MEETING MINUTES
VILLAGE OF RYCROFT
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MAY 7, 2025
VILLAGE OF RYCROFT COUNCIL CHAMBERS

PRESENT:	**James Verquin**	**Mayor**
	Roxann Dreger	**Deputy Mayor**
	Joanne Chelick	**Councillor**
	Kevin Keller	**Chief Administrative Officer**
	Brian Markovich	**Councillor – Absent with Notice**
	Dwayne Kotyk	**Councillor – Absent with Notice**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Verquin called the Regular Council meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

2025-05-7-100 **MOVED** by Councillor Chelick that Council adopt the Regular Council meeting agenda for April 2, 2025 as amended. **CARRIED**

3. ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

3.1 Minutes from the April 15, 2025 Regular Council Meeting

2025-05-7-101 **MOVED** by Deputy Mayor Dreger that Council approve the April 15, 2025 Council meeting minutes as presented. **CARRIED**

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

5. DELEGATIONS

5.1 Leah Millar RE: Tax Penalties

Leah Miller joined the meeting at 6:35 p.m. and gave her presentation. She left the meeting at 6:37 p.m.

2025-05-7-102 **MOVED** by Mayor Verquin that Council approve the presentation from Leah Miller and carry out discussion in new business. **CARRIED**

6. CAO REPORT

6.1 CAO Report, Action Item List, and Calendar

2025-05-7-103 **MOVED** by Deputy Mayor Dreger that Council accept the CAO Report, Action Item List, and Calendar as presented. **CARRIED**

2025-05-7-104 **MOVED** by Mayor Verquin that Council award the interior paining contract of the Rycroft Library to David McGill per his estimate # 382829. **CARRIED**

2025-05-7-105 **MOVED** by Mayor Verquin that Council remove the water restrictions enacted in July 2024; for the Village of Rycroft, effective May 8, 2025. **CARRIED**

7. COUNCILLOR REPORTS

Deputy Mayor Dreger
Advised she will be at the Central Peace Fire Comision event on Mother's Day handing out information on the Voyant Alert Emergency App. May 11,2025.

2025-05-7-106 **MOVED** by Councillor Chelick that Council accept the Council member verbal reports as presented. **CARRIED**

8. PREVIOUS BUSINESS

8.1 RFD Dog Park and Ball Diamond Regrading

MOVED by Mayor Verquin that Council table discussion on the dog park and ball Diamond proposed regrading until the next Council meeting. **CARRIED**

9. NEW BUSINESS

9.1 Decision for request by Delegate, Leah Millar

2025-05-7-107 **MOVED** by Deputy Mayor Dreger that the discussion on the request of Delegate Leah Millar be moved to the Closed Session. **CARRIED**

9.2 Central Peace Firefighter's Association 5th Annual Golf Tournament Sponsorship Request

2025-05-7-108 **MOVED** by Mayor Verquin that Council purchase a platinum sponsorship for $2000 in support of the 2025 Central Peace Firefighter's Association Golf Tournament on July 5, 2025 at Chinook Valley Golf Course.
CARRIED

9.3 Seniors Week Declaration

2025-05-7-109 **MOVED** by Deputy Mayor Dreger that Council declare June 2-9, 2025 as Seniors Week in the Village of Rycroft. **CARRIED**

9.4 RFD Uncollectable Tax Account Write Offs

2025-05-7-110 **MOVED** by Mayor Verquin that Council direct Administration to write off the outstanding balance of $ $35,564.46 - Tax Roll 506.000, $39,805.44 - Tax Roll 507.000, $33,267.10 - Tax Roll 513.000, $23,057.11 - Tax Roll 514.000, $13,683.24 - Tax Roll 171.000, $25,144.01 - Tax Roll 516.000, $25,417.85 - Tax Roll 517.000 $88,451.93 - Tax Roll 90.000 for a total not to exceed $284,391.14. **CARRIED**

9.5 Bylaw 252-25 Subdivision and Development Appeal Board Bylaw

2025-05-7-111 **MOVED** by Councillor Chelick that Council give first reading to the Subdivision and Development Bylaw 252-25, a bylaw of the Village of Rycroft.
CARRIED

2025-05-7-112 **MOVED** by Deputy Mayor Dreger that Council give second reading to the Subdivision and Development Bylaw 252-25, a bylaw of the Village of Rycroft.
CARRIED

2025-05-7-113 **MOVED** by Councillor Chelick that Council move to third reading of Subdivision and Development Bylaw 252-25. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

2025-05-7-114 **MOVED** by Deputy Mayor Dreger that Council give third reading to the Subdivision and Development Bylaw 252-25, a bylaw of the Village of Rycroft.
CARRIED

9.6 RFD Budgets Operating and Capital

2025-05-7-115 **MOVED** by Mayor Verquin that Council accept the 2025 to 2027 Operating budgets as information. **CARRIED**

2025-05-7-116 **MOVED** by Mayor Verquin that Council accept the 2025 to 2029 Capital budgets as information. **CARRIED**

10. CORRESPONDENCE ITEMS

2025-05-7-117 **MOVED** by Councillor Chelick that Council accept the correspondence items as presented for information. **CARRIED**

11. CLOSED MEETING

11.1 Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act Pt. 1, Div. 2, Sect. 24 (Personnel)

2025-05-7-118 **MOVED** by Mayor Verquin that Council move to a closed meeting at 7:03 p.m. as per the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act Part 1, Division 2, Section 24 (Personnel). **CARRIED**

2025-05-7-119 **MOVED** by Mayor Verquin that Council come out of the closed meeting at 7:23 p.m. **CARRIED**

2025-05-7-120 **MOVED** by Deputy Mayor Dreger that Council direct Administration to develop a policy that outlines:
Allows for a Village of Rycroft Councillor who had an ongoing business relationship with the Village of Rycroft, prior to their being elected to Council; to be able to maintain that business relation.
CARRIED

12. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Verquin adjourned the meeting at 7:24 p.m.

James Verquin	**Kevin Keller**
Mayor	**Chief Administrative Officer**