

Minutes of the Council Meeting of the council of the R.M. of Willner No. 253 held at the RM Office in Davidson, SK on Thursday, January 15, 2026 commencing at 1:00 p.m.

Present: Reeve: Len Palmer
 Councillors: Shane Shearwood, Ellen Symington, Rich Kowalski,
 Steven Barlow, Martin Cammer and Rob Allan
 Outside Personnel: Steven Low
 Administrator: Michelle Riecken

- 01/26 **Call to Order:** Len Palmer: That as a quorum is present this meeting is called to order. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

- 02/26 **Agenda:** Martin Cammer: That the agenda be adopted as presented. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

There is no conflict of interest declared at this time regarding agenda items.

- 03/26 **Minutes:** Ellen Symington: That the minutes of the Council Meeting held on December 11, 2025 at 1:00 p.m. be hereby approved as presented. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

- 04/26 **Correspond:** Steven Barlow: That the correspondence be acknowledged as received and accepted as presented and be filed. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**
 - 1) SARM Rural Dart – Jan 13/26
 - 2) Davidson Fire Dept – Meeting Minutes Dec. 3/25
 - 3) PNH – Winter 2025 Newsletter
 - 4) IHunter - 2025 map sales report
 - 5) Town of Davidson – Newsletter
 - 6) SARM – 2026 Convention Info.
 - 7) CPWA – 2026 Conference Info.
 - 8) SHA – Primary Health Care Newsletter

- 05/26 **Financials:** Shane Shearwood: That the Statement of Financial Activities, Accounts Paid, Employee Payroll Summary and Council Indemnity for the month of December 2025 be hereby approved as presented and are attached to and form part of these minutes. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

- 06/26 **Bank Recs:** Ellen Symington: That council approves the December 2025 BMO Bank Rec and the December 2025 Affinity Credit Union Bank Rec. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

- 07/26 **A/P:** Rob Allan: That Accounts Payable, Employee Bi-Weekly Payroll Summary for the month of January 2026 be approved for payment and attached to and form part of these minutes. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

- 08/26 **Trailer:** Ellen Symington: That council authorizes renting a gravel trailer for \$4,200.00 (plus GST) per month. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Mr. Cory Dean representing Western Sales attended the meeting at 1:59 pm.

Mr. Dean left the meeting at 2:10 pm.

- 09/26 **Schedule 12:** Martin Cammer: That council authorizes Schedule 12 of the Financial Statement to be included with the 2026 Tax Notice Insert. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

- 10/26 **Bonds:** Shane Shearwood: That upon presentation by the Administrator of the Fidelity Bonds, Securities, Titles and Agreements, we accept the same as in order for the year. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

- 11/26 **Library:** Ellen Symington: That Mary Smillie be hereby appointed to represent the Municipality on the Board of the Palliser Regional Library, Davidson Branch and be paid \$600.00 per year. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

- 12/26 **Fuel Tender:** Martin Cammer: That the municipality tender for their fuel requirements for 2026, and further that the invitation for tender be sent to Riverbend Co-operatives Limited and McRae Farm Services Ltd. To be presented for council consideration at the March 2026 Council Meeting. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

- 13/26 TIP Grant:** **Martin Cammer:** That the population of the municipality be allocated as follows for the purpose of the Saskatchewan Lotteries Trust Initiative Program for 2027:
Davidson Recreation Board: 293 population **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**
- 14/26 Rec Grant:** **Ellen Symington:** That the municipality allocates the recreation grant in the following manner for 2026: Davidson Recreation Board: \$20,000.00 **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**
- 15/26 Road Bans:** **Len Palmer:** That the Administrator is to inform Saskatchewan Ministry of Highways And Infrastructure that the municipality wishes to withdraw from the 2026 “Spring Road Bans”. **CARRIED**
- 16/26 SARM:** **Ellen Symington:** That discussion regarding the SARM convention in Regina, SK be deferred to the Council Meeting in February 2026. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**
- 17/26 SMHI Del:** **Martin Cammer:** That discussion regarding appointment of the official delegate for The Saskatchewan Municipal Hail Association Annual Convention be deferred to the Council Meeting in February 2026. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**
- 18/26 Election:** **Martin Cammer:** That for 2026, Michelle Riecken be appointed Returning Officer and that the Deputy Returning Officer of the Municipality be Denise Brecht further that the polling place be as follows: Division 1 through 6 inclusive be at the municipal office in Davidson SK on the set date as prescribed by *The Municipalities Act*. Further, staff compensation shall be restricted to their annual salary. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**
- 19/26 Election:** **Martin Cammer:** That council establishes compensation for appointed election officials, who are not currently employed by the municipality, at \$200.00 per day and \$0.72/km **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**
- 20/26 Closure:** **Martin Cammer:** That council acknowledges road closure request of Rge Rd 3025. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**
- 21/26 Taxes:** **Ellen Symington:** That council authorizes refunding owner of property A101435611 \$700.00 of the current credit on the tax account. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**
- 22/26 EFT:** **Steven Barlow:** That council authorizes a \$50,000.00 increase to EFT payroll limit. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**
- 23/26 Investment:** **Ellen Symington:** That council acknowledges investment of two (2) \$250,000.00 in a 3-year term at 3.30% as per 2025 budget. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**
- 24/26 CPR:** **Len Palmer:** That council authorizes administration to arrange for employees to attend CPR Course, with all associated cost covered by RM253. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**
- 25/26 Building:** **Martin Cammer:** This is to Certify That:

Cristin Korchinski	Class 2 Licensed Building Official, Saskatchewan	BOL784
Virginia Shepley	Class 3 Licensed Building Official, Saskatchewan	BOL517
Bobby Baker	Class 3 Licensed Building Official, Saskatchewan	BOL552
Chantel Terry	Class 1 Licensed Building Official, Saskatchewan	BOL860
Joshua Nitz	Class 3 Licensed Building Official, Saskatchewan	BOL785
Charles Fiss	Class 1 Licensed Building Official, Saskatchewan	BOL836
David Kindred	Class 1 Licensed Building Official, Saskatchewan	BOL514
John Dulle	Class 1 Licensed Building Official, Saskatchewan	BOL789
Nathan Brodner	Class 1 Licensed Building Official, Saskatchewan	BOL880

Have been appointed as licensed Building Officials by the Council of the RM of Willner, No. 253 under the authority of subsections 16 (2) and 16 (3) of the Construction Codes Act. Further, that Reeve Palmer is authorized to sign “Certificate of Appointment”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 26/26 Donation:** **Ellen Symington:** That council authorizes a 2026 donation to Saskatchewan Crime Stoppers. **DEFEATED**

- 27/26 Trailer:** **Steven Barlow:** That council authorizes S. Low to investigate purchasing a tandem gravel trailer, with a budget of \$100,000.00. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

- 28/26 Crush:** **Martin Cammer:** That council approves tendering for a gravel crush of approximately 20,000 cu yds to 25,000 cu yds of road gravel located at NW 13-28-29 W2. This crush to occur September 1, 2026. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

- 29/26 Adjourn:** **Rich Kowalski:** That this meeting be adjourned at 3:22 p.m. and the next meeting of council is scheduled for Thursday, February 12, 2026 at 1:00 p.m. in the R.M. Office, Davidson, Sask. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Reeve

Administrator