



**Kneehill County
Regular Meeting of Council**

Minutes

**April 22, 2025, 8:30 a.m.
1600 2nd Street NE
Three Hills, AB T0M 2A0**

Council Present: Faye McGhee, Deputy Reeve
Debbie Penner, Councillor
Jerry Wittstock, Councillor (Left at 11:30 a.m.)
Laura Lee Machell-Cunningham, Councillor
Wade Christie, Councillor
Kenneth King, Reeve

Council Absent: Carrie Fobes, Councillor

Staff Present: Mike Haugen, Chief Administrative Officer
Mike Ziehr, Director of Infrastructure
Theresa Cochran, Director of Corporate Services
Barb Hazelton, Manager of Planning and Development
Marika Von Mirbach, Manager of Financial Planning
Ashley Olson, Financial Controller
Rajeana Nyman, Property Tax & Utilities Administrator
Carolyn Van der Kuil, Legislative Services Manager

1. Call Meeting to Order

Reeve King called the meeting to order at 8:31 a.m.

1.1 Agenda

1.1.1 Additions to the Agenda

Additions under Council & Committee Reports

9.4 Division 7 Report
9.5 ASHA Conference
9.6 Economic Development Conference

Additions under Closed Session

11.1 Intergovernmental Relations (FOIP- Section 21)
11.2 Advice from Officials (FOIP-Section 24)

1.1.2 Adoption of the Agenda

Resolution: 124/25

Moved by: Councillor Christie

That Council approve the agenda as amended.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Approval of Minutes

2.1 Regular Council Meeting Minutes of April 8, 2025

Resolution: 125/25

Moved by: Councillor Cunningham

That Council approves the adoption of the minutes of the April 8, 2025, Regular Meeting of Council, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. Corporate Services

4.1 2024 Audited Financial Statements

Resolution: 126/25

Moved by: Councillor Penner

That Council approves the 2024 Audited Financial Statements as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4.2 Bylaw 1914- 2025 Trochu Recreation Area Special Tax

Resolution: 127/25

Moved by: Councillor Wittstock

That first reading be given to Bylaw 1914 that being a bylaw for the 2025 Trochu Recreation Area Special Tax.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolution: 128/25

Moved by: Councillor Christie

That second reading be given to Bylaw 1914 that being a bylaw for the 2025 Trochu Recreation Area Special Tax.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolution: 129/25

Moved by: Deputy Reeve McGhee

That consideration to hold third reading be given to Bylaw 1914.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolution: 130/25

Moved by: Councillor Penner

That third and final reading be given to Bylaw 1914, that being a bylaw for the 2025 Trochu Recreation Area Special Tax.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4.3 Bylaw 1913- Property Tax Bylaw 2025

Resolution: 131/25

Moved by: Deputy Reeve McGhee

That second reading be given to Bylaw 1913, 2025 Property Tax Bylaw.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolution: 132/25

Moved by: Councillor Christie

That third and final reading be given to Bylaw 1913, 2025 Property Tax Bylaw.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. Infrastructure- Roads/Bridges/Water/Wastewater/Environment

5.1 2025 Dust Control Rates

The Chair called for a recess at 9:54 a.m. and called the meeting back to order at 10:00 a.m. with all previously mentioned members present.

Resolution: 133/25

Moved by: Councillor Wittstock

That Council consider removal of the gravel contribution from the Spec Crude calculation for the 2025 Dust Suppression.

CARRIED

Resolution: 134/25

Moved by: Councillor Wittstock

That Council table this discussion to later in the meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolution: 135/25

Moved by: Councillor Wittstock

That Council remove from the table the Dust Control Discussion.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolution: 136/25

Moved by: Councillor Wittstock

That Council approve the 2025 dust suppression rates as \$11.50 per meter for full-service calcium chloride application, \$5.75 per meter for single Calcium Chloride application, and \$51.53 per meter for Spec Crude application.

CARRIED

Amendment:

Resolution: 137/25

Moved by: Councillor Penner

That Council amend the Spec Crude Application cost price to \$52.00 per metre.

DEFEATED

3. Appointments

3.1 Delegation- Artis Exploration Ltd.

Bruce Nociar, a representative from Artis Exploration Ltd., presented to Council requesting Council to consider implementing a reduction in the 2025 municipal mill rate.

6. Community Services

6.1 Planning

6.1.1 Bylaw 1918- Redesignation A to LRC

The Chair called for a recess at 10:45 a.m. and called the meeting back to order at 10:54 a.m. with all previously mentioned members present.

Resolution: 138/25

Moved by: Deputy Reeve McGhee

That Council move first reading of proposed Bylaw 1918 for the purpose of amending Land Use Bylaw 1808 by redesignating a portion of the SW 29-31-24 W4, Plan 9410761 Block 1 from Agriculture District to Local Rural Commercial District.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolution: 139/25

Moved by: Councillor Penner

That Council move to schedule the Public Hearing, as per Sections 216.4 & 606 of the Municipal Government Act, to be held on May 27, 2025, at 10:00 a.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7. Legislative Services

7.1 Bylaw 1919- Procedural Bylaw

Resolution: 140/25

Moved by: Councillor Wittstock

That Council provide first reading to Bylaw 1919, that being a bylaw for the purpose of regulating meeting proceedings for Council and Council Committee meetings.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolution: 141/25

Moved by: Councillor Christie

That Council provide second reading to Bylaw 1919, that being a bylaw for the purpose of regulating meeting proceedings for Council and Council Committee meetings.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolution: 142/25

Moved by: Councillor Cunningham

That Council provide unanimous consent to hold third reading.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolution: 143/25

Moved by: Deputy Reeve McGhee

That Council provide third and final reading to Bylaw 1919, that being a bylaw for the purpose of regulating meeting proceedings for Council and Council Committee meetings.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8. Disposition of Delegation & Public Hearing Business

8.1 Artis Exploration Ltd.

Resolution: 144/25

Moved by: Deputy Reeve McGhee

That Council receive for information the presentation provided by Artis Exploration Ltd.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9. Council and Committee Reports

Councillor Wittstock left the meeting at 11:30 a.m.

Resolution: 145/25

Moved by: Councillor Christie

That Council accepts for information the Council & Committee Report, as presented.

- Kneehill Regional Family and Community Support Services
- Division 1 Report
- Drumheller Solid Waste Association
- Division 7 Report
- ASHA Conference
- Economic Development Conference

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10. Council Follow-Up Action List

Resolution: 146/25

Moved by: Deputy Reeve McGhee

That Council receive for information the Council Follow-Up Action List as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11. Closed Session

The Chair called for a recess at 11:55 a.m. and called the meeting back to order at 12:00 p.m. with all previously mentioned members present.

Resolution: 147/25

Moved by: Councillor Christie

That this meeting goes into closed session at 12:00 p.m. for the following reason(s):

- Intergovernmental Relations (FOIP- Section 21)
- Advice from Officials (FOIP-Section 24)

CARRIED

Resolution: 148/25

Moved by: Councillor Cunningham

That Council return to open meeting at 12:49 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12:49 p.m. - meeting recessed to allow return of public.

12:49 p.m. - meeting resumed.

13. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 12:51 p.m.

Kenneth King, Reeve

Mike Haugen, CAO