

TOWN OF EATONIA
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, June 16, 2026

Minutes of the Town of Eatonia Regular Council Meeting held on the 16th day of June, 2026 in the Town Council Chambers at 202 Main Street, Eatonia, Saskatchewan.

PRESENT:

Mayor Darcy Scott; Deputy Mayor Dean Aldridge; Councillors Curtis Becker, Damion Smith, and Carol Peters; and Recording Secretary, Administrator, Victoria Munroe.

VACANT: 2 Seats

CALL TO ORDER:

A quorum being present, Mayor Scott called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

AGENDA:

Councillor Becker declared a conflict of interest regarding Agenda item 4.g. and departed the meeting.

01/08/26 Moved by Peters and Seconded by Smith that Agenda item 4.g. be removed due to noncompliance with Council Procedures Bylaw Section 20.1.
CARRIED.

Councillor Becker returned to the meeting at 7:04 p.m.

The remaining agenda for tonight's meeting, having been reviewed by Council, will be used as a guideline for this meeting.

02/08/26 Moved by Peters and Seconded by Becker that the Bank Reconciliations and Statement of Financial Activities for April and May be brought to the July meeting.
CARRIED.

MINUTES:

03/08/26 Moved by Aldridge and Seconded by Becker that the Town of Eatonia March 10, 2026 regular meeting minutes be approved as amended.
CARRIED.

1. CORRESPONDENCE:

04/08/26 Moved by Aldridge and Seconded by Smith that the following correspondence;

- Library Board Meeting Minutes
- Heritage Board Meeting Minutes (2)
- Prosperity Credit Union – Fee Changes
- Pinter and Associates – Cory Contracting Updated Pricing Agreement

having been reviewed, be accepted as received, and filed.
CARRIED.

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An email, addressed to Council was received. In response, Councillor Becker provided the following statement:

Regarding the trailer parked behind my residence: I have had informal conversations with councillors about parking in this space spanning approximately 15 years, during which no concerns were raised. A few years ago, a councillor at the time mentioned to me informally that there had been some discussions about trailer parking in Town and that I may need to move my trailer at some point, however, nothing further came of that conversation, and no formal notice or direction was provided.

I have become aware in recent weeks that during that review of trailer parking a few years ago, my trailer specifically was discussed, and that it was determined at that time that it was not an issue. I was not made fully aware of this detail at the time, and I want it on the record now, as it is directly relevant to this issue and the timing of the concern.

That said, I acknowledge that the location of the trailer runs counter to the Town's bylaw. I want to be clear on the record: I accept that, and I will be moving the trailer shortly after this weekend. That said, I would note that this matter was not raised until after I began advocating on governance concerns related to the dog park. I believe the timing is relevant context, and I state it not to deflect accountability, but to ensure the full picture is on the record. I am confident that bylaw enforcement should apply consistently and fairly to all residents, including elected officials, and I intend to comply fully.

Thanks,
Curtis

2. DELEGATES:

None.

3. STAFF REPORTS:

- 05/08/26** **Moved by Becker and Seconded by Peters** that the Waste Disposal Grounds Operator Report having been reviewed, be accepted as received and filed. **CARRIED.**
- 06/08/26** **Moved by Smith and Seconded by Aldridge** that the Administrative Assistant/Recreation Director Report having been reviewed, be accepted as received and filed. **CARRIED.**
- 07/08/26** **Moved by Smith and Seconded by Peters** that the May water permit records and logs, being reviewed and found to meet the permit requirements, be accepted and filed. **CARRIED.**

4. NEW BUSINESS:

4.a. Board Appointments

- 08/08/26** **Moved by Aldridge and Seconded by Smith** that the recommendation from the Eatonia & District Recreation Board be approved and Terri Moore be appointed to the Board and;
that the recommendation from the Eatonia & District Library Board be approved and Terri Moore and Terrie Martin-Schmunk be appointed to the Board.
CARRIED.

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4.b. Audit – 2025 Financial Statements

- 09/08/26** **Moved by Aldridge and Seconded by Peters** that the 2025 audited financial statement prepared by Close Hauta Bertoia Blanchette (CHBB) be accepted as presented and filed for future reference. **CARRIED.**
- 10/08/26** **Moved by Becker and Seconded by Aldridge** that CHBB accountant Amanda Berotia be consulted to explain and provide a recommendation to close the audit finding regarding PS3290 Asset Retirement Obligations and to report back to council by the August meeting. **CARRIED.**

4.c. Town Award

8:11 p.m. Councillor Aldridge declared conflict of interest due to their daughter being nominated for the award and departed the meeting.

8:11 p.m. Councillor Becker declared conflict of interest due to his connection to the nominator for one of the candidates for the award and departed the meeting.

- 11/08/26** **Moved by Peters and Seconded by Smith** that the Town of Eatonia Award in the amount of \$200.00 each be awarded to both Taylor Aldrige and Trista Kelly for their outstanding contributions to the community. **CARRIED.**

Councillors Becker and Aldridge returned to the meeting at 8:13 p.m.

4.d. Request for Lot Consolidation

- 12/08/26** **Moved by Aldridge and Seconded by Becker** that as per Policy No. 18 the request to consolidate Lot 21, Block 7, Plan 102261349 and Lot 15, Block 7, Plan BB4511 be approved and that the owner be responsible for the consolidation and all expenses related to the consolidation of the lots. **CARRIED.**

4.e. Request for Consideration – Pivot Rental

Council determined to decline Beechinor's request to utilize the irrigation pivot for a full circle, watering on their land beside the EOL Growing Project lands, due to water scarcity.

4.f. Councillor Peters' List of Items

2026 Budget

Councillor Peters brought forward an example from the Town of Unity where they hold a public meeting when setting their budget.

Plan for street pothole repairs

Councillor Peters indicated she had spoken to Ryan Simms from Highways out of Eston. Simms agreed to supply cold mix for repairing potholes for free to the Town of Eatonia. Town staff will need to prep and tar the areas before cold mix is applied. Councillor Peters will confirm if hauling is also free and make arrangements. If delivered, the product can be stockpiled at the Hwy Shed until it can be used.

Website Minutes

Councillor Peters brought forward inquires about Town Council Minutes being made available on eatonia.ca. Council discussed that administrative staff manage the website since the retirement of the previous web-manager. Staff upload council minutes when time permits.

Retirement

Council discussed possible arrangements for succession planning. Options have not been presented for council consideration at this time.

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9:05 p.m. Councillor Becker stepped out of the meeting to accept a phone call.

9:09 p.m. Councillor Becker returned to the meeting.

Campground

Councillor Aldridge will talk to Leah Cooper about watering and have her request gravel be brought in from the R.M. of Chesterfield No. 261.

Replacement of Railway Trees

Councillor Peters brought forward the possibility of replacing trees along railway as they appear to be struggling and looking poor, possibly due to the highway salt. Fall planting of hardier varieties like Manitoba Maples or Japanese Lilac to be considered further.

5. OTHER:

5.a. Yard Waste Pick-Up

Council discussed and determined to bring further options for consideration at the next meeting.

5.b. Nuisance Orders

Council discussed properties to receive Nuisance Orders regarding unkept grass/overgrown trees, debris, and inoperable vehicles.

Recruitment of an acting Bylaw Enforcement Officer continues.

6. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

SCHOOL COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Bike rodeo was a success. Grad celebrations went well; grad class vs teachers and SCC baseball game was a good day for all.

EATONIA OASIS LIVING

Looking at getting a new bathtub. Thermostat needs repairs again. 1-2 windows are cracked and need to be replaced when possible. Collecting quotes to redo the lobby.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Meeting on June 18.

C.E.N.

Attending vehicle training with other local departments.

RECREATION BOARD

Job interviews were held and an offer was made to one of the candidates, hopefully they will be starting soon. A new pad at the swimming pool, made of cork or turf, is being investigated.

LEADER & DISTRICT TRUST ADVISORY

A grant of \$1,000 each was awarded to 4 students who applied for the scholarship.

SHA COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT – CYPRESS

A new doctor is coming in October. There was a career fair in Rosetown, showcasing jobs in healthcare beyond nurses and doctors such as administration, laundry, kitchens, cleaning, etc.. Pharmacies will be getting additional prescription abilities.

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7. ADJOURNMENT:

Aldridge Adjourned the meeting at 10:00 p.m. Seconded by **Smith**.

NEXT MEETING: July 14th, 2026

Mayor

Administrator