

January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2026

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the Town of Preeceville held on Wednesday, January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2026, in the Preeceville Town Office Council Chambers, Preeceville, Saskatchewan.

In Attendance: Mayor - Darin Newton  
Councillors - Kenton Hull  
- Meaghan Nelson  
- Ken Stearns  
- Jared Stefanyshyn  
- Stacey Strykowski  
CAO - Lorelei Karcha

Regrets: Councillor - Taylor Sliva

Mayor Darin Newton called the meeting to order at 6:33 pm.

- Agenda 001-26 Nelson/Strykowski: That the agenda be approved. CARRIED.
- 6:33 pm to 6:51 pm – Trevor Bartel, Fire Chief of the Preeceville Fire Department met with Town Council to discuss the condition of the Town’s two Fire Trucks. The Town’s 2000 Cyclone EI Engine Fire Truck has passed all the pump test and is operating well. The Town’s 2002 American La France EII Rescue Fire Truck requires the water pump to be rebuilt and there is a water leak in the tank that needs to be repaired. Discussions were also held on the replacement of the EII Rescue Fire Truck.
- Fire Truck Repairs 002-26 Strykowski/Hull: That the Estimate provided by Fire & Auto Enterprise of Prince Albert, Saskatchewan to rebuild and repair the Water Pump on the 2002 American La France EII Rescue Fire Truck for \$20,619.36 including taxes and the Estimate to repair the Water Leak in the tank of the 2002 American La France EII Rescue Fire Truck for \$4,606.50 including taxes be approved; and further that the 60% deposit payment be issued for this work. CARRIED.
- Minutes 003-26 Hull/Stefanyshyn: That the minutes of the last regular meeting of Council held December 17<sup>th</sup>, 2025, be approved. CARRIED.
- 004-26 Stefanyshyn/Stearns: That the minutes of the special meeting of Council held December 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2025, be approved. CARRIED.
- In-Camera 005-26 Nelson/Stefanyshyn: That as the next matters to be discussed includes personnel information Council move into an in-camera session where a portion of the meeting be closed to the public, under the authority of Part III of The Local Authority Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. Time: 6:53 pm. CARRIED.
- 006-26 Hull/Stearns: That Council move out of the in-camera session and reopen the meeting to the public. Time: 7:43 pm. CARRIED.
- Union Bargaining 007-26 Nelson/Stearns: That the Town of Preeceville’s Solicitor, Courtney Yaremchuk, of Shawn Patenaude Legal Prof. Corp., be appointed to the Town of Preeceville Bargaining Committee for negotiations with the Canadian Union of Public Employees Local 342-02. CARRIED.
- 8:06 pm – Town Foreman Ashley Ward joined the meeting.
- Foreman’s Report 008-26 Stearns/Strykowski: That the Foreman’s Report be acknowledged and filed. CARRIED.
- Accounts 009-26 Stearns/Strykowski: That the accounts listed on the attached “List A – Accounts Approved As Paid” and dated January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2026 and the Employee Payroll Summary Report dated December 17<sup>th</sup>, December 26<sup>th</sup>, 2025 and January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2026, be approved as paid. CARRIED.



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Outstanding Custom Work	019-26	Hull/Strykowski: That approval be given to the addition of unpaid Custom Work Accounts as of December 31 <sup>st</sup> , 2025 to those properties' tax roll cards.	CARRIED.
Mayor's Report	020-26	Hull/Nelson: That the Mayor's Report be acknowledged as presented.	CARRIED.
Legion Hall	021-26	Hull/Nelson: That the Preeceville Community Legion Hall Committee be given approval to purchase an upright cooler for the Hall Kitchen at an estimated cost of \$4,000.00.	CARRIED.
CD&RC Report	022-26	Hull/Strykowski: That the Community Development and Recreation Coordinator's Report be acknowledged and filed.	CARRIED.
Shop Labourer III	023-26	Strykowski/Stefanyshyn: That Jalen Bayer be hired to the Town of Preeceville Shop Labourer III Position at a rate of pay of \$21.00 per hour, with the position to commence on January 26 <sup>th</sup> , 2026.	CARRIED.
Auditor	024-26	Nelson/Strykowski: That the Auditor's Management and Engagement Letters provided by Bakertilly SK LLP for services to be provided for the Town of Preeceville's 2025 Audit be accepted, and further that the Administrator be authorized to sign the engagement letter on behalf of the Town.	CARRIED.
UMAAS Membership	025-26	Nelson/Stearns: That the Town pay the 2026 Urban Municipal Administrators Association membership fee of \$350.00 including GST, for Chief Administrative Officer Lorelei Karcha.	CARRIED.
CAO Report	026-26	Strykowski/Nelson: That the Chief Administrative Officer's Report be acknowledged and filed.	CARRIED.
Financial Activities	027-26	Nelson/Hull: That the Statement of Financial Activities – Detailed (DRAFT) and Bank Reconciliation for the period ending December 31 <sup>st</sup> , 2025, be accepted as presented.	CARRIED.
9:43 pm – Councillor Stacey Strykowski declared a conflict of interest in the next matter to be discussed and vacated the Council Chambers.			
Town Solicitor	028-26	Nelson/Stefanyshyn: That the Law Firm of Shawn Patenaude Legal Prof. Corp. of Preeceville, Saskatchewan be appointed as the Town Solicitor Firm for 2026.	CARRIED.
9:44 pm – Councillor Stacey Strykowski was invited back into the Council Chambers as the matter she had declared a conflict of interest in had been dealt with.			
Board of Revision	029-26	Nelson/Strykowski: That the Town of Preeceville hire Nor Sask Board Services for the Town's Assessment Appeals Board and Secretary Services and the \$250.00 retainer fee be approved to be paid; and further, that Kirby Fesser, Glen Neuert, Sabrina Saccucci and Laurie Pilkey be appointed as the Board of Revision Members and Mike Ligtermoet be appointed as the Secretary of the Board for 2026.	CARRIED.
Building Official	030-26	Hull/Nelson: That the Town of Preeceville appoint Chris Letendre, Building Official License #438 for Class 1, 2 & 3, of Nipawin, Saskatchewan as the Building Official of the Town of Preeceville for 2026.	CARRIED.
Bond	031-26	Strykowski/Stefanyshyn: That the Fidelity Bond for the Municipal Employees as covered by Aon Reed Stenhouse Inc. through the SUMAssure Insurance Program as a part of the Town's General Insurance Policy, be approved.	CARRIED.

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Insurance Policy	032-26	Strykowski/Hull: That the Town of Preeceville's general insurance policy with Aon Reed Stenhouse Inc. provided through the SUMAssure Insurance Program be renewed for the policy period of December 31 <sup>st</sup> , 2025 to December 31 <sup>st</sup> , 2026 and the premium of \$72,897.00 be paid. <span style="float: right;">CARRIED.</span>
SUMA Membership	033-26	Nelson/Hull: That the Town of Preeceville's membership in the Saskatchewan Urban Municipalities Association be renewed for 2026 and the fee of \$1,990.16 plus GST be paid. <span style="float: right;">CARRIED.</span>
FCM Membership	034-26	Stefanyshyn/Stearns: That the Town of Preeceville's membership in the Federation of Canadian Municipalities be renewed for 2026/2027 and the fee of \$468.72 plus GST be paid. <span style="float: right;">CARRIED.</span>
Fire Department	035-26	Strykowski/Nelson: That the Volunteer Fire Fighter's Insurance and the VFF – Employee Family Assistance Program Coverage through the Saskatchewan Urban Municipalities Association be renewed for 2026-2027 and the fee of \$1,719.74 plus GST be paid. <span style="float: right;">CARRIED.</span>
Regional Library	036-26	Hull/Nelson: That the Parkland Regional Library Levy for 2026, a rate of \$20.80 per capita for a total amount of \$22,089.60 be acknowledged and as required, 50% of the Library Levy, \$11,044.80 be paid prior to March 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2026 and the remaining 50% of the Library Levy, \$11,044.80 be paid by September 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2026. <span style="float: right;">CARRIED.</span>
NEATPC	037-26	Stearns/Strykowski: That the Town of Preeceville's membership in The North East Area Transportation Planning Committee be renewed for 2026 and the fee of \$462.00 be paid. <span style="float: right;">CARRIED.</span>
SUMA Convention	038-26	Stefanyshyn/Nelson: That approval be given for Mayor Darin Newton, Councillors Kenton Hull, Ken Stearns and Stacey Strykowski, and Chief Administrative Officer Lorelei Karcha to attend the Saskatchewan Urban Municipalities Association Convention from April 12 <sup>th</sup> to 15 <sup>th</sup> , 2026, in Regina, Saskatchewan and further that the registration fees and all other expenses incurred for attending this event be paid for by the Town. <span style="float: right;">CARRIED.</span>
	039-26	Hull/Nelson: That approval be given for Fire Chief Trevor Bartel and guest to attend the 2026 SUMA Convention Banquet to receive the Meritorious Service Award for 20 years of service to the Town of Preeceville; and further, that all fees and other expenses incurred for attending the event be paid for by the Town. <span style="float: right;">CARRIED.</span>
	040-26	Nelson/Stearns: That Councillors Kenton Hull and Stacey Strykowski be designated as the Town of Preeceville Voting Delegates to the 2026 SUMA Convention. <span style="float: right;">CARRIED.</span>
Service Canada	041-26	Nelson/Strykowski: That the Memorandum of Understanding between the Town of Preeceville and Employment and Social Development Canada – Service Canada to rent the Public Library Space at the Preeceville Administration Building at 239 Highway Avenue E, Preeceville, Saskatchewan, be approved as presented and further that the Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to sign the agreement on behalf of the Town and it be attached to and form a part of these minutes. <span style="float: right;">CARRIED.</span>
Nursery School	042-26	Hull/Strykowski: That the Lease Agreement with the Preeceville Nursery School for the East Half of the Main Level Area and adjacent Washroom Facilities of the Preeceville Recreation Centre be approved as presented; and further that the Mayor and Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to sign the agreement and it be attached to and form a part of these minutes. <span style="float: right;">CARRIED.</span>

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Regional EMO Meeting	043-26	Nelson/Stefanyshyn: That approval be given for Councillor Ken Stearns to attend the Regional EMO Planning Meeting to be held on January 22, 2026 at Canora, Saskatchewan and further that all cost incurred for attending this meeting be paid for by the Town.	CARRIED.
Committee Reports	044-26	Nelson/Hull: That the following committee reports be acknowledged: Preeceville Economic Development/Tourism Committee, Preeceville Sports Grounds Committee, Preeceville Tennis Court/Pickle Ball Committee.	CARRIED.
Correspondence	045-26	Strykowski/Stearns: That the correspondence listed below be acknowledged and filed: - SUMA - Municipal Updates - Good Spirit School Division – From the Board Report - Town of Sturgis – Board Appointments.	CARRIED.
Adjourn	046-26	Stefanyshyn/Strykowski: That the meeting be adjourned. Time: 10:30 pm.	CARRIED.

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MAYOR

  
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER