

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the Rural Municipality of Orkney No. 244 Held Thursday the 5th Day of March, 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 Procyshe (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 8:00 a.m.

Conflict of Interest:

Randy Trost, Reeve, declared a conflict of interest should any discussion come forward regarding a conflict of interest in regards to an employee that may be discussed with the Human Resource Committee; therefore, he will leave Council chambers, he will not participate in any discussions, and he will abstain from voting.

Minutes:

52/26 **Effa:** That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on February 12, 2026 be approved as presented.

Carried.

Councillor Report:

53/26 **Maksymiw:** That Council acknowledges the written report received by myself, Kristine Procyshe, Division 3 Councillor, and as attached hereto.

Carried.

Contract Snow Removal:

54/26 **Procyshe:** That the Council authorizes, that for the next ten days while the R.M. has an additional grader operator absent, that the south supervisor, Randy Trost, Reeve, and the north supervisor, Vern Effa, Division 5 Councillor, be authorized to contract a grader operator to assist with snow removal should they deem it necessary.

Defeated.

Relief Grader Operator(s):

55/26 **Protz:** That the Council authorizes, in accordance with the Human Resource Policy, that the Human Resource Committee is to look at hiring two (2) relief grader operators.

Defeated.

Delegation:

Derrick Hoehn, P. Tech, W.S.A. (Water Security Agency) attended Council Chambers from 8:43 a.m. to 9:01 a.m. to discuss the Yorkville Public Utility Board system and Maple Grove Estates.

Yorkville Public Utility Board/Maple Grove Estates:

56/26 **Protz:** That the Council approves, that as over seventy-five percent of the lots are sold in Maple Grove Estates and in accordance with the Servicing Agreement, that the Council approves of accepting the water lines and transferring the lines and responsibility to the Yorkville Public Utility Board as suggested by the Water Security Agency.

Carried Unanimously.

Unfinished/New Business:

Bylaws:

Bylaw 1/2026 A Bylaw to Regulate the Operation of Vehicles:

57/26 **Effa:** That the Council approves Bylaw No. 1/2026 being a Bylaw to Regulate the Operation of Vehicles be given a first reading at this meeting.

Carried Unanimously.


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- 58/26 **Protz:** That the Council approves Bylaw No. 1/2026, being a Bylaw to Regulate the Operation of Vehicles be given a second reading at this meeting.
Carried Unanimously.
- 59/26 **Kruger:** That the Council approves Bylaw No. 1/2026 being a Bylaw to Regulate the Operation of Vehicles be given three readings at this meeting.
Carried Unanimously.
- 60/26 **Procyshen:** That the Council approves Bylaw No. 1/2026 be given a third reading and adopted at this meeting.
Carried Unanimously.
- Bylaw No. 2/2026 Municipal Expropriation**
- 61/26 **Zarowny:** That the Council approves Bylaw No. 2/2026 being a Municipal Expropriation Bylaw be given a first reading at this meeting.
Carried Unanimously.
- 62/26 **Maksymiw:** That the Council approves Bylaw No. 2/2026 being a Municipal Expropriation Bylaw be given a second reading at this meeting.
Carried Unanimously.
- 63/26 **Effa:** That the Council approves Bylaw No. 2/2026 being a Municipal Expropriation Bylaw be given three readings at this meeting.
Carried Unanimously.
- 64/26 **Protz:** That the Council approves Bylaw No. 2/2026 being a Municipal Expropriation Bylaw be given a third reading and adopted at this meeting.
Carried Unanimously.
- Bylaw No. 3/2026, Land Lease Renewal NE/SE 36-27-05-W2**
- 65/26 **Maksymiw:** That the Council does not wish to renew the lease agreement for the seasonal road located NE/SE 36-27-05-W2; therefore, the road will be opened for public use.
Carried.
- Bylaw No. 4/2026, Amend Town of Springside Fire Agreement Bylaw**
- 66/26 **Effa:** That Council approves that Bylaw No. 4/2026, being a Bylaw to Amend The Agreement with the Town of Springside to Provide Fire Suppression and Rescue Services be given a first reading at this meeting.
Carried Unanimously.
- 67/26 **Protz:** That Council approves that Bylaw No. 4/2026, being a Bylaw to Amend The Agreement with the Town of Springside to Provide Fire Suppression and Rescue Services be given a second reading at this meeting.
Carried Unanimously.
- 68/26 **Kruger:** That Council approves that Bylaw No. 4/2026, being a Bylaw to Amend The Agreement with the Town of Springside to Provide Fire Suppression and Rescue Services be given three readings at this meeting.
Carried Unanimously.
- 69/26 **Procyshen:** That Council approves that Bylaw No. 4/2026, being a Bylaw to Amend The Agreement with the Town of Springside to Provide Fire Suppression and Rescue Services be given a third reading and adopted at this meeting.
Carried Unanimously.
- Bylaw Amendment:**
- 70/26 **Procyshen:** That the Council approves of Administration working on amendments and Bylaw options for consideration to restrict the number of dogs, cats, requirements for licencing, options for picking up stray animals, lease requirements and other options; and furthermore, that a document be completed expressing bylaw enforcement requirements.
Carried Unanimously.


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- OH&S Citation:**
71/26 **Zarowny:** That the Council authorizes a Special Meeting to be held on Friday, March 13, 2026 at 1:00 p.m. to discuss the Notice of Citation including improper supervision issued by Occupational Health and Safety (OH&S) to the R.M. and furthermore, that OH&S and MLT Aikins be asked to attend.
Carried.
- Purchase Extended Warranty:**
72/26 **Trost:** That the Council does not wish to purchase the extended warranty for the R.M.'s CAT Grader.
Carried.
- Plan of Survey:**
73/26 **Zarowny:** That the Council accepts and deposits the plan of subdivision to establish a standard ninety-nine-foot road allowance for Pleasant Avenue as prepared and received by GeoVerra on February 27, 2026.
Carried.
- Channel Clearing:**
74/26 **Kristine:** That the Council authorizes myself, Kristine Procyshen, a budget of no more than five thousand (\$5,000) to have channel clearing completed on SE 09-25-06-W2.
Carried.
- Canada Post:**
75/26 **Procyshen:** That Council acknowledges receipt of the letter sent to Canada Post from the R.M. of Orkney No. 244, in consultation with the R.M. of Cana No. 214 and the R.M. of Garry No. 245 recommending that Canada Post consider keeping the postal service in Willowbrook and furthermore, should Canada Post wish to install community mail boxes the R.M. may have two available options.
Carried Unanimously.
- Purchase Portable Steamer:**
76/26 **Procyshen:** That the Council authorizes the purchase of a six-inch floating pump and hoses with a budget of no more than six thousand dollars (\$6,000) and the purchase of a portable steamer for no more than fifteen thousand (\$15,000); and furthermore, that training requirements be looked into.
Carried.
- Taxervice:**
77/26 **Protz:** That the Council approves of contracting Taxervice to complete tax enforcement for the municipality and furthermore, authorizes the Reeve to sign the contract and that it be filed.
- Cornerstone Credit Union:**
78/26 **Kriger:** That the Council approves of maintaining the established line of credit at the Conexus Credit Union and furthermore, authorizes the Reeve, Deputy Reeve and Administrator to sign to sign all required documentation and that that documentation be filed.
Carried.
- Emergency Management Operation Committee:**
79/26 **Protz:** That the Council approves of appointing Randy Trost, Reeve, Joseph Zarowny, Division 1 Councilor and Vern Effa Division 5 Councilor as member for the Emergency Management Committee for the 2026 year.
Carried.
- R.C.M. P. Letter**
80/26 **Procyshen:** That the Council acknowledges and files the letter received from the R.C.M.P. regarding the 2026 Detachment Action Plan and authorizes the Administrator to respond as discussed.
Carried.



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Employee Training:

- 81/26 **Effa:** That the Council approves of the Senior Office Assistant attending the RMAA (Rural Municipal Administrators Association) Convention for two days with costs to be covered in accordance with the R.M.'s policies.

Carried.**Administrative Reports:****List of Accounts For Approval:**

- 82/26 **Effa:** That the Council approve the list of accounts as presented and attached hereto:
EFT numbers 1973 -1989 \$38,847.04,
Cheque numbers 11853 – 11860 \$45,526.94,
INT numbers 26014 -26022 \$37,376.74 and
Payroll totaling: \$19,887.40.

Carried.**Monthly Financial Statements:**

- 83/26 **Kruger:** That the Statement of Financial Activities, Bank Reconciliations and the Credit Card Statement for the month of February, 2026 be accepted as presented and filed.

Carried.**Willowbrook Water Report:**

- 84/26 **Maksymiw:** That the Willowbrook Water Daily Reports and Environmental Analysis for the month of February 2026 be accepted as presented and filed.

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

- 85/26 **Zrowny:** That the following correspondence having been read now be filed
APAS/FCM – Updates,
Ag Health and Safety – Hearing Clinic, March 18, 2026
Assiniboine Watershed – Tree Seedlings for Sale
RCMP – Monthly Newsletter and Report,
SARM – Monthly Updates and
Sask. Procurement Thresholds 2026 Updates.

Carried.**In-Camera:**

- 86/26 **Trost:** That the Regular Meeting of Council moves into a closed session to discuss long term planning at 11:20 a.m.

Carried.

The Council Meeting reconvened into open session at 11:37 a.m.

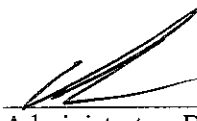
Adjourn:

- 87/26 **Protz:** That this Regular Meeting of Council adjourn at 11:37 a.m.

Carried.



Reeve, Randy Trost



Administrator, Bridgette Rushkewich


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