



1. **Calling Meeting to Order**

Res #253-26 BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting be convened at 5:30 PM with Mayor Raymond Muirhead in the Chair.

Moved by: S. Van Damme **Seconded by:** W. Kalinowich

Carried

2. **Roll Call**

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Regrets</u>
Muirhead	X	
Kalinowich	X	
Rea	X	
Van Damme	X	
Dobbin-Waters	X	
McConnell	X	
YC Kennedy	X	

3. **Adoption of Agenda**

Res #254-26 BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda for the regular meeting of October 13, 2026, be adopted as circulated.

Moved by: L. Dobbin-Waters **Seconded by:** D. Rea

Carried

4. **Adoption of Minutes**

Res #255-26 BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes for the regular meeting of September 8, 2026, and the Joint Committee Meeting of September 28, 2026 be adopted as circulated.

Moved by: W. Kalinowich **Seconded by:** L. Dobbin-Waters

Carried

5. **Planning**

5:35 – Variation V14-26C – Bryant

Res #256-26 BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council temporarily close the regular meeting in order to conduct a public hearing;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the public hearing be opened for the purpose of receiving representations regarding variation V14-26-C.

Moved by: S. Van Damme **Seconded by:** D. Rea

Carried

Randy Kowalchuk and Leah Bryant attended the hearing and spoke in support of the application with no concerns regarding the variation.

Res #257-26 BE IT RESOLVED THAT the public hearing respecting Variation V14-26C be closed and that the regular meeting of Council be reconvened.

Moved by: W. Kalinowich **Seconded by:** D. Rea

Carried

Council has concluded the public hearing. Council favourably considered the matter.

Res #258-26 BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve Variation Order V14-26C, to place a sea-can storage container for rental purposes on Fourth Ave.

Moved by: S. Van Damme **Seconded by:** L. Dobbin-Waters

Carried

6. Delegation

5:40 – RCMP Cpl Grant Campbell, RCMP Mayors Report for August and Sept

- Cpl. Grant Campbell reported the detachment is currently staffed with eight members.
- The Highway Traffic Act has put out new regulations for e-scooters and hoverboards are expected, including age restrictions, helmet requirements, and impaired driving penalties, with enforcement details still pending.
- A resident has suggested reducing town speed limits to 30 km/h; Cpl. Campbell reviewed municipal and provincial enforcement considerations.
- The RCMP is exploring targeted enforcement "blitzes" focusing on speeding, off-road vehicle use, and noise violations, potentially with support from Traffic Services.

7. Finance and Accounts

a. Finance Report

Res #259-26 BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council accept the Finance Report, as presented.

Moved by: D. Rea **Seconded by:** S. Van Damme

Carried

b. Financial Statements

Res #260-26 BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Financial Statement for September 2026 be received by council.

Moved by: W. Kalinowich **Seconded by:** L. Dobbin-Waters

Carried

Res #261-26 BE IT RESOLVED THAT the accounts, cheque no. 17228 to cheque no. 17336 totaling \$343,214.76, Electronic payments of \$107,300.18, and direct withdrawals of \$721.57 be approved for payment.

Moved by: L. Dobbin-Waters **Seconded by:** W. Kalinowich

Carried

c. Healthcare Residence Renovation Expense Breakdown

- costs for the project came in under budget and within a tight timeline.

8. Unfinished Business

a. Lagoon Expansion Funding – Provincial Response

- All potential funding programs for the lagoon expansion are currently closed, leaving the Town without further financial assistance for the required upgrades.
- Council will meet with Minister Simard to request funding and/or an extension, while proposing operational changes to reduce lagoon loading and increase capacity through dredging.
- Given the significant cost to taxpayers, the Town is seeking to delay the mandated improvements until funding becomes available.

b. MicroAge IT Quote for Services

- Services for 2026-2027 proposed to increase over 13%.
- MicroAge has offered to come to the November Council meeting to further discuss these increases.

c. Resolutions from Joint Meeting

i. Christmas Kickoff

Res #262-26 BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the Christmas Kickoff Committee's request including the formal request for support letter, the proposed wagon ride route map, and the general event layout map, as submitted.

Moved by: S. Van Damme **Seconded by:** W. Kalinowich

Carried

ii. CPCC Booth Wage Policy and Responsibilities

Res #263-26 BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve CPCC Booth Wage Policy (Joint Policy No. JS 02-2026) and Responsibilities as presented, effective immediately.

Moved by: L. Dobbin-Waters **Seconded by:** S. Van Damme

Carried

9. General Business

a. Manager Arts & Recreation Rec Summit

Res #264-26 BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the Manager of Arts and Recreation to attend the Rural Rec Summit in Winkler, September 23 to 24, 2026, with costs including registration, accommodations, mileage and meals.

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that costs will be shared 50/50 with the Municipality of North Cypress-Langford.

Moved by: W. Kalinowich **Seconded by:** D. Rea

Carried

b. Separation of Employment of Director of Joint Services

Res #265-26 BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the separation of employment of the Director of Joint Services, effective October 7, 2026.

Moved by: L. Dobbin-Waters **Seconded by:** S. Van Damme

Carried

c. 122 Main Storage Closet Quotes

Res #266-26 WHEREAS the 2026 Joint Budget includes funding for renovations to the meeting room at 122 Main to improve storage capacity through the construction of a new storage closet and related interior modifications;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves the construction estimate submitted by McCarty Construction in the amount of \$3,850.00 plus any applicable taxes, and the window quote submitted by Yellowhead Windows for \$6,044.00 plus applicable taxes for 122 Main Street.

Moved by: D. Rea **Seconded by:** S. Van Damme

Carried

d. AMM Fall Convention – Registration Closes Nov 6th

10. Reports

- a. *CAO Report – as presented*
- b. *ACAO Report – as presented*
- c. *Public Works Report – as presented*
- d. *Youth Councillor – as presented*
- e. *Committee Reports*
 - i. *Protective Services – presented at joint meeting*
 - ii. *Buildings –*
 - iii. *Waste Management –*
 - iv. *Evergreen Environmental – next meeting is Oct 19th*
 - v. *Archives – presented at joint meeting*
 - vi. *Arts/Recreation – presented at joint meeting*
 - vii. *Cemetery – presented at joint meeting*
 - viii. *Museum – presented at joint meeting*
 - ix. *Handivan/Seniors – presented at joint meeting*
 - x. *Library – step plans postponed to 2027, patching this fall, lots of programs at the library right now.*
 - xi. *Health Action – rummage sale is Oct 20 and 21, drop off Oct 19*
 - xii. *Planning – next meeting is Oct 15th*
 - xiii. *Whitemud -*
 - xiv. *Daycare – presented at joint meeting, requested snow not be dumped near site this winter. AGM is Oct 26th.*
 - xv. *Drop-in –*
 - xvi. *Splash Park– presented at joint meeting*

Res #267-26 BE IT RESOLVED THAT all reports be received by Council, as provided or presented.

Moved by: S. Van Damme **Seconded by:** W. Kalinowich

Carried

11. Communications

<u>From</u>	<u>Subject</u>
MB Assoc. for Resource Recovery Corp	2025 Annual Report
MB Office of the Registrar General	Land Title Fee Increase 2027
Province of Manitoba	Health Funding & Fiscal Cliff Concerns
National Defense	Request CAF Speaker
Lin Mann	Letter RE: Speed Zone
Deputy Minister Bouvier	Next Generation 9-1-1 Manitoba
CPKC Holiday Train	Holiday Train here, December 9, 2026

Res #268-26 BE IT RESOLVED THAT all correspondence be received by Council.

Moved by: W. Kalinowich **Seconded by:** S. Van Damme

Carried

12. Around the Table

Councillor Dobbin-Waters

- Raised concerns about roaming cats on Main Street and inquired about options for animal control services.
- Suggested a community bike safety day in partnership with local schools; the idea was referred for follow-up.
- Expressed appreciation for the support received during her term and wished all election candidates well.

Councillor Rea

- Supported addressing cat concerns. Suggestions were given to invite the veterinary clinic to discuss solutions such as spay/neuter programs and impound services.
- Noted ongoing pigeon concerns at the rink and 31 Main Street and inquired about Commissionaire patrols.
- Requested an update on the Stickle walking path, which is expected to be completed before winter.

Councillor Van Damme

- Requested that yellow safety stripes be painted on all stair nosing leading to the bowling alley to improve visibility and safety.

Deputy Mayor Kalinowich

- Agreed that roaming cats are a community concern.
- Reflected on five years of service, expressing gratitude for the experience and offering continued support to Council as needed.

Mayor Muirhead

- Discussed streetlight and pathway visibility concerns, encouraging residents to report outages and noting some issues are related to LED lighting and tree cover.
- Identified the construction of a new daycare as a key priority for the next Council term.
- Thanked Deputy Mayor Kalinowich, Council members, candidates, and community volunteers, while highlighting major achievements including healthcare recruitment, healthcare facility upgrades, the overpass project, campground development, and the planned daycare

Reporter McNeily

- Thanked Council for its support and the opportunity to report on Council activities.
- Extended best wishes to election candidates and expressed his intent to continue promoting transparency through his reporting.

CAO McConnell

- Thanked Deputy Mayor Kalinowich for his contributions and ongoing willingness to assist.
- Extended best wishes to all candidates in the upcoming election.

13. In Camera

Res #269-26 BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council move in camera under Section 152(3)(b)(ii) and (iii) of the *Municipal Act* to discuss personnel and preliminary matters.

Moved by: L. Dobbin-Waters **Seconded by:** S. Van Damme

Carried

Res #270-26 BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council move out of in-camera and resume the regular meeting.

Moved by: S. Van Damme **Seconded by:** L. Dobbin-Waters

Carried

14. Adjournment

Res #271-26 BE IT RESOLVED THAT the regular meeting of council now adjourns at 9:40 PM.

Moved by: W. Kalinowich **Seconded by:** L. Dobbin-Waters

Carried

Raymond Muirhead
Mayor

Teresa McConnell
CAO

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