Bylaw No. 15/2026, being a Bylaw for a Special Levy for Waste and Recycle Collection in Maple Grove Estates be given a third reading at this meeting and adopted.

Carried Unanimously.

Bylaw No. 16/2026

229/26 **Procyshen:** That the Council approves Bylaw No. 16/2026, being a Bylaw to Establish an Emergency Management Organization be given a first reading at this meeting.

Carried.

230/26 **Effa:** That the Council approves Bylaw No. 16/2026, being a Bylaw to Establish an Emergency Management Organization be given a second reading at this meeting.

Carried.

231/26 **Zarowny:** That the Council approves Bylaw No. 16/2026, being a Bylaw to Establish an Emergency Management Organization be given three readings at this meeting.

Carried Unanimously.

232/26 **Maksymiw:** That the Council approves Bylaw No. 16/2026, being a Bylaw to Establish an Emergency Management Organization be given a third reading and adopted at this meeting.

Carried.

Bylaw No. 17/2026

233/26 **Protz:** That the Council approves Bylaw No. 17/2026, being a Bylaw to Authorize Participation in the Three Regional Emergency Partnership given a first reading at this meeting.

Carried.

234/26 **Kruger:** That the Council approves Bylaw No. 17/2026, being a Bylaw to Authorize Participation in the Three Regional Emergency Partnership given a second reading at this meeting.

Carried.

235/26 **Trost:** That the Council approves Bylaw No. 17/2026, being a Bylaw to Authorize Participation in the Three Regional Emergency Partnership given three readings at this meeting.

Carried Unanimously.


Admin./Reeve

- 236/26 **Procyshen:** That the Council approves Bylaw No. 17/2026, being a Bylaw to Authorize Participation in the Three Regional Emergency Partnership given a third reading and adopted at this meeting.

Carried.

Kristine Procyshen, Division 3 Councillor and Vern Effa, Division 5 Councillor, having previously declared a conflict of interest regarding the dust suppressant, left Council Chambers at 10:40 a.m.

- Dust Suppressant Complaints:**
237/26 **Protz:** That the Council approves of tabling the dust suppressant concerns at this time and that Administration is to map the areas that are in close proximity to other areas receiving the dust suppressant service for Council to review.

Carried.

Kristine Procyshen, Division 3 Councillor and Vern Effa, Division 5 Councillor returned to Council Chambers at 10:54 a.m.

- Development:**
Subdivisions: (PT NE 32-25-05-W2)
238/26 **Protz:** That the Council recommends the approval of the proposed 15.30 acre proposed Parcel A residential subdivision on NE 32-25-05-W2 with the additional acres being granted in compliance with section 7.9.7 of Bylaw No. 4/2016 due to the developer wanting to include the trees for a shelter belt and the slough with adequate set back for a water source and; furthermore, that the land owner shall be responsible for constructing access to the remainder of the quarter in accordance with the municipalities policies at their own cost.

Carried.

- Internal Service Road Construction:**
239/26 **Protz:** That the Council approves of gathering an estimated price on the construction on the internal service road located at NE 14-26-04-W2 with the estimates of work to be provided within a three-month period.

Carried.

Vern Effa, Division 5 Councillor requested a recorded vote regarding the payment of invoices for work completed on the City of Yorkton approaches.

- Payment of Invoices:**
240/26 **Zarowny:** That the Council approves of paying for the invoices received from Kevin Kluk being: Yorkton Concrete in the total amount of two hundred and seventy-three dollars (\$273.00) and Parkland Contracting and Vac Service Ltd. in the amount of six-hundred and forty-three dollars and ninety-five cents (\$643.95) for clearing a plugged culvert and supplying A-Base for his culvert located off of South Airport Road in April 2026.

In Favour:
Randy Trost, Reeve
Joseph Zarowny, Division 1 Councillor
Jack Maksymiw, Division 4 Councillor
Robert Kriger, Division 6 Councillor

Against:
Trevor Protz, Division 2 Councillor
Kristine Procyshen, Division 3 Councillor
Vern Effa, Division 5 Councillor

Carried.

- HSE (Health, Safety and Environment) Manual:**
241/26 **Procyshen:** That the Council rescind resolution 120/26, as South East College has advised that they are no longer able to complete the HSE (Health, Safety and Environment) Manual within the six-month time period and furthermore; that the Council approves of contracting Sixteen Safety Services to complete the HSE Manual for a cost of five thousand five-hundred dollars (\$5,500), plus applicable taxes, with a completion of the draft to be received for September, 2026.

Carried.


Admin./Reeve

Request for Installation of Fibre Optic Line:
 242/26 **Effa:** That the Council decline the request received to install a fibre optic line on the west side of Government Road south, due to the municipalities potential future drainage plans in the same area.

Carried.

Letter of Support (H.M. Bailey Water Pollution Control Plant):
 243/26 **Protz:** That the Council approves that, although there will be no monetary assistance from the R.M. of Orkney No. 244, that the Council agrees with the completion of a letter of support in efforts for the City of Yorkton to secure funding for the renewal of the H.M. Bailey Water Pollution Control Plant.

Carried Unanimously.

Drainage Complaint:
 244/26 **Zarowny:** That the drainage concern brought forward regarding 29-25-04-W2, be tabled at this time and furthermore; that each Council member provide a list to Administration of all of the areas with drainage concerns for Council to review.

Carried.

Administrative Reports:
List of Accounts for Approval:
 245/26 **Effa:** That the Council approve the list of accounts as presented and attached hereto:
 EFT numbers 2085 -2108 \$251,315.31,
 Cheque numbers 11908 – 11918 \$33,247.74,
 INT numbers 26057-26066 \$55,938.93 and
 Payroll totaling: \$30,800.56.

Carried.

Monthly Financial Statements:
 246/26 **Procyshen:** That the Statement of Financial Activities and Credit Card Statement for the month of June 2026 and the bank reconciliations for the month of June 2026 be accepted as presented and filed.

Carried.

Administrative Report:
 247/26 **Effa:** That the Council acknowledges receipt of the written Administrative Report and that it be filed.

Carried.

Willowbrook Water Report:
 248/26 **Kruger:** That the Annual Waterworks Compliance Inspection Report and the Willowbrook Water Daily Reports and Environmental Analysis for the month of June 2026 be accepted as presented and filed.

Carried.

Correspondence: all correspondence sent via email
 249/26 **Kruger:** That the following correspondence having been read now be filed
 APAS – Updates,
 FCM – Update,
 2026 – Audited Financial Statements,
 RCMP – Monthly Newsletter and Report and
 SARM – Monthly Updates.

Carried.

Randy Trost, Reeve, Joseph Zarowny, Division 1 Councillor, Kristine Procyshen, Division 3 Councillor and Jack Maksymiw, Division 4 Councillor having previously declared a conflict of interest regarding Code of Ethics Complaints #1-2025 and #2-2025 left chambers at: 2:06 p.m. prior to any discussion.

Vern Effa, Division 5 Councillor assumed chair of the meeting in the absence of the Reeve and Deputy Reeve.


 Admin./Reeve

Closed Session:

- 250/26 **Effa:** That the Council move into closed session at 11:40 a.m. pursuant to Part III of *The Local Authority Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* to receive the Final Investigation Report respecting the Code of Ethics Complaints #1-2025 and #2-2025 (the “Report”) and consider the Complaints, the Report and any written submissions provided by the parties to the Investigator, in accordance with the Code of Ethics Bylaw which requires the report to be considered in closed session.

Carried.

MLT Aikins was present for the duration of the closed session

The meeting reconvened into open session at 12:08 p.m.

Code of Ethics Complaint #1-2025:

- 251/26 **Effa:** That the Council, having considered Code of Ethics Complaint #1-2025, the Investigation Report and the written submissions of the parties, finds that the complaint as against the Reeve is unsubstantiated, as the evidence does not establish a breach of Code of Ethics Bylaw and therefore the complaint against the Reeve is dismissed and furthermore; that the Administrator is directed to notify the parties of the decision and reasons, and options available to them.

Carried Unanimously.

- 252/26 **Effa:** That the Council, having considered Code of Ethics Complaint #1-2025, the investigation Report and written submissions of the parties, finds that the complaint is substantiated as against the Division 1 Councillor, as evidence establishes a breach of the Code of Ethics Bylaw; and furthermore, that the Administrator is directed to notify the parties of the decision and reasons and options available to them.

Carried Unanimously.

- 253/26 **Effa:** That the Council, having considered Code of Ethics Complaint #1-2025, the Investigation Report and the written submissions of the parties, finds that the complaint as against the Division 4 Councillor is unsubstantiated, as the evidence does not establish a breach of Code of Ethics Bylaw and therefore the complaint against the Division 4 Councillor is dismissed and furthermore; that the Administrator is directed to notify the parties of the decision and reasons, and options available to them.

Carried Unanimously.**Code of Ethics Complaint #2-2025:**

- 254/26 **Effa:** That the Council, having considered Code of Ethics Complaint #2-2025, the Investigation Report and the written submissions of the parties, finds that the complaint is unsubstantiated in its entirety, as the evidence does not establish a breach of the Code of Ethics Bylaw and therefore the complaint is dismissed; and furthermore, the Administrator is directed to notify the parties of the decision and reasons and options available to them.

Carried Unanimously.**Invite Submissions on Remedial Action:**

- 255/26 **Effa:** That the Council receive submissions from the Division 1 Councillor in open session respecting the remedial action arising from the findings on Code of Ethics Complaint #1-2025.

Carried Unanimously.

Joseph Zarowny, Division 1 Councillor, attended Council Chambers from 12:14 p.m. to 12:17 p.m. to provide his submission on remedial action regarding Code of Ethics Complaint #1-2025.

Closed Session:

- 256/26 **Effa:** That the Council move into closed meeting pursuant to Part III of *The Local Authority of Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* to consider the submissions from the Division 1 Councilor respecting remedial action arising from Code of Ethics Complaint #1-2025 at 12:17 p.m.

Carried.

MLT Aikins was present for the duration of the closed session

The meeting reconvened into open session at 12:26 p.m.


Admin./Reeve

Remedial Action:

- 257/26 **Effa:** That the Council, having found Code of Ethics Complaint #1-2025 to be substantiated as against the Division 1 Councillor and having considered the submissions of the Division 1 Councillor, suspends the Division 1 Councillor for Council for a period of six (6) months effective immediately; and furthermore, that the Administrator is directed to notify the parties of Council's decision and reasons and options available to them.

Carried Unanimously.**Closed Session:**

- 258/26 **Effa:** That the Council move into closed session pursuant to Part III of *The Local Authority of Freedom of Information and Privacy Protection Act* to discuss ongoing legal matters with MLT Aikins LLP at 12:31 p.m.

Carried.

Jack Maksymiw, Division 4 Councillor returned to Council Chambers at 12:33 p.m.

Trevor Protz, Division 2 Councillor having previously declared a conflict of interest in regards to the previous grader operator left Council Chambers at 12:52 p.m. prior to any discussion.

Kristine Procyshen, Division 3 Councillor, returned to Council Chambers at 12:56 p.m.

Trevor Protz, Division 2 Councillor returned to Council Chambers at 1:06 p.m.

Kristine Procyshen, Division 3 Councillor left Council Chambers at 1:06 p.m.

The meeting reconvened into open session at 1:06 p.m.

Pending Code of Ethics Complaints:

- 259/26 **Effa:** That the Council pause the investigation of all outstanding or subsequent Code of Ethics complaints so that it may consider its available options under the Code of Ethics Bylaw No. 7/2025.

Carried Unanimously.

Randy Trost, Reeve and Kristine Procyshen, Division 3 Councillor returned to Council Chambers at 1:08 p.m.

Randy Trost, Reeve, upon his return to Council Chambers, assumed chair.

Kristine Procyshen, Division 3 Councillor request a recorded vote regarding the conflict of interest complaints.

Conflict of Interest Complaints:

- 260/26 **Effa:** That the Council acknowledge several conflict of interest complaints arising from the June 18, 2026 Regular Meeting of Council received from members of the public as against the Division 1 Councillor and authorize the Administrator to send correspondence to the Division 1 Councillor inviting written submissions in response to the complaints and to make submission at the August 13, 2026 Regular Meeting of Council.

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

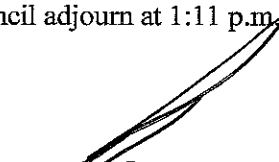
Robert Kriger, Division 6 Councillor

Carried Unanimously.**Adjourn:**

- 261/26 **Trost:** That this Regular Meeting of Council adjourn at 1:11 p.m.

Carried.


Reeve, Randy Trost


Administrator, Bridgette Rushkewich


Admin./Reeve

Division 3 monthly report August 13, 2026

I, Kristine Procyshen have submitted a monthly written report for division 3 to allow transparency for ratepayers in the RM of Orkney #244.

I was away for holidays the first week of August.

Road gravel came from good lake pit for division 3 roads as it was to wet to remove gravel from the pit off of Rd 2070, T&H once again did a great job and I truly appreciate the respect they have for those traveling on the roads while they are moving gravel throughout the RM.

There is frustration amongst Willowbrook residents with Bylaw and what bylaw seems to be picking and choosing to give warning too. I ask for continuity in what Bylaw does for the RM of Orkney as a whole. I have been working closely with our administrator in several areas of concern.

There seems to be no clarity regarding the roads marked with Natural Heritage signs.

We also have delegations today from 2 division 3 ratepayers, and would like to thank them for their presentations.

I would like to invite everyone to visit Willowbrook this Saturday for the Country Boyz Garage 3rd annual Show n' Shine. It should be a great time!

As always I am readily available to talk when I am not working my other job and try to get back to all in a timely matter, I am not available 24/7.

Submitted without prejudice,

Kristine Procyshen

Division 3 Councilor /Deputy Reeve

