

Minutes

Council Meeting | Thursday, February 19, 2026 | 9:00 AM | Council Chambers

The Council Meeting of Lethbridge County was called to order on Thursday, February 19, 2026, at 9:00 AM, in the Council Chambers, with the following members present:

PRESENT:

- Deputy Reeve John Kuerbis
- Councillor Lorne Hickey
- Councillor Mark Sayers
- Councillor Kevin Slomp
- Councillor Eric Van Essen
- Councillor Tony Ankermann
- Chief Administrative Officer Cole Beck
- Director, Corporate Services Hailey Pinksen
- Director, Operations Ryan Thomson
- Director, Growth & Engagement Trevor Lewington
- Legislative Coordinator & Executive Assistant Candice Robison
- Manager, Planning & Development Kaylyn Franklin

A. CALL TO ORDER

Deputy Reeve John Kuerbis called the meeting to order at 8:59 a.m.

Deputy Reeve Kuerbis read the following land acknowledgement:

In the true spirit of reconciliation, we acknowledge all those who call this land home now and for thousands of years in the past. May we respect each other and find understanding together and recognize the benefits that this land provides to all of us.

Deputy Reeve Kuerbis and staff held a moment of silence in recognition and support of the tragedy that took place in Tumbler Ridge.

B. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

36-2026	Councillor	MOVED that the February 19, 2026 Lethbridge County Council Meeting
	Van Essen	Agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

C. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

C.1. County Council Meeting Minutes

37-2026	Councillor	MOVED that the February 5, 2025 Lethbridge County Council Minutes
	Sayers	be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

D. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

D.1. OPERATIONS

D.1.1. Gravel Crushing 2026

38-2026 Councillor MOVED that Council authorize an allocation of \$195,500 to pay for the
Slomp additional 50,000 tonnes.

CARRIED

D.2. GROWTH & ENGAGEMENT

D.2.1. Advertising and Public Notification Bylaw

39-2026 Councillor MOVED that the County Council provide first reading to Bylaw 26-008
Hickey which is the "Advertising & Public Notification Bylaw".

CARRIED

E. CORRESPONDENCE

E.1. Corteva Agriscience - 100th Anniversary of Pioneer

Council reviewed an invitation from Corteva Agriscience for their 100th Anniversary of Pioneer celebration taking place on April 20th.

F. COUNTY COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE UPDATES

F.1. Lethbridge County Council Attendance Update - January 2026

Council reviewed the highlights from the Lethbridge County Council Attendance Update for January 2026.

Division 1

Councillor Lorne Hickey

January 8	Green Acres Orientation Meeting
January 12	Council to Council Supper with City of Lethbridge
January 14	Green Acres Retirement Gathering
January 15	Lethbridge County Council Meeting
January 16	Foothills Little Bow Municipal Association
January 21	Green Acres Executive and Finance Meeting
January 28	Green Acres Board Meeting

Division 2

Reeve Tory Campbell

January 7	Meeting with Director Growth & Engagement
January 9	Meeting with Minister of Affordability & Utilities, Nathan Neudorf
January 12	Council to Council Supper with City of Lethbridge
January 15	Lethbridge County Council Meeting
January 15	RMA District 1 Board of Directors Open House
January 16	Foothills Little Bow Municipal Association
January 28	Lethbridge County/Coalhurst IDP Meeting

Division 3

Councillor Mark Sayers

January 5	Link Pathway Executive/County Representative Meeting
January 7	Link Pathway Board Meeting
January 12	Council to Council Supper with City of Lethbridge
January 15	Lethbridge County Council Meeting
January 15	RMA District 1 Board of Directors Open House
January 16	Foothills Little Bow Municipal Association
January 20	ASB Orientation

January 20-23 Provincial ASB Conference

Division 4

Deputy Reeve John Kuerbis

January 6	Weekly Meeting with Community Futures Executive Director
January 12	Community Futures Finance Committee Meeting
January 12	Council to Council Supper with City of Lethbridge
January 13	Weekly Meeting with Community Futures Executive Director
January 15	Lethbridge County Council Meeting
January 15	RMA District 1 Board of Directors Open House
January 16	Foothills Little Bow Municipal Association
January 21	Community Futures Building Committee
January 21	Weekly Meeting with Community Futures Executive Director
January 28	Meeting with Prairies Can
January 28	Community Futures Monthly Board Meeting
January 28	Lethbridge County/Coalhurst IDP Meeting
January 30	Meeting with Constituent

Division 5

Councillor Kevin Slomp

January 12	Council to Council Supper with City of Lethbridge
January 15	Lethbridge County Council Meeting
January 16	Foothills Little Bow Municipal Association
January 20-23	Provincial ASB Conference
January 28	Lethbridge County/Coalhurst IDP Meeting

Division 6

Councillor Eric Van Essen

January 12	Council to Council Supper with City of Lethbridge
January 14	ASB Articles
January 15	Lethbridge County Council Meeting
January 15	ASB Strategic Planning Discussion
January 15	RMA District 1 Board of Directors Open House
January 16	Foothills Little Bow Municipal Association
January 20-23	Provincial ASB Conference

Division 7

Councillor Tony Ankermann

January 12	Council to Council Supper with City of Lethbridge
January 15	Lethbridge County Council Meeting
January 15	RMA District 1 Board of Directors Open House
January 16	Foothills Little Bow Municipal Association
January 20-23	Provincial ASB Conference
January 26	Meeting with CAO
January 28	Lethbridge County/Coalhurst IDP Meeting

H. CLOSED SESSION

H.1. - Planning & Development Discussion (ATIA Section 19 - Advice from Officials)

H.2. - CAO Report - C. Beck (ATIA Sections 19, 20, 28 and 29)

40-2026 Councillor MOVED that the Lethbridge County Council Meeting move into Closed
Slomp Session, pursuant to Section 197 of the Municipal Government Act, the
time being 9:27 a.m. for the discussion on the following:

H.1. - Planning & Development Discussion (ATIA Section 29 - Advice
from Officials)

H.2. - CAO Report - C. Beck (ATIA Section 19, 20, 28 and 29)

Present during the Closed Session:
Lethbridge County Council
Chief Administrative Officer
Senior Management
Administrative Staff
CARRIED

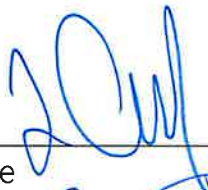
41-2026 Councillor MOVED that the Lethbridge County Council Meeting move out of the
Van Essen closed session at 10:39 a.m.

CARRIED

I. ADJOURN

42-2026 Councillor MOVED that the Lethbridge County Council Meeting adjourn at 10:39
Hickey a.m.

CARRIED



Reeve



CAO