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REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
DECEMBER 10, 2024

**COUNTY OF PAINTEARTH NO. 18**  
**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**  
**TUESDAY DECEMBER 10, 2024**

The Regular meeting minutes of the Council of the County of Paintearth No. 18 held in Council Chambers in the municipal office on December 10, 2024, commencing at 9:00 a.m.

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**IN ATTENDANCE:**

Reeve:	Stan Schulmeister
Councillors:	Terry Vockeroth, Sandy Shipton, Diane Elliott, George Glazier, Dale Norton, Maurice Wiart
Chief Administrative Officer:	Michael Simpson
Assistant Chief Administrative Officer:	Lana Roth
Public Works Director:	Bryce Cooke
Bylaw Enforcement Officer:	Colm Fitz-Gerald
Legislative Clerk:	Courtney Algot

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Reeve Schulmeister called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA:**

12.10.24.964

**Regular Council Meeting Agenda – December 10, 2024** — MOVED by Deputy Reeve Wiart to adopt the Regular Council Meeting Agenda of December 10, 2024, as amended.

**BUSINESS:**

6 J. Alberta Community Partnership: Municipal Restructuring Grant Application  
6 K. Administrative Policy AD026: Agricultural Education Grants in Paintearth County

**BYLAWS:**

7 A. Bylaw 727-24 County of Paintearth Election Bylaw

Carried

**ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:**

12.10.24.965

**Regular County Council Meeting Minutes November 26, 2024** — MOVED by Councillor Norton that the Previous Regular County Council Meeting Minutes for November 26, 2024, be approved as presented.

Carried

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

None.



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**DELEGATIONS:**

William P. Walder and Joe Walder of Silver Spring Colony, entered chambers at 9:05 a.m. and delivered a presentation to Council regarding improving access along TWP 380 between Range Road 163 and Range Road 164, requesting County supports and a completion timeline of prior to Harvest in 2025.

- 12.10.24.966 **MOVED by Councillor Glazier that the presentation from Silver Spring Colony be accepted as information.**

Carried

*William P. Walder and Joe Walder concluded their presentation at 9:15 a.m.*

**BUSINESS:**

- 12.10.24.967 **RFD — Adoption of the 2025 Operating Budget– MOVED by Councillor Elliott that the County approves the 2025 operating budget as presented.**

Carried

- 12.10.24.968 **RFD — Adoption of the 2025 Capital Budget– MOVED by Councillor Vockeroth that the County approves the 2025 capital budget as presented.**

Carried

- 12.10.24.969 **RFD — County of Paintearth Organizational Chart – MOVED by Councillor Glazier that the County Organizational Chart, December 10, 2024, be adopted as presented.**

Carried

- 12.10.24.970 **RFD — Establish a Capital Waste-Water Reserve – MOVED by Deputy Reeve Wiart that the County establish a waste-water capital restricted reserve account as per the RFD provided.**

Carried

- 12.10.24.971 **Transfer of Funds to Restricted Surplus Wastewater Reserve — MOVED by Councillor Vockeroth that \$250,000 from Restricted Surplus Water Projects be transferred to Restricted Surplus Wastewater Reserve.**

Carried

- 12.10.24.972 **RFD — Purchase of Diamond Utilities Module– MOVED by Councillor Norton that the County approve the purchase of the Diamond Utility Module for \$34,980 to be funded from administration equipment and furniture capital reserves.**

Carried

- 12.10.24.973 **RFD — Write off Outstanding Taxes for 2021 and 2022 for Customer #ALB048 – Roll # 46000130 – MOVED by Deputy Reeve Wiart that the County write off account receivable ALB048 and Roll #46000130 in the amount of \$2,389.73.**

Carried

- 12.10.24.974 **RFD — Write off Outstanding Taxes for 2021 through 2023 for Customer #CAN007 Roll # 70005629 and 70005630 – MOVED by Councillor Glazier that the County write off account receivable CAN007 and Roll #70005629 and #70005630 in the amount of \$861.01.**

Carried



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12.10.24.975 RFD — Write off Outstanding Taxes 2021 through 2023 for Customer #QUA001 - Roll # 70009080— MOVED by Councillor Vockeroth that the County write off account receivable QUA001 and Roll # 70009080 in the amount of \$331.67.

Carried

12.10.24.976 RFD — Write off Outstanding Taxes 2021 for Customer #TRI001 - Roll # 70004010— MOVED by Councillor Elliott that the County write off account receivable TRI001 and Roll #70004010 in the amount of \$97.32.

Carried

12.10.24.977 RFD — Write off GIPOT Roll #40163410— MOVED by Councillor Shipton that the County write off Roll #40163410 in the amount of \$150.77

Carried

12.10.24.978 RFD — Alberta Community Partnership: Municipal Restructuring Grant Application— MOVED by Councillor Glazier that Council approves the submission of an Alberta Community Partnership grant application and Administration have an application submitted by January 15, 2025.

Carried

*William P. Walder and Joe Waldner exited chambers at 10:07 a.m.*

*L. Roth and C. Fitzgerald exited Chambers 10:08 a.m.*

12.10.24.979 Administrative Policy AD026: Agriculture Education Grants in Paintearth County— MOVED by Councillor Shipton that Administrative Policy AD026 “Agricultural Education Grants in Paintearth County” be approved and implemented in the County annual Operating Budget.

Carried

**BYLAWS:**

12.10.24.980 Bylaw 727-24 County Election Bylaw— MOVED by Deputy Reeve Wiart that Bylaw 727-24, appointing Barb Kulyk as Returning Officer for the County of Paintearth, “County Returning Officer Bylaw” be given 1<sup>st</sup> reading.

Carried

12.10.24.981 Bylaw 727-24 County Election Bylaw— MOVED by Councillor Norton that Bylaw 727-24, appointing Barb Kulyk as Returning Officer for the County of Paintearth, “County Returning Officer Bylaw” be given 2<sup>nd</sup> reading.

Carried

12.10.24.982 Bylaw 727-24 County Election Bylaw— MOVED by Councillor Glazier that Unanimous Consent be granted for third and final reading of Bylaw 727-24.

Carried

12.10.24.983 Bylaw 727-24 County Election Bylaw— MOVED by Councillor Elliott that Bylaw 727-24 “County Election Bylaw” be given third and final reading.

Carried

12.10.24.984 Appointment of Returning Officer— MOVED by Councillor Vockeroth appointing Barb Kulyk as Returning Election Bylaw Officer for the County of Paintearth.

Carried



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- 12.10.24.985      Appointment of Deputy Returning Officer — MOVED by Councillor Elliott appointing Michael Simpson Substitute Returning Officer for the County of Paintearth.  
Carried

Recess – the meeting recessed at 10:15 a.m.

Reconvene – the meeting reconvened at 10:39 a.m.

C. Fitzgerald and L. Roth Entered Chambers at 10:39 a.m.

COUNCILLOR REPORTS:

- 12.10.24.986      Councillor Reports – MOVED by Councillor Norton to adopt the verbal Councillor Reports as information.  
Carried

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS:

- 12.10.24.987      Halkirk Dissolution Open House Discussion Report — MOVED by Deputy Reeve Wiat that the Council approve the Halkirk Dissolution Open House Discussion Summary Report as information and make the document available on the County website.  
Carried

- 12.10.24.988      Chief Administrative Officer's Report — MOVED by Councillor Glazier to approve the Chief Administrative Officer's Report as presented.  
Carried

- 12.10.24.989      Assistant Chief Administrative Officer's Report — MOVED by Councillor Norton to approve the Assistant Chief Administrative Officer's Report as presented.  
Carried

L. Roth exited chambers at 11:05 a.m.

- 12.10.24.990      Director of Public Work's Report — MOVED by Deputy Reeve Wiat to approve the Director of Public Work's Report as presented.  
Carried

CORRESPONDENCE:

- 12.10.24.991      Palliser Municipal Services RE: Notice of Proposed Municipal Development Plan for Town of Coronation — MOVED by Councillor Norton that the letter sent by Palliser Municipal Services regarding the Town of Coronation's Proposed Municipal Development Plan be received and filed.  
Carried

- 12.10.24.992      Letter from Minister of Municipal Affairs Rick McIver Regarding Halkirk Dissolution — MOVED by Councillor Glazier that the letter sent by Municipal Affairs Minister Rick McIver regarding the Halkirk Dissolution be received and filed.  
Carried

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- 12.10.24.993 Letter from Minister of Municipal Affairs Rick McIver Regarding the RMA Meeting between the Minister and Council Nov. 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024 — MOVED by Councillor Elliott that the letter sent by Municipal Affairs Minister Rick McIver thanking Council and summarizing the discussions be received and filed.

Carried

CLOSED SESSION:

- 12.10.24.994 Closed Session — MOVED by Councillor Norton that the County move to closed session at 11:14 a.m. to discuss items under the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, R.S.A. 2000, Chapter F-25: Part 1, Div 2, Sec 16(1)(a)(i), 24(1)(a), (b)(i), (c), (d).

Carried

- 12.10.24.995 Closed Session — MOVED by Councillor Norton that the County return to an open meeting at 11:50 p.m.

Carried

Recess — the meeting recessed at 11:51 a.m. to allow return of the public.

Reconvene — the meeting reconvened at 11:52 a.m. with no public present.

- 12.10.24.996 Tax Arrears Payment Agreement — MOVED by Councillor Shipton that Council enter into the draft agreement with the taxpayer in accordance with Section 347(1) of the *Municipal Government Act* to address outstanding taxes as outlined in Court of King's Bench, Action Number 2402 00076 under the terms and conditions presented to Council.

Carried

- 12.10.24.997 Intermunicipal Recreation Funding Agreement Council Negotiation Appointees — MOVED by Councillor Vockeroth that Councillors Elliott, Glazier and Reeve Schulmeister be appointed to review and negotiate with the CAO and representatives from the Town of Coronation Council and Administration and that Councillor Norton, Deputy Reeve Wiart and Reeve Schulmeister be appointed for the negotiation with the CAO and members of the Town of Castor Council and Administration; both agreements being for the purpose of intermunicipal recreation funding for operating and capital needs.

Carried

- 12.10.24.998 Meeting Request with Alberta Transportation — MOVED by Councillor Glazier that the Chief Administrative Officer contact the Ministry of Transportation to discuss the service levels and obligations of contractors maintaining highways in Paintearth County.

Carried



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**ADJOURNMENT:**

Reeve Schulmeister adjourned the meeting at 12:03 p.m.

These minutes approved this 7<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2025.

  
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Chief Administrative Officer