



**Smoky Lake County
Municipal Planning Commission**

Meeting Minutes April 16th, 2026 - 09:00 AM

Called to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by the Chief Administrative Officer, Chyenne Shaw, in the presence of the following persons:

		ATTENDANCE
<u>Div. No.</u>	<u>Councillor(s)</u>	<u>Thursday, April 16th, 2026</u>
Division 1	Ryan Barker	Present in Chambers
Division 2	David Kully	Present in Chambers
Division 3 / Reeve	Craig Lukinuk	Present in Chambers
Division 4/ Deputy Reeve	Lorne Halisky	Present in Chambers
Division 5	Jered Serben	Present in Chambers
Chief Administrative Officer	Chyenne Shaw	Present in Chambers
Director of County Services	Jordan Ruegg	Present in Chambers
Finance Manager	Brenda Adamson	Present in Chambers
Recording	Meaghan Andreychuk	Present in Chambers
Secretary/Legislative Services		
<u>Observers in Attendance Upon Call to Order:</u>		
Environment and Parks Manager	Dave Franchuk	Virtually Present
Natural Gas Manager	Daniel Moric	Virtually Present
GIS Technician	Carlos Zetina	Virtually Present
Agricultural Fieldman	Sebastien G Dutrisac	Virtually Present
Communications Officer	Evonne Zukiwski	Virtually Present
Human Resources and Safety Manager	Jasmine Schaub	Virtually Present
Regional Fire Chief	Scott Franchuk	Virtually Present
Other Observers	6 Members	Virtually Present

Election of Chairperson

The Chief Administrative Officer called a first (1) time for nominations for the position of Chairperson, for the Municipal Planning Commission.

Councillor Ryan Barker was nominated for the position of Chairman of the Municipal Planning Commission, for the ensuing year, by Councillor Jered Serben.

Councillor Barker respectfully declined.

Councillor David Kully was nominated for the position of Chairman of the Municipal Planning Commission, for the ensuing year by Councillor Lorne Haliksy.

Councillor Kully accepted the nomination.

The Chief Administrative Officer, Chyenne Shaw, called a second (2) time for nominations.

The Chief Administrative Officer, Chyenne Shaw, called a third (3) time for nominations.

Councillor David Kully was declared Chairman of the Municipal Planning Commission, by Acclamation for the ensuing year, by Councillor Lorne Haliksy.

HEARING NO FURTHER NOMINATIONS, the nominations were declared ceased.

Election of Vice Chairperson

The Chairman, David Kully called a first (1) time for nominations for the position of Vice Chairman, for the Municipal Planning Commission.

Councillor Ryan Barker was nominated for the position of Vice Chairman of the Municipal Planning Commission, for the ensuing year by Reeve Craig Lukinuk.

Councillor Barker accepted the nomination.

The Chairman, David Kully called a second (2) time for nominations.

The Chairman, David Kully called a third (3) time for nominations.

Councillor Ryan Barker was declared Chairman of the Municipal Planning Commission, by Acclamation for the ensuing year, by Reeve Craig Lukinuk.

HEARING NO FURTHER NOMINATIONS, the nominations were declared ceased.

Resolution No:
20260416-005

Adoption of Agenda

Moved By: Craig Lukinuk

That the Agenda for the Municipal Planning Commission meeting for Thursday, April 16th, 2026, be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

3.

Adoption of Minutes

3.1 Minutes of the January 8th, 2026, Municipal Planning Commission Meeting

Moved By: Jered Serben

That the Minutes of Municipal Planning Commission meeting held on Thursday, January 8th, 2026, be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

4.

Delegation(s)

None.

Resolution No:
20260416-007

The Smoky Lake County Municipal Planning Commission recess the meeting at 9:46 a.m.

The meeting resumed at 9:55 a.m.

Resolution No:
20260416-008

Request for Decisions

5.1 Development Permit DP-006-26 – Alternative Energy, Personal (Solar Energy Conversion System, Personal)

Moved By: Craig Lukinuk

In Favour	Opposed
Craig Lukinuk	Jered Serben
	Ryan Barker
	David Kully
	Lorne Haliksy

That the Smoky Lake County Municipal Planning Commission approve Development Permit No. 006-26: LOT 10 & LOT 11, VICTORIA SETTLEMENT,

for the development of an Alternative Energy, Personal (Solar Energy Conversion System, Personal), subject to the following conditions:

- To have proper landscaping such as mature trees of mixed on the north property line for the full length of the proposed development.
 - Northside of the proposed panels shall be a complimentary colour to the surrounding landscape
 - Shelterbelt standard requirements
1. The proposed Alternative Energy, Personal (Solar Energy Conversion System, Personal) shall be sited and constructed as per the Site Plan, dated December 22, 2025, attached to, and forming part of, this Development Permit, and shall conform to the following setbacks:
 - Minimum Front Yard Setback: VARIANCE GRANTED to 11.2 meters (36.75 feet) from 23.1 meters (75.78 feet).
 - Minimum Rear Yard Setback: 7.6 meters (25.0 feet).
 - Minimum Side Yard Setbacks: 7.6 meters (25.0 feet).
 2. The proposed Alternative Energy, Personal (Solar Energy Conversion System, Personal) shall not exceed a maximum of 3.0 meters (10.0 feet) in height.
 3. The maximum site coverage shall not exceed 45% of the total site area (the coverage of each titled lot shall not exceed 45%).
 4. The proposed Alternative Energy, Personal (Solar Energy Conversion System, Personal) shall not encroach upon any easement or right-of-way.
 5. Lot grading shall ensure that the subject property does not drain onto an adjacent private property.
 6. The Developer shall be responsible for obtaining Safety Codes Act Permits (e.g. Electrical Permits) where applicable.
 7. The proposed Alternative Energy, Personal (Solar Energy Conversion System, Personal) shall conform with all relevant provisions of the Victoria District Area Structure Plan – Bylaw No. 1305-17).
 8. Construction on the proposed Alternative Energy, Personal (Solar Energy Conversion System, Personal) shall commence within twelve (12) months of the date of issuance of this Development Permit and shall be completed within five (5) years of the date of issuance.
 9. The Developer shall keep the subject property in a clean and tidy condition, free from rubbish and non-aggregate debris.
 10. The proposed Alternative Energy, Personal (Solar Energy Conversion System, Personal) shall be sited and constructed in accordance with any and all conditions, decisions, authorizations, approvals and/or licenses

DEFEATED

Resolution
No:
20260416-
009

Moved by Jered Serben

The Smoky Lake County Municipal Planning Commission recessed the meeting at 10:04 a.m.

The meeting resumed at 6:10 p.m. with the following persons:

- All Council
- CAO, Chyenney Shaw
- Director of County Services, Jordan Ruegg

Resolution
No:
20260416-
010

Moved by: Ryan Barker

The Reeve requested a recorded vote:

In Favour	Opposed
Jered Serben	Craig Lukinuk
Ryan Barker	
David Kully	

Lorne Haliksy	
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That the Municipal Planning Commission **REFUSE** Development Permit No. 006-26 for the development of an **ALTERNATIVE ENERGY, PERSONAL (SOLAR ENERGY CONVERSION SYSTEM, PERSONAL)**, on Lot 10 & Lot 11, Victoria Settlement, for the following reasons:

- 1. The proposed development is not consistent with the intent of the Victoria District Area Structure Plan (Bylaw No. 1305-17), which seeks to preserve the historical, cultural and visual integrity of the Victoria Settlement area, including maintaining viewscales and development patterns reflective of the area’s heritage character.
- 2. The scale and nature of the proposed ALTERNATIVE ENERGY, PERSONAL (SOLAR ENERGY CONVERSION SYSTEM, PERSONAL), including associated infrastructure (micro-grid and battery systems), exceeds what would reasonably be considered “personal use”, and is not compatible with the existing development pattern within the ASP area.
- 3. The proposed development would not maintain the established character and visual landscape of the area, and may negatively impact identified viewscales and the cultural landscape, contrary to the guiding principles of the Area Structure Plan and the Heritage Overlay.
- 4. The subject lands already contain an established development pattern and servicing (grid access), and the proposal does not demonstrate a need that aligns with the planning intent for orderly and compatible development within the District.
- 5. The Municipal Planning Commission is not satisfied that the proposed Discretionary Use is appropriate for the site, nor that it aligns with the long-term planning vision for the Victoria Settlement area.

CARRIED

Resolution
No:
20260416-
011

Adjournment
Moved By: Jered Serben

That the Smoky Lake County Municipal Planning Commission meeting of April 16th, 2026, be adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

CARRIED

Signature Apon Request

CHAIRMAN,

David Kully

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Signature Apon Request

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER,

Chyenne Shaw