

**Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting
of the Town of Sturgis held in the Council Chambers
on May 15th, 2025.**

Present: Mayor: Dean Harris, Councillors: Michael Yaremchuk, Carol Smith, Perry Keller, Tecia Fincaryk, Jeff Chupik and CAO Shawna Johnson.

Regrets: Nathan Seghers

With a quorum being present, Mayor Dean Harris called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

Minutes	85/2025	<p>Fincaryk: That the minutes of the last regular meeting of council held on Tuesday April 8th, 2025 be approved as read.</p> <p>Carried</p>
TD Renovations	86/2025	<p>Keller: That the Town of Sturgis town council approve Shawna with a budget of \$5000 for renovations to the 217 Main Street (old TD building). Including plumbing, construction of a wall/shelf, door, flooring and electrical.</p> <p>Carried</p>
TD Rental	87/2025	<p>Fincaryk: That the Town of Sturgis town council approve a 3-year lease of the TD Building to Jessa Ruf and Asthon Wotherspoon. Rent is set at \$700 per month including utilities. A \$500 damage deposit must be given prior to opening that will be returned after an inspection of the property when the lease ends. The renter must give a 2-month, written notice with rent paid prior to ending the lease. The renter(s) must have rental insurance.</p> <p>Carried</p> <p>7:30pm Forman Shaun Howard joined the meeting to discuss day to day operations. He discussed the water treatment plant inspection from water security. We may need to add another filter to the plant to help solve the turbidity testing. The town of Norquay may have filters. The water at the sports grounds by the rodeo area may be frozen or there is a water break. If it is frozen and does not release before the event, Shaun will run a temporary line from a fire hydrate for the weekend. Shaun will get the information on how to supply water and sewer to the new Co-op. He will give the specs to Shawna and she will forward it to Brad Chambers. The museum requested help with bracing a shelf at the museum, the public works is to assist them with this project.</p> <p>8:15pm Forman Shaun Howard vacated the chambers.</p>
Filters	88/2025	<p>Chupik: That the Town of Sturgis town council requested Forman Shaun Howard contacts the Town of Norquay to inquire about their intentions with their old water treatment plant filters.</p> <p>Carried</p>
Abatements	89/2025	<p>Chupik: That the property tax abatements for Lot 11 Block 2 Plan AL1412, Lot 3 Block 2 Plan AA3984 & PT. OF D 60Y01861 are attached be part of these minutes.</p> <p>Carried</p>
Speed Bumps/ Signs	90/2025	<p>Smith: That the Town of Sturgis town council request Shaun to install speed bumps at 238 Morken Street, on Railway Avenue (passed the hill after the Museum) and before the landfill coming into town. The 3 new radar speed signs are to be installed at each end of town, and one at the Daycare, (by the turn off to the Sports grounds). Two stop signs are to be installed at the corner of Morken Street and Hudson Street, leave yield signs at that corner the same.</p> <p>Carried</p>

Bylaw 3 2025	91/2025	Keller: That Bylaw 3, 2025, being a bylaw to establish a Sturgis & District Community Hall Board be introduced and read the first time. Carried
	92/2025	Yaremchuk: That Bylaw 3, 2025 be given a second reading. Carried
	93/2025	Smith: That Bylaw 3, 2025 be given a third reading at this meeting. Carried
	94/2025	Fincaryk: That the Bylaw 3, 2025 to establish a Sturgis & District Community Hall board be adopted. Carried
Fire Units	95/2025	Yaremchuk: That the Town of Sturgis town council accepts the required units to be paid in the amount of \$1000.00 and paid to the Sturgis & District Rural Fire Board. Carried
		9:03pm Councillor Tecia Fincaryk declared a conflict of interest and vacated the council chambers. 9:17pm Councillor Fincaryk was invited back into the Council Chambers.
Sale of Property	96/2025	Smith: That the Town of Sturgis town council sell Lot 12,13 & 14 Block 14 Plan 83Y04047 to Frank Babiarz for \$2500 per lot. Build must be completed within 1 year. The cost of lawyer must be paid ½ by purchaser and ½ by the Town of Sturgis. The expense of \$300 for the ISC transfer will be paid to the Town of Sturgis by the purchaser. All other Town of Sturgis lots will be sold at \$2500 per lot. The expenses to add services to any lots the Town of Sturgis will pay 50% of the costs but only up to \$3000.00. The exceeding expenses are those of the purchaser. Any legal expenses (purchasing agreements) are ½ the town's and ½ the purchasers. ISC transfers will cost the purchaser \$300 per lot, to be paid to the Town of Sturgis. Carried
Summer Students	97/2025	Fincaryk: That the Town of Sturgis town council hire 2 summer students. Start date end of June to the end of August 2025. Shawna will post jobs on Facebook, website, send posters to SCS and ask them to announce it. The final day for resumes will be May 30 th , 2025. Carried
Landfill	98/2025	Chupik: That the Town of Sturgis town council no longer accepts mattresses and any furniture at the landfill. To commence immediately. Carried
Building Permit	99/2025	Smith: That the Town of Sturgis town council approve the building permit to construct a fence for Lot 15/16 Block 14 Plan 83Y04047. Carried
Building Permit	100/2025	Yaremchuk: That the Town of Sturgis town council approve the building permit to construct a fence for Lot 16 Block 17 Plan CA5148. Carried
Insurance	101/2025	Yaremchuk: That the Town of Sturgis town council keep the current insurance with SGI until September when the policy expires. Carried
Sturgis Minor Ball/Maintenance	102/2025	Chupik: That the Town of Sturgis town council donates \$2500.00 to Sturgis Minor Ball to help with improvements to fencing and backstops. The town of Sturgis also agrees to maintain the grass and area around the ball diamonds, Sports grounds, Multi-Complex/Hill & Disc Golf area.

Landfill	103/2025	Smith: That the Town of Sturgis town council approve the landfill letter CAO Shawna wrote to inform the residents of the landfill situation and ideas to work together and recycle.	Carried
Landfill Coverage	104/2025	Chupik: That the Town of Sturgis town council agrees that Forman Shaun Howard needs to cover the garbage area at least once per week. They have requested a border be put in place where the garbage is thrown to guide resident's disposal. This is to ensure the garbage is more contained and to help the landfill supervisor.	Carried
Corres-Pondence	105/2025	Keller: That the following correspondence having been read be filed: <div><div>1. SUMA -emails</div><div>2. GSSD In Focus & from the Board Report - emailed</div><div>3. RCMP updates</div><div>4. Landfill letter to be sent</div><div>5. SUMAInvest – Shawna is to inquire into SUMAInvest and our current savings account</div></div>	Carried
Reports	106/2025	Smith: That the following reports be accepted as presented: <div><div>1. Financial for April</div><div>2. Foreman's April Report</div><div>3. Arena - no reports</div><div>4. Hall – Bylaw</div><div>5. Rec Report – read and acknowledged</div><div>6. Doctors Incentive Cost Share Agreement – acknowledged</div><div>7. Sports and Rodeo – June 21st & 22nd Andrea and Shawna have been asked to help with the kitchen, posters and ball.</div><div>8. Landfill Report – Summer Hours May starting 18th. 2:00pm to 7:00pm</div><div>9. PRWMA-</div></div>	Carried
Mult -Complex	107/2025	Chupik: That the Town of Sturgis town council agree to the cost of quote for a gas valve at the Multi -Complex for \$735.00 from Danielson plumbing.	Carried
Accounts Payable	108/2025	Fincaryk: That the accounts attached to form part of these minutes be approved for payment.	Carried
Adjourn	109/2025	Smith: That this meeting be adjourned (11:23pm). The next council meeting to be held June 19 th at 7:00pm.	Carried

Mayor

Administrator