

**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
JUNE 17, 2025 AT 7:00 P.M.**

PRESENT:

Mayor.....Kelly Muir
Deputy MayorBill Love
CouncillorDebbie Durocher
CouncillorTara Elwood (via zoom)
CouncillorDaryl Weber
CAOKathy Skwarchuk
Asst. CAOCathy McCartney (Zoom Administrator)

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Muir called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

Mayor Muir 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.

NATIONAL INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY:

Mayor Muir read a recognition statement as follows:

Alberta Beach would like to recognize that June 21 marks National Indigenous Peoples Day, a day recognizing and celebrating the cultures and outstanding contributions of the First Nations, Inuit, and Metis Indigenous Peoples of Canada. We are pleased to acknowledge, honour and celebrate the First Peoples and their relatives.

AGENDA ADDITIONS:

- 15e. Connect Mobility Inc. – Municipal Approval for Fiber Network Attachment to FortisAlberta Poles
- 15f. Skydancer Indigenous Cultural Society – Invitation to Launch & Tour of Astam Culture Camp
- 15.g. Alberta Beach & District 50 Plus Club – 2025 26th Annual Alberta Beach Show & Shine

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

MOTION #095-25

MOVED BY Councillor Weber that the agenda be adopted as amended.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CONFIDENTIAL – CLOSED MEETING SESSION: None.

ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF MAY 20, 2025:

MOTION #096-25

MOVED BY Councillor Durocher that the minutes of the Regular Council meeting held on May 20, 2025 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DELEGATIONS: None.

PUBLIC HEARINGS: None.

MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING: None.

OLD BUSINESS & CAO REPORT ACTION LIST:

ACCEPTANCE OF CAO REPORT ACTION LIST:

MOTION #097-25

MOVED BY Deputy Mayor Love that the CAO Report Action List be accepted for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

DOYLE & COMPANY – FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF DECEMBER 31, 2024:

MOTION #098-25

MOVED BY Councillor Weber that the Financial Statements of December 31, 2024 from Doyle & Company as well as the oversight report and management letters be accepted as presented.

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BYLAWS & POLICIES: None.

COUNCIL, COMMITTEES & STAFF REPORTS:

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DEPUTY MAYOR LOVE:

Deputy Mayor Love reviewed and submitted reports on the following meetings:
Highway 43 East Waste Commission meeting held on June 10, 2025.
Lac Ste. Anne East End Bus Committee meeting held on June 9, 2025.

COUNCILLOR WEBER:

Councillor Weber reviewed and submitted reports on the following meeting:
Sturgeon River Watershed Alliance meeting held on May 22, 2025.

COUNCILLOR DUROCHER:

Councillor Durocher reviewed and submitted reports on the following meetings:
Alberta Beach & District Museum & Archives meeting held on May 22, 2025.
Lake Isle & Lac Ste. Anne Stewardship Society meetings held on May 27, 2025.

ALBERTA BEACH & DISTRICT MUSEUM – DONATION TO GIFT BASKET:

MOTION #099-25

MOVED BY Councillor Durocher that Council approves a donation of promotional products for the Alberta Beach Museum Farmer's Market gift basket.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COUNCILLOR ELWOOD:

Councillor Elwood reviewed and submitted reports on the following meetings:
Alberta Beach Library Board meeting held on June 16, 2025.
Yellowhead Regional Library Board meeting held on June 16, 2025.

MAYOR MUIR:

Mayor Muir reviewed and submitted reports on the following meetings:
FCSS Trivillage Committee meeting held on June 3, 2025.
Beachwave Park Coordinator's report of June 15, 2025.

ACCEPTANCE OF COUNCIL, COMMITTEE AND STAFF REPORTS:

MOTION #100-25

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CORRESPONDENCE – INFORMATION ITEMS:

ALBERTA BEACH & DISTRICT AG SOCIETY – AGLIPLIX RE-OPENING EVENT:

Correspondence was received from the Alberta Beach Ag Society inviting the community to come see the new improvements at the Agliplex Re-Opening Event being held on June 21, 2025 at 11:00am to 3:00pm.

ALBERTA EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY – AEMA LOCAL AUTHORITY INFORMATION SESSIONS FOLLOW UP:

Correspondence was received from Alberta Emergency Management Agency in follow up to the AEMA local authority information sessions held regarding the amendments to the *Emergency Management Act* and regulations.

ALBERTA HEALTH SERVICES – INDIGENOUS SUPPORT LINE:

Correspondence was received from Alberta Health Services advising that Indigenous patients and families across Alberta now have access to an innovative service to help them navigate the healthcare system in a culturally safe way, and that on June 1, 2025 the Indigenous Support Line is available province wide to Indigenous patients, family members, friends and front-line healthcare providers for advice, advocacy, navigation, translation services and more.

ALBERTA MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS – UPDATED THIRD PARTY ADVERTISING GUIDELINES FOR LOCAL ELECTIONS IN ALBERTA:

Correspondence was received from Alberta Municipal Affairs regarding the *Local Authorities Election Act* (LAEA) and the updated third party advertising guidelines for the upcoming 2025 municipal elections.

ALBERTA MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS – LAEA AMENDMENTS – PRE-ELECTION DAY FINANCIAL DISCLOSURES:

Correspondence was received from Alberta Municipal Affairs regarding the *Local Authorities Election Act* (LAEA) and the amendments made through the *Election Statutes Amendment Act, 2025* requiring candidates to file a campaign disclosure statement and pre-election day financial disclosures.

ALBERTA MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS – LEVEL OF SERVICE (FIRE SERVICE) ENGAGEMENT:

Correspondence was received from Alberta Municipal Affairs inviting municipalities to participate in engagement regarding potential legislative changes to the *Municipal Government Act* requiring municipalities and Metis Settlements in Alberta to establish a level of service for their fire service. Mayor Muir confirmed he will complete the survey and Councillor Elwood will attend the engagement being held virtually on June 24, 2025.

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ALBERTA MUNICIPALITIES – UPCOMING ENGAGEMENT ON ALBERTA’S POLICE FUNDING MODEL:

Correspondence was received from Alberta Municipalities regarding the upcoming engagement on Alberta’s Police Funding Model through participation in a survey and virtual focus groups and further advising that MNP LLP will be holding town hall meetings for municipalities policed under the Provincial Police Service agreement.

ALBERTA MUNICIPALITIES – NOMINATE A MUNICIPAL LEADER IN YOUR COMMUNITY:

Correspondence was received from Alberta Municipalities regarding the 2025 ABmunis Awards which recognizes municipal leaders who have made extraordinary contributions to their communities.

ALBERTA MUNICIPALITIES – PRELIMINARY RECOMMENDATIONS ON RECALL OF A MUNICIPAL ELECTED OFFICIAL:

Correspondence was received from Alberta Municipalities regarding ABmunis preliminary recommendations to improve the rules for recall of a municipal elected official.

COMMUNITY FUTURES YELLOWHEAD EAST – CFYE AGM MEETING PACKAGE:

The CFYE Annual General Meeting package being held on June 18, 2025 was received from Community Futures Yellowhead East.

GOVERNMENT OF ALBERTA POLICE REVIEW COMMISSION – POLICE REVIEW COMMISSION STATUS UPDATE:

Correspondence was received from the Government of Alberta Police Review Commission which included a status update for the period May 13-June 4, 2025 outlining the key accomplishments to date and the key activities planned for the next period.

LAC STE. ANNE COUNTY – LAC STE. ANNE LIBRARY BOARD PLAN OF SERVICE SURVEY:

Correspondence was received from Lac Ste. Anne County advising that the Lac Ste. Anne County Library Board is working on their 2025-2029 Plan of Service and are requesting participation from elected officials, library board members & managers, library patrons and the general public in their online survey.

LAC STE. ANNE METIS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION – MAMAWIHTOWIN SUMMER EVENT INVITATION:

Correspondence was received from the Lac Ste. Anne Metis Community Association to invite the Mayor to attend their Mamawihitowin Summer Event being held on July 26th, 2025. Mayor Muir confirmed he will attend and Councillor Elwood will be his alternate.

MNP LLP – ALBERTA POLICE FUNDING MODEL REVIEW SURVEY:

Correspondence was received from MNP LLP requesting participation in the Alberta Police Funding Model Review survey to assist in understanding the perspective of communities on what is working well in the current model, what challenges exist, and any suggested improvements or changes for the future. Councillor Elwood confirmed she will complete the survey.

MNP LLP – ALBERTA POLICE FUNDING MODEL REVIEW FOCUS GROUP SESSION:

Correspondence was received from MNP LLP requesting participation in the Alberta Police Funding Model Review virtual focus group session to contribute feedback on the model to assist in understanding what works well with the current model, what concerns our municipality has with the model and suggested improvements or changes for the future.

SERVICE ALBERTA & RED TAPE REDUCTION – PROCLAMATION OF THE ACCESS TO INFORMATION ACT & REGULATIONS:

Correspondence was received from Honourable Dale Naly, Minister of Service Alberta and Red Tape Reduction regarding the proclamation of the *Access to Information Act* & regulations which was proclaimed on June 11, 2025 and further advising that the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy (FOIP) Act* has officially been repealed.

SUMMER VILLAGE OF SUNSET POINT – WALKING TRAIL CONNECTION IMPROVEMENT:

Correspondence was received from the Summer Village of Sunset Point Engineer regarding the proposed Walking Trail Connection Improvement on 42 Street (Boundary Road) outlining the proposed work to improve the pedestrian trail and further advising that all costs for the work will be paid by Sunset Point. Council was advised a response has been sent to confirm Alberta Beach has no concerns with the project.

SUMMER VILLAGE OF VAL QUENTIN – ALBERTA COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP GRANT – TIME EXTENSION AMENDMENT:

The Summer Village of Val Quentin forwarded a copy of a letter from Alberta Municipal Affairs regarding the Alberta Community Partnership (ACP) grant program approving a time extension from December 31, 2024 to December 31, 2025 for completion of the water distribution feasibility study.

SUMMER VILLAGE OF VAL QUENTIN – PICNIC IN THE PARK INVITATION:

An invitation was received from the Summer Village of Val Quentin to attend their Picnic in the Park being held on Saturday, July 12, 2025 from noon to 3 pm. Councillor Durocher confirmed she will attend.

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WILD WATER COMMISSION – WATER DEMAND MANAGEMENT MEASURE A:

Notice was received from the WILD Water Commission to advise that effective immediately a Measure A Water Restriction is in effect for the capital region & WILD system to ban non-essential potable water use for all municipal operations.

ALBERTA ASSOCIATION OF POLICE GOVERNANCE – AAPG SPECIAL PURPOSE COMMITTEE MINUTES:

The Alberta Association of Police Governance forwarded the AAPG Special Purpose Committee minutes held on June 3, 2025.

ACCEPTANCE OF CORRESPONDENCE INFORMATION ITEMS:

MOTION #101-25

MOVED BY Councillor Elwood that the correspondence information items be accepted for information.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CORRESPONDENCE – ACTION ITEMS:

ALBERTA BEACH & DISTRICT AG SOCIETY – POLYDAYS 2025 REQUEST FOR DONATIONS OF PRIZES:

MOTION #102-25

MOVED BY Mayor Muir that Council approves the request from the Alberta Beach Ag Society for a donation of promotional products for Polydays prizes.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ALBERTA BEACH & DISTRICT AG SOCIETY – POLYDAYS 2025 PARADE:

MOTION #103-25

MOVED BY Councillor Weber that Council approves to participate in the Alberta Beach Ag Society's Polydays parade.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MNP LLP – ALBERTA POLICE FUNDING MODEL REVIEW ENGAGEMENT SESSION:

MOTION #104-25

MOVED BY Mayor Muir that Council approves Councillor Elwood to attend the MNP LLP Alberta Police Funding Model Review virtual engagement session for elected representatives of the municipality being held July 3, 2025.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOORE FAMILY – MICHAEL MOORE MEMORIAL PLAQUE:

MOTION #105-25

MOVED BY Mayor Muir that the Moore family be advised that Council has received their request to install a memorial plaque however as Alberta Beach does not have a policy and is not looking to put a policy in place for memorial plaques, the request was denied, it is further suggested they contact the Alberta Beach Heritage Museum for information on their memorial boardwalk or to consider to sponsor the Lion's Club with a memorial trophy.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CONNECT MOBILITY INC. – MUNICIPAL APPROVAL FOR FIBER NETWORK ATTACHMENT TO FORTIS ALBERTA POLES:

MOTION #106-25

MOVED BY Councillor Weber that Council approves to provide municipal approval for Connect Mobility Inc. to attach their fiber network system to Fortis Alberta poles.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

SKYDANCER INDIGENOUS CULTURAL SOCIETY – INVITATION TO LAUNCH & TOUR OF ASTAM CULTURE CAMP:

MOTION #107-25

MOVED BY Mayor Muir that Councillor Durocher and Councillor Elwood be approved to attend the Skydancer Indigenous Cultural Society's Launch & Tour of Astam Culture Camp being held July 14, 2025.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ALBERTA BEACH & DISTRICT 50 PLUS CLUB – 2025 26TH ANNUAL ALBERTA BEACH SHOW & SHINE:

MOTION #108-25

MOVED BY Councillor Elwood that Council approves to sponsor a plaque in the amount of \$40.00 as well as a donation of promotional products to the Alberta Beach & District 50 Plus Club for the 2025 Alberta Beach Show & Shine.

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NEW BUSINESS:

REQUEST FOR DECISION – JULY 2025 COUNCIL MEETINGS:

MOTION #109-25

MOVED BY Deputy Mayor Love that the Round Table meeting scheduled for July 8th, 2025 and the Regular Council meeting scheduled for July 15th, 2025 be cancelled due to vacation schedules.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

QUESTION PERIOD:

A brief discussion was held on the following topics: Connect Mobility fiber network system.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 P.M.

Mayor – Kelly Muir

C.A.O. – Kathy Skwarchuk