

COUNCIL MEETING
Wednesday, February 19, 2025 7:00 p.m.

Attendance MAYOR: CHRIS HALL
DEPUTY MAYOR: LORRAINE MACARTHUR
COUNCILLOR: M'LISS EDWARDS
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER: ANNETTE PLACHNER

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hall called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

C25-013 **Motion** Deputy Mayor MacArthur motioned to add – new business 9.3 – development 209 – 2nd street North

C25-014 **Motion** Deputy Mayor MacArthur motioned to adopt the agenda as amended. Carried.

3. PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

Public Works Report

No report available at this time.

4. REGISTERED PRESENTATIONS

4.1 Devin Diano – Palliser Regional Planning - Bylaw 397/Public Hearing.

The public Hearing was discussed, residents from the Village attending the Public Hearing were all opposed to the development of storage units for various reasons.

C25-015 **Motion:** Deputy Mayor MacArthur motioned to give Bylaw # 397 second reading. Carried Unanimously.

Devin related to Council that a Direct Control Bylaw can be enforced for restrictions to a designated property.

5 ADOPTION OF MINUTES

C25-016 **Motion:** Deputy Mayor MacArthur motioned to adopt the minutes of the regular meeting of January 15, 2025. Carried.

C25-017 **Motion:** Deputy Mayor MacArthur motioned to adopt the minutes of the Public Hearing February 11, 2025. Carried.

6 FINANCIAL REPORT

6.1 January 31, 2025

C25-018 **Motion:** Deputy Mayor MacArthur motioned to adopt the January Financial report as presented. Carried

7 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER REPORT

7.1 No report at this time

8. OLD BUSINESS

8.1 Bylaw # 397 – previously received Second reading

9. NEW BUSINESS

9.1 Development Application – Bluming Prairie U Haul Dealership

9.2 Drumheller District Senior Foundation – permission to borrow funds

9.3 Development – 209 – 2nd St. North

C25-019 9.1 Development Application – Bluming Prairie U Haul Dealership 103 Main St.
Motion: Deputy Mayor MacArthur motioned to approve the development Application from Bluming Prairie for a U Haul dealership on 103 Main Street under The Village Land Use Bylaw # 345 Commercial – Discretionary Uses – Automobile Vehicles sales. Service and repairs. Carried Unanimously.

9.2 Drumheller District Senior Foundation. Permission to borrow funds
Council discussed the request from the District Senior Foundation to borrow the Sum of 3.5 million dollars for the construction of a new kitchen. The increase of The village's annual requisition was also discussed regarding the borrowing of Funds.

C25-020 **Motion:** Deputy Mayor MacArthur motioned that the Village of Morrin deny the request of the District Senior Foundation to borrow 3.5 million dollars. Carried
Councillor Edwards abstained from the vote.

9.3 Development – 209 – 2nd street North

Council were inquiring if the residents of 209 – 2nd street North development permit for the shed was approved. Palliser Planning will be contacted for verification.

10 COUNCIL REPORTS

Community Futures Deputy

Deputy Mayor MacArthur reported on the Community Futures – 2 meetings

- The Executive Directors report – worked on budget and operating plan for 2025 and 2026.
- Board training was discussed.
- Target tracking report to December 31 was discussed.
- Updates from all municipalities and the Economic Development Committee.
- No new loan recommendations from LRC.

Village of Morrin Regular Meeting
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FCSS Meeting - Starland County Office

Deputy Mayor MacArthur reported on the FCSS meeting

- Minutes and agenda were approved from October 22, 2024
- The interim budget was passed
- Allocation of funding from 2024 was discussed
- Community reports were given

Public Hearing – Morrin Hall

Deputy Mayor MacArthur reported on the Public Hearing

- Comments from residents regarding Bylaw # 397 application to change Land Use Bylaw # 345 to allow C Cans.
- Lynda Mar – spruce trees planted along sidewalk. Concerned about security
- Curtis Blayney – definitely against project on Main street
- Roger Johnson – not wanted on Main street
- Rod Aiken – washrooms are not relevant.
- Colleena Hamilton – do not want development , eyesore on Main street
- Laura Jarvis – Industrial use on Main street
- Liz Hall – not in agreement

Morrin and District Ag Society

C25-021 Motion: Mayor Hall motioned that a water meter be installed at the Morrin Arena. Carried.

11 COUNCIL INQUIRIES OR COMMENTS

None

12 CORRESPONDENCE TO MAYOR AND/OR COUNCIL AS A WHOLE

None

13. CLOSED SESSION

14. NEXT MEETING DATE: MARCH 19, 2025

15 ADJOURNMENT

C25-012 Motion: Mayor Hall motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 p.m. Carried.

MAYOR

CAO

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING HELD IN THE VILLAGE OFFICE ON TUESDAY,
FEBRUARY 25, 2025 AT 10:00 A.M. IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, CANADA**

ATTENDING:	MAYOR:	CHRIS HALL
	DEPUTY MAYOR:	LORRAINE MACARTHUR
	COUNCILLOR	M'LISS EDWARDS
	CAO:	ANNETTE PLACHNER

Devon Diano – CEO Palliser Regional Municipal Services

MEETING PURPOSE

Council assembled to discuss Bylaw # 397 – a proposed amendment bylaw application to create a use, rules and regulations for Self Storage Facilities in the Commercial District of the Village of Morrin.

A lengthy discussion was held by Council, Mr Diano and CAO.

C25- 023 Motion: Mayor Hall motioned that the Third Reading for Bylaw # 397 be refused as a Self Storage Facility is not an appropriate use within a Commercial zoned property or on the Village of Morrin main street.

The proposed Facility is more suitable for Industrial or at the #9 Highway at the Starland County new proposed Industrial development area.

Residents that attended the Public Hearing for the proposed Bylaw # 397 were all opposed to having a Self Storage Facility on Main street of the Village, sighting the fact that would it be unsightly and would devalue all properties especially existing businesses. A Self Storage Facility should not be situated next to a Community Hall, Grocery Store or any other business on Main street.

The motion was seconded by Deputy Mayor MacArthur.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Devon Diano – left the meeting at 10:50 A.M.

SECOND TOPIC OF DISCUSSION - DRUMHELLER DISTRICT FOUNDATION BORROW FUNDS

Council discussed the request from the Drumheller District Foundation requesting the Village's permission to borrow funds of 3.5 million dollars for the development of a new kitchen for

the facility.

Council held a brief telephone conversation with the CAO of the District Foundation – Glenda Youngberg. Ms Youngberg explained to Council why the District Foundation needed to borrow the said funds. The present kitchen was built in 1960 to facilitate 30 residents, which has now increased to 75 residents. The present kitchen is inadequate. There are no grants available for this project.

Ms Youngberg explained to Council and Administration that the Village's annual requisition would not increase due to the borrowing of this money.

C25-024 Motion: Deputy Mayor MacArthur motioned that the Village of Morrin grant the Drumheller District Foundation permission to borrow 3.5 million for the new kitchen development as previously requested.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

C25-025 - Mayor Hall adjourned the meeting at 11:30 A.M.

CARRIED.

MAYOR

CAO