



THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF FISHER

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of The Council of the Rural Municipality of Fisher held on Wednesday, January 7, 2026 Council Chambers in Fisher Branch, Manitoba.

Present: Reeve Pyziak, Deputy Reeve Abas, Councillors Gagaluk, Lindal, Nevakshonoff, (9:30), Tanchak and Chief Administrative Officer Kelly Marykuca

Call to Order: 9:00 a.m.

Adoption of Agenda:

Moved by Councillor Lindal and seconded by Councillor Gagaluk

1/26 **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

Communications:
C8. Riverdale Workshop

Confirming of Minutes:

Moved by Deputy Reeve Abas and seconded by Councillor Gagaluk

2/26 **WHEREAS** the minutes for the Special Meeting of Council held on December 23, 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. Discussed results from speed sign data. RCMP town hall to take place in Fisher Branch in the coming months.

10:00

Fire Department

Fire Chief Patrick Davy and Deputy Chief Dave Chudy

Fire Chief reviewed results of internal survey that was done on the satisfaction of the fire department. 2026 Budget discussions. Resignation letter of former Fire Chief Gord Wevursky. Fire department count is 17 members.

Fire Chief and CAO to create policies for new hires and training.

Ambulance – lower tender

Remove breathing apparatus from budget

Patrick Davy and Rori Lindal were nominated by OFC and the municipality for the “Cast it Forward” initiative and were presented with a fishing trip at Kississing Lake Lodge for their outstanding contribution for the 2025 Wildfire Response.

March 21, 2026 Celebration of Fire Department and Years of Service Medals. Dinner and Dance

Moved by Deputy Reeve Abas and seconded by Councillor Gagaluk

3/26 **RESOLVED THAT** Fisher Fire Department host a Celebration of the Fire Department March 26, 2026 which will include a dinner and dance.

CARRIED

Advertise Fire Chief Change in paper.

Moved by Councillor Lindal and seconded by Deputy Reeve Abas

4/26 **WHEREAS** Fire Chief Gordy Wevursky has presented Council with resignation letter dated December 5, 2026.

AND WHEREAS Fisher Fire Department member Patrick Davy was nominated to fill vacancy

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Patrick Davy be appointed as Fire Chief of the Fisher Fire Department.

CARRIED

Financial:

1. Approval of Accounts

Moved by Councillor Lindal and seconded by Councillor Gagaluk

5/26 **WHEREAS** the following items have been submitted for approval of payment:

Cheque Nos. 8278 to 8337

Electronic Payments EFT to PayWorks 3150 to 3152

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT payments be approved for an amount not to exceed \$220,929.21.

CARRIED

2. Budgetary Control Report

Moved by Councillor Lindal and seconded by Councillor Gagaluk

6/26 **RESOLVED THAT** the draft Budgetary Control report dated December 31, 2025 be hereby accepted as presented.

CARRIED

Committee Reports:

Ron – Chamber of Commerce sent out marketing packages via email.

Allan – LUD update. Snow removal, trail, and town lighting contest.

Communications:

1. Ronald McDonald House

Moved by Deputy Reeve Abas and seconded by Councillor Tanchak

7/26 **RESOLVED THAT** a donation of \$250.00 be given to support families at Ronald McDonald House.

CARRIED

2. Interlake Woman's Resource Centre

Thank you letter

3. Marble Ridge Farms

Send bid hourly package to Marble Ridge Farms.

Create Policy for brushing ditches – Road Allowance tree retention.

4. East Interlake Watershed District

Info Only

5. FB Rec Centre Letter

Invite Recreation Board to Council meeting in February.

Questions to ask – has geothermal ever been considered in the building? Has a hydro audit been done? Why doesn't curling pay for a portion of hydro?

6. Ag in the Classroom

Moved by Councillor Lindal and seconded by Deputy Reeve Abas
8/26 **RESOLVED THAT** \$250.00 be donated to the “Agriculture in the Classroom” program.

CARRIED

7. Crime Stoppers

Info Only

8. Riverdale Place Workshop

Moved by Deputy Reeve Abas and seconded by Councillor Tanchak
9/26 **WHEREAS** Riverdale Place Workshop has a new RM of Fisher resident attending
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT The RM of Fisher sponsor attendance to
Riverdale Place Workshop Inc.

CARRIED

Unfinished Business

1. Whitetail Woods

Is a drainage license required if it is not leaving the quarter section? Water will be going into the Fens not Provincial waterway.

Need to rezone the property. Arrange a meeting with Jennifer soon.

CAO to draft letter to AMM in response to the cottage lot initiative. Send draft to Council for approval.

2. Tax Sale

Info Only

3. The Public Disclosures Act – Resolution Required

Document to be reviewed annually.

Council would like to know when would the Ombudsman consult with Council?

Moved by Councillor Nevakshonoff and seconded by Councillor Lindal
10/26 **RESOLVED THAT** Council reviews and accepts the Public Interest Disclosure (whistleblower) Protection Act as presented.

CARRIED

4. Environment Officer

Info Only

5. Outstanding Drainage License Applications

CAO updated Council with list of applications that are outstanding.

6. Approved Drainage License

Info Only

7. Flood 2022 Update

CAO gave Council an update on Flood monies received and outstanding to date.

New Business

1. Lead Monitoring Program

Info Only

2. Utility Operator

Council has picked potential candidate but update on status is required.

3. Fire Fine

Send letter to landowner with costs of fire.

4. Caretaking Municipal Office Tender 2026

Moved by Councillor Lindal and seconded by Deputy Reeve Abas

11/26 **WHEREAS** 4 tenders were received and opened at a Public meeting

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Janet Huta be awarded the tender for \$300.00 per month.

CARRIED

5. 2001 Ford E350 Tender

Moved by Deputy Reeve Abas and seconded by Councillor Tanchak

12/26 **RESOLVED THAT** 2001 be re-tendered with reserve bid of \$2,000.

CARRIED

6. Expenses 2024 approval required

Moved by Deputy Reeve Abas and seconded by Councillor Lindal

13/26 **RESOLVED THAT** Ward Four expenses for 2024 be approved and added to the 2025 budget year.

CARRIED

7. Private Driveway Requests

Info Only

8. Tetra Tech – Feasibility Study

Apply for grants.

Ask Tetra Tech on how to accommodate a sewage treatment plant.

9. Speed Sign

Info passed along to RCMP

10. Cats

Moved by Deputy Reeve Abas and seconded by Councillor Lindal

14/26 **WHEREAS** there is a stray cat problem at Poplarfield Disposal Site

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT custodian try to catch the strays and the By-law officer is to pick up and re-home.

CARRIED

In Camera

Moved by Councillor Lindal and seconded by Councillor Gagaluk

15/26 **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:

Legal and Personnel

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 Deputy Reeve Abas and seconded by Councillor Tanchak
16/26 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** as per Section 152(4) of The Municipal Act Council does now re-open the meeting to the public.

CARRIED

Public Works Supervisor to track personal mileage

Arrange meeting with Peguis CFS in February.

Adjournment:

Moved by Councillor Nevakshonoff and seconded by Councillor Lindal
17/26 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the regular business has concluded and this meeting does hereby adjourn at 2:35 p.m.

CARRIED

Reeve

Chief Administrative Officer
(Subject to errors and/or omissions)