

COUNTY OF PAINTEARTH NO. 18
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY JUNE 17, 2025

The Regular meeting minutes of the Council of the County of Paintearth No. 18 held in Council Chambers in the municipal office on June 17, 2025, commencing at 9:00 a.m.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Reeve:	Stan Schulmeister
Councillors:	Terry Vockeroth, Sandy Shipton, Diane Elliott, George Glazier, Dale Norton, Maurice Wiat
Chief Administrative Officer:	Michael Simpson
Assistant Chief Administrative Officer:	Lana Roth
Director of Public Works:	Bryce Cooke
Director of Community Services:	Todd Pawsey
Director of Environmental Services:	Jeff Cosens
Director of Protective Services:	Colm Fitz-Gerald
Legislative Clerk:	Courtney Algot

CALL TO ORDER:

Reeve Schulmeister called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

06.17.25.236 **Regular Council Meeting Agenda — June 17, 2025** — MOVED by Councillor Glazier to adopt the Regular Council Meeting Agenda of June 17, 2025, as presented.

Carried

ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:

06.17.25.237 **Regular County Council Meeting Minutes May 21, 2025** — MOVED by Deputy Reeve Wiat that the Previous Regular County Council Meeting Minutes for May 21, 2025, be approved as presented.

Carried

PUBLIC HEARING:

None.



DELEGATIONS:

Sgt. Jeremy Houle entered chambers at 9:00 a.m. and delivered a presentation to council regarding an update on the Coronation detachment.

06.17.25.238 **MOVED by Councillor Norton to accept the information presented by Sgt. Houle as information.**

Carried

Sgt. Jeremy Houle exited chambers at 9:04 a.m.

Pat Kelly representing the Town of Castor and the Castor Fire Department entered chambers at 9:05 a.m. and delivered a presentation to council regarding a request to use the County Water Tender to aid the provincial government with fighting wildfires.

06.17.25.239 **MOVED by Councillor Glazier to accept the information presented by Pat Kelly as information.**

Carried

Pat Kelly exited chambers at 9:16 a.m.

Rocky Dahmer entered chambers at 9:16 a.m. and delivered a presentation to council regarding the Halkirk Cemetery.

06.17.25.240 **MOVED by Deputy Reeve Wiart to accept the information presented by Rocky Dahmer as information.**

Carried

Rocky Dahmer exited chambers at 9:51 a.m.

BUSINESS:

06.17.25.241 **RFD: Halkirk Cemetery Bylaw, Policies and Procedures — MOVED by Councillor Vockeroth that the County table the RFD for the Halkirk Cemetery Bylaw, Policies and Procedures until September 2025.**

Carried

06.17.25.242 **RFD: Paintearth Adult Learning Funding Request — MOVED by Councillor Glazier that the County approve the funding request from Paintearth Adult Learning in the amount of \$6,000 as a grant to support staffing and program costs associated with the recruitment and support of applicants for NorQuest College's 2025 course offerings.**

Carried

06.17.25.243 **Coronation Memorial Library 2025 Final Budget and 2024 Statement of Receipts and Disbursements — MOVED by Councillor Elliott that the County approve the Coronation Memorial Library 2025 Final Budget and 2024 Statement of Receipts and Disbursements.**

Carried



06.17.25.244 Rural School Signs — MOVED by Councillor Elliott that the County invite interested groups, on a case-by-case basis, to request financial assistance from the County to help cover the costs associated with the purchase and installation of rural school signs. The amount donated shall be determined by Council following a presentation of costs by the interested group.

Carried

Recess: The meeting recessed at 10:02 a.m.

Reconvene: The meeting reconvened at 10:18 a.m.

06.17.25.245 Pre-Order of Finning Graders for 2026 Capital Budget — MOVED by Councillor Glazier that the County approve the pre-order of two 2026 Cat 160 AWD Finning Graders, funded as part of the 2026 Capital Budget at a cost of approximately \$805,370.00 each, from the Public Works Equipment Reserves and unspent MSI Capital Grant Funding, for delivery in April 2026.

Carried

06.17.25.246 RFD: Funding Application Recreation and Community Service Grants for 2025 Alberta Provincial Music Festival — MOVED by Deputy Reeve Wiart that the County approve the support request for \$50.00 to the applicant.

Carried

06.17.25.247 RFD: Funding Application Recreation and Community Service Grants for 2025 Alberta Provincial Music Festival — MOVED by Councillor Elliott that the County approve the support request for \$50.00 to the applicant.

Carried

06.17.25.248 RFD: Funding Application Recreation and Community Service Grants for U13 A + B Softball Provincials — MOVED by Councillor Vockeroth that the County approve the support request for \$50.00 to the applicant.

Carried

06.17.25.249 RFD: Funding Application Recreation and Community Service Grants for U13 A + B Softball Provincials — MOVED by Councillor Shipton that the County approve the support request for \$50.00 to the applicant.

Carried

06.17.25.250 RFD: Funding Application Recreation and Community Service Grants for U11 AA Division 2 Provincials — MOVED by Councillor Norton that the County approve the support request for \$500.00 to the applicant.

Carried

06.17.25.251 RFD: Funding Application Recreation and Community Service Grants for U18 Boys Provincials — MOVED by Councillor Elliott that the County approve the support request for \$500.00 to the applicant.

Carried

06.17.25.252 RFD: Funding Application Recreation and Community Service Grants for Gamblers U19 Softball Provincials — MOVED by Councillor Norton that the County approve the support request for \$500.00 to the applicant.

Carried



BYLAWS:

- 06.17.25.253 **Bylaw 734-25 First Reading** — MOVED by Councillor Glazier that Bylaw 734-25, amending the County Land Use Bylaw 698-21 and Repealing Halkirk Land Use Bylaw 2022-13, be given First Reading.
Carried

COUNCILLOR REPORTS:

- 06.17.25.254 **Councillor Reports** — MOVED by Deputy Reeve Wiart to adopt the verbal Councillor Reports as information.
Carried

- 06.17.25.255 **Providing County IT Services to Battle River Alliance for Economic Development (BRAED)** — MOVED by Councillor Vockeroth that the County provide IT Services to the Battle River Alliance for Economic Development (BRAED), and that such IT Services be billable to BRAED at a rate determined by the County.
Carried

CLOSED SESSION:

Alifeyah Gulamhusein entered chambers at 11:00 a.m.

- 06.17.25.256 **Closed Session** — MOVED by Councillor Norton that the County move to closed session at 11:01 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 24(1)(a)(b)(ii).
Carried

Alifeyah Gulamhusein exited chambers at 12:22 p.m.

Recess: *The meeting recessed at 12:22 p.m.*

Reconvene: *The meeting reconvened at 12:51 p.m.*

Barb Kulyk entered chambers at 12:52 p.m.

Barb Kulyk exited chambers at 1:20 p.m.

Councillor Glazier exited chambers at 1:53 p.m. and did not return

- 06.17.25.257 **Closed Session** — MOVED by Councillor Elliott that the County return to an open meeting at 2:12 p.m.
Carried



ADMINISTRATION REPORTS:

- 06.17.25.258 Chief Administrative Officer's Report — MOVED by Councillor Vockeroth to approve the Chief Administrative Officer's Report as presented.
Carried
- 06.17.25.259 Assistant Chief Administrative Officer's Report — MOVED by Councillor Shipton to approve the Assistant Chief Administrative Officer's Report as presented.
Carried
- 06.17.25.260 Director of Public Works Report — MOVED by Deputy Reeve Wiart to approve the Director of Public Work's Report as presented.
Carried
- 06.17.25.261 Director of Community Services Report — MOVED by Councillor Norton to approve the Director of Community Services Report as presented.
Carried
- 06.17.25.262 Director of Environmental Services Report — MOVED by Councillor Elliott to approve the Director of Environmental Services Report as presented.
Carried
- 06.17.25.263 Kids at Play Sign — MOVED by Deputy Reeve Wiart that the County approve the installation of a kids at play sign located at 38401 Range Road 144.
Carried
- 06.17.25.264 Kids at Play Sign — MOVED by Councillor Norton that the County approve the installation of a kids at play sign located at 10330 Township Road 362.
Carried
- 06.17.25.265 Director of Protective Services Verbal Report — MOVED by Councillor Shipton to approve the Director of Protective Services Verbal Report as presented.
Carried
- 06.17.25.266 RFD: Town of Castor Request to Deploy County Water Tender in Provincial Wildfire Theater — MOVED by Deputy Reeve Wiart that the County approve the RFD from the Town of Castor requesting to deploy the County Water Tender in the Provincial Wildfire Theater at the discretion of the Town of Castor.
Carried

FINANCIAL:

- 06.17.25.267 Financial Statement Ending May 31, 2025 — MOVED by Councillor Vockeroth that the County approve the Financial Statement Ending May 31, 2025, as presented.
Carried
- 06.17.25.268 Bank Statement for January 31, 2025 — MOVED by Councillor Elliott that the January 31, 2025, bank statement be approved as presented.
Carried
- 06.17.25.269 Bank Statement for February 28, 2025 — MOVED by Councillor Norton that the February 28, 2025, bank statement be approved as presented.
Carried



06.17.25.270 Bank Statement for March 31, 2025 — MOVED by Deputy Reeve Wiart that the March 31, 2025, bank statement be approved as presented. Carried

CORRESPONDENCE:

06.17.25.271 Ally Impact Report from STARS — MOVED by Councillor Norton that the correspondence from STARS be received and filed as information. Carried

06.17.25.272 Halkirk and District Seniors Centre Thank You Card — MOVED by Councillor Shipton that the correspondence from the *Halkirk and District Seniors Centre* be received and filed as information. Carried

06.17.25.273 Theresetta Catholic School Thank You Card — MOVED by Councillor Elliott that the correspondence from Theresetta Catholic School be received and filed as information. Carried

06.17.25.274 College of Alberta School Superintendents Thank You Card — MOVED by Councillor Norton that the correspondence from the *College of Alberta School Superintendents* be received and filed as information. Carried

06.17.25.275 3 C's U15 Female Hockey Team Thank You Card — MOVED by Deputy Reeve Wiart that the correspondence from the C's U15 Female Hockey Team be received and filed as information. Carried


ADJOURNMENT:

Reeve Schulmeister adjourned the meeting at 2:43 p.m.

These minutes approved this 15 day of July, 2025.



Reeve



Chief Administrative Officer