

The regular meeting of Council of the Municipal District of Wainwright No. 61 was held in the Municipal Administration Building, Wainwright, Alberta on Tuesday, April 21st, 2026, commencing at 9:00 a.m.

Present: Reeve Mike Wildeboer, Councillors Oscar Buck, Richard Waddell, Robin Leighton, Bruce Cummins, Garnet MacKay and Shaun Rue. Staff present: Municipal Administrator Kelly Buchinski from 9:00 a.m. to end, Assistant Municipal Administrator Neil Loonen, Director of Finance Tyson Boomhower, Computer and Information Analyst Stephen Atkins, Municipal Intern Blake Jolliffe, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:13 a.m. and then from 11:58 a.m. to end, and Sukie Su from the Star Edge from 9:00 a.m. to 11:13 a.m.

The public is in attendance via virtual means.

CALL TO ORDER

Reeve Wildeboer called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Reeve Wildeboer is in the Chair.

This is the official record for the proceedings.

- 117.26 Moved by Clr. Leighton that the agenda be adopted as presented.
CARRIED
- 118.26 Moved by Clr. Cummins that the agenda be adopted as presented with Bylaw No. 1728 be deleted from the agenda and tabled to the September council meeting.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 119.26 Moved by Clr. MacKay that the minutes of the Council Meeting held March 20th, 2026, be adopted as presented.
CARRIED

DELEGATION

NEW BUSINESS

Agriculture Service Department

Agricultural Fieldman, Shelby Oracheski, and Assistant Agricultural Fieldman, Kaitlin Hirsekorn, attended the meeting from 9:01 a.m. to 9:13 a.m. and reported to Council on the activities of the Agricultural Services Department for the past month.

- 120.26 Moved by Clr. Waddell that the Municipal District of Wainwright No. 61 approve the Agricultural Fieldman's report as presented.
CARRIED

Council received the April 13th, 2026, ASB meeting minutes as information.

A Request for Decision form was submitted by the Agricultural Fieldman regarding the 2026 Herbicide Order with the results as summarized:

Company	Price (Excluding GST)
Advantage VM Corp.	\$216,946.40
Veseris Canada.	\$215,508.93

121.26 Moved by Clr. Waddell that the Municipal District of Wainwright No. 61 purchase Herbicide for 2026 from Advantage VM Corp. for an approximate cost of \$216,946.40 plus all applicable taxes.

CARRIED

A Request for Decision form was submitted by the Agricultural Fieldman regarding 2026/2027 Roadside Mowing Contract with the results as summarized:

Company	Price Per Mile for 2026/2027 (Excluding GST)
A&R Contracting	\$102.00 / \$102.00
Bedrock Energy Services	\$160.00 / \$124.98

122.26 Moved by Clr. Buck that the Municipal District of Wainwright No. 61 be authorized to hire A&R Contracting to complete the 2026 Roadside Mowing Contract for a total cost of \$102.00 per mile plus all applicable taxes for the 2026 year with an option to extend the contract at the same price for the 2027 year.

CARRIED

A Request for Decision form was submitted by the Agricultural Fieldman Regarding the Rec Shop Concrete Project with the results as summarized:

Company	Price (Excluding GST)
Butterworth Construction	\$8,000.00
St. Amands Contracting	\$8,545.00
Kodiak Built Ltd.	\$29,365.00

123.26 Moved by Clr. Cummins that the Municipal District of Wainwright No. 61 be authorized to hire Butterworth Construction to complete the Rec Shop Concrete Project for an approximate cost of \$8,000.00 plus all applicable taxes.

CARRIED

A Request for Decision form was submitted by the Agricultural Fieldman regarding Power and Budget for Boat Cleaning Units at Clear Lake.

124.26 Moved by Clr. Rue that the Municipal District of Wainwright No. 61 authorize the installation of power to both the Clear Lake public beach location and the Clear Lake boat launch at an estimated cost of \$10,000.00 plus all applicable taxes, and further authorize a \$10,000.00 budget to create one cleaning station at the Clear Lake boat launch location.

CARRIED

Public Works, Transportation, Utilities & Safety

The Director of Public Works, Preston Iverson, and Director of Safety Ray Morrison attended the meeting from 9:15 a.m. to 9:48 a.m. The Directors reported on the activities of their departments for the past month.

125.26 Moved by Clr. Cummins that the Municipal District of Wainwright No. 61 approve the Director of Public Works report as presented.

CARRIED

126.26 Moved by Clr. Waddell that the Municipal District of Wainwright No. 61 approve the Director of Safety's report as presented.

CARRIED

A Request for Decision form was submitted by the Director of Public Works regarding the purchasing of a Skid Steer Rock Picker with the results as summarized:

Company	Price (Excluding GST)	Make/Model
Ireland Farm Equipment	\$10,999.00	HLA Stone picker power reel
Finning	\$11,910.00	HLA Stone Picker power reel

127.26 Moved by Clr. Rue that the Municipal District of Wainwright No. 61 purchase a HLA Stone picker power reel from Ireland Farm Equipment for an approximate cost of \$10,999.00 plus all applicable taxes.
CARRIED

A Request for Decision form was submitted by the Director of Public Works regarding the purchase of a Wobbly Packer with the results as summarized:

Company	Price (Excluding GST)	Make/Model
NC Equipment	\$33,388.50	WRT PT13
Conquest Equipment	\$36,090.00	Conquest CA-1600

128.26 Moved by Clr. Buck that the Municipal District of Wainwright No. 61 purchase a WRT PT13 Wobbly Packer from NC Equipment with a total approximate price of \$33,388.50 plus all applicable taxes.
CARRIED

A Request for Decision form was submitted by the Director of Public Works regarding the Dispersal of Equipment.

129.26 Moved by Clr. MacKay that the Municipal District of Wainwright No. 61 authorize the Director of Public Works to dispose of the following equipment at auction:
1) 2007 Service Truck,
and further that information to repair the 2018 John Deere 9500 Dozer be brought to a future meeting.
CARRIED

A Request for Decision form was submitted by the Director of Public Works regarding Streetlights.

130.26 Moved by Clr. Leighton that the Municipal District of Wainwright No. 61 proceed with hiring Fortis Alberta to install two (2) 150W LED EQ Streetlights at the intersection of Range Road 65 and Township 442, for the estimated cost of \$5,000.00 plus all applicable taxes.
CARRIED

RECREATION

A Request for Decision form alongside the following quotes were submitted by the Municipal Administrator regarding the Riverdale and Arm Lake Solar Projects.

131.26 Moved by Clr. Cummins that the Municipal District of Wainwright No. 61 be authorized to proceed with the solar projects, at both Riverdale and Arm Lake, as per the grant submission and approval.
CARRIED

A Request for Decision form was submitted by the Director of Safety regarding the aerator for the Riverdale Golf Course with the results as summarized:

Company	Price (Excluding GST)
John Deere Aercore 800	\$39,000.00
Toro Procore 6482	\$58,225.00

- 132.26 Moved by Clr. Waddell that the Municipal District of Wainwright No. 61 purchase the John Deere Aercore 800 Aerator for an estimated cost of \$39,000.00 plus all applicable taxes.

CARRIED

A Request for Decision form was submitted by the Director of Safety regarding upgrading Group Site A at Riverdale with the results as summarized:

Company	Price (Excluding GST)
Butterworth Construction	\$11,387.00
Kodiak Built Ltd.	\$23,274.00
St. Amand Contracting	\$24,320.00

- 133.26 Moved by Clr. MacKay that the Municipal District of Wainwright No. 61 hire Butterworth Construction to complete the Group Site A upgrade at Riverdale at an approximate cost of \$11,387.00 plus all applicable taxes.

CARRIED

Finance

Don Isaman from Isaman Chopek LLP Chartered Professional Accountants attended Council from 9:38 a.m. to 9:48 a.m. and presented the 2025 Audited Financial Statements.

- 134.26 Moved by Clr. Buck that the Municipal District of Wainwright No. 61 approve the Municipal District of Wainwright No. 61 2025 Audited Financial Statements as presented.

CARRIED

- 135.26 Moved by Clr. Leighton that the accounts recorded on the attached list in the amount of \$2,992,155.39 covered by the following be approved and paid and that payroll payments as per the attached list totaling \$251,899.02 covered by EFTs be ratified.

Payment Type	Numbers	Total
Direct Debits	65-0001 to 65-0013	\$ 1,925,860.32
Cheques	89457 to 89475	\$ 28,953.98
EFT's	64-0001 to 64-0026 and 66-0001 to 66-0062	\$ 1,037,341.09

CARRIED

- 136.26 Moved by Clr. Waddell that the financial statement of receipts and disbursements for the month ending March 31st, 2026, be adopted as written and incorporated into these minutes.

CARRIED

A copy of the reserve statement as of March 31st, 2026, was received and distributed to Council.

A Request for Decision form was submitted by the Director of Finance regarding Core Infrastructure Funding for Villages.

137.26 Moved by Clr. Leighton that the Municipal District of Wainwright No. 61 approve funding of \$300,000.00 for each of the Villages of Irma, Edgerton, and Chauvin in 2026 and 2027, and further that the following conditions apply to the funding:

- that the funding be for 2026, and 2027 and reviewed after the two (2) year term;
- that the funding be used towards core infrastructure projects such as water, sewer and roads or as otherwise approved by Council;
- the funds may be stacked and carried over from year to year; and
- that the villages report the use of the funds to the M.D. annually by December 31st.

CARRIED

A Request for Decision form was submitted by the Director of Finance regarding the Wainwright Rural Recreation Board Reserve Funds and Interest.

138.26 Moved by Clr. Cummins to authorize the Municipal District of Wainwright No. 61 to create a new account to hold Wainwright Rural Recreation Board Reserve Funds, to transfer the balance of Reserve funds to the new account, and further the board be allowed to keep all interest earned in the account.

CARRIED

Administration & Taxation

A copy of the monthly status report was received and distributed to Council.

A Request for Decision form was submitted by the Municipal Administrator regarding the 2026 Wainwright and District 4-H Achievement Day (Edgerton 4-H Multi Club) Sponsorship.

139.26 Moved by Clr. Waddell that the Municipal District of Wainwright No. 61 approve the Gold Sponsorship amount of \$750.00 for the 2026 Wainwright and District 4-H Achievement Day to the Edgerton 4-H Multi Club.

CARRIED

A Request for Decision form was submitted by the Municipal Administrator regarding 2026 Irma 4-H Beef Club Sponsorship request.

140.26 Moved by Clr. MacKay that the Municipal District of Wainwright No. 61 approve sponsoring the Irma 4-H Beef Club in the amount of \$750.00.

CARRIED

A Request for Decision form was submitted by the Municipal Administrator regarding the 2026 Wainwright Stampede Funding Request.

141.26 Moved by Clr. Buck that the Municipal District of Wainwright No. 61 authorize the sponsorship in the amount of \$5,000.00 to the Wainwright Frontier Society for the Wainwright Stampede.

CARRIED

A Request for Decision form was submitted by the Municipal Administrator regarding the Wainwright Stampede Association Oiled Gravel Request.

- 142.26 Moved by Clr. Leighton that the Municipal District of Wainwright authorize the donation of 40 tonnes of oiled gravel to the Wainwright Frontier Society, and further the Municipal District of Wainwright No. 61 be authorized to sell the group 40 tonnes of oiled gravel at an approximate cost of \$3,416.00 (\$85.40/tonne) plus all applicable taxes.

CARRIED

A Request for Decision form was submitted by the Municipal Administrator regarding the 2026 Wainwright Stampede – scissor lift request.

- 143.26 Moved by Clr. Rue that the Municipal District of Wainwright No. 61 authorize the use of the scissor lift to the Wainwright Stampede Association for the event.

CARRIED

A Request for Decision form was submitted by the Municipal Administrator regarding the municipal website.

- 144.26 Moved by Clr. Buck to authorize the Municipal District of Wainwright No. 61 to proceed with hiring Gumshoe Branding to complete an update to existing website at an estimated cost of \$11,000.00 plus all applicable taxes.

CARRIED

A Request for Decision form was submitted by the Municipal Administrator regarding the Administration Building Addition Consulting Services with the results as summarized:

Company	Price (Excluding GST)
Universal Consulting Group Ltd.	\$46,088.20
Bar Engineering	\$54,800.00
McElhanney	\$130,950.00

- 145.26 Moved by Clr. Leighton to hire Universal Consulting Group Ltd to complete the consulting services for the Administration Building Addition at an approximate cost of \$46,088.20 plus all applicable taxes.

CARRIED

A copy of the RMA Member Bulletins was received and distributed to Council.

Protection to Persons and Property

Municipal Property

Health & Social Services

Environment

Bylaws

Agricultural Fieldman, Shelby Oracheski, attended the meeting from 10:02 a.m. to 10:03 a.m.

Bylaw No. 1729 – A Bylaw of the Municipal District of Wainwright No. 61, in the Province of Alberta, for the purpose of regulating and designating certain plants as ‘Prohibited Noxious’ or ‘Noxious’ within the Municipal District of Wainwright No. 61.

- 146.26 Moved by Clr. Buck that Bylaw No. 1729 pass the first reading.

CARRIED

147.26 Moved by Clr. Waddell that Bylaw No. 1729 pass the second reading.
CARRIED

DELEGATION

Glenda Farnden, STARS Senior Municipal Relations Liaison, attended Council from 10:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. to update Council on the STARS Rural Initiative Program and to provide an overview of STARS activity, new developments, stats for the municipality and surrounding areas, and to thank the municipality for their continued support with the presentation of a framed photograph.

148.26 Moved by Clr. Buck that the Municipal District of Wainwright No. 61 authorize funding of \$15,000.00 per year to STARS Air Ambulance for the remainder of the current council term, the next four years beginning in 2026, (2026-2029).
CARRIED

Development

The Director of Development Services, Dana Smith, attended the meeting from 11:04 a.m. to 11:05 a.m. to report to Council on the activities of the Development Department for the past month.

149.26 Moved by Clr. Cummins that the Director of Development Services report be approved as presented.
CARRIED

A Request for Decision form was submitted by Director of Development Services regarding the Purchase of Ribstone Lots.

150.26 Moved by Clr. Buck that the Municipal District of Wainwright No. 61 authorize the Municipal District of Wainwright No. 61 to proceed with purchasing two Ribstone Lots, Lot 1760BK;1;2 for a cost of \$1,000.00 and Lot 1760BK;6;1,2 for a cost of \$6,000.00 and further deposit the money paid into an account pursuant to section 427 of the Municipal Government Act.
CARRIED

COMMITTEE REPORTS

151.26 Moved by Clr. Waddell that the following Committee Reports be accepted as presented: Wainwright Seed Cleaning Plant, Edgerton Seed Cleaning Plant, Family & Community Services, Battle River Foundation, Wainwright Landfill, East Central E911, Community Health Foundation, Ambulance Society, Northern Lights Library Systems, and Wainwright Economic Development Board.
CARRIED

CLOSED SESSION

152.26 Moved by Clr. Leighton that Council move to a closed session to discuss privileged information as per the Access to Information Act (ATIA) Section 20 (4) – Employment at 11:14 a.m. as per Section 197(2) of the Municipal Government Act 2000 and amendments.
CARRIED

153.26 Moved by Clr. Buck that Council reconvene to the open meeting at 11:58 a.m. as per Section 197(2) of the Municipal Government Act 2000 and amendments.

CARRIED

154.26 Moved by Clr. Buck that the Municipal District of Wainwright No. 61 authorize the creation of an administrative position and place the costs in the budget.

CARRIED

155.26 Moved by Clr. MacKay that this meeting be adjourned at 11:59 a.m.

CARRIED

Reeve

Municipal Administrator

Assistant Municipal Administrator

(½ day)