

***CITY OF YORKTON  
SASKATCHEWAN***

***REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
August 11, 2025***

Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on Monday, August 11, 2025 in City Hall Council Chambers.

Council Present: Mayor Aaron Kienle, Councillors: Dustin Brears (via Zoom), Randy Goulden, Quinn Haider, Greg Litvanyi, Stephanie Ortynsky, and Darcy Zaharia.

City Administration Present Within the Bar: Brad Hvidston – City Manager, Jessica Matsalla – Director of Legislation and Procedures (City Clerk), Ashley Stradeski – Director of Finance, Amanda Dietz – Assistant City Clerk, and Amanda Krysa – Executive Administrative Assistant.

Regrets: None

Absent: None

Recording: Amanda Dietz – Assistant City Clerk

**CALL TO ORDER**

A quorum being present Mayor Kienle called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Mayor Kienle delivered the Treaty 4 Territory Land Acknowledgement.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**\*\*\*R00236-2025**

**Haider/Zaharia**

**That the Regular Council Meeting Agenda of August 11, 2025 be approved as presented.**

**Carried Unanimously.\*\*\***

## PUBLIC ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

### *Councillor Haider:*

1. Shared that he has had the pleasure of being Deputy Mayor for the past month and a half where he was able to attend many events, namely the celebration of the 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the first Baptist Church in Yorkton, as well as volunteering at the Brick Mill serving soup and bread alongside Mayor Kienle and Councillor Ortynsky. He also mentioned that over the weekend the Provincial 4H Judging Awards took place at the Gallagher Centre, which saw youth gathered from all over, with the winners from that event moving on to Agribition in Regina in the fall. He also mentioned that the organizer of the event said that the Gallagher Centre was the best facility they have ever used. Lastly, yesterday, along with Councillors Goulden, Ortynsky, and Zaharia, he joined Yorkton MLA David Chan and MP Cathay Wagantall at the Yorkton Fire Hall for the Rolling Barrage, a group of motorcyclists touring across the nation in support of veterans and first responders living with Post Traumatic Stress Disorder. He then presented Mayor Kienle with a Certificate of Appreciation for the City's outstanding contribution to the success of the Rolling Barrage.

### *Councillor Litvanyi:*

1. Shared that he attended the Lakeview Insurance Brokers Customer Appreciation Night recently on behalf of the City. It was a great event and through their auctions and fundraising, they were able to donate over \$30,000 to STARS Ambulance.

### *Councillor Goulden:*

1. Congratulated Kosmer Andrychuk who was recently inducted into the Saskatchewan Baseball Hall of Fame for his contribution and work in baseball for over 50 years. She further mentioned that the Yorkton Sports Hall of Fame will be inducting three individuals and one team on September 6 at their annual induction night. Congratulations to Scott Borys for volleyball, Harvey Stebner for volleyball and hockey, and Neil Weinmaster for curling, and the 2019 Yorkton Regional High School Raider Gridders Football team. This marks 119 athletes and builders in the Sports Hall of Fame since 1994. Hats off to the volunteers who help make this happen.

*Councillor Ortynsky:*

1. Shared that the Legacy Coop recently had their Customer Appreciation BBQ on July 31, and also provided the fuel for the Rolling Barrage.
2. Announced some upcoming events including Pedal in the Park by Inner Cycle on August 14 at the City Centre Park, a movie night at the Parkland Mall on August 21 where they will be showing 'The Wild Robot' and the Farmers Market at the Parkland Mall on Thursdays from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. She also mentioned the Rally Round the Mill Event at the Yorkton Brick Mill on August 16, the Charity Road Race on August 17, and downtown Yorkton walking tours for the remainder of August with dates and times still available. She also acknowledged the students who are working the SCAPE program this summer, where she was recently able to host a yoga session.
3. Announced a few upcoming events in our rural communities including Rama's 80<sup>th</sup> Annual Pilgrimage on August 15, and Canora's Street Festival and Homecoming on August 16.

*Mayor Kienle:*

1. Announced that Deer Park is currently holding an event until the end of September called the Mayor's Mulligan. Golf balls with the Mayor's face on them are hidden throughout the golf course, and when found can be redeemed for cash prizes, with the grand prize being a \$500 gift card and a round of golf with the Mayor.
2. Acknowledged all of the Deputy Mayors who have been helping out with recent events and being out in the community.
3. Congratulated the U13AAA Yorkton Cardinals Baseball Team who won their way to the Western Canadian Baseball Championships, and are heading to Chilliwack, BC this week.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Committee of the Whole Council Meeting Minutes – July 14, 2025

**\*\*\*R00237-2025**

**Goulden/Ortynsky**

**That the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of July 14, 2025 be approved as presented.**

**Carried Unanimously\*\*\***

## Regular Council Meeting Minutes – July 14, 2025

### **\*\*\*R00238-2025**

**Haider/Zaharia**

**That the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of July 14, 2025 be approved as presented.**

**Carried Unanimously\*\*\***

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

– No Items

### REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES AND MATTERS REFERRED

- a. Protective Services Committee Meeting Minutes – May 13, 2025
- b. Development Appeals Board Meeting Minutes – May 29, 2025

### **\*\*\*R00239-2025**

**Ortynsky/Litvanyi**

**That Council receive and file all committee meeting minutes listed on the agenda under reports of ‘Council Committees and Matters Referred’ items as follows:**

- a. Protective Services Committee Meeting Minutes – May 13, 2025
- b. Development Appeals Board Meeting Minutes – May 29, 2025

**Carried Unanimously.\*\*\***

### HEARING OF PETITIONS, PUBLIC NOTICES AND PRESENTATIONS

#### Presentation – Brick Mill First Loan Payment and Update

Correspondence from the Yorkton Brick Mill dated August 6, 2025 was circulated for consideration of Council. Larry Pearen, Chair for the Yorkton Brick Mill, presented to Council.

Amanda Dietz – Assistant City Clerk exited the Bar and Chambers 5:22 and returned 5:24 p.m.

Amanda Krysa – Executive Administrative Assistant exited the Bar 5:12 and returned 5:27 p.m.

**\*\*\*R00240-2025**

**Goulden/Haider**

**That Council receive and file the presentation from the Chair of the Yorkton Brick Mill regarding their first loan payment and update on recent activities.**  
**Carried Unanimously.\*\*\***

Public Hearing – Discretionary Use DU05-2025 – Veterinary Service, Type 1 in C-1 City Centre Commercial – Pet Adoption Centre at 12 Fourth Avenue North

The Mayor declared the Public Hearing as open - 5:28 p.m.

The City Clerk advised that one written submission was received in support on August 7, 2025 from Gene and Betty Denischuk of Frameworks. The Mayor confirmed that there was one person present in the gallery wishing to speak to the matter. Darlene Boychuk spoke on behalf of the applicant.

**\*\*\*R00241-2025**

**Goulden/Litvanyi**

**That Council receive and file the written submission in support, from Frameworks Yorkton Ltd., and the verbal presentation from Darlene Boychuk on behalf of the applicant, in response to the public notice for Discretionary Use DU05-2025 – Veterinary Service, Type 1 in C-1 City Centre Commercial – Pet Adoption Centre at 12 Fourth Avenue North**  
**Carried Unanimously.\*\*\***

The Mayor declared the Public Hearing as closed - 5:31 p.m.

**BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF PETITIONS, PUBLIC NOTICES AND PRESENTATIONS**

Land Use Planner – Discretionary Use DU05-2025 – Veterinary Service, Type 1 in C-1 City Centre Commercial – Pet Adoption Centre at 12 Fourth Avenue North

A report dated August 7, 2025 from the Land Use Planner regarding Discretionary Use DU05-2025 was circulated for consideration of Council. Carleen Koroluk, Land Use Planner presented the report to Council.

Mayor Kienle passed the Chair to Deputy Mayor Haider 5:35 – 5:35 p.m.

**\*\*\*R00242-2025**

**Haider/Ortynsky**

**That Discretionary Use application DU05-2025 which proposes a Veterinary Service, Type 1 use as defined in City of Yorkton Zoning Bylaw No. 14/2003, at 12 Fourth Avenue North, legally described as Lots 6, 7 and 8-Blk/Par 3-Plan 20767, be approved and that the Development Officer be authorized to issue a Development Permit.**

**Carried Unanimously.\*\*\***

**CORRESPONDENCE**

- No items

**BYLAWS**

- No items

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

**City Controller – 2024 Audited Financial Statements**

A report dated August 6, 2025 from the City Controller regarding the 2024 Audited Financial Statements was circulated for consideration of Council. Amber Matechuk, City Controller, along with Brittany Maddaford, Principal Auditor with Baker Tilly, presented the report to Council.

Mayor Kienle passed the Chair to Deputy Mayor Haider 5:59 – 6:00 p.m.

**\*\*\*R00243-2025**

**Zaharia/Haider**

**That Council approve the 2024 Draft Audited Financial Statements for the City of Yorkton as presented; and authorize the Director of Finance to sign the representation letter; and further that the creation of the final 2024 Financial Statements be approved.**

**Carried Unanimously.\*\*\***

City Controller – 2024 Municipal Public Accounts

A report dated August 5, 2025 from the City Controller regarding the 2024 Municipal Public Accounts was circulated for consideration of Council. Amber Matechuk, City Controller, presented the report to Council.

**\*\*\*R00244-2025**

**Ortynsky/Zaharia**

**That Council approve the 2024 Municipal Public Accounts for the City of Yorkton as presented.**

**Carried Unanimously.\*\*\***

Director of Recreation & Community Services – FCM Green Municipal Fund – Growing Canada’s Community Canopies Grant Application

A report dated August 7, 2025 from the Director of Recreation & Community Services regarding the FCM Green Municipal Fund – Growing Canada’s Community Canopies Grant Application was circulated for consideration of Council. Taylor Morrison, Director of Recreation & Community Services, presented the report to Council.

**\*\*\*R00245-2025**

**Goulden/Ortynsky**

**That Council support the City of Yorkton’s application to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities Green Municipal Fund Growing Canada’s Community Canopies grant program which would cover up to 50% of the project cost, estimated at \$100,000 with the city committing to the remainder.**

**Carried Unanimously.\*\*\***

Director of Legislation & Procedures (City Clerk) – Recommendations from the Committee of the Whole – Quarter 2 Strategic Priorities Update – July 14, 2025

A report dated August 7, 2025 from the Director of Legislation & Procedures (City Clerk) regarding the Recommendations from the Committee of the Whole – Quarter 2 Strategic Priorities Update – July 14, 2025 was circulated for consideration of Council. Jessica Matsalla, Director of Legislation & Procedures, presented the report to Council.

**\*\*\*R00246-2025**

**Litvanyi/Brears**

**That Council accept recommendations, as contained in the Committee of the Whole Council Meeting Minutes of Monday, July 14, 2025, to adopt the Council Priorities Chart dated July 14, 2025 as presented, and that Council authorize the publication of the chart on the City's website.**

**Carried Unanimously.\*\*\***

GIVING NOTICE OF MOTION

– No items

IN CAMERA SESSION

**\*\*\*R00247-2025**

**Haider/Ortynsky**

**That this Regular Council Meeting move to an In-Camera Session to deal with two matters categorized as 'Other' as per *LAFOIP* contained in Appendix A of *The Procedures Bylaw No. 1/2016*, Sections 3,4,5(a)(c)(e),6(d) – 6:19 p.m.**

**Carried Unanimously.\*\*\***

Mayor Kienle called a fifteen (15) minute recess to clear Council Chambers at 6:19 p.m.

Mayor Kienle called the In-Camera session to order at 6:40 p.m.

Council Present: Mayor Aaron Kienle, Councillors: Dustin Brears (via Zoom), Randy Goulden, Quinn Haider, Greg Litvanyi, Stephanie Ortynsky, and Darcy Zaharia.

City Administration Present in Council Chambers: Brad Hvidston – City Manager, Jessica Matsalla – Director of Legislation and Procedures, Michael Eger – Director of Planning, Building & Development, and Amanda Dietz – Assistant City Clerk.

Jessica Matsalla – Director of Legislation and Procedures, Michael Eger – Director of Planning, Building & Development, Ashley Stradeski – Director of Finance, Amber Matechuk – City Controller, and Amanda Dietz – Assistant City Clerk exited Council Chambers – 6:42 and returned at 7:05 p.m.



Guests Present in Council Chambers: Brittany Maddaford (6:40 – 7:06 p.m.),  
Doug Rogers (via Zoom 7:21 – 7:26 p.m.)

**\*\*\*R00248-2025**

**Haider/Litvanyi**

**That Council Rise and Report to the regular scheduled meeting agenda  
– 7:28 p.m.**

**Carried Unanimously.\*\*\***

**RESOLUTIONS RESULTING FROM IN CAMERA SESSION**

**\*\*\*R00249-2025**

**Litvanyi/Ortynsky**

**That Council receive and file the presentation from the auditor from  
Baker Tilly regarding the audit process.**

**Carried Unanimously.\*\*\***

**\*\*\*R00250-2025**

**Goulden/Ortynsky**

**That the October 30, 2012 servicing agreement between the City of  
Yorkton and YorkTerra Development GP Inc. affecting lands legally  
described as Condo Plan 102085231 and Parcel Y, Plan 101963842, be settled  
as per the request from YorkTerra Development GP Inc, dated July 16, 2025,  
and that the funds be directed to a Cameron Street reserve account.**

**Carried Unanimously.\*\*\***

**\*\*\*R00251-2025**

**Brears/Zaharia**

**That Council receive and file the presentation from YorkTerra  
regarding the Cameron Way Servicing Agreement.**

**Carried Unanimously.\*\*\***

ADJOURNMENT

**\*\*\*R00252-2025**

**Litvanyi/Zaharia**

**That this Regular Council Meeting adjourn at 7:30 p.m.**

**Carried Unanimously.\*\*\***

Approved this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of September, A.D. 2025

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Mayor

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City Clerk