



**MEETING MINUTES - Draft
VILLAGE OF RYCROFT
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
February 4, 2026
VILLAGE OF RYCROFT COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

PRESENT:

Roxann Dreger	Deputy Mayor
Tamara Babcock	Councillor
Elane Blandin	Councillor
Brian Markovich	Councillor
James Verquin	Mayor
Kevin Keller	Chief Administrative Officer

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

2026-02-04-018 **MOVED** by **Councillor Blandin** that Council adopt the Regular Council meeting agenda for February 4, 2026 as amended. **CARRIED**

3. ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

3.1 Minutes from the January 20, 2026 Regular Council Meeting

2026-02-04-019 **MOVED** by **Deputy Mayor Dreger** that Council approve the January 20, 2026 Council meeting minutes as presented. **CARRIED**

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

5. DELEGATION –STARS Air Ambulance

2026-02-04-020 **MOVED** by **Mayor Verquin** that Council accept the presentation from STARS as information. **CARRIED**

2026-02-04-021 **MOVED** by **Deputy Mayor Dreger** that Council agrees to provide STARS Air Ambulance with \$1,500.00 each year for the period of 2026-2029 (4years). **CARRIED**

6. CAO REPORT

6.1 CAO Report, Action Item List, and Calendar

2026-02-04-022 **MOVED** by **Councillor Blandin** that Council accept the CAO Report, Council Grants report and Council Calendar as presented. **CARRIED**

COUNCILLOR REPORTS

Councillor Babcock	no report
Councillor Markovich	in discussions with FCSS on potential retail location in Spirit River.
Councillor Blandin	no report
Deputy Mayor Dreger	no report
Mayor Verquin	Rycroft Arena Board Feb 2 Frolic on Feb. 21

2026-02-04-023 **MOVED** by **Councillor Babcock** that Council accept the Council member verbal reports for information . **CARRIED**

7. PREVIOUS BUSINESS**8. NEW BUSINESS****8.1 Northern Woods and Water Highway Association**

2026-02-04-024 **MOVED** by **Councillor Blandin** that Council direct Administration to pay for a one year \$650 membership with Northern Woods and Water Highway Association to increase promotion of tourism, events and hospitality opportunities in the Rycroft region. **CARRIED**

8.2 Letter of Support for Spirit River Airport

2026-02-04-025 **MOVED** by **Mayor Verquin** that Council direct Administration send a Letter Of Support to the Town of Spirit River in Support of their Airport Program. **CARRIED**

2026-02-04-026 **MOVED** by **Mayor Verquin** that Council direct Administration to advise Birch Hills that Deputy Mayor Dreger and the Village's CAO will attend the February planning meeting. **CARRIED**

9. CORRESPONDENCE ITEMS

2026-02-04-027 **MOVED** by **Councillor Babcock** that Council accept the correspondence for information. **CARRIED**

Deputy Mayor Dreger – motion to enter in camera at 7:21pm

10. CLOSED MEETING

10.1 ATIA Act Division 2 Section 22.1 – Confidential Evaluations

10.2 ATIA Act Division 2 Section 26.1 – Harmful to Intergovernmental Relations

Mayor Verquin - Out of Camera 7:50pm

2026-02-04-028 **MOVED** by **Mayor Verquin** that Council direct Administration to advise board applicants of their selection standing. **CARRIED**

12. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Verquin adjourned the meeting at 7:50p.m.

James Verquin
Mayor

Kevin Keller
Chief Administrative Officer