

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE FOREMOST VILLAGE COUNCIL HELD
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON TUESDAY, THE 20th DAY OF MAY, A.D.,
2025 AT 7:00 P.M.**

PRESENT: Mayor Larry Robinson, Councillors Bruce Hillis, Tyson Ormann and Mel Karl

ABSENT: Councillor Blake Klatt

ALSO PRESENT: Marilynn Hirsche, CAO
Trevor Ferguson, Public Works Foreman

ACTION ITEMS:

A. CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Larry Robinson at 7:00 p.m.

B. AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA:

- School Donation

C. ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA:

69/25

Moved by Councillor Ormann that the May 20, 2025 Regular Village of Foremost Council Meeting Agenda be approved, with the following amendments:

- School Donation

...carried.

70/25

D. MINUTES: The minutes of the April 15, 2025 Regular Meeting of Village Council were confirmed and ordered filed in the minute book on motion of Councillor Hillis
... Carried

E. ACCOUNTS APPROVED AND PASSED FOR PAYMENT:

71/25

The accounts for the month of April, 2025 as presented and comprised of Special Cheque No. 20250221; Cheque No. 20250229 to Cheque No. 20250257 and and Cheque No. 20250259 to Cheque No. 20250262 in the total amount of \$118,250.95, were approved and passed for payment on motion of Councillor Karl ...Carried.

F. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS:

72/25

a) **Monthly Financial Statements:** The financial statements for the month of April, 2025, as presented were confirmed and ordered filed in the minute book on motion of Councillor Hillis ...Carried.

G. LAND OFFER APPLICATIONS: No report

H. STAFF REPORTS:

73/25

Moved by Councillor Karl that Public Works Foreman, Trevor Ferguson's reports on the activities of the Public Works staff for the past month be accepted as presented...Carried.

I. 2025 CANADA COMMUNITY BUILDING FUND (CCBF) (FORMERLY FEDERAL GAS TAX):

74/25

Moved by Councillor Hillis approval of allocation of the 2025 CCBF Funding in the amount of \$80,429 to Pavement and Sidewalk Repairs...carried.

J. OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH & SAFETY:

75/25

Violence & Harassment Prevention Policy: Moved by Councillor Karl Approval of the Village of Foremost Violence & Harassment Prevention Policy and that this policy supercedes the Village of Foremost Anti-Harassment Policy...carried.

76/25

Appointment of Worker Health & Safety Representative (HSR): Moved by Councillor Hillis approval of appointment and training of Tammy Ferguson to the position of Village of Foremost Worker Health & Safety Representative (HSR) in order to be compliant with Occupational Health & Safety standards...carried.

K. DELEGATIONS:

Grant Hunter, MLA Taber-Warner, joined the meeting at 8:00 p.m. and discussed with Council the following issues:

- UAS Funding
- Provincial Budget
- Health Care/Foremost Lab/Physicians

Mr. Hunter left the meeting at 9:20 p.m.

L. FOREMOST & DISTRICT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE & FOREMOST FAMILY & COMMUNITY CENTRE SOCIETY:

77/25

Moved by Councillor Hillis that the following be approved for the 2025 summer season, in response to the requests of the Foremost & District Chamber of Commerce and the Foremost Family & Community Centre Society:

- Provision of payroll services for the Tourism and Special Events Coordinator, Assistant to the Tourism and Special Events Coordinator, and the Tourist Booth Staff. All payroll costs related to these positions will be on a cost recovery basis, billed back to the Chamber of Commerce at the end of the summer.
- Provision of Internet Service and operational/cleaning supplies for the Tourist Booth
- Financial Assistance for Tourist Booth Staff payroll in the amount of \$450.00 per hired student

...carried.

M. FOREMOST & DISTRICT AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY:

78/25

ANNUAL RODEO APPROVAL: Moved by Councillor Ormann approval of the Annual Foremost & District Ag Society Rodeo Events to be held July 17-19, 2025...carried.

N. ALBERTA GOVERNMENT – MINISTER OF SENIORS:

79/25

Moved by Councillor Ormann to declare June 2 – 8, 2025 as Seniors' Week in the Village of Foremost...carried.

O. 2025 SALARY – CAO:

CAO, Marilynn Hirsche left the Council Meeting at 9:35 p.m.

CAO, Marilynn Hirsche returned to the Council Meeting at 10:00 p.m.

80/25

Moved by Councillor Karl that 2025 Salary be approved. ...carried.

P. VILLAGE OF FOREMOST 2025 BUDGET:

81/25

Moved by Councillor Ormann that the 2024 Village of Foremost Budget Estimates be approved as presented and that a copy of the estimates be attached hereto and form a part of these minutes and also be submitted to appointed auditors MNP LLO...carried.

BYLAW NO. 730/25:

730/25

A bylaw of the Village of Foremost in the Province of Alberta to authorize the several rates of taxation for the year 2025 was read a first time on motion of Councillor Hillis ...carried. Read a second time on motion of Councillor Karl ...carried unanimously. Authority to Proceed with third reading was moved by Councillor Ormann ...carried. Read a third time and finally passed on motion of Mayor Robinson...carried.

Q. LEASE AGREEMENT RENEWAL: FOREMOST SAGE CLUB & VILLAGE OF FOREMOST:

82/25

Moved by Councillor Ormann approval to renew the Lease Agreement between the Foremost Sage Club and the Village of Foremost for the Foremost Civic Centre, renewal term: 10 years...carried.

R. ITEMS ADDED TO THE AGENDA:

i) October 21, 2025 Regular Council Meeting:

Moved by Councillor Karl that the Village of Foremost October 21, 2025 Regular Village Council Meeting be re-scheduled to October 28, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. ...carried.

83/25

ii) Foremost School Donation:

Moved by Councillor Ormann that the Village of Foremost donate one Swimming Pool Family Pass to the Foremost School Student Italy Trip Fund...carried.

INFORMATION ITEMS:

85/25

Moved by Councillor Hillis that the following correspondence be received as Information:

1. DEVELOPMENT PERMITS:

No. 05/25:

**306-2 Street East
Installation of Solar Roof Panels
Approved by Municipal Planning Commission**

2. FOREMOST & DISTRICT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE:

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3. ALBERTA EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY:

Letter and attached Alberta Emergency Social Services (ESS) Framework 2025 Frequently Asked Questions. Also attached is a link to the plan.

4. ORRSC:

Further to application for subdivision in April agenda, attached is the Application decision.

5. DEBORAH REID-PICKLER: (Present at April Council Meeting)

An email responding to a question that was asked of her when she attended the April Meeting.

6. ALBERTA MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS:

Village of Foremost Municipal Indicators Summary for 2024

...carried.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

i) Joint Council Meeting:

The Joint Council Meeting with the County of Forty Mile and the Town of Bow Island is scheduled for May 27 at 6:00 p.m., County of Forty Mile Office

86/25

8. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 10:07 p.m. on motion of Councillor Ormann ...Carried.