

Village of Myrnam

Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting for the Village of Myrnam
held on March 17, 2026, in the Village of Myrnam Council Chambers

PRESENT: Mayor Rick Sadowsky, Deputy Mayor Paul Myshaniuk, Councillor Simon Patterson, and Chief Administrative Officer Elsie Kiziak

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor R. Sadowsky called the Regular Council Meeting to order at 7:02 P.M.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

2026-032 MOVED by Mayor R. Sadowsky to adopt the agenda with the following addition under New Business:

- Master Rates Bylaw 2026-02

CARRIED

ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

2026-033 MOVED by Mayor R. Sadowsky to adopt the Budget Meeting Minutes of February 11, 2026, and the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of February 24, 2026, as presented.

CARRIED

OPEN FORUM: No one in attendance for Open Forum.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

Public Works Report

The Public Works Report was provided to Council in advance for their review and presented by CAO E. Kiziak.

CAO E. Kiziak verbally reported an incident to Council that occurred on March 8, 2026 between the Public Works Foreman and the Project Coordinator of ACE Water Corporation. Administration was directed to prepare a written report of the incident and forward to Council.

Financial Report

The Financial Report consisting of the 1) Reconciliation Statement for month ending February 2026, and 2) the Cheque Listing for February 11 to March 10, 2026, was provided to Council in advance for their review and presented by CAO E. Kiziak.

Chief Administrative Officer Report

The Chief Administrative Officer Report was provided to Council in advance for their review and presented by CAO E. Kiziak.

2026-034 MOVED by Mayor R. Sadowsky to accept the Administrative Reports as presented.

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE:

Correspondence was provided to Council prior to the Council meeting.

2026-035 MOVED by Mayor R. Sadowsky to accept the Correspondence as presented.

CARRIED

OLD BUSINESS:

Proposed Simplification of Traffic Bylaw and Concept of a Community Standards Bylaw

At the last Regular Council Meeting, Council directed administration to review and simplify the current Traffic Bylaw, moving non-traffic-related regulations into a different or new bylaw. Administration has reviewed the existing Traffic Bylaw and prepared a list of recommended changes.

A Community Standards Bylaw will consolidate these provisions and serve as the new bylaw framework for non-traffic-related community regulations including Unsightly Premises, Curfew, and Noise, Nuisances and Public Disturbances Bylaws.

Administration also recommends a Public Participation Plan (PPP) be developed to ensure transparency and community input during the review process for these proposed bylaw changes.

2026-036 MOVED by Deputy Mayor P. Myshaniuk to approve the recommended list of Traffic Bylaw simplifications with discussed changes, and the concept of a Community Standards Bylaw, and to direct administration to prepare draft bylaws and a Public Participation Plan for review at the next Regular Council Meeting.

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS:

TRAVIS MJ Agreement

The current TRAVIS MJ Agreement between the Province of Alberta, Ministry of Transportation and Economic Corridors is expiring on March 31, 2026. The Village of Myrnam has historically participated in the TRAVIS MJ program through an agreement with the Province. Under the current arrangement, the Village does not receive revenue from permits issued within municipal boundaries.

2026-037 MOVED by Councillor S. Patterson to renew the TRAVIS MJ Agreement for a 3-year term from April 1, 2026 to March 31, 2029 and direct Administration to prepare a bylaw establishing a municipal permit fee.

CARRIED

Telling Your Story: A Community History Video Partnership

The Village of Myrnam received a proposal from Craig Baird, creator and host of *Canadian History Ehx*. Mr. Baird is undertaking a cross-Canada journey documenting community histories and heritage. As part of this project, he is offering municipalities the opportunity to partner with him to produce a 10–20 minute professionally produced video focused on the community’s history and heritage for a cost of \$500.00. The video would highlight local stories, heritage sites, and preservation efforts, and could be used as a promotional and educational piece for the community.

2026-038 MOVED by Councillor S. Patterson to direct Administration to contact the Dove Historical and Beautification Society to determine interest in partnering on the proposed Canadian History Ehx community history video project and report back to Council; and further, that the Village of Myrnam will fund the \$500.00 fee and have a member of Council sit on the sub-committee if one is formed for this purpose.

CARRIED

Hay Lease 2026

In the last 2 years, since the Village re-acquired the parcel at the northwest corner of Highways 45 and 881, the Village has successfully tendered out an opportunity to cut the hay.

2026-039 MOVED by Mayor R. Sadowsky to issue a haying tender for the 2026 season on NE 10 54 9 W4M (Title 192 087 196) using the same tender bid form as last year.

CARRIED

Master Rates Bylaw 2026-02

During the budget meeting Council made the decision to increase the water rates and sewer rates effective May 1, 2026 in order to balance the budget and be more in line with what other communities charge.

2026-040 MOVED by Councillor S. Patterson that Bylaw 2026-02 be now read a first time.

CARRIED

2026-041 MOVED by Councillor S. Patterson that Bylaw 2026-02 be now read a second time.

CARRIED

2026-042 MOVED by Councillor S. Patterson that Bylaw 2026-02 be given consent for third and final reading.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2026-043 MOVED by Councillor S. Patterson that Bylaw 2026-02 be now read a first time.

CARRIED

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COUNCIL REPORTS:

Council Reports were provided to Administration in advance and presented to Council in advance for their review.

NEXT MEETINGS:

Regular Council Meeting is scheduled for April 21, 2026, at 7:00 P.M.

ADJOURNMENT: With all items on the agenda having been addressed Mayor R. Sadowsky adjourned the Regular Council Meeting at 8:01 P.M.

Chief Elected Official
Chief Administrative Officer