



February 17, 2026

Rural Municipality of Beaver River No. 622
Regular Meeting of Council held in the RM Council Chambers
159 Main Street, Pierceland, Saskatchewan
Tuesday February 17, 2026, at 8:30 AM

Present:

Reeve: Kevin Turchyn
Councillors: Div. 1 – Matthew Wiatr Div. 2 – Brian Sawatzky
Div. 3 – Dwayne Degenhardt Div. 4 – Ken Hammett (8:55)
Div. 5 – Lorne Wyss Div. 6 – Wayne Rewega
Administrator: Debbie Johnson
Observer: Morgan Pollock, Joe Gonie

A quorum being present, Reeve Turchyn called the meeting to order at 8:33 AM.

- 016-26 Minutes **Degenhardt:** That the minutes of January 20, 2026, be adopted as presented.
Carried.
- 017-26 Financial State **Rewega:** That the monthly financial statement for January 2026 be approved as presented. (**Attachment “A”**)
Carried.

Delegation #1 – RM Maintenance Supervisor – Jordan Ehnes – 8:40 AM

Jordan Ehnes attended the meeting to discuss various maintenance plans and ongoing projects in the RM.

- 018-26 Fuel Tank **Wiatr:** That the R.M. purchase a fuel tank with skids 4,600 litres from UFA at a cost of \$10,800.00 plus applicable taxes. Delivery not included. Tank to be placed at the Goodsoil shop.
Carried.
- 019-26 Fuel Prices **Sawatzky:** That the R.M. request fuel quotes for diesel from Co-op, UFA and Petro Canada, on yearly sales of 100,000 litres.
Carried.

Jordan Ehnes exited the meeting at 9:02 A.M.

- 020-26 Accounts Payable **Wiatr:** That the accounts payable listed on (**Attachment “B”**) in the amount of \$390,747.12 being cheque numbers 24350 to 24371 inclusive and including online payments and January 2026 payroll be approved as presented.
Carried.
- 021-26 WTP Log **Hammett:** That January 2026 Lauman’s Landing Water Treatment Plant Log report be accepted as presented. (**Attachment “C”**)
Carried.
- 022-26 Corresp. **Wyss:** That the Correspondence for January 2026, be accepted as presented and filed. (**Attachment “D”**)
Carried.
- 023-26 Admin Report **Rewega:** That the Administrator Report and attachments be accepted as presented. (**Attachment” E”**)
Carried.

- 024-26 In-camera **Hammett:** That the Council go to an in-camera session for the purpose of discussing information under the Local Authority Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act – Alleged breach of the Code of Ethics (9:25 A.M.)

Carried.

Councillor Sawatzky declared conflict of interest due to alleged Code of Ethics Violation and exited the in-camera session at 9:25 AM.

Observers Morgan Pollock and Joe Gonie exited the meeting at 9:25 A.M.

Names of the parties present during closed session: Matthew Wiatr, Dwayne Degenhardt, Lorne Wyss, Wayne Rewega, Ken Hammett, Kevin Turchyn and Debbie Johnson.

Closed session authority as per Section 16 of *The Local Authority Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

- 025-26 Out-cam. **Hammett:** That the Council return to the regular Council meeting (9:38 AM).

Carried.

Councillor Sawatzky entered the meeting at 9:38 AM.

Observers Morgan Pollock and Joe Gonie entered the meeting at 9:38 A.M.

- 026-26 Seasonal **Sawatzky:** That the R.M. advertise for 1 seasonal maintenance employee Employee and one seasonal maintenance employee (Student position) Closes March 13, 2026, at 4:00 P.M.

Carried.

- 027-26 Recreation **Sawatzky:** That the R.M. advertise for a person to provide Recreational Mtnc property Maintenance – Washrooms and fish shacks cleaning to commence on May 15, 2026, and ending on September 7, 2026 Tender closes April 14, 2026 at 4:00 P.M.

Carried.

- 028-26 **Hammett:** That the R.M. advertise for a person to provide recreational property maintenance – Grass Cutting (Shores east to Hillcrest subdivision) commencing on May 18, 2026 and ending on September 7, 2026. Tender closes April 17, 2026, at 4:00 P.M.

Carried.

- 029-26 Calcium **Wyss:** that the R.M. send out a survey letter to determine what the interest Chloride is in cost sharing the application of calcium chloride in front of driveways. 50% (approximately \$800.00) of the cost would be payable by the ratepayer and 50% payable by the R.M.

In favor – Wiatr, Sawatzky, Degenhardt, Hammett, Wyss, Turchyn

Opposed – Rewega

Carried.

Administrator Johnson exited the meeting at 10:23 A/M

Administrator Johnson returned to the meeting at 10:26 A.M.

- 030-26 Lease **Rewega:** that the R.M. approve the request from David Johnson to Land purchase the following lease land N ½ 23 and NW 14-61-27-W3

Purchase

Carried.

031-26 Fire **Sawatzky:** That the R.M. sign the 2026 fire agreements with the Village of Pierceland (**Attachment F**) and Goodsoil. (**Attachment G**)
Agree Carried.

032-26 Village **Sawatzky:** That the R.M. send a letter to the Rural Municipality of structure Langenburg No. 181 in support of their resolution to the SARM Convention:
Resolution Title: Restructuring of Villages into Rural Municipalities Resolution
Sponsors: RM of Langenburg No. 181
Convention & Year: 2026 Annual Convention

Whereas section 61 of The Municipalities Act does not prescribe the Minister to make an order that would be in the best interest of the non-compliant municipality.

Whereas the Communities in Transition {CIT} Funding, Capital Grant Program does not see contributions from urban municipalities.

Whereas section 61 of The Municipalities Act simply offloads the provincial infrastructure and environmental liabilities of small urban municipalities onto rural municipalities by force of a Ministers Order.

Whereas section 61 of The Municipalities Act relieves SUMA of their objective under section 4(1)(d) of The Act to incorporate the Saskatchewan Urban Municipalities Association of these small urban municipalities and places the responsibility on SARM upon a restructuring order.

Whereas restructuring orders for villages into RMs will exacerbate the situation that already exists with empty RM Council chairs.

BE IT RESOLVED that SARM lobby the provincial government to impose an immediate freeze on all Ministers Orders relating to village restructuring until a comprehensive review of the viability of all municipalities in Saskatchewan is done to evaluate the need for legislation and policies changes to be reflective of the findings on the future needs of municipalities.

Be it further resolved that SARM lobby the provincial government for changes from the Municipal Revenue Sharing contributions to the CIT Funding Capital Grant Program in which urbans must contribute and all municipalities can apply.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the province should retain the environmental responsibilities and liabilities as well as the infrastructure capital responsibilities and liabilities of these villages

Carried.

Councillor Hammett exited the meeting at 10:47 A/M
Councillor Hammett returned to the meeting at 10:50 A.M.

033-26 Budget **Degenhardt:** That the 2026 budget be discussed at the March 17, 2026 Meeting regular meeting.
Carried.

034-26 Adjourn **Sawatzky:** That the meeting be adjourned (11:08 A.M).
Carried.


REEVE


ADMINISTRATOR