

Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of the council of the R.M. of Arm River, No. 252 held in Council Chambers at the R.M. Office in Davidson, SK on Tuesday, January 13, 2026 commencing at 8:30 a.m.

Present: Deputy Reeve: Allan McNabb
Councillors: Blaine Smith, David Gregor, Kris Williams
Administrator: Michelle Riecken

Regrets: Reeve: Wayne Obrigewitsch
Councillors: Brian Schmidt, Brian Vibert

01/26 Call to Order: Allan McNabb: That as a quorum is present the meeting is called to order.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

02/26 Agenda: Blaine Smith: That the agenda be adopted as amended as follows:
Under 12. Reeve and Councillor Forum, add:
1) Fire Hall
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

No Conflicts of Interest were declared at this time regarding agenda items.

03/26 Minutes: Kris Williams: That the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on December 9, 2025 at 8:30 a.m. be hereby accepted as presented.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

04/26 Correspond: David Gregor: That correspondence be acknowledged as received and accepted as presented and be filed:
Davidson Fire Dept – Meeting Minutes Dec. 3/25
PNH – Winter 2025 Newsletter
IHunter - 2025 map sales report
SARM – Rural Dart Jan. 6/26
Town of Davidson – Newsletter
SARM – 2026 Convention Info.
CPWA – 2026 Conference Info.
SHA – Primary Health Care Newsletter
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

05/26 Financials: Blaine Smith: That Accounts Paid, Statement of Financial Activities, and Employee Payroll Summary and Council Indemnity for December 2025 be hereby approved as presented and are attached to and form a part of these minutes.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

06/26 Bank Recs: Kris Williams: That council approves the December 2025 Bank Reconciliation as presented by Administrator.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

07/26 A/P: Blaine Smith: That the Accounts Payable and Employee Bi-weekly Pay for the month of January 2026 be approved for payment and are attached to and form part of these minutes.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Mr. Cory Dean representing Western Sales attended the meeting at 9:52 am.

Mr. Dean left the meeting at 10:34 am.

08/26 Bonds: Allan McNabb: That upon presentation by the Administrator of the fidelity bonds, securities, titles and agreements that we accept the same as in order for the year.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

09/26 Library: Kris Williams: That council establish indemnity at \$75.00 per meeting and \$0.72 per KM for the year to Davidson Branch Library Rep Sandra Gurr.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10/26 TIP Grant: Allan McNabb: That the population of the municipality be allocated as follows for the purpose of the Saskatchewan Lotteries Trust Initiatives Program for 2027.
Davidson Recreation Board 233
Craig Recreation Board 18
Imperial Recreation Board 7
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 11/26 Fuel Tender:** **Blaine Smith:** That the municipality tender their fuel requirements for 2026 and further that the invitation for tender be sent to Riverbend Co-operative Limited and McRae Farm Services in Craik, to be reviewed at the March 2026 Council Meeting.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 12/26 Rec Grant:** **Kris Williams:** That the municipality defer discussion on allocating a recreation grant for 2026 to the Davidson Recreation Board until further requested information is received.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 13/26 Road Ban:** **David Gregor:** That the administrator inform Saskatchewan Highways & Transportation that the municipality wishes to enter into the 2026 Provincial "Road Bans".
CARRIED
- 14/26 SARM:** **Kris Williams:** That council defer discussion on appointing the official voting delegate and hail voting delegate for the annual SARM convention occurring March 10-12, 2026 in Regina, SK until February Council Meeting.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 15/26 Tradeshow:** **Blaine Smith:** That council defer discussion on authorizing outside employees to attend the tradeshow at the Annual SARM Convention until February Council Meeting.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 16/26 Election:** **David Gregor:** That for 2026, Michelle Riecken be appointed as Returning Officer; the Deputy Returning Officer of the municipality be Denise Brecht, and that an individual will be appointed Poll Clerk; and further that the polling station be as follows: Division 1-6 inclusive be at the municipal office in Davidson, SK on the set date as prescribed by *The Municipalities Act*. Further compensation for staff shall be determined by annual salary.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 17/26 Election:** **Blaine Smith:** That council establishes compensation for appointed election officials, who are not currently employed by the municipality, be \$300.00 per day and \$0.72/km. Employees who are appointed election officials will receive their regular pay.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 18/26 Gravel:** **Allan McNabb:** That RM 252 request a one (1) year term tender for the 2026 road gravel load, haul and spread of approximately 20,000 cu yards to be hauled in the spring after release of road bans, must be completed before August 1 of year. The contractor will provide weekly haul reports to the RM office every Friday until contract completed. Tender ad should indicate that the RM will use 1.35 as the conversion rate between cubic yard and MT. Tenders will be accepted until Friday March 6, 2026 at 3:00 pm. Tenders to be requested from the following contractors and advertised in The Davidson Leader and posted on Sask Tenders. Tenders to include a list of contractor's equipment.
Jason Boyd
J. Wright Construction
K McIntosh & Sons
Jeff Sagen
Richardsons Services Ltd (Simpson, SK)
Tenders to be reviewed at the March Council Meeting.
Any, or lowest, quote not necessarily accepted.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 19/26 Craik:** **Blaine Smith:** That council defer discussion on authorizing a grant to the Craik and District Regional Park in 2026 until the February Council Meeting.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 20/26 Schedule 12:** **Blaine Smith:** That council authorizes Schedule 12 to be advertised with the 2025 Audited Financial Statements.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 21/26 Well:** **Blaine Smith:** That RM252 authorizes contracting an electrician to replace lever switch to a button switch at the well located on SE 03-27-28 W2.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
Councillor Smith presented a Fire Hall Theft Report
- 22/26 Report:** **David Gregor:** That Fire Hall Report be accepted as presented.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 23/26 RIRG:** **Blaine Smith:** That Council withdraws from the 2025 RIRG Girvin Grid Project that required a 42-meter road allowance and will continue waiting to hear about the 2026 Girvin Grid RIRG Project that would require a 30-meter road allowance.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 24/26 CPR:** **Blaine Smith:** That Council authorizes all current employees and councillors (who

want to participate) be registered to participate in CPR Course. Associated costs will be covered by RM252. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

25/26 PME: **Kris Williams:** That Council authorizes T. Muirhead and B. McLaren be registered to participate in PME Training/Evaluator Course. Associated costs will be covered by the Municipality. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

26/26 Course: **David Gregor:** That council directs full time outside employees to have completed Industrial Vegetative Applicator Course by March 1, 2026. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

27/26 Donation: **Blaine Smith:** That council authorizes a donation to Crime Stoppers for \$200 for 2026. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

28/26 Building: **Kris Williams:** This is to Certify That:

Cristin Korchinski	Class 2 Licensed Building Official, Saskatchewan	BOL784
Virginia Shepley	Class 3 Licensed Building Official, Saskatchewan	BOL517
Bobby Baker	Class 3 Licensed Building Official, Saskatchewan	BOL552
Chantel Terry	Class 1 Licensed Building Official, Saskatchewan	BOL860
Joshua Nitz	Class 3 Licensed Building Official, Saskatchewan	BOL785
Charles Fiss	Class 1 Licensed Building Official, Saskatchewan	BOL836
David Kindred	Class 1 Licensed Building Official, Saskatchewan	BOL514
John Dulle	Class 1 Licensed Building Official, Saskatchewan	BOL789
Nathan Brodner	Class 1 Licensed Building Official, Saskatchewan	BOL880

Have been appointed as licensed Building Officials by the Council of the RM of Arm River No. 252 under the authority of subsections 16 (2) and 16 (3) of the Construction Codes Act. Further, that Reeve Obrigewitsch is authorized to sign "Certificate of Appointment" **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

29/26 Bylaw: **Kris Williams:** That Bylaw No. 01/2026 being a bylaw to license the excavation of gravel from gravel pits be read a first time. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

30/26 **Blaine Smith:** That Bylaw No. 01/2026 being a bylaw to license the excavation of gravel from gravel pits be read a second time. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

31/26 **David Gregor:** That Bylaw No. 01/2026 being a bylaw to license the excavation of gravel from gravel pits be given a third reading at this meeting. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

32/26 **Allan McNabb:** That Bylaw No. 01/2026 being a bylaw to license the excavation of gravel from gravel pits be read a third time and adopted. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

33/26 Adjourn: **Kris Williams:** That the meeting be adjourned at 11:22 a.m. and the next regular meeting of council be scheduled for Tuesday, February 10, 2026 in the RM Office in Davidson, SK. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Reeve

Administrator