

COUNCIL PRESENT:

Reeve	Tom S. Hougham
Division 1	Leonard Larre
Division 3	Doug Trotsuk
Division 4	Ronald Gory
Division 5	Gay Noeth

COUNCIL ABSENT:

Division 2	Carri Zeller
Division 6	Evan Priest

STAFF PRESENT:

Aaron Neilly, Acting Chief Administrative Officer (A/CAO)
Crystal Schaan, Deputy CAO
Dan Fedirko, Public Works Foreman @ 9:12 a.m.
Shannon McLean, Infrastructure Assistant @ 11:10 a.m.

CALLED TO ORDER:

9:00 a.m. The Regular Meeting was called to order by Reeve Hougham.

1-1 SEPTEMBER 23, 2026 AGENDA:

2026-09-23-001 NOETH: That the September 23, 2026 agenda be used as a guideline.

Carried

Conflicts of Interest Declared: Members were asked to declare any known conflicts of interest relating to agenda items for the meeting in accordance with sections 144 and 144.1 of The Municipalities Act. Members were further reminded to declare any conflict of interest that becomes apparent during the meeting before discussion of the applicable matter. Conflicts of Interest Declared:

- None

2-1 SEPTEMBER 9, 2026 MINUTES:

2026-09-23-002 LARRE: That the September 9, 2026 minutes be approved as presented.

Carried

5-1 PAYROLL- PP2026-20:

2026-09-23-003 NOETH: That the payroll accounts for the pay period **September 6-19, 2026 Authorization #498, direct deposit dated September 25, 2026, totaling \$55,494.02 be approved.**

Further, that a schedule of these payments be annexed to and form part of these minutes as **Appendix A Salaries and Wages September 6-19, 2026.**

Carried

5-2 ACCOUNTS – SEPTEMBER 23, 2026:

2026-09-23-004 GORY: That the following payments dated September 23, 2026 be approved.

• Cheques 34386 to 34420	Totaling	\$912,851.51
• Other Payments	Totaling	\$103,988.75
	Total AP	\$1,016,840.26

Carried

9:12 a.m. Dan Fedirko entered Council Chambers to discuss Public Works report.
9:40 a.m. Aaron Neilly presented the CAO report.

9-1.1 RIGHT OF WAY PURCHASE GREG AND KAREN YOUNG NE 33-53-26-W3M:

2026-09-23-005 NOETH: That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 enters into the *Form of Agreement for Sale of Land for Right of Way*, dated September 17, 2026, with Greg and Karen Young for the purchase of approximately 0.28 acres of land located within NE 33-53-26-W3M, outside the existing 150-foot road right-of-way, as required for the culvert installation and associated road and drainage works, at a rate of \$2,655.56 per acre, for a

total purchase price of \$743.56, in accordance with R.M. Policy No. 300-05, the Right of Way Payment Policy.

Carried

9-1.2 RIGHT OF WAY PURCHASE REUBEN AND CAROL MAPLETOFT NW-34-53-26-W3M:

2026-09-23-006 TROTZUK: That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 enters into the *Form of Agreement for Sale of Land for Right of Way*, dated September 17, 2026, with Reuben and Carol Mapletoft for the purchase of approximately 0.55 acres of land located within NW 34-53-26-W3M, outside the existing 150-foot road right-of-way, as required for the culvert installation and associated road and drainage works, at a rate of \$2,882.76 per acre, for a total purchase price of \$1585.52, in accordance with R.M. Policy No. 300-05, the Right of Way Payment Policy.

Carried

10:19 a.m. Dan Fedirko left Council Chambers.

13-4 PARADISE HILL FIRE HALL CONTRIBUTION:

2026-09-23-007 GORY: That Council approve a \$450,000 financial contribution toward the construction of the new 50' x 120' Paradise Hill Fire Hall, and authorize Administration to prepare an agreement with the Village of Paradise Hill outlining the terms and conditions of the contribution, with the Reeve and A/CAO authorized to execute the agreement on behalf of the RM.

Carried

6-1 STAFF/COMMITTEE REPORTS:

2026-09-23-008 TROTZUK: That the written and verbal report by A/CAO, Aaron Neilly, and Public Works Foreman, Dan Fedirko be acknowledged.

Carried

12-3 SARM MIDTERM CONVENTION:

2026-09-23-009 NOETH: That Council approves 5 councillors and 1 staff member to attend the SARM Midterm Convention, TCU Place, Saskatoon, SK from November 18-19, 2026.

Carried

RECESS MEETING:

2026-09-23-010 NOETH: That this meeting recess.

10:26 a.m.

Carried

RECONVENED MEETING:

10:34 a.m. The Regular Meeting of Council was reconvened by Reeve Hougham.

13-5 BYLAW 2026-03 A BYLAW TO REGULATE THE OPERATION OF VEHICLES AND THE USE OF THE HIGHWAYS:

2026-09-23-011 NOETH: That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 Bylaw 2026-03, A Bylaw to Regulate the Operation of Vehicles and the Use of Highways be read a first time.

Carried

2026-09-23-012 GORY: That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 Bylaw 2026-03, A Bylaw to Regulate the Operation of Vehicles and the Use of Highways be read a second time.

Carried

2026-09-23-013 TROTZUK: That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 Bylaw 2026-03, A Bylaw to Regulate the Operation of Vehicles and the Use of Highways be given three readings at this meeting.

Carried Unanimously

2026-09-23-014 LARRE: That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. Bylaw 2026-03, A Bylaw to Regulate the Operation of Vehicles and the Use of Highways be read a third time and passed.

Carried

13-6 SARM RESOLUTION – ELK DEPREDAATION PERMIT SEASON:

2026-09-23-015 GORY: That Council approve the submission of the “Elk Depredation Permit Season” resolution to SARM for the 2026 Mid-Term Convention, requesting that SARM lobby the Government of Saskatchewan to establish an elk depredation permit season from July 1 through March 31, allowing qualifying agricultural producers to access depredation permits during the period when verified elk damage is occurring.

Carried

13-8 EXTENDED WARRANTY 2023 CATERPILLAR DOZER:

2026-09-23-016 TROTZUK: That Council approve the purchase of the Extended Powertrain & Hydraulic with Technology warranty from Finning for the RM’s 2023 Caterpillar D5 dozer, Serial No. Z6A01998, providing 24 months/1,500 hours of coverage, at a cost of \$12,632.94 plus applicable taxes.

Carried

11:10 a.m. Shannon McLean entered Council Chambers.
11:40 a.m. Shannon McLean left Council Chambers.

IN-CAMERA:

2026-09-23-017 LARRE: That the R.M. of Frenchman Butte No. 501 Council moves in-camera to discuss legal as authorized by the legislative authority of *The Municipalities Act* Section 120 including the exemptions in Part III of *The Local Authority Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

Carried

OUT-OF-CAMERA:

12:11 p.m. The Regular Meeting of Council was reconvened by Reeve Hougham.

Carried

RECESS MEETING:

2026-09-23-018 LARRE: That this meeting recess.

Carried

RECONVENED MEETING:

12:42 p.m. The Regular Meeting of Council was reconvened by Reeve Hougham.

14-1 CORRESPONDENCE – SEPTEMBER 23, 2026:

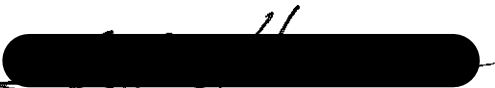
2026-09-23-019 NOETH: That the September 23, 2026 correspondence as information to be filed as presented to Council, outlined in Appendix B be accepted.

Carried

15-1 ADJOURNMENT:

2026-09-23-020 TROTZUK: That this Regular Meeting of Council at 1:02 p.m. be adjourned.

Carried


Reeve


Acting Chief Administrative Officer


Reeve


A/CAO