

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
OF ALBERTA BEACH IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA
HELD IN THE ALBERTA BEACH COUNCIL CHAMBERS
AND HELD ELECTRONICALLY VIA ZOOM
JANUARY 20, 2026 AT 7:00 P.M.**

PRESENT:

Mayor.....Tara Elwood
Deputy MayorDebbie Durocher
CouncillorDecolynneJo Burns
CouncillorKelly Muir
CouncillorDaryl Weber
CAOKathy Skwarchuk
Asst. CAOCathy McCartney (Zoom Administrator)

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Elwood called the meeting to order at 7:02 P.M.

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

Mayor Elwood read a Land Acknowledgement Statement as follows:
Alberta Beach respectfully acknowledges that it is located on the First People's traditional lands. We recognize this traditional Treaty Six Territory to show respect and understanding to the First Nations, Metis and Inuit peoples who walked this land for centuries. We express gratitude and respect for the land we use and reaffirm our relationship with one another.

AGENDA ADDITIONS:

- 14.t Alberta Community Crime Prevention Association – ACCPA 2026 Conference
- 14.u Tyler Gandam Consulting – The Human Infrastructure Symposium Agenda and Speaker Bios
- 15.c Western Canadian Watercross Association – WCWA 2026 Jetski Event
- 15.d Community Futures Yellowhead East – Northern Alberta Lemonade Day

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

MOTION #001-26

MOVED BY Deputy Mayor Durocher that the agenda be adopted as amended.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CONFIDENTIAL – CLOSED MEETING SESSION: None.

ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF DECEMBER 16, 2025:

MOTION #002-26

MOVED BY Councillor Weber that the minutes of the Regular Council meeting held on December 16, 2025 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DELEGATIONS: None.

PUBLIC HEARINGS: None.

MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING: None.

OLD BUSINESS & CAO REPORT ACTION LIST:

CHRISTMAS LIGHT UP CONTEST:

Councillor Weber reported that the 1st place winner in this years' Christmas light up contest was 4512 – 46A Street, 2nd place winner was 4804 – 59 Street and the 3rd place winner was 4523 – 50th Avenue. Mayor Elwood congratulated the winners and thanked all the residents who participated in this years' Christmas light up contest, she also expressed a special thank you to Donovan Boggs, Ken Anderson and Councillor Weber for judging the contest as well as Fire Rescue International for driving the judges.

LETTER TO MINISTER OF TRANSPORTATION REGARDING EMERGENCY DISPATCH PRACTICES ON A PROVINCIALLY SIGNIFICANT TRANSPORTATION CORRIDOR:

MOTION #003-26

MOVED BY Deputy Mayor Durocher that Council approve Mayor Elwood's letter to Honourable Devin Dreeshen, Minister of Transportation and Economic Corridors regarding emergency dispatch practices on a provincially significant transportation corridors.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ACCEPTANCE OF CAO REPORT ACTION LIST:

MOTION #004-26

MOVED BY Councillor Muir that the CAO Report Action List be accepted for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

FINANCIAL REPORTS: None.

BYLAWS & POLICIES:

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
OF ALBERTA BEACH IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA
HELD IN THE ALBERTA BEACH COUNCIL CHAMBERS
AND HELD ELECTRONICALLY VIA ZOOM
JANUARY 20, 2026 AT 7:00 P.M.**

BYLAW #301-26 THE FEES & RATES BYLAW:

MOTION TO APPROVE FIRST READING OF BYLAW #301-26:

MOTION #005-26

MOVED BY Councillor Burns that Bylaw #301-26, being a bylaw to establish a schedule of fees and rates for Alberta Beach be read a first time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION TO APPROVE SECOND READING OF BYLAW #301-26:

MOTION #006-26

MOVED BY Councillor Weber that Bylaw #301-26 be read a second time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION TO PROCEED TO THIRD READING OF BYLAW #301-26:

MOTION #007-26

MOVED BY Councillor Muir that unanimous consent be given to proceed to third reading of Bylaw #301-26.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION TO APPROVE THIRD AND FINAL READING OF BYLAW #301-26:

MOTION #008-26

MOVED BY Deputy Mayor Durocher that Bylaw #301-26 be read a third & final time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BYLAW #302-26 ENCROACHMENTS ONTO ROAD ALLOWANCES BYLAW:

MOTION TO APPROVE FIRST READING OF BYLAW #302-26:

MOTION #009-26

MOVED BY Councillor Weber that Bylaw #302-26, being a bylaw to confirm the municipality's authority to issue a license, or permit of occupation, or use of a road allowance or highway or part thereof, when not required for public use be read a first time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COUNCIL, COMMITTEES & STAFF REPORTS:

COUNCILLOR MUIR:

Councillor Muir reviewed and submitted reports on the following meetings:

Beachwave Park Committee meeting held on January 9, 2026.

Trivillage Regional Sewer Services Commission meeting held on January 14, 2026.

COUNCILLOR BURNS:

Councillor Burns reviewed and submitted reports on the following meetings:

Community Futures Yellowhead East meeting held on January 15, 2026.

Summer Villages of Lac Ste. Anne East (SVLSAE) Meet & Greet held on January 17, 2026.

COUNCILLOR WEBER:

Councillor Weber reviewed and submitted reports on the following meetings:

Trivillage Regional Sewer Services Commission meeting held on January 14, 2026.

DEPUTY MAYOR DUROCHER:

Deputy Mayor Durocher reviewed and submitted reports on the following meetings:

Lake Isle & Lac Ste. Anne Stewardship Society meeting held on November 25, 2025.

Beachwave Park Committee Interviews meeting held on December 18, 2025.

MLA Getson & MP Cooper Town Hall meeting held on January 15, 2026.

Summer Villages of Lac Ste. Anne East (SVLSAE) Meet & Greet held on January 17, 2026.

Beachwave Park Coordinators Report of January 19, 2026.

MAYOR ELWOOD:

Mayor Elwood reviewed and submitted reports on the following meetings:

Westview Health Foundation Regional CT Feasibility Study interview held on December 19, 2025.

Royal Canadian Legion 1st Annual Levee held on January 1, 2026.

Town of Onoway Mayors & Reeve meeting held on January 14, 2026.

Town Hall with MLA Shane Getson & MP Michael Cooper held on January 15, 2026.

Summer Villages of Lac Ste. Anne East (SVLSAE) Meet & Greet held on January 17, 2026.

WESTVIEW HEALTH FOUNDATION – REGIONAL FEASIBILITY STUDY – CT SCANNER INITIATIVE:

MOTION #010-26

MOVED BY Councillor Muir that Council approve to provide a letter of support for Westview Health Foundation's CT Scanner initiative.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
OF ALBERTA BEACH IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA
HELD IN THE ALBERTA BEACH COUNCIL CHAMBERS
AND HELD ELECTRONICALLY VIA ZOOM
JANUARY 20, 2026 AT 7:00 P.M.**

DEVELOPMENT PERMIT REPORT:

Administration submitted a report for information on the 2025 Development Permits issued.

ACCEPTANCE OF COUNCIL, COMMITTEE AND STAFF REPORTS:

MOTION #011-26

MOVED BY Deputy Mayor Durocher that the Council, committee and staff reports be accepted for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CORRESPONDENCE – INFORMATION ITEMS:

ALBERTA ASSISTED LIVING & SOCIAL SERVICES – SENIOR’S WEEK PROVINCIAL LAUNCH EVENT 2026:

Correspondence was received from Alberta Assisted Living & Social Services announcing the provincial launch of Senior’s Week 2026 taking place from June 1-7, 2026 to recognize the invaluable contributions of seniors across the province and further to invite communities & organizations to apply to co-host event.

ALBERTA LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY HON. RIC MCIVER, SPEAKER – ELECTION CONGRATULATIONS:

Correspondence was received from Honourable Ric McIver, Speaker of the Alberta Legislative Assembly to extend his election congratulations to the Council members.

ALBERTA MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS – DECEMBER NEWSLETTER:

Alberta Municipal Affairs forwarded their December newsletter for information.

ALBERTA MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS – MEETING REQUEST WITH MINISTER - ABMUNIS SPRING MUNICIPAL LEADERS CAUCUS:

Alberta Municipal Affairs – Meeting Request with Minister - ABmunis Spring Municipal Leaders Caucus
Correspondence was received from Alberta Municipal Affairs advising on the potential opportunity for municipal councils to meet with Honourable Dan Williams, Minister of Municipal Affairs, at the 2026 Alberta Municipalities Spring Municipal Leaders Caucus being held March 26-27, 2026.

MOTION #012-26

MOVED BY Councillor Weber that Council approve to request a meeting with Alberta Municipal Affairs Minister Dan Williams at the ABmunis Spring Municipal Leaders Caucus and further the topics include emergency response along provincial highways, provincial grants for municipal water distribution systems, and the Police Funding Model and further that the Minister of Transportation be invited to attend the meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ALBERTA PUBLIC SAFETY & EMERGENCY SERVICES MINISTER MIKE ELLIS – ALBERTA’S POLICE FUNDING MODEL:

Alberta Public Safety & Emergency Services Minister Mike Ellis forwarded correspondence outlining key changes to Alberta’s Police Funding Model effective April 1, 2026 for funding front-line policing services for communities policed under the Provincial Police Service Agreement (PPSA).

ALBERTA POLICE FUNDING MODEL CHANGES – PRELIMINARY ESTIMATION PROCESS:

Correspondence was received regarding the Alberta Police Funding Model changes and the preliminary estimation process, the CAO advised a request was submitted for the five-year cost estimate and related information.

ALBERTA MUNICIPALITIES – ABMUNIS SPRING 2026 MUNICIPAL LEADERS CAUCUS:

Correspondence was received from Alberta Municipalities regarding the ABmunis Spring 2026 Municipal Leaders Caucus being held on March 26-27, 2026 in Edmonton.

COMMUNITY FUTURES YELLOWHEAD EAST – RIAMS NEWS RELEASE:

Community Futures Yellowhead East forwarded the Regional Investment Attraction & Marketing Initiative (RIAMS) news release.

COMMUNITY FUTURES YELLOWHEAD EAST – RIAMS REGIONAL WEBSITE DEVELOPMENT RFP:

Correspondence was received from Community Futures Yellowhead East regarding the RIAMS Regional Website Development Request for Proposals.

COMMUNITY FUTURES YELLOWHEAD EAST – RIAMS REGIONAL BUSINESS RETENTION & EXPANSION SURVEY RFP:

Correspondence was received from Community Futures Yellowhead East regarding the RIAMS Regional Business Retention & Expansion Regional Survey and Reporting Request for Proposal.

FORTIS ALBERTA – 2026 FORTIS ALBERTA INC. DISTRIBUTION TARIFF:

A letter was received from Fortis Alberta advising on the Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC) approval on updates to Fortis Alberta’s Distribution Tariff effective January 1, 2026.

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
OF ALBERTA BEACH IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA
HELD IN THE ALBERTA BEACH COUNCIL CHAMBERS
AND HELD ELECTRONICALLY VIA ZOOM
JANUARY 20, 2026 AT 7:00 P.M.**

LAC STE. ANNE COUNTY – REGIONAL MUNICIPALITIES MEETING:

Correspondence was received from Lac Ste. Anne County regarding their Regional Municipalities Meeting being held on January 30, 2026 at the Alberta Beach Seniors Centre and further request that agenda items be submitted by January 20, 2026. Council requested that the Provincial PFM (Police Funding Model) be added to the agenda which Mayor Elwood will speak on.

LAC STE ANNE EAST END BUS – FUNDING REQUEST LETTER & 2026 DRAFT BUDGET:

A letter was received from the Lac Ste Anne East End Bus regarding their 2026 Draft Budget and further to advise that the board authorized an increase to the per capita rate for member municipalities from \$6.78 to \$7.50 per capita.

NORTHWEST OF 16 REGIONAL TOURISM ASSOCIATION – TOURISM CONNECT WORKSHOP:

Correspondence was received from the Northwest of 16 Regional Tourism Association regarding their Tourism Connect Workshop being held on January 28th, 2026 in Whitecourt.

MOTION #013-26

MOVED BY Deputy Mayor Durocher that Council approves Councillor Burns to attend the Northwest of 16 Regional Tourism Association's Tourism Connect Workshop on January 28, 2026 in Whitecourt.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

SUMMER VILLAGE OF SUNSET POINT – COUNCIL MOTIONS - ACP GRANT APPLICATION'S:

Correspondence was received from the Summer Village of Sunset Point to confirm their Council motions approving the ACP Grant applications for participation in a Regional Infrastructure Management Study and a request for time extension on the Water Distribution Feasibility Study.

SV REMP – PECC DAILY SITUATION REPORTS:

Correspondence was received from the Summer Village Regional Emergency Management Partnership (SVREMP) advising that the Alberta Emergency Management Agency (AEMA) is implementing a new Incident Information Management System (IIMS) to replace the system used at the Provincial Emergency Communication Centre (PECC) and changes may be made to the daily situation reports.

TYLER GANDAM CONSULTING – THE HUMAN INFRASTRUCTURE SYMPOSIUM:

Correspondence was received from Tyler Gandam Consulting regarding the Human Infrastructure Symposium being held on February 19, 2026 in Leduc.

WILD WATER COMMISSION – 2026 APPROVED RATES AND BUDGET REQUISITIONS:

Correspondence was received from WILD Water Commission which included their 2026 approved rates and budget requisitions.

ALBERTA MUNICIPALITIES – EOEP 2025 YEAR IN REVIEW & UPCOMING COURSE OPPORTUNITIES:

Correspondence was received from Alberta Municipalities regarding the Elected Officials Education Program (EOEP) which included the 2025 Year in Review overview & Upcoming Course Opportunities.

ALBERTA COMMUNITY CRIME PREVENTION ASSOCIATION – ACCPA 2026 CONFERENCE:

Correspondence was received from the Alberta Community Crime Prevention Association (ACCPA) regarding their ACCPA 2026 Conference being held on May 4-6, 2026 in Calgary.

TYLER GANDAM CONSULTING – THE HUMAN INFRASTRUCTURE SYMPOSIUM AGENDA & SPEAKER BIOS:

Additional correspondence was received from Tyler Gandam Consulting which included the agenda for the Human Infrastructure Symposium as well as the speaker bios.

ACCEPTANCE OF CORRESPONDENCE INFORMATION ITEMS:

MOTION #014-26

MOVED BY Councillor Weber that the correspondence information items be accepted for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CORRESPONDENCE – ACTION ITEMS:

ALBERTA BEACH LIBRARY BOARD – 2026 LIBRARY BOARD BUDGET:

MOTION #015-26

MOVED BY Deputy Mayor Durocher that the Alberta Beach Library Board 2026 Budget be accepted for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ATCO GAS & PIPELINES LTD. – SURFACE LEASE – RENTAL REVIEW NOTICE:

MOTION #016-26

MOVED BY Councillor Weber that Council approves to request a review of the rate of annual compensation payable under the ATCO Gas & Pipelines Ltd. Surface Leases at the October 19, 2026 anniversary date.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
OF ALBERTA BEACH IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA
HELD IN THE ALBERTA BEACH COUNCIL CHAMBERS
AND HELD ELECTRONICALLY VIA ZOOM
JANUARY 20, 2026 AT 7:00 P.M.**

WESTERN CANADIAN WATERCROSS ASSOCIATION – WCWA 2026 JETSKI EVENT:

MOTION #017-26

MOVED BY Councillor Muir that the Western Canadian Watercross Association (WCWA Racing) be advised that Council does not object to the WCWA Jet Ski Event 2026, and further has no objection to the event being held on August 8-9, 2026 subject to proper liability insurance and ensuring that Alberta Beach is added as additional insured under the policy.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COMMUNITY FUTURES YELLOWHEAD EAST – NORTHERN ALBERTA LEMONADE DAY:

MOTION #018-26

MOVED BY Councillor Burns that Council approves to participate as a host community in the Community Futures Yellowhead East Northern Alberta Lemonade Day.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NEW BUSINESS:

JOINT TRIVILLAGE MEETING – AGENDA ITEMS:

The CAO advised that the Joint meeting with the Summer Villages of Sunset Point and Val Quentin is scheduled for Thursday, February 5, 2026 at 7:00 P.M. Council requested administration to inquire with the summer villages whether the meeting can be rescheduled to Tuesday, February 10, 2026 at 7:00 P.M.

Council has suggested the following agenda items: Beachwave Park funding plan and survey, FireSmart home assessments, Trivillage Open House, CFYE Lemonade Day, and ICF's.

QUESTION PERIOD:

A brief discussion was held on the following topics: Connect Mobility fiber network and the Alberta Beach boat launch.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 9:09 P.M.

Mayor – Tara Elwood

C.A.O. – Kathy Skwarchuk