

THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF FISHER

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of The Council of the Rural Municipality of Fisher held on Friday, December 5, 2025 Council Chambers in Fisher Branch, Manitoba.

Present: Reeve Pyziak, Councillors Gagaluk, Lindal, Nevakshonoff, Tanchak and Chief

Administrative Officer Kelly Marykuca

Regrets: Deputy Reeve Abas

Call to Order: 9:01 a.m.

Adoption of Agenda:

Moved by Councillor Gagaluk and seconded by Councillor Lindal

266/25 **WHEREAS** the agenda for the Regular Meeting of Council has been circulated for them to review;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT this agenda be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

New Business:

17. Allnet

In Camera

4. Boards

Confirming of Minutes:

Moved by Councillor Lindal and seconded by Councillor Gagaluk

267/25 **WHEREAS** the minutes for the Regular Meeting of Council held on November 5, 2025 have been circulated for their review;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes are hereby adopted as presented.

CARRIED

Delegates:

9:30

RCMP

Provided Council with local crime stats.

Financial:

1. Approval of Accounts

Moved by Councillor Tanchak and seconded by Councillor Nevakshonoff

268/25 **WHEREAS** the following items have been submitted for approval of payment:

Cheque Nos. 8185 to 8246

Electronic Payments EFT to PayWorks 3146 to 3148

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT payments be approved for an amount not to exceed \$775,397.92.

CARRIED

2. Budgetary Control Report

Moved by Councillor Lindal and seconded by Councillor Gagaluk

269/25 **RESOLVED THAT** the draft Budgetary Control report dated November 30, 2025 be hereby accepted as presented.

CARRIED

3. Interim Operating Budget

Moved by Councillor Tanchak and seconded by Councillor Gagaluk 270 /25 **RESOLVED THAT** the 2026 Interim Operating Budget be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

2026 Interim Operating Budget

General Government Services	\$275,000.00
Protective Services	\$63,000.00
Transporation Services	\$426,000.00
Environmental Health Services	\$49,500.00
Public Health and Welfare Services	\$17,600.00
Environmental Development Services	\$16,500.00
Economic Development Services	\$2,700.00
Recreation and Cultural Services	\$19,000.00
Fiscal Services	\$143,000.00

\$1,012,300.00

Capital Requirements

Utility Requirements \$110,000.00

4. 2025 VLT Grants

Moved by Councillor Tanchak and seconded by Councillor Lindal 271/25 **RESOLVED THAT** the 2025 VLT Funding in the total amount \$40,000.00 be a

271/25 **RESOLVED THAT** the 2025 VLT Funding in the total amount \$40,000.00 be allocated as follows:

2025	VLT
GRA	NTS

\$40,000 (Budget \$45,000)

40%	Fisher	Branch	Recreation	Centre
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8% Ukrainian National Home

8% Hodgson Community Centre

8% Poplarfield Community Centre

8% Fisher Branch Community Centre

8% Broad Valley Community Centre8% Fisherton Community Hall

Other

12% allocations to date \$7,392 (see below)

Remaining Budget \$37,608

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Nevakshonoff and seconded by Councillor Gagaluk

WHEREAS the 2025 Financial Plan included an expenditure of \$ 13,000.00 for providing financial assistance to community centers and halls;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the municipal funding be allocated as follows: **2025 FINANCIAL**

ASSISTANCE \$13,000

\$5,200 Fisher Branch Recreation Centre

\$1,300 Poplarfield Community Centre

\$1,300 Hodgson Community Centre

\$1,300 Broad Valley Community Centre

\$1,300 Ukrainian National Home

\$1,300 Fisherton Community Hall

CARRIED

2025 Other Grant Allocations

Lakeshore School Division	250	
Riverdale Place Workshop	300	
Ronald McDonald House	250	
Fisher Branch Recreation Centre - kids meal program	50	
Riverdale Place Workshop	300	
Lakeshore School Division Grad	300	
Interlake Women's Resource	300	
Proline Marking Co - soccer pitch	825	
Interlake Tourism Association	774	
Delivery of flood donations	29	
Canadian Fallen Heroes Foundation	250	
MB/NW Ontario Command - Legion	214	
Riverdale Place Workshop	300	
Fisherton Horse Club - rodeo	500	
K Abas - Terry Fox Run	200	
Riverdale Place Workshop	300	
Madeline's Closet	300	
AITC - MB	250	
Interlake Women's Resource	300	
Fisher Branch Community Centre - baseball	900	
Samaritan's Purse (24/25)	500	
		7,392
Skating & Recreation Grant		
Fisher Branch Recreation Centre	5,000	5,000

Committee Reports:

Allan – LUD meeting updates, Wheel property, parade, dogs and cats.

Tom – WIWD – AGM and elections were held. They will be having an in house meeting with Manitoba Infrastructure. Municipalities will be taking out a water license for control structures. Tom has been acclaimed as chair again. Dog Lake – next project. Currently it is a game bird sanctuary. They made an application to the Fisher and Wildlife fund, for a riparian analysis. Application was denied.

Shannon – EIWD allocated money for various projects. MAA conference, met with various ministers. Aquatic Invasive species, clean, drain, dry. Community Futures providing presentations for grant proposals – how to write.

Communications:

1. Manitoba Wildlife Federation

Resolution passed at AMM conference.

2. Crime Stoppers

Moved by Councillor Gagaluk and seconded by Councillor Lindal 273/25 **RESOLVED THAT** \$250.00 be donated to Manitoba Crime Stoppers.

CARRIED

3. Stars

Moved by Councillor Gagaluk and seconded by Councillor Lindal 274/25 **RESOLVED THAT** \$600 be donated to Stars Manitoba Foundation.

CARRIED

4. Brandon 911

2026 Service Dispatch Fee shared with Council.

5. Roll 470400

Info Only

6. Terra Indigena

Moved by Councillor Gagaluk and seconded by Councillor Lindal 275/25 **RESOLVED THAT** 1/4 page advertisement in the Terra Indigena Newspaper be place for \$255.00.

CARRIED

7. Gord Fuz Request

Brushing request on Road 9W south of Fuz residence. Council considers it an Undeveloped Road and brushing will not be done at this time. CAO to send letter.

8. Evergreen School Division

Moved by Councillor Lindal and seconded by Councillor Nevakshonoff
276/25 **RESOLVED THAT** Reeve Pyziak and CAO Kelly Marykuca attend Evergreen School
Division annual Municipal Breakfast on April 27, 2026.

CARRIED

Unfinished Business

1. Whitetail Woods

Report from pedologist. Soil at subject location has been determined as Class 5. Set up meeting with Jennifer Lim of Barnes and Duncan.

Councillor Nevakshonoff would like to discuss project with Fisher River Cree Nation. Councillor Lindal requested that a meeting about drainage as a whole should be made not just for this project. Councillor Nevakshonoff requested a list of projects that are on hold.

2. Hodgson Properties

Update on work that has been completed to date in Hodgson.

3. Tax Sale

CAO provided an update of the Tax Sale.

Mr. Clint Webb has questions of how the auction was held. CAO to write letter and future questions be directed towards TAXervice.

Moved by Councillor Lindal and seconded by Councillor Tanchak 277/25 **RESOLVED THAT** CAO send letter to Mr. Webb along with Auctions Sale conditions.

CARRIED

4. Tender for 2001 Ford E350 Super Duty

Excess Equipment - Reserve bid of \$8,000.00 - advertise for sale.

5. Property by the Wheel

Basaraba family was approached to honor sale of small piece of land by the Wheel. They declined. LUD was going to pay for subdivision of property to put a Welcome to Fisher Branch sign but was also declined. RM/LUD to remove all municipal infrastructure come Spring.

6. Madeline's Closet Tour

Councillors toured Madeline's Closet in Inwood.

7. Road Names and Signs Policy

Moved by Councillor Tanchak and seconded by Councillor Gagaluk

278/25 WHEREAS Policy for Road Names and Signs requires updating

AND WHEREAS the statement "Road names will not be considered otherwise. Road numbers are a direct link to Manitoba's emergency services and will remain as such. " **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Policy for Road Names and Signs be updated.

CARRIED

New Business

1. Municipal By-Law Enforcement Officer

Info Only

2. Newsletter

Add Fisher Branch Air cadets.

3. Emergency Discharge of Lagoon

Council was updated on protocol for emergency release.

4. Assessment Update

CAO provided update from Manitoba Assessments.

5. Snowclearing RM of Fisher Office

CAO Kelly Marykuca excused herself and left the meeting

Moved by Councillor Gagaluk and seconded by Councillor Lindal

279/25 **WHEREAS** 1 tender was received for Snow Clearing of Municipal Office Sidewalk and opened at a public meeting

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT 68 Services Inc. be awarded the tender for Snow Clearing of Municipal Office sidewalk for \$300.00 per month.

CARRIED

6. Unauthorized Ditching

Info submitted to Provincial Portal

7. Interlake Pioneer Trail

Info Only

8. Tree Removal

Contact for Forest Center

9. Lunch and Learn Webinar

Moved by Councillor Tanchak and seconded by Councillor Nevakshonoff

280/25 **WHEREAS** the Manitoba Municipal Administrators Association is hosting a lunch and learn session "Innovative Lagoon Sludge Management and Drone Applications for Municipal Operations"

AND WHEREAS the fee is \$75.00

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT CAO Kelly Marykuca attend course.

CARRIED

10. a.) WSP scope change b.) Invoice 20320832

a.) WSP Scope Change

Moved by Councillor Tanchak and seconded by Councillor Lindal

281/25 **WHEREAS** a change order was requested for an increase of \$75,000.00 to the contract budget between WSP Canada Inc. and the Rural Municipality of Fisher;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Fisher approve said budget increase as per Project Change Request, Project Change Request number 221-06425-00 PCR-009 on condition that a weekly detailed work performed invoices be submitted. **AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** all work be completed by December 31, 2025, or work will be completed at WSP's expense.

CARRIED

b.) Invoice 20320832

Moved by Councillor Gagaluk and seconded by Councillor Lindal

282/25 **WHEREAS** invoice 20320832 for \$1,529.72 was submitted for payment by WSP for flood assessments

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT invoice 20320832 be approved.

CARRIED

11. Fisher Armstrong Planning District

Moved by Councillor Gagaluuk and seconded by Councillor Nevakshonoff

283/25 **WHEREAS** the Fisher Armstrong Planning District would like approval from Council for the building inspector for Fisher to do Part 9 building code inspections;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for the RM of Fisher approves the Fisher Armstong Planning District to take over Part 9 building inspections and transition from the Office of the Fire Commissioner.

CARRIED

12. Office and Firehall

Advertise Caretaking Tender for the 2026 term and add firehall bathroom and office to duties.

13. West Interlake Watershed District Resolution required

Moved by Councillor Tanchak and seconded by Councillor Lindal

284/25 **WHEREAS** a municipal representative is required to sit on the West Interlake Watershed District Board

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Councillor Tom Nevakshonoff be the Rural Municipality of Fisher's municipal representative on the Wester Interlake Watershed District.

CARRIED

14. Christmas Party Lunch

Moved by Councillor Gagaluk and seconded by Councillor Lindal

285/25 **RESOLVED THAT** a Christmas Lunch be provided to RM staff and Council at the Fisher Branch Curling Rink.

CARRIED

15. Remediation of NE 25-22-2W

Councillor Nevakshonoff to contact landowner.

17. Allnet

Moved by Reeve Pyziak and seconded by Councillor Lindal

286/25 **RESOLVED THAT** Allnet – Catalist meeting software be purchased and used in 2026.

CARRIED

In Camera

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Moved by Councillor Gagaluk and seconded by Councillor Lindal

287/25 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council recess the Regular meeting and go into

"In Camera" as

per Section 152(3) of The Municipal Act to discuss the following item:

Personnel, Legal

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT all matters discussed are to remain confidential as per Section 83(1)(d) of The Municipal Act.

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Lindal and seconded by Councillor Nevakshonoff
288/25 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** as per Section 152(4) of The Municipal Act Council does now re-open the meeting to the public.

CARRIED

Update on Fire Department, lawsuits, boards.

Adjournment:

Moved by Councillor Gagaluk and seconded by Councillor Lindal
289/25 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the regular business has concluded and this meeting does hereby adjourn at 1:16 p.m.

CARRIED