Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting February 24, 2025 – 7:00 pm Village of Duchess Council Chambers

Councillors present: Mayor Tony Steidel Deputy Mayor Deborah Reid-Mickler Councillor Tina Preston Councillor Shanda Smith Councillor Stephen Dortch

Staff present: Yvonne Cosh CAO, Kent Torkelson PW, Paula Dame Admin

Mayor Steidel called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

Motions

15-25	<u>Councillor Smith</u> motioned to approve the minutes of the January 20th, 2025 Regular Council meeting. Carried Unanimously	
16-25	DM Reid-Mickler motioned to approve the agenda. Carried Unanimously	
Councillor Dortch arrived at 7:05 pm Councillor Preston arrived at 7:06 pm		
17-25	<u>Mayor Steidel motioned to go into Camera at 7:10 pm</u> Carried Unanimously	
18-25	<u>Councillor Dortch</u> motioned to come out of camera at 7:27 pm Carried Unanimously	

19-24 <u>Councillor Preston</u> motioned to pause Phase 2 of the Collier's proposal until we have a better indication of Provincial or Federal funding availability. Carried Unanimously

20-24	<u>Councillor Smith</u> motioned to approve the 1 st reading of the Electronic Communications Bylaw 525-25. Carried Unanimously
21-25	<u>DM Reid-Mickler</u> motioned to approve 2 nd reading of Bylaw 522-24 amendment to existing Land Use Bylaw 482-19. Carried
22-25	<u>Mayor Steidel</u> motion to approve 3 rd reading of Bylaw 522-24 amendment to existing Land Use Bylaw 482-19. Carried
23-25	DM Reid Mickler motion to approve 2 nd reading of Bylaw 523-24 amendment to existing Land Use Bylaw 482-19. Carried
24-25	<u>Mayor Steidel</u> motion to approve the 3 rd reading of Bylaw 523-24 amendment to existing Land Use Bylaw 482-19. Carried
25-25	<u>Mayor Steidel</u> motioned to go ahead with the purchasing of a tractor for Public Works using the 2024 Budget amount of \$182,000. Carried Unanimously
26-25	<u>Councillor Preston</u> motioned to approve the Plan of Service for the Duchess and District Public Library. Carried Unanimously
27-25	<u>Mayor Steidel</u> motioned to Proclaim Resiliency Week April 6-12, 2025 Carried Unanimously
28-25	<u>Councillor Preston</u> motioned to accept the consent agenda items as presented. Carried Unanimously

29-25 <u>Councillor Preston motioned to go into camera at 8:12 pm.</u> Carried Unanimously

Paula Dame left meeting at 8:40 pm

30-25 <u>Councillor Dortch motioned to come out of camera at 8:56 pm.</u> Carried Unanimously

31-25 <u>Councillor Preston</u> motioned to pass the 2025 wage increases as per the recommendations presented by administration.

Carried Unanimously

Mayor Tony Steidel

CAO Yvonne Cosh

Adjournment 8:58 pm

Important Dates

Spring Leader's Caucus and President Summit March 4 -7, 2025 Edmonton -Mayor Steidel, Council Smith, CAO Cosh

March Council MeetingMarch 17th, 2025 @ 7 pmBudget MeetingMarch 19th @ 7 pmBudget MeetingApril 2nd @ 6 pm Supper meeting