

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
of the Village of Barons
May 13, 2025**

Present: Daniel Doell, Mayor
Ron Gorzitza, Deputy Mayor
Clinton Bishop, Councillor
Jen Durell, Administrator

Absent: Brian Passmore, Village Foreman

Recording Secretary: Jen Durell, Recording Secretary

Call to Order: Call to order at 6:59 p.m.

Guests: None

Approval of Agenda: **Motion made by Mayor Doell to approve the agenda with the additions as presented. Carried Unanimously**

Minutes: To accept the minutes of the April 8, 2025 Regular Council Meeting minutes as presented.

Motion made by Deputy Mayor Gorzitza to accept the minutes of the April 8, 2025 Regular Council meeting as presented. Carried Unanimously

To accept the minutes of the April 17, 2025 Special Council Meeting minutes as presented.

Motion made by Councillor Bishop to accept the minutes of the April 17, 2025 Special Council meeting as presented. Carried Unanimously

To accept the minutes of the April 29, 2025 Budget Meeting minutes as presented.

Motion made by Deputy Mayor Gorzitza to accept the minutes of the April 29, 2025 Budget meeting as presented. Carried Unanimously

To accept the minutes of the May 1, 2025 Special Council Meeting minutes as presented.

Motion made by Mayor Doell to accept the minutes of the May 1, 2025 Special Council meeting as presented. Carried Unanimously

Business Arising: a) **Council Devices Policy**
Discussion was held.

**Motion made by Councillor Bishop to amend Policy #083 –
Council Devices Policy as discussed.**
Carried unanimously

b) **Boulevard Parking Policy**
Discussion was held

**Motion made by Councillor Bishop to amend the Traffic Bylaw
to reference the enforcement authority, permit requirements,
and reference separate technical standards policy.**

2 for, 1 against.
Councillor Bishop and Deputy Mayor Gorzitza for,
Mayor Doell against
Carried

**Motion made by Councillor Bishop to direct Administration to
develop a Boulevard Parking Standards Policy to accompany
the Bylaw Amendment outlining technical requirements, such
as gravel pad specifications, drainage, and application
procedures which may be updated by resolution of Council.**

2 for, 1 against.
Councillor Bishop and Deputy Mayor Gorzitza for,
Mayor Doell against
Carried

c) **Bylaw #769 – Revised Traffic Bylaw**
Discussion was held.

**Motion made by Councillor Bishop to defer discussion until the
next meeting.**
Carried unanimously

Village Foreman Report: Sewer lagoon project is now complete and has been handed back over to the Village for operations. Has been running very well – No issues to report. Have been working on mowing and trimming around the Village. Attended a WHMIS training session with the Village of Champion. Getting ready for the upcoming OH&S inspection.

Administrators Report: Assessment appeal date has now passed – no appeals were filed this year. Lots of time spent on Council's directives. Submitted the FIR and Audited Financial Statements to Municipal Affairs.

Summer rates for water are now in effect. Sewer lagoon project is now substantially complete – awaiting final invoicing on the project. Sent off development permit application and agreement to the Ag Society regarding the use of the hotel site for their garden boxes project. Attended many meetings in the past month.

- Correspondence:**
- April Bank Reconciliation
 - Chinook Arch Library Board – 2024 Impact Report and Audited Financial Statements
 - Bylaw Enforcement – April Monthly Report
 - Occupational Health and Safety – Contact Report
 - Ministry of Seniors, Community and Social Services – Recognizing Seniors Week 2025
 - ORRSC – New Processes for Subdivision and Development Appeal Submissions
 - Alberta Municipalities – Alberta Day 2025
 - Southern Alberta Summer Games Poster

Motion made by Mayor Doell to accept the correspondence as presented. **Carried unanimously**

- Financial Reports:** Council was presented with the accounts payable and monthly statement for the month of April, 2025.

Motion made by Deputy Mayor Gorzitza to approve the accounts payable for the month of April, 2025.

Carried unanimously

Motion made by Mayor Doell to approve the monthly statement for April, 2025. **Carried unanimously**

Committee Reports:

- a) **ORRSC**
Meeting upcoming in June
- b) **Green Acres**
Discussed which three members are attending a meeting in Saskatchewan – very informative.
- c) **CFLR (Community Futures Lethbridge Region)**
Usual loan activities. Presentation by Venture connect – is a marketplace for buying and selling businesses. Services are available all over Western Canada.
- d) **FCSS (Family Community and Social Services)**
Nothing to report.

- e) **Mayors and Reeves**
Quiet meeting. Poor attendance from Mayors and Reeves
- f) **Chinook Arch Library System**
Nothing to report at this time.
- g) **AG Society**
Cancelled the garden boxes plan given time frame. Planning underway for Family Fun Day and upcoming Casino.
- h) **Emergency Advisory Committee**
Nothing to report at this time.
- i) **Carmangay Library**
Meeting upcoming in June

New Business:

- a) **Palliser Regional Schools Joint Election Agreement**
Palliser Regional School wants to enter into an agreement with the Village of Barons to have a joint election on October, 2025.

**Motion made by Mayor Doell to sign the agreement with
Palliser Regional School District as presented.**

Carried unanimously

- b) **Seniors Week Declaration**
Seniors' Week will be June 2nd – 8th, 2025. Council was asked if they wish to do as in previous years and purchase a cake and have the Mayor present it to them.

**Motion made by Deputy Mayor Gorzitza to proclaim June 2nd
to 8th as Seniors' Week in the Village of Barons and to
purchase 2 flavours of cupcakes in recognition thereof.**

Carried unanimously

Closed Session: a) **None**

Adjournment: Adjournment of the meeting was at 7:51 p.m.

Mayor – Daniel Doell

Administrator – Jen Durell