

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the RM of Reciprocity No. 32, held in the Municipal Office, PT SW 22-05-33 W1M, RM of Reciprocity No. 32, Saskatchewan, Canada, on Thursday, March 19, 2026.

Present

Steven Bendtsen	- Reeve
Roy Annetts	- Councillor Division 1
Justin McNish	- Councillor Division 2
Cheryl Harrison	- Councillor Division 3
Wade McWhirter	- Councillor Division 4
Neil Gervais	- Councillor Division 5
Kim Carlsen	- Councillor Division 6
Christine Kendall	- Chief Administrative Officer (CAO)
Stephanie Zelionka	- Assistant Administrator

Absent

Delegations

9:00 a.m. - Chris Armstrong, Public Works Supervisor
 - Chelsey Mailhiot, Assistant Public Works Supervisor

10:00 a.m. - Louis & Lucille Gervais

Oath of Office

The "Oath or Affirmation – Member of Council" document, in the prescribed form was made and subscribed by Councillor Neil Gervais, as required by Section 94 of *The Municipalities Act*.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m. with Reeve Bendtsen presiding.

Declaration of Conflict of Interest

Reeve Bendtsen declared a conflict of interest regarding agenda item, "Subdivision", as he and his wife are the applicants.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Resolution No. 48-26 **Harrison:** That the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on February 12, 2026, be approved as circulated. **Carried**

Monthly Financial Statement

Resolution No. 49-26 **Annetts:** That the Statement of Financial Activities for the month of February, 2026, be accepted as presented. **Carried**

Accounts Payable

Resolution No. 50-26 **Harrison:** That the accounts shown on the list marked **Schedule A**, totaling \$106,168.82, and **Schedule A, Payroll**, totaling \$53,781.36 as attached to, and forming part of these minutes, be passed and approved for payment. **Carried**

Councillor Justin McNish joined the meeting at 8:18 a.m.

Temporary Public Works Employee Interview

Resolution No. 51-26 **McNish:** That the municipality interview [redacted] and [redacted] for the position of Temporary Public Works Employee, date and time to be scheduled by administration in conjunction with the interviewee's availability. **Carried**

Open In Camera Session

Resolution No. 52-26 **Harrison:** That Council move in camera at 8:45 a.m. as per section 16(1)(b) of *The Local Authority Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, consultations or deliberations involving officers or employees of the local authority for an update from the Human Resources committee. **Carried**

The meeting reconvened at 8:58 a.m.

Close In Camera Session

Resolution No. 53-26 **Annetts:** That Council move out of in camera and reopen the council meeting to the public at 8:58 a.m. **Carried**

Village of Alida Lease Agreement

Resolution No. 54-26 **McNish:** That the Reeve and Administrator be authorized to sign the lease agreement with the Village of Alida, Alida, Saskatchewan, regarding the office building located at 302 Highway 361, Alida, for the term May 1, 2026 to and including April 30, 2028. **Carried**

[Redacted signature]

Delegation: 9:00 a.m. to 9:20 a.m.

Public Works Supervisor, Chris Armstrong and Assistant Public Works Supervisor, Chelsey Mailhot, attended the meeting to discuss various matters pertaining to the workshop operation.

Tender RM32-2026-04

At 9:30 a.m., the bids for tender RM32-2026-04, Grading and Clay Cap of a total of 6.6 kms of Municipal Road W of 26-05-32 W1 & 02, 11, & 14-06-32 W1 were reviewed by Council and the tenders were then evaluated.

**Resolution
No. 55-26**

McNish: That Council shall accept the tender from Gee Bee Construction Co Ltd., Kipling, Saskatchewan, in the amount of \$1,050,798.15 for the grading and clay cap of 6.6 kilometres of municipal road located west of 26-05-32 W1M and west of 02, 11, & 14-06-32 W1M, as they were awarded the greatest number of points with regards to the bid evaluation criteria.

Carried

Delegation: 10:02 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.

Louis & Lucille Gervais attended the meeting at Council's request to present Louis with a watch and a Public Service Award in appreciation of his 12 years as Councillor, Division 5, and Lucille with flowers for her support of Louis during his tenure on Council.

Road Closed Notice

**Resolution
No. 56-26**

McWhirter: That Council acknowledge receipt of the Road Closed Notice regarding Township Road 61 south of section 10-06-32 W1M, that was closed effective immediately the 11th day of March 2026 and until further notice.

Carried

SARM Elected Officials Group Coverage Plan Addition

**Resolution
No. 57-26**

Harrison: That Council authorize the addition of Division Five Councillor, Neil Gervais, to the elected officials group coverage under the SARM Benefits Plan for the year 2026.

Carried

Reeve Steven Bendtsen declared a conflict of interest with regards to the subdivision application and left the council chambers and his position as chair of the meeting at 10:20 a.m. Deputy Reeve Cheryl Harrison assumed the chair at this time.

Subdivision Application

**Resolution
No. 58-26**

Annetts: That application to subdivide a portion of the NE 22-04-33 W1M for residential purposes as requested by Steven & Lesa Bendtsen, be recommended for approval by Council.

Carried

Reeve Bendtsen returned to council chambers at 10:27 a.m. and resumed the chair at this time.

RMAA Convention

**Resolution
No. 59-26**

Carlsen: That Council offer to cover the costs of a one-night hotel stay and any registration fee to the RMAA Annual Convention for recently retired Administrator [REDACTED] to attend the banquet at which recent retirees are honoured.

Carried

Accident/Incident Report Forms

**Resolution
No. 60-26**

Annetts: That Council acknowledge there were no Accident/Incident Report Forms received, dated between February 13, 2026 and March 19, 2026.

Carried

RROW Approvals

**Resolution
No. 61-26**

McWhirter: That the following road right-of-way applications be approved by Council:

Wellsite:	441/566/11-01-06-32 W1M Burgess Creek Exploration Inc.	File: BCX/281
	745/204/08-30-05-32 W1M Whitecap Resources Inc.	File: WCP/920
	645/060/05-28-05-32 W1M Whitecap Resources Inc.	File: WCP/921

Approach (Existing): NW 01-06-32 W1M
Burgess Creek Exploration Inc. File: BCX/281

SE 30-05-32 E1M
Whitecap Resources Inc. File: WCP/920

Approach: SW 28-05-32 W1M
Whitecap Resources Inc. File: WCP/921

Pipeline (No Crossing): 11-01-06-32 W1M to 12-01-06-32 W1M
Burgess Creek Exploration Inc. File: BCX/294

05-28-05-32 W1M to 12-28-05-32 W1M
Whitecap Resources Inc. File: WCP/925

Carried

Correspondence

**Resolution
No. 62-26**

McNish: That the correspondence received and shown on the list marked **Schedule B**, as attached to, and forming part of these minutes, be filed.

Carried

Adjournment

**Resolution
No. 63-26**

Carlsen: That the meeting be adjourned at 10:56 a.m.

Carried

Rural Municipality of Reciprocity No. 32

[Redacted Signature]

Reeve

[Redacted Signature]

Chief Administrative Officer