MINUTES OF A MEETING OF COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF DRAKE
HELD ON April 22, 2026

PRESENT: MAYOR: TERRY WILLEMS, ERICA THIELE, JEFF RIEGER, ERIN RICHARD
REGRETS: FLOYD BARTEL

STAFF: Administrator & Waterworks – Heather Kreutzer
Public Works & Transportation – Kellen Watson
DELEGATE: Ed Ewert

CALL TO ORDER:
A QUORUM BEING PRESENT THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY MAYOR WILLEMS AT 4:01 pm.

Carried.

01/04/2026 -Agenda
Reiger, Jeff — THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.
Thiele, Erica
Carried.

DELEGATION
Re: Proposed tree planting initiative
Ed Ewert, representing himself, appeared before Council at 4:05 pm to discuss the state of village-owned trees. The delegation requested that the board consider planting new saplings throughout the Village. The presentation concluded at 4:19 pm.

02/04/2026 – March 25 Minutes
Richard, Erin — THAT the minutes from the Regular Meeting of Council held on
Rieger, Jeff — March 25, 2026, be accepted and adopted as presented.

Carried.

Business arising -

03/04/2026 - Public Works and Transportation Reports
Thiele, Erica — THAT the Public Works and Transportation reports be
Richard, Erin — accepted as presented and filed accordingly.

Carried.

Financials:
04/04/2026 – Finances
Thiele, Erica — THAT the Village of Drake council members accept and approve the
Richard, Erin — Statement of Financial Activities and the Bank Reconciliation, as presented. AND THAT the Accounts Payable including Cheque numbers 8039-8068 plus, EFT Manual 901-922 Man Totaling $50,151.09 be approved for payment and form part of these Minutes.

Carried.

Correspondence:

a) Notice Nature Team
b) Green Teal/Francis St

c) Norreys St sidewalk
d) Lanigan High School

Business Arising:

05/04/2026 – Green Teal/Francis St

Richard, Erin — THAT the Administrator shall investigate potential resolutions for the drainage concerns on Francis St.

Carried.

06/04/2026 – Lanigan High School

Thiele, Erica — THAT the Village of Drake will sponsor the Grade 11 Greatest Effort award at the Lanigan High School.

Carried.

07/04/2026 - Correspondence

Rieger, Jeff
Richard, Erin — THAT all Correspondences be accepted as presented and filed accordingly.

Carried.

Committee Reports:

a) REACT (Terry)
b) Wheatland Regional Library Board (Jeff)
c) Manitou Regional Park (Erica)
d) Fire Board (Jeff)
e) Carlton Trail Health Foundation (Terry)
f) MSMA (Erin/Terry)
g) Housing Authority (Erica)
h) Recreation Board (Floyd)
i) EMO Coordinator (Terry)

Business Arising:

08/04/2026 – Approval of Mill Rate

Richard, Erin
Thiele, Erica — That the mill rate be at 19.0 Mill; the mill rate factor to 1.2 residential & agriculture 1.35 commercial, the minimum tax on All Property Class at $1000.00; and the minimum tax on bare land at $250 fixed.

Carried.

09/04/2026 – Education Property Tax Levy

Rieger, Jeff
Richard, Erin — That the Education Property Tax mill rates to be levied with respect to every school division and property class for the 2025 taxation, and THAT the Village of Drake acknowledges the rates as follows:

- Agriculture 1.07 mills
- Residential 4.27 mills
- Commercial/Industrial 6.37 mills
- Resource (oil and gas, mines, and pipelines) 7.49 mills.

Carried.

10/04/2026 – Bylaw No. 2026-01 First Reading

Richard, Erin — THAT Bylaw No. 2026-01 being a bylaw named to amend Bylaw 4-94 to Control and Regulate Noise, be introduced and read for a first time.

Carried.

11/04/2026 - Bylaw No. 2026-01 Second Reading

Rieger, Jeff — THAT Bylaw No. 2026-01 be read a second time.

Carried.

12/04/2026 - Motion for Third Reading

Willems, Terry — THAT Bylaw No. 2026-01 be given three readings at this meeting.

Carried, unanimously

13/04/2026 – Bylaw No. 2026-01 Third Reading

Rieger, Jeff — THAT Bylaw No. 2026-01 be read a third time and passed.

Carried, unanimously.

14/04/2026 – Emergency Management Plan Operational Updates

Rieger, Jeff
Richard, Erin — THAT the operational updates made to the Village of Drake Emergency Plan be approved.

Carried, unanimously.

15/04/2026 – Approval of Audited Financial Statements

Thiele, Erica
Rieger, Jeff — That the Village of Drake council approve the 2025 Audited Financial Statements as presented, And That the Mayor and Administrator be authorized to sign the Management's Responsibility and the Representation Letters.

Carried, unanimously.

16/04/2026 – Finances – Subsequent changes

Richard, Erin
Thiele, Erica — That there have been no subsequent events occur, or contingencies arise, from December 31, 2025, up to the date the audited financial statements were approved, that would have a material impact on the financial statements approved.

Carried, unanimously.

17/04/2026 – Next Regular Meeting

Thiele, Erica — Moved that the next regular meeting of the Council of the Village of Drake be held on May 20 , 2026, at the Village office at 117 Francis Street at 3:45 pm.

Carried.

Adjournment:

18/04/2026 - Adjournment

Rieger, Jeff — THAT this meeting of Council now be adjourned at 5:16 pm.

Carried.

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Mayor Administrator