

## MINUTES

Regular Meeting of the Council  
Summer Village of Rochon Sands  
Held on March 10, 2026, at 6:00 PM  
At the Municipal Office, #1 Hall Street, Rochon Sands  
and Via Zoom electronic conferencing

**Present:** Mayor D. Hiller  
Councillor D. Benson  
Administrator J. Jacobson  
Staff: H. Chappell Benoit

**Absent:** Councillor J. Blaney (Regrets)

### Public (0):

#### 1. Call to Order

Meeting Called to Order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor D. Hiller

#### 2. Approval of Agenda/Additions

RES 26-03-01

**MOVED** by Councillor D. Benson

**THAT** Council accept the agenda as presented.

**CARRIED**

#### 3. Public Hearing

3.1. None Scheduled

#### 4. Delegations

4.1. None

#### 5. Approval of Previous Minutes

5.1. February 10, 2026 – Regular Council Meeting Minutes

RES 26-03-02

**MOVED** by Councillor D. Benson

**THAT** Council accept the Summer Village of Rochon Sands February 10, 2026, Regular Council Meeting Minutes as presented.

**CARRIED**

#### 6. Business Arising from Previous Minutes

6.1. RFD – DRAFT 2026 Municipal Budget and Taxation Structure Options

RES 26-03-03

**MOVED** by Mayor D. Hiller

**THAT** Council receive the Draft 2026 Operating Budget and the Draft 2026 Capital Budget as presented for information;

**AND THAT** Council direct Administration to bring forward the final 2026 Budget for consideration at the April 21, 2026, Regular Meeting of Council, incorporating:

- a 2% municipal property tax increase; and
- the municipal budget and taxation structure reflecting the Fire Protection Special Tax Bylaw, separating the fire protection requisition from the municipal property tax rate.

**CARRIED**

**7. Financial Reports**

- 7.1. Financials - Operating Revenue & Expenditures to February 28, 2026
- 7.2. Financials - Cheque Listing for February 2026
- 7.3. Financials – February 2026 Bank Reconciliation

RES 26-03-04 **MOVED by Mayor D. Hiller**

**THAT** Council accept the financial reports and statements as presented for information.

**CARRIED**

**8. Municipal Planning Commission**

- 8.1. No items

**9. New Business**

- 9.1. RFD - Bylaw #279-26 Repeal of Obsolete and Outdated Bylaws (MGA s.63)

RES 26-03-05 **MOVED by Mayor D. Hiller**

**THAT** Council give First Reading to Bylaw #279-26 Repeal of Obsolete and Outdated Bylaws (MGA s.63).

**CARRIED**

RES 26-03-06 **MOVED by Councillor D. Benson**

**THAT** Council give Second Reading to Bylaw #279-26 Repeal of Obsolete and Outdated Bylaws (MGA s.63).

**CARRIED**

RES 26-03-07 **MOVED by Mayor D. Hiller**

**THAT** Council, by unanimous consent, agree to consider Third Reading of Bylaw #279-26 Repeal of Obsolete and Outdated Bylaws (MGA s.63), at this meeting.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

RES 26-03-08 **MOVED by Councillor D. Benson**

**THAT** Council give Third and Final Reading to Bylaw #279-26 Repeal of Obsolete and Outdated Bylaws (MGA s.63).

**CARRIED**

- 9.2. INFORMATION REPORT - Parkland Community Planning Services (PCPS) – Special Meeting Notice

RES 26-03-09 **MOVED by Councillor D. Benson**

**THAT** Council accept the Parkland Community Planning Services report as information.

**CARRIED**

- 9.3. RFD - Council Direction – Letter of Support for Provincial Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) Task Force Recommendations

RES 26-03-10 **MOVED by Mayor D. Hiller**

**THAT** Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer to prepare a letter of support endorsing the Provincial Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) Task Force recommendations, for the Mayor’s signature, to be submitted on behalf of Council to the Province of Alberta and relevant Ministers.

**CARRIED**

9.4. RFD - Bylaw #280-26 Fire Protection Special Tax Bylaw and 2026 Fire Protection Cost Recovery

**RES 26-03-11** **MOVED by** Councillor D. Benson

**THAT** Council give First Reading to Bylaw #280-26 Fire Protection Special Tax Bylaw.

**CARRIED**

**RES 26-03-12** **MOVED by** Mayor D. Hiller

**THAT** Council give Second Reading to Bylaw #280-26 Fire Protection Special Tax Bylaw.

**CARRIED**

**RES 26-03-13** **MOVED by** Mayor D. Hiller

**THAT** Council, by unanimous consent, agree to consider Third Reading of Bylaw #280-26 Fire Protection Special Tax Bylaw, at this meeting.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**RES 26-03-14** **MOVED by** Councillor D. Benson

**THAT** Council give Third and Final Reading to Bylaw #280-26 Fire Protection Special Tax Bylaw.

**AND THAT** Council acknowledges that the Fire Protection Special Tax established by this bylaw is intended solely to recover the municipal cost of providing fire protection services through the County of Stettler, and that this cost was previously included within the municipal property tax rate.

**AND FURTHER THAT** the introduction of this Special Tax provides greater transparency by showing the cost of fire protection services as a separate line item on property tax notices.

**CARRIED**

## **10. Council/Committee Reports**

### **10.1. Mayor's Report**

- Mayor D. Hiller reported on the Association of Summer Villages of Alberta.

### **10.2. Councillor Reports**

Councillor Benson

- Councillor D. Benson reported on the Big Jack Classic Family Day Weekend Fishing Derby.

## **11. CAO and Staff Reports**

### **11.1. CAO Report (written)**

**RES 26-03-15** **MOVED by** Mayor D. Hiller

**THAT** Council accept Council/Committee and CAO reports as presented.

**CARRIED**

## **12. Correspondence/Information/Reports**

- ### **12.1. Q3 2025/26 Community Policing Report – Stettler - S/Sgt. Cam Russell, Detachment Commander, Stettler RCMP**

**RES 26-03-16**            **MOVED** by Councillor D. Benson  
**THAT** Council accept the reports and correspondence as information.  
**CARRIED**

**13. In Camera (Closed Session)**

**13.1.** RFD ATV Procurement – Vendor Pricing Discussion - (MGA s.197(2); FOIP s.16 – Third-Party Business Interests)

**RES 26-03-17**            **MOVED** by Mayor D. Hiller  
**THAT** Council move into Closed Session pursuant to Section 197(2) of the Municipal Government Act and Section 16 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act to discuss Agenda Item 13.1 – Capital Purchase: Utility Side-by-Side Vehicle (UTV) at 7:23 p.m.  
**CARRIED**


**RES 26-03-18**            **MOVED** by Councillor D. Benson  
**THAT** Council return to the open meeting at 7:46 p.m.  
**CARRIED**


**RES 26-03-19**            **MOVED** by Mayor D. Hiller  
**THAT** Council approve the purchase of a 2026 Kubota RTV-X CAB Premium Utility Vehicle with a 66" snow blower from Future Ag in the amount of \$58,341.21 including GST, with funding to be provided from the Municipal Sustainability Initiative (MSI) Capital Grant, and authorize Administration to proceed with the long-bed model, if available with the same cab style, at a modestly higher cost.  
**CARRIED**

**14. Next Regular Meeting Date – April 21, 2026 – 6:00 p.m.**

**15. Adjournment**

**RES 26-03-20**            **MOVED** by Mayor D. Hiller  
**THAT** the Regular Council Meeting adjourn at 7:53 p.m.  
**CARRIED**

  
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Mayor

  
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Administrator