The regular meeting of Council of the Municipal District of Wainwright No. 61 was held in the Municipal Administration Building, Wainwright, Alberta on Tuesday, July 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, and Sukie Su from the Star Edge from 9:00 a.m. to 10:38 a.m. and 11:31 a.m. to end.

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.

246.26 Moved by Clr. MacKay that the agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

247.26 Moved by Clr. Rue that the minutes of the Council Meeting held June 16th, 2026, be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

248.26 Moved by Clr. Buck that the minutes of the Special Council Meeting held June 23rd, 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 9:07 a.m. and reported to Council on the activities of the Agricultural Services Department for the past month.

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

CARRIED

A Request for Decision form was submitted by the Agricultural Fieldman regarding a Strychnine Budget.

250.26 Moved by Clr. Buck that the Municipal District of Wainwright No. 61 authorize the Agricultural Service Department to purchase available Strychnine with the cost not to exceed $150,000.00 plus all applicable taxes.

CARRIED

Public Works, Transportation, Utilities & Safety

The Director of Public Works, Preston Iverson, attended the meeting from 9:07 a.m. to 9:21 a.m. The Director reported on the activities of their departments for the past month.

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

CARRIED

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

CARRIED

Recreation

A Request for Decision form was submitted by the Director of Safety regarding the 2026 Riverdale Campground Rates.

253.26 Moved by Clr. Rue that the Municipal District of Wainwright No. 61 increase the 2027 Riverdale camping rates by 10%, for non-service, power, power and water, and full service sites, rounded to the nearest dollar with prices including G.S.T.

Rates	Non-Service	Power	Power & Water	Full Service
Daily	$17.00	$32.00	$34.00	$39.00
Weekly	$105.00	$194.00	$210.00	$238.00
Monthly	$432.00	$803.00	$878.00	$988.00
Seasonal	$2,005.00	$3,735.00	$4,073.00	$4,583.00

CARRIED

A Request for Decision form was submitted by the Director of Safety regarding the Solar Array Location Change.

254.26 Moved by Clr. Buck that the Municipal District of Wainwright No. 61 authorize administration to amend the location of the solar arrays for both Riverdale and Arm Lake, and further approve the increased cost of $90,767.03 plus all applicable taxes conditional to issuance of a Government of Alberta Roadside Development Permit.

CARRIED

Finance

255.26 Moved by Clr. Buck that the accounts recorded on the attached list in the amount of $3,842,167.02 covered by the following be approved and paid and that payroll payments as per the attached list totaling $447,883.98 covered by EFTs be ratified.

Payment Type	Numbers	Total
Direct Debits	74-0001 to 74-0015	$ 1,669,226.79
Cheques	89569 to 89620	$ 89,155.67
EFT's	73-0001 to 73-0031 and 75-0001 to 75-0073	$ 2,083,784.56

CARRIED

256.26 Moved by Clr. Cummins that the financial statement of receipts and disbursements for the month ending June 30th, 2026, be adopted as written and incorporated into these minutes.

CARRIED

A copy of the reserve statement as of June 30th, 2026, was received and distributed to Council.

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 Crop Rates.

257.26 Moved by Clr. Leighton that the Municipal District of Wainwright No. 61 set the following Crop Rates for 2026:

• Canola	$21.00	Bushel or Contract Price
• Wheat	$12.00	Bushel or Contract Price
• Barley	$9.00	Bushel or Contract Price
• Oats	$7.00	Bushel or Contract Price
• Peas	$10.00	Bushel or Contract Price
• Flax	$25.00	Bushel or Contract Price
• Greenfeed & Hay	$150.00	1200 lb. Bale
• Pasture	$75.00	Per acre
• Corn Grazing	$1,535.00	Per acre
• Corn Silage	$96.00	Per tonne

CARRIED

A Request for Decision form was submitted by the Municipal Administrator regarding the Lazy Bison Music Festival.

258.26 Moved by Clr. Buck that the Municipal District of Wainwright No. 61 send the funding request to the Wainwright Rural Recreation Board.

CARRIED

A Request for Decision form was submitted by the Municipal Administrator regarding Potable Water at Dillberry Lake.

259.26 Moved by Clr. Leighton that the Municipal District of Wainwright No. 61 send a letter of support for continuous potable water at Dillberry Lake to the Cabin Association and Alberta Parks and Recreation.

CARRIED

A Request for Decision form was submitted by the Municipal Administrator regarding the Chauvin Economic Development Diversification Initiative Community Hydroponics Project. No Action.

A Request for Decision form was submitted by the Municipal Administrator regarding the Northern Lights Library System levy increase.

260.26 Moved by Clr. Leighton that the Municipal District of Wainwright No. 61 approve the Northern Lights Library System's 2027 levy increase of 1.5% to a total of $11.26 per capita.

CARRIED

A Request for Decision form was submitted by the Municipal Administrator regarding the Building Expansion.

261.26 Moved by Clr. Cummins that the Municipal District of Wainwright No. 61 authorize Universal Consulting Group (UCG) to put out the plans for the Building Expansion for proposals and further bring the results to a future council meeting.

CARRIED

A letter of thanks from the Edgerton and District Seed Cleaning Co-op Ltd. regarding funding was received and distributed to Council.

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

Protection to Persons and Property

Municipal Property

Health & Social Services

A Request for Decision Form was submitted by the Municipal Administrator regarding the Viking Area Doctor Retention Request. No Action.

Environment

Bylaws

Development

The Director of Development Services, Dana Smith, and the Assistant Director of Development Services, Blake Jolliffe, attended the meeting from 10:30 a.m. to 10:37 a.m. to report to Council on the activities of the Development Department for the past month.

262.26 Moved by Clr. MacKay that the Director of Development Services' report be approved as presented.

CARRIED

A Request for Decision form was submitted by the Director of Development Services regarding the 2026 Alberta Lake Management Society (ALMS) Conference.

263.26 Moved by Clr. Waddell that the Municipal District of Wainwright No. 61 sponsor 2 members from the Clear Lake Watershed Association, 1 member from the Arm Lake Cabin Owners Association, as well as authorize a member of Council and one member of Administration to attend the Alberta Lake Management Society Conference at SAIT in Calgary from October 1st – 2nd, 2026.

CARRIED

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

264.26 Moved by Clr. Leighton that the Municipal District of Wainwright No. 61 authorize the Municipal District of Wainwright No. 61 to proceed with purchasing Lots 2789HW; 5; 1, 2789HW; 5; 19, 2789HW; 5; 20, 2789HW; 5; 21, 2789HW; 5; 22, 2789HW; 5; 23, 2789HW; 5; 28, 2789HW; 5; 29. 2789HW; 6; 1, 2789HW; 6; 2, 2789HW; 6; 3, 2789HW; 6; 4, 2789HW; 6; 5, 2789HW; 6; 6, 2789HW; 6; 7, 2789HW; 6; 8, 2789HW; 6; 9, 2789HW; 6; 10, 2789HW; 6; 11, 2789HW; 6; 12, 2789HW; 6; 13, 2789HW; 6; 14, 2789HW; 6; 15, 2789HW; 6; 16, 2789HW; 6; 17, 2789HW; 6; 18, 2789HW; 6; 19, 2789HW; 6; 20, 2789HW; 6; 21, 2789HW; 6; 22, 2789HW; 6; 23, 2789HW; 6; 24, 2789HW; 6; 25, 2789HW; 6; 26, 2789HW; 6; 27, 2789HW; 6; 28, 2789HW; 6; 29, 2789HW; 6; 30 for a cost of $23,110.00 and further deposit the money paid into an account pursuant to section 427 of the Municipal Government Act.

CARRIED

A Request for Decision form was submitted by the Director of Development Services regarding a Land Exchange with the Town of Wainwright.

265.26 Moved by Clr. Cummins that the Municipal District of Wainwright No. 61 direct administration to sign the transfer of ownership documents for Municipal Reserve Lot 6MR, Block 1, Plan 952 4690 within the NW 05-45-06 W4M (Title 952 296 550 +2, Linc 0026 561 994) and the road allowance located at 4th Street South between 4th Avenue South and the northern boundary of NW 30-44-6 W4M and furthermore that the Town of Wainwright and the Municipal District of Wainwright No. 61 boundary be adjusted accordingly.

CARRIED

A Request for Decision form was submitted by the Director of Development Services regarding the Wainwright Regional Waste to Energy Authority, Lot 3, Block 1, Plan 2620824.

266.26 Moved by Clr. Buck that the Municipal District of Wainwright No. 61 direct administration to sign the transfer of ownership documents for Lot 3, Block 1, Plan 2620824 to the Wainwright Regional Waste to Energy Authority.

CARRIED

COMMITTEE REPORTS

267.26 Moved by Clr. Rue 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

268.26 Moved by Clr. Leighton that Council move to a closed session to discuss privileged information as per the Access to Information Act (ATIA) Section 25 – Legal Matter at 10:38 a.m. as per Section 197(2) of the Municipal Government Act 2000 and amendments.

CARRIED

269.26 Moved by Clr. Cummins that Council reconvene to the open meeting at 11:32 a.m. as per Section 197(2) of the Municipal Government Act 2000 and amendments.

CARRIED

270.26 Moved by Clr. Waddell that the Municipal District of Wainwright No. 61 authorize Public Works to move Employee #852 to a full-time position effective Pay Period 20 on August 2, 2026.

CARRIED

271.26 Moved by Clr. Buck that the Municipal District of Wainwright No. 61 authorize Public Works to create a full-time position for Utilities for succession purposes.

CARRIED

272.26 Moved by Clr. Rue that this meeting be adjourned at 11:33 a.m.
CARRIED

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Reeve

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Municipal Administrator

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Assistant Municipal Administrator

(½ day)