



**TOWN OF MORRIS
MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
February 26th, 2026 @ 7:00 pm**

Councillors Present: Mel Baxter
Chris Hamblin (Virtual)
Taylor Braun
Trevor Thiessen (Virtual)
David Funk
Tim Lewis

Also Present: Arien Peterson, CAO
Absent: None
Presiding: Mayor Scott Crick

01/02/26
Agenda
Moved by Councillor David Funk
Seconded by Councillor Tim Lewis
BE IT RESOLVED that the Agenda for February 26th, 2026, Regular Council meeting be approved as presented
(Carried)

02/02/26
Council
Minutes
Moved by Councillor Taylor Braun
Seconded by Councillor David Funk
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Minutes for the January 22nd, 2026, Regular Council Meeting be adopted as presented.

(Carried)

03/02/26
CAAW
Minutes
Moved by Councillor Mel Baxter
Seconded by Councillor Trevor Thiessen
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Minutes for the February 12th, 2026, Committee as a Whole Meeting be adopted as presented

(Carried)

04/02/26
Council
Members
Moved by Councillor David Funk
Seconded by Councillor Taylor Braun
BE IT RESOLVED that Council accept the following Members from Council for the February 26th, 2026 Regular Council Meeting as:

In Attendance: Councillors David Funk, Mel Baxter, Tim Lewis, Taylor Braun, Trevor Thiessen (Virtual), Chris Hamblin (Virtual) and Mayor Scott Crick

Excused: None

Unexcused: None

(Carried)

DELEGATIONS: None

CORRESPONDENCE: None

SEMINARS & EDUCATION:

05/02/26
AMM Spring
Convention
Moved by Councillor David Funk
Seconded by Councillor Mel Baxter
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT that one (1) Council and two (2) Staff be authorized to attend the Annual AMM Spring Convention held April 21st – 23rd, 2026

AND FURTHER that expenses be reimbursed as per By-Law 02/19

(Carried)

06/02/26
AMM
Moved by Councillor Taylor Braun
Seconded by Councillor David Funk

AND FURTHER that expenses be reimbursed as per By-Law 02/19

(Carried)

TOWN OF MORRIS FINANCIAL

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| 1) Town of Morris List of Accounts | #07/02/26 |
| 2) Manitoba Hydro Agreement | #08/02/26 |

07/02/26	Moved by Councillor Mel Baxter
Town List	Seconded by Councillor Tim Lewis
Of Accounts	BE IT RESOLVED that the accounts for February 2026, being Cheque # 19923 to Cheque # 19943 in the amount of \$105,417.34, Cancelled Electronic Payments of \$650.00, Electronic Payments of \$210,993.60 and Payroll Direct Deposits of \$68,681.60 be approved as presented.

(Carried)

08/02/26	Moved by Councillor Mel Baxter
MB Hydro	Seconded by Councillor Taylor Braun
Agreement	WHEREAS Manitoba Hydro has provided a Natural Gas Service Agreement (MER-2026-00816) for the extension of natural gas services to the Town of Morris Industrial Park;

AND WHEREAS Manitoba Hydro has provided a quoted developer contribution for the installation of the natural gas main extension

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves proceeding with the natural gas main extension for the Industrial Park;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Chief Administrative Officer is authorized to execute the Natural Gas Service Agreement and remit payment in the quoted amount, plus taxes, on behalf of the Town of Morris

(Carried)

09/02/26 **Moved by Councillor David Funk**
MEC **Seconded by Councillor Tim Lewis**
Agreement **WHEREAS** the Town of Morris is required under the Emergency Measures Act to appoint
a Municipal Emergency Coordinator;

AND WHEREAS the Town currently contracts services through Commissionaires Manitoba;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves the renewal of the Municipal Emergency Coordinator Agreement with Commissionaires Manitoba for the term of April 1, 2026 to March 31, 2027;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Chief Administrative Officer is authorized to execute the agreement and remit payment as outlined in the annual service fee schedule

Carried)

MORRIS MULTIPLEX FINANCIAL

- ## 1. MultiPlex List of Accounts #10/02/26

10/02/26	Moved by Councillor Mel Baxter
MultiPlex List	Seconded by Councillor Tim Lewis
Of Accounts	BE IT RESOLVED that the February 2026 accounts for the Morris MultiPlex, being Cheque # 11795 to Cheque # 11812 for a total amount of \$21,179.40, Electronic Payments of \$13,070.18 and Payroll Direct Deposits of \$689.30 be approved as presented.

(Carried)

TOWN OF MORRIS NEW BUSINESS:

11/02/26 Taxervice Agreement	Moved by Councillor Mel Baxter Seconded by Councillor Tim Lewis WHEREAS The Municipal Act requires the Town of Morris to conduct tax recovery proceedings every year; AND WHEREAS Council for The Town of Morris deems it to be in the Towns best interest to hire Taxervice Inc. to manage tax arrears recovery on its behalf; NOW THEREFORE IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the Town of Morris hire Taxervice Inc. to manage tax arrears recovery on the Towns behalf for a term of 3 (three) years. AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Administrative Officer be and is hereby authorized to sign the Taxervice Inc. engagement letter on behalf of the municipality. (Carried)
12/02/26 Emergency Plan	Moved by Councillor Mel Baxter Seconded by Councillor Trevor Thiessen BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve the Town of Morris Emergency Plan as presented. (Carried)
13/02/26 RRSH Inc Signing	Moved by Councillor Tim Lewis Seconded by Councillor Mel Baxter WHEREAS the Town of Morris is now the sole member of the Red River Supportive Housing Inc; BE IT RESOLVED THAT: 1. All Previous signing authorities representing the RM’s of Montcalm and Morris are hereby removed from all Red River Supportive Housing Inc. accounts. 2. The following individuals are authorized as signing officers for the Red River Supportive Housing inc.: • Mayor – Scott Crick • Deputy Mayor – Chris Hamblin • Chief Administrative Officer – Arien Peterson 3. Any of the two above shall be required to authorize transactions 4. The signing officers are authorized to have electronic banking access on behalf of the Red River Supportive Housing Inc. (Carried)

MORRIS MULTIPLEX NEW BUSINESS: None

BY-LAWS & POLICIES:

	1. By-Law 04.25 – Water and Wastewater Utility 2. By-Law 06.25 – Vacant and Derelict Buildings 3. By-Law 01- Red River Housing Inc	On hold for PUB On hold Amendment
14/02/26 RRSH Amendment	Moved by Councillor Mel Baxter Seconded by Councillor David Funk WHEREAS Red River Supportive Housing Inc. (the “Corporation”) is incorporated under The Corporations Act; AND WHEREAS the RM’s of Montcalm and Morris are no longer participating member of the Corporation; AND WHEREAS the Town of Morris is now the sole member of the Corporation and Council will act as the Board of Directors; AND WHEREAS By-Law No. 1 of the Corporation requires amendment to reflect the updated governance structure; NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Town of Morris, being the sole member of the Red River Supportive Housing Inc., hereby approves the amendments as presented (Carried)	

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE

NOTICE OF MOTION: NONE

IN CAMERA ITEMS: NONE

Adjournment: There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

TOWN OF MORRIS

MAYOR

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER