

TOWN OF ECKVILLE – COUNCIL MINUTES

Monday, January 13, 2025
Eckville Town Office, 5023 – 51 Avenue, Eckville, Alberta
(The meeting was available via electronic means)

1. Call to Order

- 1.1 Mayor Ebdon called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

Present: Mayor Ebdon

Councillor Engen (joined via electronic means)

Councillor Meyers

Councillor Pacholek

Councillor Palm-Fraser

Councillor See (joined via electronic means)

Councillor Thoreson (joined via electronic means)

Absent:

Staff: CAO, Jack Ramsden, Deputy CAO Darcy Webb

Press: None Present

Gallery: None

2. Delegations/Public Hearings

- 2.1 None

3. Agenda

- 3.1 Additional Agenda Items
5.3 Councillor Absence Request

Res.001.2025

Moved by Councillor Palm-Fraser that 5.3 Councillor Absence Request be added to the agenda. **Carried Unanimously.**

10.1 AB Munis Municipal Leaders Caucus

Res. 002.2025

Moved by Mayor Ebdon that 10.1 AB. Munis Municipal Leaders Caucus be added to the agenda. **Carried Unanimously**

10.2 RDP Breakfast.

Res.003.2025

Moved by Councillor See that 10.2 RDP Breakfast be added to the agenda. **Carried Unanimously.**

10.3 Parkland Regional Library Zoom meetings

Res.004.2025

Moved by Councillor Pacholek that 10.3 Parkland Regional Library Zoom Meetings be added to the agenda. **Carried Unanimously.**

- 3.2 Adoption of Agenda

Res.005.2025

Moved by Councillor See that the agenda be adopted with the additions.
Carried Unanimously.

Mayor Ebdon called for a 5 minute recess. Time 6:08pm. The meeting reconvened at 6:13pm

Councillor Engen joined the meeting at 6:14pm

4. Minutes

- 4.1 Regular Council Meeting Minutes – December 30th, 2024

Res. 006.2025

Moved by Councillor See that the minutes of the December 30th, 2024, Council Meeting be approved as presented. **Carried Unanimously.**

5. Action Items

- 5.1 RFD -Proposed 2025 Eckville Fire Department Honorarium Rate.

Res. 007.2025

Moved by Councillor Meyers that Eckville Town Council approve the proposed “2025 Eckville Fire Department Honorarium and Rate Payment Schedule” as presented, for calls within the Town of Eckville. **Carried Unanimously.**

- 5.2 Payment of Fire Department 3rd party invoices – discussion

CAO Ramsden requested that this item be moved to 11.1 Closed Session, Section 21: Disclosure Harmful to intergovernmental relations.

- 5.3 Councillor Absence Request.

Councillor Palm-Fraser withdrew this agenda item.

6. Bylaws, Policies

- 6.1 None

7. Reports

- 7.1 Management Report – January 13th, 2025

Res. 008.2025

Moved by Councillor Pacholek that the Management Report January 13th, 2025, be accepted for information. **Carried Unanimously.**

- 7.1 Financial Report – AP December 9, 2024 – January 9, 2025.

Res. 009.2025

Moved by Councillor Meyers that the Financial Report be accepted for information. **Carried Unanimously.**

8. Committee & Board Reports

- 8.1 Councillor Engen reported on the Medicine River Watershed Society.
8.2 Councillor Pacholek reported on the Bylaw Review committee.
8.3 Councillor Palm-Fraser reported on the Bylaw Review Committee and the Library
8.4 Councillor Meyers reported on the bylaw Review Committee.
8.5 Mayor Ebdon reported on the Bylaw Review Committee, the Library and the midsize Mayors and Reeves meeting.

Res. 010.2025

Moved by Councillor Meyers that the Committee and Board Reports be accepted. **Carried Unanimously.**

Mayor Ebden called for a 5 minute recess. Time 6:45pm. The meeting reconvened at 6:50pm.

**9. Correspondence,
Information Items**

9.1 Consent Agenda:

- A. Lacombe County Council Meeting Highlights – Dec 12, 2024
- B. 2025 Diversity Awards.

Res. 011.2025

Moved by Councillor Palm-Fraser that the Correspondence and Information items be accepted as information. **Carried Unanimously.**

**10. Seminars, Meetings,
Special Events**

10.1 AB. Munis Municipal Leaders Caucus

Res. 012.2025

Moved by Mayor Ebden that Councillor Palm-Fraser be authorized to attend the AB Munis Municipal Leader Caucus. **Carried Unanimously.**

10.2 RDP Breakfast.

Res.013.2025

Moved by Councillor Meyers that any member of Council be authorized to attend the RDB Breakfast. **Carried Unanimously.**

10.3 Parkland Regional Library Zoom Meetings.

Res.014.2025

Moved by Councillor Engen that Councillor Palm-Fraser be authorized to attend the Parkland Regional Library Zoom meetings. **Carried Unanimously.**

Res. 015.2025

Moved by Councillor Palm-Fraser that Seminars, Meetings & Special Events be accepted for information. **Carried Unanimously.**

11. Closed Session

11.1 Section 21: Disclosure Harmful to intergovernmental relations.

Res. 016.2025

Moved by Councillor Palm-Fraser that the meeting move into closed session, excluding all persons except Council Members, CAO, and Deputy CAO in order to discuss an item with respect to Section 21: Disclosure Harmful to intergovernmental relations. Time 7:12p.m. **Carried Unanimously**

Res.017.2025

Moved by Councilor Meyers that the meeting revert back to open session. Time 7:45 p.m. **Carried Unanimously.**

Res. 018.2025

Moved by Councillor Engen that the CAO and Mayor be authorized to meet with the CAOs' and Mayors' of Alix, Bentley and Clive to discuss the new practice of invoicing fellow municipalities for additional fire services. **Carried Unanimously.**

**12. Committee of the
Whole**

12.1 None

13. Adjournment

13.1

Res. 019.2025

Mayor Ebden adjourned the meeting. Time 7:46pm. Carried Unanimously.



Mayor



CAO

