

February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2026

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the Town of Preeceville held on Wednesday, February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2026, in the Preeceville Town Office Council Chambers, Preeceville, Saskatchewan.

In Attendance: Mayor - Darin Newton  
Councillors - Taylor Sliva  
- Ken Stearns  
- Jared Stefanyshyn  
- Stacey Strykowski  
CAO - Lorelei Karcha

Regrets: Councillor - Kenton Hull  
- Meaghan Nelson

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

Agenda	054-26	Strykowski/Sliva: That the agenda be approved.	CARRIED.
Minutes	055-26	Stearns/Stefanyshyn: That the minutes of the last regular meeting of Council held January 21 <sup>st</sup> , 2026, be approved.	CARRIED.
	056-26	Strykowski/Stefanyshyn: That the minutes of the special meeting of Council held February 10 <sup>th</sup> , 2026, be approved.	CARRIED.
In-Camera	057-26	Strykowski/Stearns: 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: 6:34 pm.	CARRIED.
	058-26	Sliva/Stearns: That Council move out of the in-camera session and reopen the meeting to the public. Time: 6:38 pm.	CARRIED.
Sask Water	059-26	Sliva/Strykowski: That it be acknowledged that Sask Water has awarded the Engineering Service Contract for the Highway 9 Regional Water Supply - Stage 1: Preeceville Water Treatment Plant Project to MPE Engineering.	CARRIED.
	060-26	Stefanyshyn/Stearns: That the reports provided by the Town's Water Treatment Plant Project Committee members from the Highway 9 Regional Water Supply System – Stage 1: Preeceville Water Treatment Plant Project Kick Off meeting held February 12 <sup>th</sup> , 2026 be acknowledged as presented.	CARRIED.
Tax Enforcement	061-26	Stearns/Sliva: That the Agreement for Payment of Tax Arrears between the Town of Preeceville and the property owner of 237 3 <sup>rd</sup> Street NE be cancelled due to default of payments; and further that TAXervice be instructed to proceed with the next stage of the Tax Enforcement process.	CARRIED.
Fire Dept	062-26	Strykowski/Stefanyshyn: That approval be given for Fire Chief Trevor Bartel to attend the 2026 Saskatchewan Association of Fire Chiefs Convention to be held on May 7 <sup>th</sup> to 9 <sup>th</sup> , 2026 in Kindersley, Saskatchewan; and further, that the registration fees and all other expenses incurred for attending this event be paid for by the Town.	CARRIED.
EMO Meeting	063-26	Strykowski/Sliva: That the report provided by Councillor Ken Stearns from the Regional EMO Planning Meeting, held January 22 <sup>nd</sup> , 2026 in, be acknowledged as presented.	CARRIED.
Mayor's Report	064-26	Sliva/Stearns: That the Mayor's Report be acknowledged as presented.	CARRIED.

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Town Foreman	065-26	Stefanyshyn/Strykowski: That it be acknowledged that Ashley Ward has successfully completed the six-month probationary period in the Town Foreman position for the Town of Preeceville. CARRIED.
Office Assistant	066-26	Sliva/Stearns: That it be acknowledged that Jackie Pankratz has successfully completed the six-month probationary period in the Office Assistant position for the Town of Preeceville. CARRIED.
Write-Off Accounts Payable	067-26	Stefanyshyn/Strykowski: That the following Accounts Payable be written off as they are no longer owing by the Town: Chris Letendre – B&B Enforcement Services – Building Permits: 2020 - \$9.95, 2021 - \$12.84, 2022 - \$183.75 & \$307.12 and 2023 - \$192.94. CARRIED.
UMAAS Workshop	068-26	Sliva/Stearns: That Chief Administrative Officer Lorelei Karcha and Assistant Administrator Tammy Descalchuk be authorized to attend the UMAAS Spring Workshop on Municipal Administration to be held March 26 <sup>th</sup> , 2026 in Wadena, Saskatchewan and further that the course registration fee of \$100.00 each and all other expenses incurred for attending the course be paid for by the Town. CARRIED.

8:08 pm – Town Foreman Ashley Ward joined the meeting.

Water Inspection	069-26	Stefanyshyn/Sliva: That the Waterworks Compliance Inspection Report provided by the Water Security Agency, Environmental Project Officer, Ries Mansuy, from the inspection he conducted on February 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 2026, be acknowledged as presented. CARRIED.
Elm Tree Surveillance	070-26	Sliva/Stearns: That the quote received from Living Tree Environmental to provide a comprehensive Dutch Elm Disease Survey during the summer of 2026 for the Town of Preeceville for \$1,440.00 plus GST be approved. CARRIED.
Foreman's Report	071-26	Strykowski/Stefanyshyn: That the Foreman's Report be acknowledged and filed. CARRIED.
Accounts	072-26	Sliva/Stearns: That the accounts listed on the attached "List A – Accounts Approved As Paid" and dated February 18 <sup>th</sup> , 2026 and the Employee Payroll Summary Report dated January 23 <sup>rd</sup> and February 6 <sup>th</sup> , 2026, be approved as paid. CARRIED.

8:39 pm – Mayor Darin Newton vacated his position as Chair of the Council Meeting. Deputy Mayor Taylor Sliva took over chairing the meeting.

8:40 pm – Mayor Darin Newton declared a pecuniary interest in the next matter to be discussed and vacated the Council Chambers.

073-26	Strykowski/Stefanyshyn: That the account of Preeceville Shop Easy in the amount of \$65.28, be approved and paid. CARRIED.
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8:41 pm – Mayor Darin Newton was invited back into the Council Chambers as the matter he had declared a pecuniary interest in had been dealt with. Mayor Darin Newton resumed chairing the meeting.

074-26	Strykowski/Stefanyshyn: That the accounts listed on the attached "List B – Accounts Approved & To Be Paid" and dated February 18 <sup>th</sup> , 2026, be approved and paid. CARRIED.
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8:42 pm – Town Foreman Ashley Ward left the meeting.

Town Clothing	075-26	Sliva/Stearns: That the Town of Preeceville purchase Stormtech Summer Jackets with the Town of Preeceville Logo for all Town Council Members and Employees at an estimated cost of \$90.00 plus taxes each from NCCco. Custom Clothing. CARRIED.
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CAO Report	076-26	Sliva/Strykowski: That the Chief Administrative Officer's Report be acknowledged and filed.	CARRIED.
Financial Activities	077-26	Strykowski/Stearns: That the following transfer in from the Town's named Reserve Account be approved as of December 31 <sup>st</sup> , 2025: General Reserve - \$62,948.24; and further, that the following transfers to the Town's named Reserve Accounts be approved as of December 31 <sup>st</sup> , 2025: Reserve -General #2 (Repay WWTF Loan) - \$46,375.00, Dedicated Lands Reserve - \$3,710.32, Fire Truck Reserve - \$7,200.00 and Town Equipment Reserve - \$25,000.00.	CARRIED.
	078-26	Sliva/Stefanyshyn: That \$19,337.08 be transferred from the Town of Preeceville General Operations Account to the Town of Preeceville FlexTerm Deposit Account with the Crossroads Credit Union.	CARRIED.
	079-26	Stearns/Stefanyshyn: That the Updated Statement of Financial Activities - Detailed for the period ending December 31 <sup>st</sup> , 2025, be accepted as presented.	CARRIED.
	080-26	Sliva/Strykowski: That the Statement of Financial Activities – Detailed and Bank Reconciliation for the period ending January 31 <sup>st</sup> , 2026, be accepted as presented.	CARRIED.
Town Grader	081-26	Stearns/Sliva: That the Town of Preeceville purchase a 2022 John Deere 772G Motor Grader from Finning Canada of Regina, Saskatchewan for \$300,000.00 plus taxes; and further, that the Town's 2003 John Deere 770CH Motor Grader be traded in at a value of \$43,500.00.  Councillor Jared Stefanyshyn requested a recorded vote: Mayor Darin Newton – For Councillor Kenton Hull – Absent Councillor Meaghan Nelson – Absent Councillor Taylor Sliva – For Councillor Ken Stearns - For Councillor Jared Stefanyshyn – For Councillor Stacey Strykowski – For	CARRIED.
Town House	082-26	Sliva/Strykowski: That the House Rental Lease Agreement between the Town of Preeceville and Dr. Farid Bazaz for the Residence at 542 1 <sup>st</sup> Street NW for a term of February 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2026 to January 31 <sup>st</sup> , 2027, be approved and further that the Mayor and 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.	CARRIED.
SAMA	083-26	Stearns/Stefanyshyn: That the 2026 Saskatchewan Assessment Management Agency Requisition, an amount of \$19,283.00 be acknowledged and paid.	CARRIED.
SUMAssure	084-26	Sliva/Strykowski: That Councillor Meaghan Nelson be appointed as the Town of Preeceville voting delegate for the SUMAssure Annual General Virtual meeting to be held March 18 <sup>th</sup> , 2026.	CARRIED.
Preeceville School	085-26	Sliva/Stearns: That the Town of Preeceville donate \$75.00 towards the purchase of Supplies for the Preeceville School Spring Trade Show that took place on March 21 <sup>st</sup> , 2026.	CARRIED.
Committee Reports	086-26	Sliva/Strykowski: That the following committee reports be acknowledged: Preeceville Recreation Board, Preeceville Community Legion Hall Committee and Parkland Regional Waste Management Authority.	CARRIED.

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Corres- pondence	087-26	Stefanyshyn/Stearns: That the correspondence listed below be acknowledged and filed: - SUMA - Municipal Updates - Good Spirit School Division – From the Board Report - RM of Clayton – Board Appointments -Thank you – Dr. Meyer -SAMA AGM – April 22, 2026 -RFNOW Services to Residents/Businesses.	CARRIED.
Adjourn	088-26	Strykowski/Sliva: That the meeting be adjourned. Time: 11:52 pm.	CARRIED.

  
MAYOR

  
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

