



Rural Municipality of Grahamdale

Meeting Agenda

January 23, 2025 - Regular - 09:00 AM

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10. **DELEGATIONS AND PUBLIC HEARINGS**
 - 10.1 **Adjournment for Public Hearing**

- 10.2 10:00 a.m. Public Hearing - 6094440 Manitoba Ltd. - Subdivision Application
- 10.3 Adjourn Public Hearing
- 11. ADJOURNMENT



Rural Municipality of Grahamdale
Meeting Minutes
Regular January 23, 2025 - 09:00 AM

The 2nd Regular meeting of the Council of the Rural Municipality of Grahamdale was held at the Municipal Office in Moosehorn, Manitoba on January 23, 2025.

Present:

- Reeve Craig Howse
- Councillor Charlotte Lindell
- Councillor Kevin Nickel
- Councillor Glen Metner
- Councillor Greg Jabusch
- Councillor Jason Bittner
- Councillor Dollard Gould
- CAO Shelly Schwitek

Reeve Howse called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.
Council broke for lunch from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.

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| 2025-025 | 1 | <p>Adoption of Minutes
Councillor Gould
Councillor Jabusch</p> <p>BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the following minutes as circulated:
1. January 9, 2025 Regular Council Meeting Minutes.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p> |
| 2025-026 | 2 | <p>Agenda
Councillor Lindell
Councillor Metner</p> <p>BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council adopt the agenda as circulated with additions.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p> |
| 2025-027 | 3 | <p>Finances</p> |
| | 3.1 | <p>General Accounts
Councillor Metner
Councillor Bittner</p> <p>WHEREAS the List of Accounts (attached to the minutes hereto) for the period ending January 22, 2025 have been examined by Council and found to be in order;</p> <p>THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Payroll Deposit in the amount of \$12,460.70 and Accounts Payable Cheques numbered 11275 to 11304 in the amount of \$190,248.97 be approved for payment.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p> |
| | 3.2 | <p>December 2024 Financial Statement
Tabled to February 13, 2025.</p> |

2025-028

4 Committee Reports
 Councillor Lindell
 Councillor Gould

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council adopts the reports of the Committees as presented.

CARRIED

4.1 Moosehorn Fire Department Report

- No calls for service.
- Regular meetings were held December 9, 2024 and January 20, 2025.
- Deputy Fire Chief Price attended a mutual aid meeting on January 16th.
- New Fire Apparatus Committee meeting was held on January 21st - this meeting also included discussion on the fire hall expansion and the 2025 budget.

4.2 Public Works Report

- Update was provided Council on public works related matters.

4.3 Councillor Jabusch

Aquatic Invasive Species Virtual Summit

- Councillor Jabusch and Reeve Howse attended the Aquatic Invasive Species Virtual Summit on January 22, 2025. The main topic discussed was how municipalities can contribute to the protection of crown waters.

4.4 Councillor Lindell

Community Development Corporation

- CFWI will be offering an "intro to financials" workshop to the CDC members in February.
- 2025 Budget/Planning has started. Board members would like to see quotes for a "Harmony Park" in Steep Rock, a closer working relationship with other community groups in the area, and a more consistent brand and logo.

Western Interlake Planning District

- The Board is still looking for a part time employee. The advertisement will be run again.

Ashern District Library

- A new Librarian has been hired. She will start training next week.

4.5 Councillor Gould

Gypsumville Fire Department

- The back window on the main pumper truck is being replaced today.

4.6 Councillor Nickel

2025 Veterinarian Industry Day

- A table has been booked for the trade show.

5 Correspondence

1. Monthly Statistics Report – Lundar and Ashern Detachments, December 2024;
2. AMM News Bulletin sent January 10, 2025;
3. 2024 Case Load Report for the Ashern District Vet. Clinic;
4. Letter from the Real Estate Services Branch re: Crown Land General Permit No. 74495 (Mulvihill Quarry Pit) received January 2, 2025;
5. Province of Manitoba News Release sent January 15, 2025 re: Manitoba Government Announces Intake for Two Community Development Grant Programs;
6. Letter from Lakeside Sno-Drifters re: request for donation;

- 7. Email from IERHA re: the Interlake-Eastern Health Workforce Coalition received January 14, 2025;
- 8. Letter from MTI dated January 22, 2025 re: reply to the Municipality's September 19, 2024 letter requesting improvements to the Homebrook and Partridge Drain.

6 By-Laws

2025-029

6.1 By-Law 1089-2025 Pledge of Municipal Taxes - Third Reading

Councillor Jabusch
Councillor Bittner

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 1089-2025 for the Pledge of Municipal Taxes to the Access Credit Union Limited be now read a third time, signed and sealed by the Reeve and Chief Administrative Officer.

Name	Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
Jason Bittner	✓			
Dollard Gould	✓			
Craig Howse	✓			
Greg Jabusch	✓			
Charlotte Lindell	✓			
Glen Metner	✓			
Kevin Nickel	✓			

CARRIED

7 Unfinished Business

7.1 Lake MB Outlet Channel and Lake St. Martin Outlet Channel

7.1.1 IAAC - Environmental Assessment Report

Meeting is set for February 27, 2025 at 1 p.m.

7.2 Boundary Line Drain Committee

The next Boundary Line Drain meeting is scheduled for February 12, 2025.

7.3 West Interlake Regional Investment Co-op

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7.4 Steep Rock Development

Applications have been submitted to Community Planning. Waiting for Provincial Circulation to be completed.

2025-030

7.5 Municipal Road Construction Policy

Councillor Bittner
Councillor Nickel

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve Policy 36/2025, the Road Development Policy.

CARRIED

7.6 Culvert Replacement - Old Hwy 6 at Birch Creek

RM to contact MTI Water Infrastructure.

7.7 Moosehorn Fire Department - New Fire Truck

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7.8 RM Electronic Sign

Item to be removed until Spring 2025.

2025-033
7.9

6094440 Manitoba Ltd. - Subdivision Application Rev. 2

Councillor Bittner
Councillor Jabusch

WHEREAS 6094440 Manitoba Ltd. has applied to Selkirk Community and Regional Planning to Subdivide Frac SW ¼ of Section 14-29-10 WPM Exc Plan 49544 WLTO to create 9 new cottage lots along Lake Manitoba, as set out in Application 4606-19-7850, Rev 2.

AND WHEREAS Selkirk Community and Regional Planning have recommended approval of this Subdivision as proposed.

AND WHEREAS this subdivision application has been revised for a second time to increase the number of lots from eight to nine, having previously received Conditional Approval on July 30, 2024.

AND WHEREAS the Public Hearing required under S 125(2) of the Planning Act was held on January 23, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves this Subdivision with the following conditions:

1. That all taxes on the land to be subdivided, for the current year, plus any arrears, have been paid or that an arrangement satisfactory to Council has been made.
2. That the Owner/Applicant has entered into all required easements with Manitoba Hydro and Bell MTS.
3. That the first 50 feet from the shoreline be transferred to the Municipality as a Public Reserve.
4. That all permanent structures be built to the 200-year flood protection level of approximately 249.47 meters (818.5 feet), and be set back a sufficient distance from the shoreline to allow for erosion and instability over the ensuing 50-year period.
5. That the Applicant/Owner has entered into a Development Agreement with the Municipality to cover matters including, but not limited to:
 - a) The development, and transfer to the Municipality, of a public roadway to the East of the subdivided lots, continuing Kyler Road to the North, at the Applicant/Owner's sole expense.
 - b) The creation of a drainage plan, prepared by a qualified engineer to the satisfaction of the municipality, and to ensure that the proposed properties do not drain into, or impede drainage from neighboring properties, and the development of these drainage works at the Applicant/Owner's sole expense.
 - c) The preservation of the natural berm and vegetation, and a restriction on development, of the Western most 50 feet of each lot, ensuring that no permanent structures are to be built within 100 feet of the shoreline when combined with the Public Reserve.

CARRIED

7.10 Valley Fiber

Agreements have been signed.

7.11 Steep Rock - Signage

Steep Rock Cottage Owners Association to be contacted with feedback from Council.

7.12 Aggregate Mapping - Quote

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8 New Business

- 2025-036 **8.1 M. Little - Forage Lease Renewal**
Councillor Metner
Councillor Bittner
- BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the renewal of M. Little's Forage Lease for an additional 5 year term:
Forage Lease No 1158-2015 covering NE 23-23-6 WPM;
The new expiration date shall be December 31, 2029.
- CARRIED**
- 2025-037 **8.2 2026 Board of Revision Date**
Councillor Gould
Councillor Bittner
- BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorize the 2026 Board of Revision be held at the R.M. of Grahamdale Municipal Office on Thursday, November 13, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.
- CARRIED**
- 2025-038 **8.3 Moosehorn Curling Club - Letter of Support**
Councillor Nickel
Councillor Metner
- BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Grahamdale Council supports the Moosehorn Curling Club's proposal to undertake much needed renovations / repairs / upgrades to the Curling Rink.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Council supports the Moosehorn Curling Club's application to the Province of Manitoba Community Development Grant Program "From the Ground Up" for the purpose of much needed renovations/repairs/upgrades to the Moosehorn Curling Rink Building.
- CARRIED**
- 8.4 Ditchfield Drain Bridge**
MTI - Regional Water Operations to be contacted.
- 2025-039 **8.5 RM 2014 Dodge Ram**
Councillor Metner
Councillor Jabusch
- BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council accept Hilbre Auto Service Inc.'s quote for repairing the 2014 Dodge Ram 3500 at the estimated cost of \$8,794.70 plus applicable taxes.
- CARRIED**
- 2025-040 **8.6 Canada Post - Industrial Inquiry Commission**
Councillor Bittner
Councillor Metner
- WHEREAS the Canada Industrial Relations Board, as instructed by the Federal Minister of Labour, Steven MacKinnon, ordered the end to the postal strike and the resumption of mail service at Canada Post on December 17, 2024, under Section 107 of the Canada Labour Code.
- AND WHEREAS the Federal Minister of Labour, Steven MacKinnon, created an Industrial Inquiry Commission under Section 108 of Canada Labour Code, led by William Kaplan, that will work with the Canadian Union of Postal Workers (CUPW) and Canada Post to examine the future of the public post office, including possible changes to the Canadian Postal Service Charter.
- AND WHEREAS Canada Post is, first and foremost, a public service.
- AND WHEREAS the Commission has been tasked with reviewing the obstacles to negotiated collective agreements between CUPW and Canada Post, the financial situation of Canada Post, Canada Post's expressed need to diversify

and/or alter its delivery models in the face of current business demands, the viability of the business as it is currently configured, CUPW’s negotiated commitments to job security, full-time employment, and the need to protect the health and safety of workers.

AND WHEREAS the Commission only has until May 15, 2025, to submit its final report to the government and make recommendations about the future structure of Canada Post.

AND WHEREAS while there is room for written input, the Commission process is not widely publicized, nor equivalent to a full and thorough public service review of Canada Post’s mandate allowing for all stakeholder input, as has been undertaken by previous governments.

AND WHEREAS it will be crucial for the Commission to hear our views on key issues, including maintaining Canada Post as a public service, the importance of maintaining the moratorium on post office closures, improving the Canadian Postal Service Charter, home mail delivery, parcel delivery, keeping daily delivery, adding postal banking, greening Canada Post, EV charging stations, food delivery, improving delivery to rural, remote and Indigenous communities, and developing services to assist people with disabilities and help older Canadians to remain in their homes for as long as possible – and at the same time, helping to ensure Canada Post’s financial self-sustainability.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the R.M. of Grahamdale provide input to the Commission in the form of a written submission.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the R.M. of Grahamdale will write the Federal Minister of Labour, Steven MacKinnon, and the Federal Minister of Public Services and Procurement of Canada, Jean-Yves Duclos, who is responsible for Canada Post, to demand that no changes be made to the Canada Post Corporation Act, Canada Post’s mandate or the Canadian Postal Service Charter without a full, thorough, public review of Canada Post, including public hearings, with all key stakeholders, in every region of Canada.

CARRIED

8.7 Proposed Brushing Cost-Share with Manitoba Hydro

Council to provide locations to administration. A proposal will be subsequently provided to Manitoba Hydro.

8.8 P/MB Real Estate Services Branch - MB Hydro-Electric Board Application

2025-041

Councillor Gould
Councillor Bittner

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Grahamdale Council supports the Manitoba Hydro-Electric Board’s application to Province of Manitoba Real Estate Services Branch as follows:

Lands Branch Application Type & Number: Easement No. 75922
P/MB Real Estate Services Branch – File Reference: NW 21-32-07 WPM Exc IR VOL 2

Applicant: The Manitoba Hydro Electric Board

Land Descriptions: as set out in listing attached to Application dated January 21, 2025

Acreage: Varies between 10m to 30m depending on location of the GRA and the existing facilities (to be determined by legal survey).

Municipality: Rural Municipality of Grahamdale

Current Land use: vacant

Proposed Land Use: Legalize tenure to existing transmission line MA25-2 Lake St. Martin to Dauphin River corridor and to also widen the said transmission line corridor to accommodate future maintenance/clearing standards.

Existing Buildings on site: Transmission Line

Proposed Buildings on site: widening existing Transmission line Corridor

CARRIED

2025-042 **8.9 RM Housing Committee**
Councillor Metner
Councillor Bittner

WHEREAS there is currently a housing shortage in the R.M. of Grahamdale which is impacting our community's ability to attract and retain healthcare workers, veterinarians, teachers, and other professionals requiring temporary, transient rental housing;
AND WHEREAS addressing this housing shortage is critical to supporting essential services and fostering community growth in the northwest Interlake; THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council establish a subcommittee to explore and address the temporary rental housing shortage in the RM of Grahamdale; BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the subcommittee be comprised of CAO Shelly Schwitek, ACAO Devan McCoubrey, Councillor Charlotte Lindell, Councillor Kevin Nickel, and Councillor Greg Jabusch.

CARRIED

2025-034 **9 In Camera**

2025-034 **9.1 In Camera - Legal Proceedings**
Councillor Metner
Councillor Nickel

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council move into an In Camera session pursuant to Section 152(3) of The Municipal Act to discuss a matter under:

152(3)(iv) the conduct of existing or anticipated legal proceedings.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT any items discussed while in camera must be kept confidential until the matter is discussed at a meeting of Council in public.

CARRIED

2025-035 **9.2 Out of Camera**
Councillor Jabusch
Councillor Metner

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council now move out of camera and resume the meeting.

CARRIED

2025-031 **10 Delegations and Public Hearings**

2025-031 **10.1 Adjournment for Public Hearing**
Councillor Gould
Councillor Metner

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council adjourn the regular meeting of Council to hold the required Public Hearing as follows:

1. 6094440 Manitoba Ltd. Subdivision Application Rev. 2 - Frac SW ¼ 14-29-10W Exc Plan 49544 WLTO to create 9 new cottage lots and a public roadway as set out in Application 4606-19-7850

CARRIED

2025-032 **10.2 10:00 a.m. Public Hearing - 6094440 Manitoba Ltd. - Subdivision Application**

2025-032 **10.3 Adjourn Public Hearing**
Councillor Gould
Councillor Bittner

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council shall now declare this Public hearing closed and Council shall now return to its regular Council meeting.

CARRIED

2025-043

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Adjournment

Councillor Bittner
Councillor Jabusch

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council shall now adjourn to meet again at the next regular meeting of Council on February 13, 2025.

Adjournment time: 2:54 p.m.

CARRIED

Chief Administrative Officer Shelly Schwitek

Reeve Craig Howse

**RM of Grahamdale
Payment Register**

Report Date
01/22/2025 12:33 PM

Batch: 2025-00002 to 2025-00008

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Bank Code: General - General

Payment #	Vendor	Date	Amount
Computer Cheque			
11275	Access Credit Union	01/14/2025	530.89
11276	Access Credit Union	01/21/2025	7,490.18
11277	Ashern Veterinary	01/21/2025	15,000.00
11278	Big and Colourful	01/21/2025	299.27
11279	Moosehorn Co-op	01/21/2025	2,901.79
11280	Dynamic Online Marketing Corp.	01/21/2025	577.50
11281	Federation of	01/21/2025	534.67
11282	Ashern Home Hardware	01/21/2025	157.89
11283	Lakeshore Handivan Assoc. Inc.	01/21/2025	10,000.00
11284	Manitoba Association of	01/21/2025	535.50
11285	McMunn & Yates	01/21/2025	29.78
11286	Minister Of Finance of Manitoba	01/21/2025	115.50
11287	Manitoba	01/21/2025	600.00
11288	MuniSoft	01/21/2025	7,240.80
11289	North Interlake Mutual Aid District	01/21/2025	500.00
11290	Pitney Bowes	01/21/2025	158.97
11291	Pitneyworks	01/21/2025	65.57
11292	Rawluk's Grocery Ltd.	01/21/2025	124.67
11293	Schwitek Shelly	01/21/2025	110.11
11294	Tcms High Speed Communications	01/21/2025	95.19
11295	Telmatik	01/21/2025	162.75
11296	Western Financial	01/21/2025	1,297.62
11297	XEROX CANADA LTD	01/21/2025	5.54
11298	Frontier School Division #48	01/21/2025	19,706.59
11299	Lakeshore School Division #23	01/21/2025	117,289.00
11300	MDA Transport	01/21/2025	1,932.00
11301	Gall Mandy	01/22/2025	213.60
11302	Hilbre Auto Service Inc.	01/22/2025	123.20
11303	Kiesman Tamsyn	01/22/2025	208.00
11304	Minister of Finance	01/22/2025	2,242.39
	Total for Computer Cheque:		<u>190,248.97</u>
	Total for General:		<u><u>190,248.97</u></u>

Payments Printed: 30

Deposit Register

Pay group : 100 (OFFICE)

Pay period : 02 (04Jan2025 to 17Jan2025)

Cheque date : 17Jan2025

Voucher No.	Pay Date	Emp. No.	Employee Name	Dept. No.	Institute / Transit / Account	Amount
	17Jan2025	675	BECKER, Charles	650		
	17Jan2025	665	CLARK, Arnold	650		
	17Jan2025	681	Godfrey, Peter	650		
	17Jan2025	309	Granberg, Danny	300		
	17Jan2025	204	MCCOUBREY, Devan	250		
	17Jan2025	310	Ogonoski, Gregory F.	300		
	17Jan2025	301	PRICE, JASON	300		
	17Jan2025	684	Rawluk, Henry	650		
	17Jan2025	201	SCHWITEK, SHELLY D.	200		
	17Jan2025	207	SHANNON, Justin	260		
	17Jan2025	205	SPARROW, Barbara	260		

Pay Group Totals :

Number of Deposits: 11

Total Amount of Deposits: 12460.70