

SUMMER VILLAGE OF SILVER SANDS
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
FRIDAY, JULY 25, 2025
HELD AT FALLIS HALL AND VIRTUALLY VIA ZOOM

	PRESENT	Mayor: Bernie Poulin Deputy Mayor: Liz Turnbull Councillor: Graeme Horne Administration: Wendy Wildman, Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) – Absent Angela Duncan, Wildwillow Enterprises Heather Luhtala, Assistant CAO Public Works: Dustin Uhlman, Public Works Supervisor Attendees: n/a Delegation(s): n/a Public at Large: 4 in-person / 1 via Zoom
1.	CALL TO ORDER	Mayor Poulin called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. The Summer Village of Silver Sands acknowledges that we are meeting on Treaty 6 Territory and on the homelands of the Metis Nation. We acknowledge all indigenous peoples who have walked these lands for centuries. We acknowledge the harms and mistakes of the past, and we dedicate ourselves to move forward in partnership with indigenous communities in a spirit of reconciliation and collaboration. Mayor Poulin took a moment to thank Deputy Mayor Turnbull for her years of service on Council and dedication to the Summer Village as she will not be seeking re-election.
2.	AGENDA	
	136-25	MOVED by Councillor Horne that the July 25, 2025 Agenda be approved with the following additions: 8 a) Resident concern, voting rights & special ballots (included in the Additions Agenda) 8 b) Discussion on Fire Bylaw 337 CARRIED
3.	MINUTES	
	137-25	MOVED by Deputy Mayor Turnbull that the minutes of the June 27, 2025 Regular Council Meeting be approved as presented. CARRIED
4.	DELEGATIONS	n/a

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5.	PUBLIC HEARINGS	n/a
6.	BYLAWS	n/a
7.	BUSINESS	
	138-25	MOVED by Councillor Horne that Council accept the discussion on complaints/concerns received with respect to the inability of voters to vote via special ballot in the 2025 municipal election for information. CARRIED
	139-25	MOVED by Councillor Horne that the following be included in the Summer Village's Fire Bylaw and brought back to Council at the next regular meeting: "No person shall hold an open burn, a burn permit or control burn during times of high occupancy in the Summer Village ie:) weekends, special events.", AND THAT Administration investigate communication with the bordering Counties with respect to notification of burning events. CARRIED
8.	FINANCIAL	
	140-25	MOVED by Councillor Horne that Council accept for information the income and expense statements as at June 30, 2025. CARRIED
9.	COUNCIL REPORTS	
	141-25	MOVED by Councillor Horne that the Summer Village proceed with the purchase of a sea-can and investigate utilizing capital grant funding for the acquisition. CARRIED
	142-25	MOVED by Deputy Mayor Turnbull that the Council reports be accepted for information as presented. CARRIED
10.	ADMINISTRATION REPORT	
	143-25	MOVED by Deputy Mayor Turnbull that Council accept for information the Administration reports as presented. CARRIED

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11.	CORRESPONDENCE 144-25	MOVED by Councillor Horne that the following correspondence be accepted for information as presented: a) East End Bus Society – June 23rd, 2025 letter thanking the Summer Village for its \$1,000.00 FCSS contribution b) STARS – July 9th, 2025 email thanking the Summer Village for its \$658.00 contribution c) 2025 FCSS Contribution summary – left to spend is \$242.97 and we will review again later in the summer d) Summer Village of Val Quentin – July 8th, 2025 email invite to their July 12th, 2025 picnic in the park (if any member of Council attended we should ratify same). e) Town of Onoway – July 11th, 2025 letter from Mayor Kwasny on full and final settlement of Onoway Regional Fire Services f) Royal Canadian Mounted Police – June 25th, 2025 introductory letter from new Commanding Officer Alberta RCMP Trevor Daroux, O.O.M. Deputy Commissioner g) Fire Rescue International – medical first response invoice for May 9 incident in the amount of \$285.00 CARRIED
12.	OPEN GALLERY 145-25	MOVED by Deputy Mayor Turnbull that the discussion with the open gallery be accepted for information. CARRIED
13.	CLOSED MEETING 146-25	MOVED by Mayor Poulin that pursuant to section 197(2) of the Municipal Government Act, Council go into a closed meeting session at 9:54 a.m. to discuss the following item: “Third Party Business Interest – Silver Sands Golf Course Development – FOIPP (ATIA) Section 16” CARRIED The closed meeting recessed at 9:55 a.m. to allow the public in attendance time to exit the meeting. The closed meeting re-convened at 10:00 a.m. The following individuals were present at the Closed Meeting: Bernie Poulin Liz Turnbull Graeme Horne Angela Duncan Heather Luhtala Dustin Uhlman

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	147-25	MOVED by Councillor Horne that Council return to an open meeting at 10:06 a.m. CARRIED The meeting recessed at 10:07 a.m. to allow the public to return to the meeting. <i>(no public returned to the meeting)</i> The meeting reconvened at 10:08 a.m.
14.	NEXT MEETING(S)	The next Regular Council Meeting and Organizational Meeting are scheduled for Friday, August 29, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.
15.	ADJOURNMENT	The meeting adjourned at 10:09 a.m.

Mayor, Bernie Poulin

Chief Administrative Officer, Wendy Wildman