

**VILLAGE OF VETERAN  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
March 18, 2025**

**A regular meeting of the Council of the Village of Veteran was held on Tuesday, March 18, 2025, in the Village Office**

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- ORDER:** Mayor Wipf called the meeting to order at 5:35pm.
- PRESENT:** Mayor Wipf, Councillor Allison, Village Foreman Kelly Vetter, C.A.O. Debbie Johnstone and new C.A.O., Nichole Grocock
- AGENDA:**  
**2025-025** Mayor Wipf moved to approve the agenda as presented.  
**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**
- MINUTES:**  
**2025-026** Councillor Allison moved the minutes of the regular council meeting held on February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025, to be approved as presented.  
**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**
- DELEGATION:** 5:36pm Village Foreman Kelly Vetter presented village foreman report and exited at 6:01pm.  
**2025-027** Mayor Wipf moved to approve the Village Foreman report, as presented.
- OLD BUSINESS:**  
1) Hall Upgrade  
2) Office Upgrade
- BYLAW:** None
- NEW BUSINESS:**  
**2025-028** 1) Neutral Hills Wranglers Contract  
Councillor Allison moved to approve the 2025 Neutral Hills Wranglers Contract between the Neutral Hills Wranglers and the Village of Veteran, as presented.  
2) Tax Sale  
**2025-029** Mayor Wipf moved to approve the Tax Sale date of June 25, 2025, at 10am at the Village Office. The properties and reserved bids are as follows:  
304 Delhi Street - \$25,910.00  
104 Waterloo Street - \$14,930.00  
208 Waterloo Street - \$32,380.00.  
**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**  
3) Arena Quote  
**2025-030** Mayor Wipf moved to apply for the 2024 Local Government Fiscal Framework Capital Grant in the amount of \$219,000 for the arena, hall and office upgrades, as presented.  
4) Vital Network  
5) Veteran Municipal Library  
**2025-031** Mayor Wipf moved to approve the Veteran Municipal Libraries General Meeting Minutes from February 10, 2025, extend Dawn Resch's term from February 2025 to 2028 and accept Jan McDiarmid's resignation, as presented.  
5) STEP
- COUNCILLORS REPORT:**  
Mayor Wipf – verbal report presented.  
Councillor Allison – verbal report presented.

**CAO REPORT:**

2025-032

Councillor Allison moved to approve CAO Nichole Grocock's attendance at the Mountain Refresher Municipal Administration Leadership Workshop on May 13-15, 2025, as presented.

2025-033

Mayor Wipf moved to approve, and CAO Debbie Johnstone agreed to extend the payout of her holidays and overtime to be paid out no later than July 31, 2025, as presented.

2025-034

Mayor Wipf moved to approve the CAO's report, as presented.

**FINANCIAL**

2025-035

Councillor Allison moved to approve the cheque listing in the amount of \$60,438.94, as presented.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

2025-036

Mayor Wipf moved to approve the monthly financial statement for the period ending February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2025, as presented.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**CORRESPONDENCE: Meetings, Minutes & Workshops:**

Regional Emergency Management Partnership Meeting – Zoom Meeting Monday March 31, 2025.

**Information Items:**

Request for a Letter of support from the County of Stettler for the Ministers Awards for Municipal Excellence – The letter is to highlight the shared commitment to current and future partnerships that will allow SMRWSC to continue meeting the needs of thousands of rural Albertans.

2025-037

Mayor Wipf moved to write a letter of support for the County of Stettler for the Minister's Awards for Municipal Excellence, as presented.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

From Municipal Affairs – Municipalities are now required to submit information and retain approval on all new agreements with the Federal Government, agreement amendments and agreement renewals, along with a copy of the agreement to Municipal Affairs. This is to ensure that Ottawa is not undermining the province's jurisdiction to make decisions about what is best for Alberta and Albertans.

From Palliser - Municipalities are now required to adopt a bylaw related to public hearings under Part 17 to be conducted by electronic means within 6 months of April 30, 2025.

Municipal Affairs – 2025 Education property tax requisition comparison report - \$36,397.

Emergency Social Services Training – Bertha Lafontaine is a maybe. Dan Gorcak and maybe a few more from the Lion's Club may take the training.

Bulk Water Usage February.

CAO Debbie February – 3.375 hrs OT, 11.75 medical apt, 3.5 personal day.

CAO Nichole February – 6 hrs OT, 1.75 medical apt.

2025-038

Councillor Allison moved to accept the correspondence, as presented.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**CLOSED MEETING:** None

**ADJOURNMENT:**  
**2025-039**

**Mayor Wipf moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:09 pm.**

**NEXT MEETING:**

**Special Meeting – April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025**  
**Regular Meeting – April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2025**

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Jerry Wipf,  
Mayor

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Debbie Johnstone,  
Chief Administrative Officer