

# **Minutes**

Council Meeting | Thursday, November 6, 2025 | 9:00 AM | Council Chambers

The Council Meeting of Lethbridge County was called to order on Thursday, November 6, 2025, at 9:00 AM, in the Council Chambers, with the following members present:

PRESENT:

Reeve Tory Campbell

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, Development & Infrastructure Devon Thiele

Director, Corporate Services Hailey Pinksen

Director, Operations Ryan Thomson

Legislative Coordinator & Executive Assistant Candice Robison

### A. CALL TO ORDER

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

Reeve Campbell 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.

#### B. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

300-2025

Councillor

MOVED that the November 6, 2025 Lethbridge County Council Meeting

Van Essen

Agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

### C. <u>ADOPTION OF MINUTES</u>

## C.1. County Council Meeting Minutes

301-2025

Councillor

MOVED that the October 16, 2025 Lethbridge County Council Minutes

Sayers

be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

## C.2. <u>Organizational Meeting Minutes</u>

302-2025

Councillor

MOVED that the October 16, 2025 Lethbridge County Organizational

Hickey

Meeting Minutes be adopted as amended.

#### D. SUBDIVISION APPLICATIONS

## D.1. <u>Subdivision Application #2025-0-021 – Van Schothorst</u> - Portion of NW1/4 3-10-22-W4M

303-2025 D

Deputy Reeve Kuerbis MOVED that the Industrial subdivision of NW1/4 3-10-22-W4M (Certificate of Title No. 941 327 262), to subdivide a 12.54-acre (5.08 ha) parcel from a title comprised of 101.48 acres (41.00 ha) for rural general industrial use; BE APPROVED subject to the following:

#### RESERVE:

The 10% reserve requirement, pursuant to Sections 666 and 667 of the Municipal Government Act, be provided as money in place of land on the 12.54-acres at the market value of \$15,000 per acre with the actual acreage and amount to be paid to Lethbridge County be determined at the final stage, for Municipal Reserve purposes.

AND FURTHER that upon payment of the reserve, the existing deferred reserve caveat registered on title (Registration No. 4242LO) shall be discharged and new deferred reserve caveat be registered on the residual title with the actual acerage owing to be determined at the final stage, upon receipt of the final subdivision plan.

#### CONDITIONS:

- 1. That, pursuant to Section 654(1)(d) of the Municipal Government Act, all outstanding property taxes shall be paid to Lethbridge County.
- 2. That, pursuant to Section 655(1)(b) of the Municipal Government Act, the applicant or owner or both enter into and comply with a Development Agreement with Lethbridge County which shall be registered concurrently with the final plan against the title(s) being created. The agreement may address the requirements for an approach access to the remnant 88.94-acre parcel.
- 3. That the applicant provides a final Plan of Survey as prepared by an Alberta Land Surveyor to illustrate the exact dimensions and parcel size of the proposed parcel as approved.
- 4. That any easement(s) as required by utility companies, or the municipality shall be established.
- 5. That the applicant provides, at their expense, a legal private access easement agreement to be registered across the new west 12.54-acre title to enable continued legal and physical access to the east 88.94-acre title, to the satisfaction of the Subdivision Authority, to be registered concurrently with the final endorsement of the subdivision.

### E. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

#### E.1. OPERATIONS

E.1.1. <u>Memorandum of Understanding between Lethbridge County and the Alberta</u>
<u>Conservation Association (ACA) – Corporate Partner in Conservation</u>
<u>Program (2026–2031)</u>

304-2025 Councillor

Slomp

MOVED that County Council approve the Memorandum of Understanding between Lethbridge County and the Alberta Conservation Association for participation in the Corporate Partners in Conservation Program for the period of April 1, 2026 to March 31, 2031, with an annual contribution of \$1,000, to be funded from the Donations Reserve.

**CARRIED** 

## E.2. CORPORATE SERVICES

## E.2.1. Tax Penalty Waiver Request - Roll# 11100000 & 11110000

305-2025 Councillor

Slomp

MOVED that Council deny the request from Ms. Tamara Berezay to waive the tax penalty interest for Roll Numbers 11100000 and 11110000.

CARRIED

### E.3. DEVELOPMENT & INFRASTRUCTURE

E.3.1. <u>Bylaw 25-023 - Amendment to the Land Use Bylaw to Redesignate Plan</u> 9910323 Block 1 Lot 2 in NW 30-9-22-W4 from Rural Agriculture (RA) to Direct Control (DC) - First Reading

306-2025

Councillor

MOVED that Bylaw 25-023, be read a first time.

Hickey

CARRIED

E.3.2. <u>Bylaw 25-024 - Amendment to the Land Use Bylaw to Redesignate 95012</u> <u>River Ridge Road (Plan 8710514 Block 1 Lot 4, SW-31-9-22-W4) from Rural</u> <u>Agriculture (RA) to Grouped Country Residential (GCR) - First Reading</u>

307-2025

Deputy

MOVED that Bylaw 25-024, be read a first time.

Reeve Kuerbis CARRIED

### E.3.3. Bylaw 25-026 - Development Authority

308-2025

Deputy

MOVED that Bylaw 25-026, being the Development Authority Bylaw be

Reeve

read a first time.

Kuerbis

CARRIED

309-2025

Councillor

MOVED that Bylaw 25-026, being the Development Authority Bylaw be

Sayers

read a second time.

310-2025 Councillor MOVED that Bylaw 25-026, being the Development Authority Bylaw be

Van Essen considered for third reading.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

311-2025 Councillor MOVED that Bylaw 25-026, being the Development Authority Bylaw be

Slomp read a third time.

CARRIED

#### E.4. ADMINISTRATION

### E.4.1. Interim Electoral Boundaries Report

312-2025 Deputy MOVED that County Council provide a letter under the Reeve's

Reeve signature to the Electoral Boundaries Commission.

Kuerbis CARRIED

### F. CORRESPONDENCE

## F.1. Coaldale Public Library - November-December Newsletter

Council reviewed the Coaldale Public Library's November-December newsletter.

## F.2. Oldman River Regional Services Commission

Council reviewed correspondence from the Oldman River Regional Services Commission regarding the announcement of their new Chief Administrative Officer – Tracy Thomas.

## F.3. Readymade Community Association

Council reviewed correspondence from the Readymade Community Association regarding their Silent Auction Fundraiser and A Night for Light Gala.

### F.4. Alberta Municipal Affairs

Council reviewed correspondence from Minister Dan Williams, Minister of Municipal Affairs which congratulated Council on their recent election.

Reeve Camobell recessed the meeting at 9:48 a.m.

Reeve Campbell reconvened the meeting at 10:02 a.m.

#### G. <u>CLOSED SESSION</u>

<u>G.1. - Delegation - 10:00 a.m. - Fortis Alberta (ATIA Section 19 - Disclosure harmful to business interests of a third party)</u>

G.2. - Land Disposition - Declare Surplus (ATIA Section 30 - Disclosure harmful to economic and other interests of a third party)

<u>G.3. - Northern Regional Economic Development Grant (ATIA Section 26 - Disclosure harmful</u> to intergovernmental relations)

G.4. - CAO Report - C. Beck (ATIA Sections 19, 20, 28 and 29)

313-2025 Councillor Sayers

MOVED that the Lethbridge County Council Meeting move into Closed Session, pursuant to Section 197 of the Municipal Government Act, the time being 10:03 a.m. for the discussion on the following:

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26 - Disclosure harmful to intergovernmental relations)

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

314-2025 Councillor

MOVED that the Lethbridge County Council Meeting move out of the Sayers

closed session at 12:09 p.m.

**CARRIED** 

#### G.2. Land Disposition - Declare Surplus (ATIA Section 30 - Disclosure harmful to economic and other interests of a public body)

315-2025

Councillor Hickey

MOVED that Council approve declaring Plan 309DT; Block 1; Lots 9-11 as surplus, and direct Administration to proceed with public sale of the property.

**CARRIED** 

#### Northern Regional Economic Development Grant (ATIA Section 26 - Disclosure G.3. harmful to intergovernmental relations)

316-2025

Deputy

Kuerbis

Reeve

MOVED to direct administration to apply for the Northern Regional Economic Development grant with matching funds from the County to a maximum of \$100,000.

#### <u>ADJOURN</u> Н.

MOVED that the Lethbridge County Council Meeting adjourn at 12:10 317-2025 Councillor Slomp p.m.

CARRIED

Reeve