

Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of the council of the R.M. of Arm River, No. 252 held in Council Chambers at the R.M. Office in Davidson, SK on Thursday, April 3, 2025 commencing at 8:37 a.m.

Present: Reeve Wayne Obrigewitsch, Councillors Blaine Smith, David Gregor, Kris Williams, Brian Schmidt, Allan McNabb, Brian Vibert and Administrator Michelle Bublish

83/25 Call to Order: Wayne Obrigewitsch: That as a quorum is present the meeting is called to order.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

84/25 Agenda: Brian Vibert: That the agenda be adopted as amended:
Under 8. Pub Works Add:
2) Employee Issues
3) Service Truck Tires
4) Loader required at gravel pit **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

No Conflict of Interest declared at this time regarding agenda items

85/25 Minutes: David Gregor: That the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on March 10, 2025 at 8:38 a.m. be hereby accepted as presented.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

86/25 Financials: Allan McNabb: That Accounts Paid, Statement of Financial Activities, and Employee Payroll Summary for the month of March be hereby approved as presented and are attached to and form a part of these minutes. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

87/25 Bank Recs: Blaine Schmidt: That council approves the March 2025 Bank Reconciliation as presented. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

88/25 A/P: Brian Schmidt: That the Accounts Payable to the April Meeting be approved for payment and is attached to and form part of these minutes.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Mr. Todd Lockwood attended the meeting at 9:00 am

Mr. Lockwood left the meeting at 9:31 am

Councillor Schmidt left the meeting at 9:34 am and returned to the meeting at 9:35 am

Ms. Elaine Ebenal representing Saskatchewan (Davidson) Housing Corporation attended the meeting at 9:33 am

Ms. Ebenal left the meeting at 9:55 am

89/25 In Camera: Brian Vibert: That council enters into an in-camera session at 9:57 a.m. to discuss long-term planning and budget analysis as allowed under LAFOIP Section 16 and *The Municipalities Act* Section 120 and Section 12 of the Bylaw to Regulate the Proceedings of Municipal Council and Council's Committees. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

In-camera session entered at 9:57 a.m. with Wayne Obrigewitsch, Brian Schmidt, Brian Vibert, Allan McNabb, Blaine Smith, Kris Williams, David Gregor, Taylor Muirhead, Consultant Yvonne Goodsman and Michelle Bublish in attendance.

Reeve Obrigewitsch left the meeting at 10:25 am and returned at 10:29 am

Mr. Muirhead left the meeting at 10:43 am

90/25 Exit Camera: Blaine Smith: That council exit In-camera session at 11:04 am and regular meeting resumes. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

91/25 Municipal Shop: Blaine Smith: That Council directs administration to send a registered letter to an individual regarding attendance at Municipal Shop. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

92/25 Permit: Allan McNabb: That council reviewed Development Officer Report for Development Permit Application DP-252-01-2025. Council confirms that Development Permit Application DP-252-01-2025 does not comply with Zoning Bylaw No. 05/2013 and as such is denied as presented. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Council reviewed Gravel Load, Haul and Spread Tenders for 2025 season.

- 93/25 Tender: Allan McNabb: That council awards the 2025 Gravel Load, Haul and Spread to Sagen Transport per their Tender as follows:
 - \$0.50 per yard mile for hauling (10-mile minimum hauling charge)
 - \$1.00 per yard loading with contractor's loader.With the following conditions:
 - Haul must be complete by August 31, 2025
 - RM252 is not interest in leasing equipment

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor Williams left the meeting at 12:02pm and returned at 12:05pm

Reeve Obrigewitsch left the meeting at 12:07pm and 12:08pm

Brian Vibert left the meeting at 12:35 pm and returned to the meeting at 12:37 pm

- 94/25 Budget: Blaine Smith: That council accepts the 2025 Budget with adjustments.

Cash Budget Statement:

Revenue	\$ 2,182,126.00
Expenses	\$ (1,901,981.00)
Revenue Over/(under) expenses	\$ 280,145.00
Increase/(Decrease) Capital over Expenditures	\$ (555,156.00)
(Increase)/Decrease in Inventory	\$ (308,663.00)
Increase/(Decrease) in Net Financials	\$ (583,674.00)

Accrual Budget Statement:

Transferred to/(from) Unappropriated Surplus	\$ (275,011.00)
Transferred to/(from) Appropriated Reserves	\$ 0.00
Net Increase/(Decrease) in TCA	\$ 555,156.00
Increase/(Decrease) in Accumulated Surplus	\$ 280,145.00

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 95/25 Mill Rate: David Gregor: That the mill rate for 2025 be established at 8.25 mills.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor Smith left the meeting at 12:54pm and returned at 12:56pm

Councillor Schmidt left the meeting at 12:57pm and returned at 1:00pm

- 96/25 Cap Works: Blaine Smith: That council adopts the five-year capital works plan for the years 2025 to 2029 as adjusted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor Smith presented the Fire Board Meeting Report

Councillor Gregor left the meeting at 1:17pm and returned at 1:19pm

- 97/25 Report: Allan McNabb: That council accepts the above report as presented. Further, Council accepts the Town of Davidson Fire Board Budget for 2025 as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 98/25 Snow wing: Blaine Smith: That council authorizes repairing snow wing.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 99/25 Sod Mulcher: Blaine Smith: That council purchase a used 2018 Capital I Sod Mulcher from Triod Supply for an estimated \$31,300.00 plus taxes.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 100/25 OneWay Plow: David Gregor: That council purchase a Capital I One-Way Snow Plow for Cat 140 LVR Grader from Triod Supply for an estimated \$35,725.00 plus taxes.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 101/25 Mower: Kris Williams: That council purchase a new Schulte XH-1500 Series 5 15-foot Rotary Cutter from Flaman Sales Ltd. for an estimated \$56,281.45.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 102/25 Snow Blower: Allan McNabb: That council will investigate snow blower pricing.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 103/25 Meeting:** **Allan McNabb:** That Wayne Obrigewitsch and Blaine Smith will attend the Dr. Recruitment and Retention meeting being held on April 23, 2025 at 4:00pm at Davidson Town Hall.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 104/25 RSC:** **Blaine Smith:** That council acknowledges additional reno request and amortization suggestions from Saskatchewan Government for the RSC. Council defers discussion on the additional reno request. However, council authorizes notifying Saskatchewan Government that the last lease proposal still stands. Provided RM253 agrees to same.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 105/25 RCMP:** **Kris Williams:** That Council authorizes Brian Schmidt attend the Community Consultative Meeting with Craik RCMP on Wednesday, April 23, 2025 at 11:00 am at the Craik RCMP Detachment.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 106/25 PBI:** **Blaine Smith:** That council acknowledges the Certificate of Appointment of The following individual to Professional Building Inspections, Inc:
Chantel Terry – T-Class 1 Licensed Building Official, Saskatchewan BOL855
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 107/25 CIB:** **Allan McNabb:** That Council approves Community in Bloom's request to fill water at the RM of Arm River water fill site, provided RM253 agrees to same.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 108/25 RMAA:** **Allan McNabb:** That council authorizes administration to attend the Annual RMAA Convention being held in Saskatoon May 13 and 14, 2025; all associated costs to be covered by RM's. Provided RM253 agrees to same.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 109/25 Easter Hrs:** **Brian Schmidt:** That council establishes RM Office Easter Hours as follows:
Closed Friday, April 18, 2025
Closed Monday, April 21, 2025
Provided RM253 agrees to same.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- Councillor Schmidt presented the Oil Recycling Centre Meeting Report**
- 110/25 ORC:** **Blaine Smith:** That council accept the report from the ORC Meeting as presented.

Further, council supports recommendations of ORC Committee with council authorizing contracting Jay Rabari as ORC Attendant for \$17.00 per hour.

The 2025 ORC Season will begin on Wednesday, April 16, 2025 and close October 17, 2025; hours of operation will be Wednesdays and Thursdays 8:00 am to 5:00 pm (closed at lunch) and Fridays 8:00 am to 12:00 pm. Further, council authorizes contracting Protex Environmental for Used Oil and plastics pick up at the ORC: subject to approval of RM 253 and Town of Davidson.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- Reeve Obrigewitsch left the meeting at 2:01 pm and returned to the meeting at 2:07 pm**
- Consultant Yvonne (Bonny) Goodsman left the meeting at 2:03 pm**
- 111/25 Tires:** **Kris Williams:** That council authorizes purchasing tires for the service truck from Kal Tire for an estimated \$1308.12 plus applicable taxes.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 113/25 Correspond:** **Blaine Smith:** That correspondence be acknowledged as received and accepted as presented and be filed:

CATPC – Dec 4/24 Minutes and Executive Reports from Feb 26/25 meeting
Schulte – Tractor Mower Operator Safety Training
CATPC (Letter/AGM Agenda/224 AGM Minutes) – AGM Apr 23/25 in Davidson
Rural Crime Watch – Info pamphlet
SARM – Support for SK move to be carbon tax free
SK Crime Stoppers – February 2025 Newsletter
Gov't of SK – 2025 Education Property mill rates
SAMA – Annual Meeting Apr 9/24 in Regina SK
SARM Rural Dart – April 1/25
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

114/25 Tires: David Gregor: That council purchase retread tires for CAT Grader for \$10,166.53.
DEFEATED

115/25 Tires: David Gregor: That council purchase new tires for CAT Grader for an estimated \$16,510.81.
CARRIED

Councillor Gregor declared a conflict of interest at 2:23 pm as the following agenda item involves his property.

116/25 Gravel Crush: Blaine Smith: That council authorizes Kirsch Construction Ltd. to utilize their Caterpillar 349E excavator at the gravel crush pit for \$400.00 per hour and \$4,000.00 mobilization fee.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor Gregor reattended the meeting at 2:25 pm

117/25 Lift Group: Blaine Smith: That council authorizes purchasing a Capital I lift group for the JD 770GP Grader from Triod Supply at most economical price up to \$17,000.00.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

118/25 Adjourn: Kris Williams: That the meeting be adjourned at 2:45 p.m. and the next regular meeting of council be at the call of the Reeve in the RM Office in Davidson, SK.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Reeve

Administrator