

**Minutes of the Special Council Meeting  
of the Town of Sturgis held in the Council Chambers  
on January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2025.**

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

Regrets:

With a quorum being present, Mayor Dean Harris called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Bylaw 1/2025	20/2025	<b>Chupik:</b> That Bylaw 1-2025, being a bylaw to establish the Recreation Board was introduced and to repeal existing Bylaw 1-1988.	Carried
	21/2025	<b>Yaremchuk:</b> That Bylaw 1, 2025 be given a first reading.	Carried
	22/2025	<b>Keller:</b> That Bylaw 1, 2025 be given a second reading at this meeting.	Carried
	23/2025	<b>Smith:</b> That Bylaw 1, 2025, be given three readings at this meeting.	Carried
	24/2025	<b>Seghers:</b> That Bylaw 1, 2025 a Bylaw to establish a Recreation Board be adopted.	Carried
Rec Duties	25/2025	<b>Smith:</b> That the Town of Sturgis town council put into effect the Roles and Duties for the Sturgis Community Development & Recreational Coordinator Position. The document is attached to these minutes.	Carried
Organ	26/2025	<b>Yaremchuk:</b> That the Town of Sturgis will donate the organ that was left at the hall. It is not needed and if not taken will be disposed of. Andrea is to advertised the organ on Facebook to try give it away, a.s.a.p.	Carried
Taxes Enforcement	27/2025	<b>Fincaryk:</b> That TAXervice be authorized under s22(1) of Tax Enforcement Act to commence proceedings to request title with respect to the following described Lands: Roll 259 Lot 7 Block 9 Plan BW1546, Roll 316 Lot 14 Block 12 Plan BY7172 & Roll 326 Lot 9 Block 13 Plan 66Y01021.	Carried
Council/Staff Training	28/2025	<b>Chupik:</b> That the Town of Sturgis town council agree to hire Prairie Rising for ½ day training session for council & office staff. \$2500.00 plus travel. Suggestion to see if Preeceville is willing to do training and split travel cost. Tentative date in February or early March.	Carried
	29/2025	<b>Smith:</b> That the next matter to be discussed includes the Town’s Code of Ethics Bylaw, Council moved into an in-camera session where portion of the meeting was closed to the public, under the authority of Town of Sturgis Code of Ethics Bylaw No. 5 2016, Part II Section 3(c). Time 8:55pm	Carried
8:56pm Councillor Michael Yaremchuk declared a conflict of interest in the next matter to be discussed and vacated the Council Chambers.			
8:56pm Mayor Dean Harris declared a conflict of interest in the next matter to be discussed and vacated the Council Chambers.			

8:56pm Deputy Mayor Carol Smith will chair the meeting during this time.

9:23pm Councillor Micheal Yaremchuk was invited back into the Council Chambers.

9:24pm Councillor Michael Yaremchuk declared a conflict of interest and vacated the Council Chambers.

9:24pm Mayor Dean Harris was invited back into the Council Chambers.

9:28pm Mayor Dean Harris declared a conflict of interest and vacated the Council Chambers.

30/2025 **Chupik:** That Council move out of the in-camera session and reopen the meeting to the public. Time: 9:34pm

Code of Ethics	31/2025	<p><b>Smith:</b> That it be acknowledged that in accordance with the Town of Sturgis Code of Ethics Bylaw No. 5-2016, three alleged contraventions of the Bylaw have been received and identified as Formal Complaint No. 1-2025; and further, that the Town Council has investigated the Bylaw contravention to be valid and substantial, and directs that the following remedial action be taken: Complaint No.1, 2 ,3 - 2025 will be recorded as the first violation under the Bylaw on the file of the Council Member involved. Removal of the Council Member from the the Recreation Board as a council representative and the Council member is required to attend the educational training provided by Prairie Rising. The CAO is required to write a letter to both parties involved regarding the course of action taken and these letters are to be on the file of each Member of Council involved.</p>
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Carried

9:39pm: Councillor Micheal Yaremchuk and Mayor Dean Harris were invited back into the Council Chambers as the matter they declared a conflict of interest in had been dealt with.

Adjourn	32/2025	<p><b>Seghers:</b> That this meeting be adjourned (9:43pm). The next council meeting to be held on February 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm.</p>
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Mayor

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Administrator