

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the Rural Municipality of Orkney No. 244 Held
Thursday the 18th Day of June, 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 Procysen (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 8:03 a.m.

Declarations of Conflict of Interest:

Randy Trost, Reeve, 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.

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:

- 171/26 **Effa:** That the Minutes of the Special Meeting of Council held on April 21st, 2026 and the minutes from the Regular Meeting of Council held on May 7, 2026 be approved as presented.

Carried.

Council Reports:

- 172/26 **Zarowny:** That the Council acknowledges receipt of the Division 3, Councillor and Division 4 Councillor written reports as received and attached hereto.

Carried.

Unfinished/New Business:

Bylaws:

Bylaw No. 10/2026 Tax Incentive and Penalty:

- 173/26 **Maksymiw:** That the Council approves Bylaw No. 10/2026, being a Bylaw to Establish Tax Incentives and Penalties be given a third reading and adopted at this meeting.

Carried.

Bylaw No. 11/2026

- 174/26 **Protz:** That the Council approves Bylaw No. 11/2026, being the Administrative Bylaw be given a first reading at this meeting.

Carried Unanimously.

- 175/26 **Kriger:** That the Council approves Bylaw No. 11/2026, being the Administrative Bylaw be given a second reading at this meeting.

Carried.

- 176/26 **Procysen:** That the Council approves Bylaw No. 11/2026, being the Administrative Bylaw be given three readings at this meeting.

Carried Unanimously.

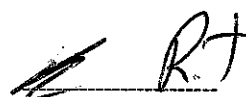
- 177/26 **Effa:** That the Council approves Bylaw No. 11/2026, being the Administrative Bylaw be given a third reading and adopted at this meeting.

Carried Unanimously.

Bylaw No. 12/2026

- 178/26 **Procysen:** That the Council approves Bylaw No. 12/2026, being the Criminal Record Check Bylaw be given a first reading at this meeting.

Carried.


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- 179/26 **Effa:** That the Council approves Bylaw No. 12/2026, being the Criminal Record Check bylaw be given a second reading at this meeting.
- Carried.**

Bylaw No. 13/2026

- 180/26 **Procyshen:** That the Council approves Bylaw No. 13/2026, being the General Election Bylaw be given a first reading at this meeting.
- Carried.**

- 181/26 **Effa:** That the Council approves Bylaw No. 13/2026, being the General Election Bylaw be given a second reading at this meeting.
- Carried.**

- 182/26 **Zarowny:** That the Council approves Bylaw No. 13/2026, being the General Election Bylaw be given three readings at this meeting.
- Carried Unanimously.**

- 183/26 **Maksymiw:** That the Council approves Bylaw No. 13/2026, being the General Election Bylaw be given a third reading and adopted at this meeting.
- Carried.**

Bylaw No. 14/2026

- 184/26 **Protz:** That the Council approves of Bylaw No. 14/2026, being a bylaw to Repeal Bylaws be given a first reading at this meeting.
- Carried.**

- 185/26 **Kruger:** That the Council approves of Bylaw No. 14/2026, being a bylaw to Repeal Bylaws, be given a second reading at this meeting.
- Carried.**

- 186/26 **Trost:** That the Council approves of Bylaw No. 14/2026, being a bylaw to Repeal Bylaws, be given three readings at this meeting.
- Carried Unanimously.**

Procyshen: That the Council approves of Bylaw No. 14/2026, being a bylaw to Repeal Bylaws, be given a third reading and adopted at this meeting.

Carried.

Public Hearing:

- 187/26 **Trost:** That the Public Hearings for the discretionary uses to establish communication towers at NE 21-27-04-W2 and NW 06-27-05-W2 now commence at 8:48 a.m.
- Carried.**

Discretionary Use – Communication Tower – NE 21-27-04-W2

There was a letter received from fifteen rate payers in the area opposed to the discretionary use application to develop a communication tower on the NE 21-27-04-W2

The developer, Cypress Land Services was heard.

Wayne Happy spoke regarding the letter submitted on behalf of the rate payers in the area.

Discretionary Use – Communication Tower – NW 06-27-05-W2

There was a letter and presentation received from two rate payers in this area opposed to the discretionary use application to develop a communication tower on the NW 06-27-05-W2.

The developer, representative from Government Relations was heard.

Glen Zilke spoke regarding the letter and presentation submitted.

- 188/26 **Trost:** That the public meeting now adjourns and the Regular Meeting of Council reconvene at 9:55 a.m.
- Carried.**

Delegation:

Knibbs HR Consulting attended the meeting to discuss Human Resource options from 9:55 to 10:25 a.m.


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- Human Resource Consulting:**
189/26 **Procysheh:** That the Council approves of inviting McQueen Advisory to do a presentation at the July 9, 2026 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried Unanimously.

Policies:

- Approach Policy:**
190/26 **Protz:** That the Council approves of administration working on amending the approach policy and furthermore that the amendments will include the following:
-the R.M. will unplug all culverts in the R.M.'s right of ways,
-the R.M. will fix or replace any failed culverts within the R.M.'s right of ways,
- developers/ratepayers are responsible for installing all culverts at their own expense and in accordance with the RM's policies and furthermore, that they will be responsible for all maintenance and corrections required within the first year from the date of approval of inspection from the R.M.

Carried.

- 191/26 **Procysheh:** That the Council approves of providing training for Council on how properly install culverts and inspect culvert installations to ensure that they are completed properly, as Council has decided that each Councillor is responsible for completing the culvert installation inspections as this affects drainage in the R.M.

Defeated.

Kristine Procysheh, Division 3 Councillor, asked for a note to be added to the minutes reflecting that by Council members signing the approval of the installation of the culverts would leave them liable; therefore, without training she will not be signing the approval of any culvert installations.

- Cell Phone Policy:**
192/26 **Maksymiw:** That the Council approves the Cell Phone Policy as presented and that it be filed.

Carried.

- Grid Road Detour Policy:**
193/26 **Protz:** That the Council approves the Grid Road Detour Policy as presented and that it be filed.

Carried.

- Road Maintenance Policy:**
194/26 **Kruger:** That the Council approves the Road Maintenance Policy as presented and that it be filed.

Carried.

- Website Policy:**
195/26 **Protz:** That the Council approves the Website Policy as presented and that it be filed.

Carried.

- Holiday Request Policy:**
196/26 **Kruger:** That the Council approves the Holiday Request Policy as presented and that it be filed.

Carried.

- Sick Day Policy:**
197/26 **Procysheh:** That the proposed Sick Day Policy is referred for review to the R.M.'s legal.

Carried.


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Vern Effa, Division 5 Councillor, requested a recorded vote for the amendments to the Dust Suppressant Policy. The Administrator advised that the additional dust suppressant was not included in the 2026 budget or approved policy from May 17, 2026 Regular Council Meeting.

Dust Suppressant Policy:

- 198/26 **Zarowny:** That Council approves of amending the Dust Suppressant policy to include the following areas now being provided with free dust suppressant annually:
-Skilnick Road, portion of range road 2043 (also known as Rosefield Drive) going directly north of Skilnick Drive, portion of Township Road 252 adjacent to Maple Grove, Rocky Mountain Way Road and Schrader Drive.

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.

Development:

Discretionary Use Application – Communication Tower – NE 21-27-04-W2 and NW 06-27-05-W2:

- 199/26 **Effa:** That the decision for the establishment of the discretionary use towers to be developed on NE 21-27-04-W2 and NW 06-27-05-W2 be deferred to the July 9, 2026 Regular Meeting of Council to allow for the developers to provide answers on the outstanding questions from Council.

Defeated.

- 200/26 **Protz:** That the Council declines the discretionary use applications to establish communication towers on NE 21-27-04-W2 and NW 06-27-05-W2 due to the proximity of residences.

Carried.

Subdivisions:

Agricultural Subdivision NE/SE 1-27-04-W2:

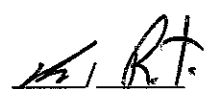
- 201/26 **Maksymiw:** That the Council recommends the approval of the proposed 7.72-acre extension on SE 1-27-04-W2 to the existing agricultural parcel on NE 1-27-04-W2 without any conditions.

Carried.

Agricultural Subdivision NW 25-26-04-W2:

- 202/26 **Protz:** That the Council recommends the approval of the proposed 44.45-acre agricultural subdivision on the NW 25-26-04-W2 with the condition that the rate payers are responsible for ensuring access to both parcels.

Carried.


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The Administrator advised against looking after another municipality's owned assets.

Kristine Procyshen, Division 3 Councillor, requested a recorded vote regarding the maintenance of the City of Yorkton's approaches located on South Airport Road.

South Airport Road:

- 203/26 **Zarowny:** That the Council approves of a letter being sent to the City of Yorkton to start discussions for the municipality to maintain and repair the five existing approaches on the City of Yorkton's right-of-way on the south side of South Airport Road for the R.M. of Orkney No. 244's rate payers.

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.

Kristine Procyshen, Division 3 Councillor, requested a recorded vote in regards to obtaining a legal opinion on the liabilities of maintaining approaches that belong to the City of Yorkton.

Obtain Legal Opinion for Maintenance of Another Municipalities Asset(s):

- 204/26 **Procyshen:** That the Council approves of obtaining legal advice for the liability of the R.M. of Orkney No. 244 taking care of approaches that are owned by the City of Yorkton due to the pausing of a legal proceeding in 2017.

In Favour:

Trevor Protz, Division 2 Councillor

Kristine Procyshen, Division 3 Councillor

Vern Effa, Division 5 Councillor

Against:

Randy Trost, Reeve

Joseph Zarowny, Division 1 Councillor

Jack Maksymiw, Division 4 Councillor

Robert Kriger, Division 6 Councillor

Defeated.

Road Maintenance Agreement:

- 205/26 **Maksymiw:** That the Council ratifies signing the Road Maintenance Agreement, May 21, 2026, with the Rural Municipality of Good Lake No. 274.

Carried.

Commercial Insurance:

- 206/26 **Zarowny:** That the Council approves the Commercial Insurance renewal as received and that it be filed.

Carried.

Information Clarification:

- 207/26 **Protz:** That the Council acknowledges the clarification of direction of work as received from Evolution Training.

Carried.

Trevor Protz, Division 2 Councillor left Council Chambers at 1:28 p.m.


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2026 Gravel Allocation:

- 208/26 **Procyshen:** That the Council approves gravel to be hauled from the following pits for the 2026 gravel year:
 Division 1: purchased from T & H Trucking Ltd and from R.M.'s owned pit in the R.M. of Good Lake No. 274,
 Division 2: R.M.'s owned pit in the R.M. of Good Lake No. 274,
 Division 3: R.M.'s leased pit in the R.M. of Garry No. 245,
 Division 4: R.M.'s owned pit in the R.M. of Good Lake No. 274,
 Division 5: R.M.'s owned pit in the R.M. of Good Lake No. 274 and
 Division 6: purchased from T & H Trucking Ltd and from R.M.'s owned pit on the R.M. of Good Lake No. 274; and furthermore, that the Council agree to allow for the additional amounts to be spent on the 2026 gravel allocations as indicated below with the amounts to come from the municipalities reserve:
 Division 1: additional \$25,000,
 Division 2: additional \$25,000 and
 Division 6: additional \$25,000.

Carried Unanimously.**Maple Grove Estates Additional Funding:**

- 209/26 **Maksymiw:** That the Council will consider the request received from Maple Grove Estates Home Owners Corporation for the R.M. to provide them with a payment of seven thousand and five hundred dollars (\$7,500) annually for additional grass cutting within Maple Grove Estates in the 2027 Budget.

Carried.**Tax Enforcement:**

- 210/26 **Kruger:** That Taxservice is hereby authorized to proceed under section 22(1) of The Tax Enforcement Act, to commence proceedings on or after June 22, 2026 to request title with respect to the following described lands:
- | Roll | Legal Land Location |
|----------|---------------------------------|
| 813.000 | NE 34-26-04-W2, |
| 814.000 | Parcel A, Plan 101762119, |
| 1078.000 | SE 14-26-06-W2, |
| 1452.000 | SW 22-27-05-W2, |
| 1615.000 | SW 23-27-06-W2, |
| 1631.000 | SW 27-27-06-W2, |
| 1898.000 | Lot 3, Block 3, Plan AD3245 and |
| 2101.000 | Lot 1, Block 1, Plan AJ1223. |

Carried Unanimously.**Well Decommissioning Grant:**

- 211/26 **Trost:** That the Council approves of participating in the 2026 Well Decommissioning program administered by the Assiniboine Watershed Stewardship Association (AWSA) Program in accordance with the following:
 The R.M. shall be responsible for paying the contractor invoice of \$3,125,
 The R.M. shall invoice the landowner for \$400 per decommissioned well,
 AWSA shall be the program contact and shall submit the rebate application with the R.M. as the applicant on behalf of the landowner, to the Ministry of Agriculture's Farm and Ranch Water Infrastructure Program to obtain the R.M.'s 90% reimbursement and
 AWSA shall provide the R.M. with \$100 reimbursement per well.

Carried.**Abate Uncollectable Taxes:**

- 212/26 **Zarowny:** That the Council approves of abating the following taxes for Roll 1750.000, Lot A, Block 4, Plan BW3992, as Council deems them to be uncollectable:
 Municipal \$61,010.88 Tax Enforcement: \$2,417.87 and School \$22,542.34.

Carried Unanimously.**Employee Holidays:**

- 213/26 **Effa:** That the Council approves the holiday requests as follows: M. Graham July 20-27, K. Woytas July 31-August 10, M. Thomson July 23-30 and August 17-31.

Carried.

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Administrative Reports:**Monthly Financial Statements:**

- 214/26 **Effa:** That the Statement of Financial Activities and Credit Card Statement for the month of May 2026 and the bank reconciliations for the month of May 2026 be accepted as presented and filed.

Carried.**Administrative Report:**

- 215/26 **Maksymiw:** That the Council acknowledges receipt of the written Administrative Report and that it be filed.

Carried.**Willowbrook Water Report:**

- 216/26 **Kruger:** That the Annual Waterworks Compliance Inspection Report and the Willowbrook Water Daily Reports and Environmental Analysis for the month of May 2026 be accepted as presented and filed.

Carried.**Correspondence:** *all correspondence sent via email*

- 217/26 **Procyshen:** That the following correspondence having been read now be filed
APAS – Updates,
Evolution Training Slides,
FCM – Update,
RCMP – Monthly Newsletter and Report and
SARM – Monthly Updates.

Carried.**Closed Session:**

- 218/26 **Effa:** That the Council meeting move into closed session at 2:06 p.m. to discuss a legal matter.

Carried.

Randy Trost, Reeve, having previously declared a conflict of interest regarding a previous grader operator left chambers at: 2:06 p.m. prior to any discussion.

Joseph Zarowny, Division 1 Councillor, left Council Chambers at 2:12 p.m.

The meeting reconvened into open session at 2:27 p.m.

List of Accounts for Approval:

- 219/26 **Effa:** That the Council approve the list of accounts as presented and attached hereto:
EFT numbers 2052 -2084 \$255,634.75,
Cheque numbers 11892 – 11907 \$608,269.57
INT numbers 26046-26056 \$56,143.04 and
Payroll totaling: \$45,667.30.

Carried.**Adjourn:**

- 220/26 **Trost:** That this Regular Meeting of Council adjourn at 2:30 p.m.

Carried.



Reeve, Randy Trost



Administrator, Bridgette Rushkewich


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DIVISION 3 MONTHLY REPORT JUNE 18th,2026

I Kristine Procyshen ,submit a written report for division 3 instead of verbally as this allows for transparency to ratepayers of the RM of Orkney #244 .

Division 3 had several culverts replaced , washed out roads rebuilt . There are still a few roads that need attention but the rain has made it very hard to get tasks done. Dust suppressant also applied.

Willowbrook pot holes are to be filled this week ,weather pending by Federowich Construction . Posted on the Willowbrook Facebook page for those affected to know ahead of time .

Several phone calls and a few visits to ratepayers of concerns they have.

The concerns of dogs and cats continue to be a problem in Willowbrook . Hoping to finalize and have something for council to look at soon. The grass has gotten out of hand with the weather and requires a trailer to haul mower.

The topic of RM of Orkney building a road to haul gravel out of the RM pit in the RM of Garry which is on our border road has ratepayers concerned about safety and poor communication. This agreement to purchase gravel from a ratepayer in the RM of Garry is something that began before I became a councilor . I am catching up on everything I can by visiting the office and emailing to receive information. Seems to be some clarification needed .

I understand the concerns of the family affected by the traveling of gravel trucks so close to their home. I am asking the council to help resolve the concerns they have put forward. We have received many pictures and texts informing all of the council of the progression of the crush . We were on the list for early haul this year . *Gravel Map handed in, noted areas that were due flooding.* I understand this has hit social media and once again an anonymous poster has decided to slander me ,when there are resolutions for everything that I have done since joining council in 2024 which means majority or all of council voted for the motions made. I will once again clarify for those listening in today these items.

The Bylaw officer requested that we number the houses in Willowbrook which then came to council and by resolution it was added that numbers be on homes in Willowbrook like the subdivisions. Even just writing your house number on a piece of paper and putting it in the windows facing the street would work.

Naming the road we have lived on for 15 years was done by a request , approved by council . I left the room as conflict of interest and motion was passed to naming our road. My family purchased the signs and also hung up the signs . Zero cost to the rate payers.

I am asking the public to please read through our minutes and please spread the word that meetings are live . I have made an oath to follow the MUNICIPALITIES ACT and all our bylaws,policies and procedures . To be bullied and harassed and slandered on social media is unfair to myself and my family. Please read the truth, if you are unsure please call me or the office for clarification of a concern.

Submitted without prejudice ,
Kristine Procyshen
Division 3 Councilor , Deputy Reeve.



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Div 4 Council Report June 18/26

I have a couple culvert washout and we are waiting for the water to go down to replace them. Div 4 graveling is completed. My 5 main roads are graded well. Most of my secondary ~~red~~ roads are not graded often (two weeks or more)

In middle of June and I have not had one backroad graded. This year I have received the most complaints that I ever had in my 4 years as council. I try and tell them one guys have a plan. Do not want to repeat the response I got from that council.

When Michael comes out to ~~inspect~~ address
any problems he usually comes out with
- second graders operator. ~~Just~~ Malyn

that means two graders. But Div 4 Council has
sitting. Must have a reason for that
and take one of the two maintenance guys
They are not cutting grass yet so should not
be that busy

RT in