

Rural Municipality of Grahamdale

Meeting Agenda

May 22, 2025 - Regular - 09:00 AM

1.	ADOPTION OF MINUTES
2.	AGENDA
3.	FINANCES
3.1	General Accounts
3.2	April, 2025 Financial Statement
4.	COMMITTEE REPORTS
4.1	9:30 a.m Public Works Manager Report
4.2	10:00 a.m. EDO Report
4.3	Spring Tour - Tuesday June 10, 2025
4.4	Moosehorn Fire Department Report
4.5	Councillor Gould
4.6	Councilior Lindell
5.	CORRESPONDENCE
6.	BY-LAWS
6.1	RM Development Plan Amendment - By-Law 1091-2025
7.	UNFINISHED BUSINESS
7.1	Lake MB Outlet Channel and Lake St. Martin Outlet Channel
7.1.1	RM Environmental Monitor
7.2	RFP - RM House 15 Main Street Moosehorn
7.3	Steep Rock Sub 1 and 2 Drainage Project
7.4	Steep Rock Trails
7.5	6094440 Manitoba Ltd Development Agreement
7.6	MacDonald Road - Brushing
7.7	MB Wildlife Federation - Partnership to Host Info Session
7.8	2025 Regionalization Committee - Correction
7.9	Municipal Public Works Programs
7.9.1	2025 Gravel Program
7.9.2	RM 2025 Dust Control Sites
7.10	RFP - Steep Rock Quarry 2025 Summer Season
7.11	Faulkner WDG Expansion
7.12	Municipal Burning Ban
8.	NEW BUSINESS
8.1	RM Administrative Assistant
8.2	Brandon Emergency Services Conference 2025
8.3	Nelson Granite - Columbarium
8.4	RM Equipment - New Laptop
8.5	2025 Road Projects
8.6	Ashem Daycare Co-op Inc New Childcare Location
8.7	Gypsumville Restroom - Request for Proposals
8.8	2025 RM Ward Boundary Review
8.9	Gypsumville /St. Martin Area Drainage RFP
8.10	Steep Rock Beach Park - Sign along Lakeshore Rd.
8.11	Gravel Pits

8.12

Wildfire Compensation Program

9.	IN CAMERA
9.1	In Camera - Preliminary Matter
9.2	Out of Camera
10.	DELEGATIONS AND PUBLIC HEARINGS - NONE

ADJOURNMENT

11:



Rural Municipality of Grahamdale

Meeting Minutes
Regular May 22, 2025 - 09:00 AM

The 10th Regular meeting of the Council of the Rural Municipality of Grahamdale was held at the Municipal Office in Moosehorn, Manitoba on May 22, 2025.

Present:

Reeve Craig Howse
Councillor Charlotte Lindell
Councillor Kevin Nickel
Councillor Glen Metner
Councillor Greg Jabusch – arrived at 9:30 a.m.,
Councillor Dollard Gould
CAO Shelly Schwitek

Absent

Councillor Jason Bittner

Reeve Howse called the meeting to order at 9:16 a.m. Council broke for lunch from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.

1 Adoption of Minutes

2025-209

Councillor Metner Councillor Nickel

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the following minutes as circulated:

1. May 8, 2025 Regular Council Meeting Minutes.

CARRIED

2 Agenda

2025-210

Councillor Gould
Councillor Metner

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council adopt the agenda as circulated with additions.

CARRIED

3 Finances

3.1 General Accounts

2025-211

Councillor Nickel Councillor Gould

WHEREAS the List of Accounts (attached to the minutes hereto) for the period ending May 21, 2025 have been examined by Council and found to be in order;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Payroll Deposit in the amount of \$14,336.76 and Accounts Payable Cheques numbered 11492 to 11520 in the amount of \$107,991.70 be approved for payment.

CARRIED

3.2 April, 2025 Financial Statement

TABLED

2025-212

Committee Reports

Councillor Gould

Councillor Jabusch

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

4.1 9:30 a.m. - Public Works Manager Report

Public Works Manager provided Council with a report on public works related matters.

4.2 10:00 a.m. EDO Report

EDO Kiesman provided an EDO report. Topics discussed included training, the Driftscape app, and updates to the RM's website.

4.3 Spring Tour - Tuesday June 10, 2025

Locations to be determined.

4.4 Moosehorn Fire Department Report

- 7 calls for service 4 to provide mutual aid to Ashern Fire Department, 1 to provide mutual aid to Gypsumville Fire Department, one bale fire, and one fire alarm.
- A regular meeting was held on May 12th;
- 2 members attended the Fire Life & Safety Conference in Selkirk on May 15th;
- 2 members attended a Mutual Aid District meeting in Winnipeg Beach on May 15th;
- MFD carried out a controlled burn at Faulkner WDG on May 1st;
- A Farm Accident Rescue course is being organized by the Mutual Aid District

4.5 Councillor Gould

Gypsumville Fire Department

One call for service - a small fire in Little Saskatchewan First Nation.

4.6 Councillor Lindell

Northwest Interlake Health Committee

 The opening ceremony for the Lakeshore General Hospital Expansion will be June 23rd.

CDC Meeting

- CFWI will be facilitating a strategic planning process with the CDC.
 The Grand Opening for Wayside Park will be July 26th.
- The CDC will work with the Interlake Tourism Association to add more points of interest on the Driftscape App.

S Correspondence

- 1. AMM News Bulletin dated May 9, 2025;
- 2. Minister of Health, Seniors and Long Term Care letter received May 8, 2025;
- 3. D. Bittner letter dated May 14, 2025;
- 4. St. Pierre Jolys Invitation to 2025 Eastern District Municipal Golf Tournament;
- 5. AMM Interlake Directors Update May 2025;
- 2025 Municipal Operating Grant and One MB Growth Revenue Fund Payments and Reporting Requirements letter;
- 7. MB News Release re: Vet. Services Care dated May 16, 2025;
- AMM Member Advisory re: Homeowners Affordability Tax Credit dated May 21, 2025.

6 By-Laws

6.1 RM Development Plan Amendment - By-Law 1091-2025

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7 Unfinished Business

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

7.1.1 RM Environmental Monitor

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7.2 RFP - RM House 15 Main Street Moosehorn

2025-213

Councillor Metner
Councillor Jabusch

WHEREAS the R.M. of Grahamdale requested Proposals for the demolition and clean-up of a municipally owned property located at 15 Main Street in Moosehorn, Manitoba. The structure is a one-story house built in 1944 and measures approximately 918 square feet. Deadline for Proposals: 12 Noon on Wednesday, May 21, 2025.

Scope of Work - Including but not limited to the following:

- Demolition of existing house, including crushing of building materials.
- Removal and proper disposal of all debris to the Moosehorn Waste Disposal Grounds (tipping fees will not apply).
- Excavation and removal of the septic holding tank, including transportation and disposal in accordance with provincial regulations.
- Removal of trees and brush immediately surrounding the house.
- Site clean-up, including backfilling of any excavated or disturbed areas with clay, frequent compaction during the backfilling process, and final leveling to the satisfaction of the Public Works Manager.

Project Timeline: All work must be completed no later than July 15, 2025.

AND WHEREAS the following Proposals were received:

- 1. G & T Construction
- 2. Shoreline Excavating Ltd.

And it was found that the Proposal received from Shoreline Excavating to be the most appropriate.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council accept Shoreline Excavating proposal and authorize entering into an Agreement with them as Prime Contractor – completion date to be no later than July 15, 2025.

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7.3 Steep Rock Sub 1 and 2 Drainage Project

JR Cousins will facilitate an open house in Steep Rock on June 7, 2025.

7.4 Steep Rock Trails

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7.5 6094440 Manitoba Ltd. - Development Agreement

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7.6 MacDonald Road - Brushing

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7.7 MB Wildlife Federation - Partnership to Host Info Session

2025-214

Councillor Jabusch Councillor Metner

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Grahamdale Council approve co-sponsoring an Informational meeting with the Narrows Enhancement Initiative at the Ashern Centennial Hall on Wednesday, June 18th at 7 p.m. The meeting is to feature Manitoba Wildlife Federation presentation to inform the general public of the proposed movement to limit the access to crown lands and potentially waterways.

7.8 2025 Regionalization Committee - Correction

2025-215

Councillor Gould
Councillor Lindell

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Rural Municipality of Grahamdale hereby corrects Resolution No. 2025-207 passed at its May 8, 2025 council meeting to also appoint CAO Shelly Schwitek and/or ACAO Devan McCoubrey as part of the joint working Committee with the RM of Coldwell, RM of West Interlake, and the RM of St. Laurent for the purpose of exploring regionalization of services and other projects as they arise.

CARRIED

7.9 Municipal Public Works Programs

7.9.1 2025 Gravel Program

Council received an update on the status of the Gravel Program.

7.9.2 RM 2025 Dust Control Sites

Council reviewed the sites selected for the Municipal Dust Control Program.

7.10 RFP - Steep Rock Quarry 2025 Summer Season

No proposals were received.

7.11 Faulkner WDG Expansion

Council has reviewed and accepted the Population and Waste Generation Assessment Report.

7.12 Municipal Burning Ban

2025-223

Councillor Lindell Councillor Nickel

WHEREAS the Manitoba Wildfire Service has advised that, due to high to extreme fire danger levels across the province, additional fire and travel restrictions are being implemented province-wide;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the R.M. of Grahamdale supports the efforts of the Province of Manitoba to reduce the risk of wildfires and wishes to implement similar measures within the municipality;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council implement a Burning Ban for the entire Municipality effective immediately and to remain in effect until Friday, May 30, 2025.

This ban shall include the following:

- 1. All burning permits are cancelled;
- All fires, including those contained within fire pits, burn containers, and solid fuel burning appliances, are prohibited.
- 3. No off-road travel is permitted within the Rural Municipality of Grahamdale.

Notice to be placed on the Municipal Website, Electronic Sign, and Facebook Page.

CARRIED

8 New Business

8.1 RM Administrative Assistant

2025-216

Councillor Nickel Councillor Metner

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve hiring Amber Rubidge for the permanent full-time Administrative Assistant position. Wage to be \$20.00 per hour. Start date to be Monday, June 9, 2025. Subject to a 3-month probationary period.

8.2 Brandon Emergency Services Conference 2025

2025-217

Councillor Lindell
Councillor Jabusch

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the attendance of two members from the Moosehorn Fire Department and two members from the Gypsumville Fire Department at the Brandon Emergency Services Conference being held in Brandon, Manitoba from Wednesday September 3 to Saturday September 6, 2025 as a municipal expense.

CARRIED

8.3 Nelson Granite - Columbarium

2025-218

Councillor Nickel
Councillor Jabusch

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the purchase of a 24 niche Columbarium and one piece granite bench from Nelson Granite in the amount of \$9,000.00 plus applicable GST on behalf of the Mulvihill Community Cemetery.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Municipality shall be reimbursed the full amount of the Columbarium and bench by the Mulvihill Community Cemetery upon delivery on site.

CARRIED

8.4 RM Equipment - New Laptop

2025-219

Councillor Metner Councillor Gould

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the purchase of a HP 15.6" Laptop – Intel Core i7 – 1355U – 512 GB SSD – 16 GB DDR4 – Windows 11 Home in the amount of \$1,000.00 plus taxes.

CARRIED

8.5 2025 Road Projects

Council will proceed with an RFP for upgrades to Jansen Rd.

8.6 Ashern Daycare Co-op Inc. - New Childcare Location

2025-220

Councillor Jabusch
Councillor Metner

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the donation of \$1,000.00 to the Ashern Daycare Co-op Inc. towards purchasing furniture for the new childcare location in Ashern Central School. This location will add 20 much needed childcare spaces for families in the area. VLT funded.

CARRIED

8.7 Gypsumville Restroom - Request for Proposals

2025-221

Councillor Gould
Councillor Jabusch

WHEREAS the R.M. of Grahamdale requested proposals to clean and maintain the Gypsumville Fire Hall Washroom and the Public Portage Restroom in the Town of Gypsumville for the 2025 Summer Season. Deadline for proposals by 12 Noon on Wednesday, May 21, 2025.

AND WHEREAS the following Proposals were received:

- 1. BnD Contracting
- 2. Angela James Contract Cleaning Services

And it was found that the Proposal received from BnD Contracting to be the most appropriate.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council accept BnD Contracting's proposal.

8.8 2025 RM Ward Boundary Review

Council will not be proceeding with a ward boundary review in advance of the 2026 municipal election.

8.9 Gypsumville /St. Martin Area Drainage RFP

2025-222

Councillor Metner Councillor Gould

WHEREAS the R.M. of Grahamdale requested Proposals for the Gypsumville/St. Martin Area Drainage Project. Deadline for Proposals: 12 Noon on Wednesday, May 21, 2025.

Scope of Work:

- · 2.5 mile ditch cleanout on the north side of Batten Road
- 1 mile ditch cleanout of Folka Drain (N of SE 30-32-9W and through SW 29-32-9W)
- The ditch must maintain 3:1 or greater side slopes where possible to reduce erosion and increase stability of the drain
- Waste material to be placed on the backslope of ditch and properly levelled
- All works shall be constructed and operated in accordance with the terms and conditions as described in the Water Rights Licence once approved by the Province of Manitoba's Department of Environment and Climate Change
- Completion date: September 1, 2025

AND WHEREAS the following Proposals were received:

- 1. Shoreline Excavating
- 2. G & T Construction

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And it was found that the Proposal received from Shoreline Excavating to be the most appropriate.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council accept Shoreline Excavating's proposal and authorize entering into an Agreement with them as Prime Contractor – completion date to be no later than September 1, 2025.

CARRIED

8.10 Steep Rock Beach Park - Sign along Lakeshore Rd.

Council has no concerns with Steep Rock Beach Park replacing their direction sign at the corner of Lakeshore Rd., and PR 239.

8.11 Gravel Pits

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8.12 Wildfire Compensation Program

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9 In Camera - N/A

10 Delegations and Public Hearings – NONE

Adjournment 11

2025-224

Councillor Gould Councillor Nickel

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council shall now adjourn to meet again at the next regular meeting of Council on June 12, 2025.

Adjournment time: 3:38 p.m.

CARRIED

Reeve Craig Howse

Chief Administrative Officer Shelly Schwitek

RM of Grahamdale Payment Register Batch: 2025-00056 to 2025-00058

Report Date 05/21/2025 2:25 PM

Bank Code: General - General

Amount	Date	Vendor	Payment #
			Computer Cheque
722.35	05/15/2025	ABC Fire & Safety Equipment Lt	11492
10,313.88	05/15/2025	Access Credit Union	11493
200.00	05/15/2025	Alf Cuthbert School	11494
14.53	05/15/2025	RA Outdoors, LLC DBA ASPIRA	11495
25,000.00	05/15/2025	Community Development Corp	11496
111.45	05/15/2025	Chicken Delight	11497
1,225,00	05/15/2025	EDAM	11498
2,480.31	05/15/2025	Graymont Western Canada	11499
200.00	05/15/2025	Gypsumville School	11500
47.01	05/15/2025	Ashern Home Hardware	11501
176.20	05/15/2025	Access Credit Union	11502
916.13	05/15/2025	MDA Transport	11503
99.75	05/15/2025	Over the Top Septic	11504
157.50	05/15/2025	Prairie By-Law Enforcement Ltd	11505
999.91	05/15/2025	Repromap Ltd.	11506
46.20	05/15/2025	Schwitek Shelly	11507
1,350.00	05/15/2025	STARS Foundation	11508
564.90	05/15/2025	TAXervice	11509
1,297.62	05/15/2025	Western Financial	11510
457.43	05/15/2025	XEROX CANADA LTD	11511
52,321,12	05/21/2025	6285636 Manitoba Ltd	11512
381.78	05/21/2025	Hilbre Auto Service Inc.	11513
2,275,45	05/21/2025	JR Cousin Consultants Ltd	11514
145.00	05/21/2025	Kasowan Katelin	11515
729.75	05/21/2025	Keith Cartage	11516
1,588,24	05/21/2025	McCandless Tramley	11517
3,570.00	05/21/2025	100115413 Manitoba Ltd.	11518
505.00	05/21/2025	Price Gene	11519
95.19	05/21/2025	Tcms High Speed Communications	11520
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107,991.70	Total for General:		

Payments Printed: 29

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Deposit Register

Pay group	100 (OFFICE	Ξ)	Pay period 10	(26Apr2025 I	to 09May2025)	2025) Cheque date		
Voucher No.	Pay Date	Emp. No.	Emp oyee Name	Dept. No.	Institute / Transit / Acc	ount	Amount	
	09May2025	675	BECKER, Charles	650				
	09May2025	665	CLARK, Arnold	650				
	09May2025	676	FALK, Phyllis	650				
	09May2025	681	Godfrey, Peter	650				
	09May2025	332	Houston, Dylan E.	310				
	09May2025	208	Kiesman, Jacqueline A.	725				
	09May2025	204	MCCOUBREY, Devan	250				
	09May2025	310	Ogonoski, Gregory F.	300				
	09May2025	301	PRICE, JASON	300				
	09May2025	684	Rawluk, Henry	650				
	09May2025	201	SCHWITEK, SHELLY D.	200				
	09May2025	207	SHANNON, Justin	260				
	09May2025	205	SPARROW, Barbara	260				

Pay Group Totals :

Number of Deposits:13

Total Amount of Deposits:1433 d. Total

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