



Town of Lumsden

Meeting Minutes

Group II Committee September 16, 2025 - 06:30 PM

Call To Order

The Group II Committee of the Lumsden Town Council convened their meeting in the Council Chambers, and via electronic means (Zoom), of the Municipal Office on Tuesday, September 16, 2025 at 6:32 pm.

Present:

Chairperson: Wes Holobetz

Mayor: Verne Barber

Councillors: Lesia Matheson and Ryan Schindelka

Chief Administrative Officer: Monica M. Merkosky

Assistant Chief Administrative Officer: Krystal Strong

Director of Finance: Ryan Haresign (attended via Zoom)

Public Works Superintendent: Jeff Carey

Utilities Manager: Gerry Beaurivage

Absent:

None

"We are honoured to acknowledge that we are gathered today on Treaty 4 territory, the traditional lands of the Cree, Saulteaux, Dakota, Nakota, Lakota, and on the homeland of the Métis. The Town of Lumsden recognizes the harms of the past and is committed to working together in the spirit of cooperation and reconciliation."

Additions to Agenda

Moved by: Councillor Matheson

Seconded by: Councillor Schindelka

"That we agree to add the following item to the agenda under New Business:

11.1 Fawn Ridge Crescent Culvert Drainage Concern."

CARRIED

Approval of Agenda

Moved by: Mayor Barber

Seconded by: Councillor Schindelka

"That we approve the agenda as amended."

CARRIED

Declaration of Conflict of Interest

There were no Declarations of Conflict of Interest.

Reports of the Public Works and Utilities Departments

Amend 2026 Asphalt Program Resolution

Moved by: Councillor Matheson

Seconded by: Councillor Schindelka

"That we recommend to Council to amend Resolution 2025-119, regarding the 2026 paving project, by adding the following street, bringing the total number of impacted roadways to 15: 6th Avenue - West of James Street (approximately 618 M2)."

CARRIED

W.A. Barber

Accept Reports of the Public Works and Utilities Departments

Moved by: Councillor Matheson

Seconded by: Councillor Schindelka

"That we accept the Public Works and Utilities Department Reports as presented verbally by Superintendent, Jeff Carey and Utilities Manager, Gerry Beaurivage."

CARRIED

Financial Reports

Utility Department - Financial Statement - August 31, 2025

Moved by: Mayor Barber

Seconded by: Councillor Schindelka

"That we accept the Utility Department Financial Statement for the period ending August 31, 2025, as presented."

CARRIED

Group II Capital Plans

Moved by: Councillor Schindelka

Seconded by: Mayor Barber

"That we recommend Council adopt the following 2026 Capital Plans:

- Roads, Walkways and Bridge
- Equipment
- Utility Department."

CARRIED

Previous Meeting Minutes for Review

June 17, 2025 - Group II Committee Meeting

Moved by: Councillor Matheson

Seconded by: Councillor Schindelka

"That the minutes of the June 17, 2025 - Group II Committee Meeting be approved, as circulated."

CARRIED

Reports of Committees

Transportation Committee - Councillor Matheson

- Discussion: garbage can at the end of 5th Avenue near the dike OR the end of Broad Street near the dike, for disposal of bagged dog feces.
- Discussion: grooming of the dike tops during winter. Consult with the Community Coordinator.
- Discussion: Install an additional pedestrian crossing light for the north/south crosswalk at the Cottonwood Condos.

Environmental and Public Health Committee - Councillor Holobetz

- Discussions have begun to determine the most feasible method of transporting household garbage when the landfill closes.
- We will host a Household Hazardous Waste collection day on Sunday, October 19, 2025, from 10:00 am - 3:00 pm in the Town Shop Yard.

Water & Sewer Utility / Solar Committee - Councillor Schindelka

- The Wastewater Treatment Plant discharged into the river during Country Thunder in July, as permitted. On the last day of the festival, July 14th, the plant began discharging in the lagoon, as a precaution, due to the high volume of influent. After stabilizing and required testing, discharge was returned to the river on July 25th.

Accept Committee Reports

Moved by: Councillor Matheson

Seconded by: Mayor Barber

"That the Group II Committee Reports be accepted as presented."

CARRIED



Unfinished Business

WSA - Dike Maintenance

On September 15, 2025, the Town met with the Water Security Agency (WSA) to discuss future dike maintenance. The WSA will be issuing a Request For Proposals for the preliminary design of dike improvements.

New Business

Fawn Ridge Crescent - Culvert Drainage Concern

There is very little grade at the intersection of Canning Road and the east end of Fawn Ridge Crescent. The land in this area is very flat and expeditious drainage is non-existent. The culvert is not damaged nor is it plugged; it simply does not drain due to lack of grade. A permanent solution may require a storm sewer system or another engineered solution, which would be undertaken as a local improvement at the expense of impacted property owners.

Adjournment

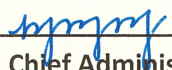
Moved by: Councillor Matheson

"That we adjourn the meeting at 8:48 pm."

CARRIED



Chairperson



Chief Administrative Officer