



Smoky Lake County

Meeting Minutes

Regular County Council Meeting October 30, 2025

1 Called To Order

The meeting was Called to Order at 11:05 a.m. by the Reeve, Craig Lukinuk, in the presence of the following persons:

<u>Div. No.</u>	<u>Councillor(s)</u>	<u>ATTENDANCE</u>
1	Ryan Barker	Present in Chambers
2	David Kully	Present in Chambers
3 / Reeve	Craig Lukinuk	Present in Chambers
4/ Deputy Reeve	Lorne Halisky	Present in Chambers
5	Jered Serben	Present in Chambers
<i>Interim</i> CAO/Finance Mng	Brenda Adamson	Present in Chambers
Executive Services Coordinator	Chyenne Shaw	Present in Chambers
Recording Secretary	Meaghan Andreychuk	Present in Chambers
<u>Observers in Attendance Upon Call to Order:</u>		
Comm. Officer	Evonne Zukiwski	Virtually Present
P & D Manager	Jordan Ruegg	Virtually Present
Enviro Ops Manager	Dave Franchuk	Virtually Present
Natural Gas Mng.	Daniel Moric	Virtually Present
Community Peace Officer	Warren Young	Virtually Present
Fire Chief	Scott Franchuk	Virtually Present
Public Works Manager	Chris Minailo	Virtually Chambers
GIS	Carole Dowhaniuk	Virtually Present
Interim Ag. Fieldman	Tori Ponich	Virtually/Physically Present
Public	9 Members	Virtually/Physically Present

2 Adoption of Agenda

Resolution No: 916-25

Moved by Jered Serben

That the Smoky Lake County Council Meeting Agenda for Thursday, October 30th, 2025, be adopted, with the following agenda item additions:

- 6.7 2025 Gas Federation Coops Annual Convention and Trade Show Dated November 24th - November 27th
- 6.10 Letter of Support – Pine Creek Retreat & Stopping House
- 9.1 Updated Action List

CARRIED.

3 Adoption of Minutes

Resolution No: 917-25

Moved by: Jered Serben

That the minutes of the Smoky Lake County Regular Council Meeting, held on Thursday, October 9th, 2025, be adopted with the following amendments:

- Delegation name correction: Dale Crosswell and correction to the winter haul route address (Range Road 181 to Township Road 604)

- 7.5.1 "lease" to "lessee"
- 13.4 Amended to: That Smoky Lake County Council direct administration to draft a letter of support to Go East Regional Tourism in their **funding** application to Travel Alberta, in the amount of \$100,000 for the purpose of promoting Smoky Lake County.

CARRIED.

4 Delegation(s)

5 Public Hearing - NIL

6 Request for Decisions

6.1 Request for Decision - Smoky Lake Lions Club Bus Maintenance

Resolution No: 918-25

Moved by: Jered Serben

That Smoky Lake County Council defer the October 1, 2025, letter of request from David Dalby, President of the Smoky Lake Lions Club to bring a future joint municipality meeting for discussion.

CARRIED.

6.2 Request For Donation Remembrance Day Ceremony Wreaths

Resolution No: 919-25

Moved by: Lorne Halisky

That Smoky Lake County donate funds to both Royal Canadian Legions: Smoky Lake Legion Branch No. 227 and Waskatenau Legion Branch No. 261, in the amount of \$350.00 each, towards the Remembrance Day Ceremony wreaths and any cost associated with the ceremony and approve the Reeve (or designate) to place a wreath at the ceremony being held in the Town of Smoky Lake, and approve the Councillor from Division 5 (or designate) to place a wreath at the ceremony being held in the Village of Waskatenau.

CARRIED.

6.3 Request For Decision - Agricultural Service Board Producers-At-Large

Appointments

Resolution No: 920-25

Moved by: Jered Serben

That Smoky Lake County Council appoint Tori Ponich, Curtis Boychuk and Sarah fern Eigner as Agricultural Service Board Producers-At-Large, and Brett Rurka and Tamara Flondra as alternate producers at large, for the term ending October 20th, 2029.

CARRIED.

6.4 Request for Decision - Tractor Tender Results

Resolution No: 921-25

Moved by: Jered Serben

That Smoky Lake County award the tender to Horizon AG & Turf for the purchase of a 2026 John Deere 6M 155 Tractor, not to exceed the tender amount of

\$212,465.

CARRIED.

6.5 Public Question and Answer Period between 11:30 a.m. & 12:00 p.m.

PUBLIC QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD - announced between 11:30 a.m. & 12:00 p.m.

None in Attendance

6.6 Request for Decision- ACP Grant

Resolution No: 922-25

Moved by: Jered Serben

That Smoky Lake County, in partnership with the Town of Smoky Lake, Village of Vilna, and Village of Waskatenau, apply to the Alberta Community Partnership (ACP) 2024–25 Grant Intake, under the Intermunicipal Collaboration Stream, for the purposes of obtaining grant funding for the Smoky Lake Regional Economic Development Initiative; and further, approve the Town of Smoky Lake as the Managing Partner for the application; and further, agree to abide by the terms and conditions of the Conditional Grant Agreement governing the purpose and use of the grant funds.

CARRIED.

6.7 Gas Federation Coops Annual Convention and Trade Show Dated November 24th - November 27th

Resolution No: 923-25

Moved by Lorne Halisky

That Smoky Lake County Council approves the attendance of Councillors; Lorne Halisky, Ryan Barker, David Kully, and Craig Lukinuk to attend the 2025 Federation of Alberta Gas Co-op 2025 Convention and Trade Show located at the River Cree Resort and Casino starting on November 24th, 2025, to November 26th, 2025.

CARRIED.

Division 1, Ryan Barker left Council Chambers at 11:52 a.m.

Ryan Barker returned to Council Chambers at 11:54 a.m.

6.8 Delegation- RCMP Anita Doktor 12:00 p.m. Meet and Greet lunch

Present before Council from 11:52 a.m. to 12:58 p.m. was SGT Anita Doktor Detachment Commander, and Steve Cunningham, Smoky Lake RCMP Detachment for the purpose of introductions to Council and RCMP detachment Members.

6.9 Recess for Lunch

Resolution No: 924-25

Moved by: Craig Lukinuk

That Smoky Lake County Council Recess the Regular Council Meeting at time 12:22 p.m.

Smoky Lake County resumed the Regular Council meeting at 1:12 p.m.

CARRIED.

6.9.1 Delegation Presentation

Resolution No: 925-25

Moved by Lorne Halisky

That Smoky Lake County accepted the presentation of SGT Anita Doktor Detachment Commander, and Steve Cunningham, Smoky Lake RCMP Detachment, as information.

CARRIED.

6.10 Letter of Support – Pine Creek Retreat & Stopping House

Resolution No: 926-25

Moved by: Jered Serben

That Smoky Lake County Direct administration to draft a letter of support regarding the Pine Creek Retreat & Stopping House and its application to Travel Alberta.

CARRIED.

7 Request for Information

8 Policy Review

9 Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) Report

9.1 October 29th, 2025, Action List

Resolution No: 927-25

Moved by: Lorne Halisky

That Smoky Lake County accepts the verbal explanation of the color index of the Action list and written report dated October 29th, 2025, as presented.

CARRIED.

10 Council Committee Reports

11 Correspondence

11.1 Response Letter from Office of the Honourable RJ Sigurdson, MLA

Resolution No: 928-25

Moved by: Jered Serben

That Smoky Lake County Council Acknowledge receipt of the Response letter from the Office of the Honourable RJ Sigurdson, MLA, received on October 9th, 2025.

CARRIED.

11.2 “Thank you” Card, from Bellis Board of Trade

Resolution No: 929-25

Moved by: Lorne Halisky

That Smoky Lake County acknowledge receipt of the "Thank you Card" received from Bellis Board of Trade on October 10th, 2025, and furthermore direct administration to advertise on Smoky Lake County Social media platforms.

CARRIED.

11.3 Stry 75th Anniversary Hall Fall Dine and Dance Event

Resolution No: 930-25

Moved by Lorne Halisky

That Smoky Lake County Council approve the donation of a single load of gravel for the purpose of a silent auction item at the Stry 75th Anniversary Hall Annual Fall Dine and Dance event on November 15th, 2025, with the stipulation that

delivery will only be made within the boundaries of Smoky Lake County as well as a promotional items package valued at \$140.00.

CARRIED.

11.4 Rural Municipalities of Alberta - Welcome Letter

Resolution No: 931-25

Moved by: Jered Serben

That Smoky Lake County Council accepts the information from the Rural Municipalities welcome letter dated October 22, 2025, and file as information.

CARRIED.

12 Information Release

13 Financial Reports

13.1 Budget at-a-Glance Dated October 20, 2025

Resolution No: 932-25

Moved by Lorne Halisky

That Smoky Lake County Council accepts the 2025 Monthly Council Reconciliation dated August 2025 and Budget at-a-Glance Dated October 20, 2025, as presented.

CARRIED.

14 Meeting cancelation for Thursday, November 13th, 2025. at 9:00 a.m.

(Regular)

Resolution No: 933-25

Moved by: Craig Lukinuk

That Smoky Lake County Cancel November 13th, 2025, Regular County Council Meeting at 9:00 a.m.

CARRIED.

15 Confirmation of Next Meetings

Resolution No: 934-25

Moved by: David Kully

Smoky Lake County Council confirms the Next County Council Meetings:

- Thursday, November 6th, 2025. at 1:00 p.m. (Joint Annexation Discussion with the Village of Waskatenau)
- Thursday, November 10th, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. (Budget meeting)
- Thursday, November 27th, 2025. at 9:00 a.m. (Regular)
- Tuesday, December 2nd, 2025. at 1:00 pm. (Committee of The Whole)
- Thursday, December 18th, 2025. at 9:00 a.m. (Regular)

CARRIED.

16 In Camera (Executive Session)

NIL

17 Adjournment

Resolution No: 935-25

Moved by: Craig Lukinuk

That the Smoky Lake County Council Meeting of Thursday, October 30th, 2025, be adjourned, time 1:47 p.m.

CARRIED.

Signature Apon Request

REEVE,

Craig Lukinuk

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Signature Apon Request

INTERIM CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER,

Brenda Adamson