

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF FERTILE VALLEY #285
REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
APRIL 8, 2026

A regular meeting of council for the Rural Municipality of Fertile Valley #285 was held on Wednesday, April 8, 2026, in the Council Chambers, 316 Railway Avenue, in Conquest, Saskatchewan.

Present were:

Reeve: Barry Friesen

Councilors for	Div. 1: Lonnie Ingell	Div. 4: Bob Silverthorn
	Div. 2: Bryce Mauch	Div. 5: Craig Barrington
	Div. 3: Mike Z. Hofer	Div. 6: Bill Thompson

Administrator L. Jean Jones and MAIP Intern Hannah Maclean

Reeve Friesen called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

Approval of Agenda

69/26

INGELL: That the Agenda be approved as presented.

CARRIED.

Approval of Minutes

70/26

MAUCH: That the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on March 11, 2026 be approved as presented.

CARRIED.

List of Accounts for Approval

71/26

HOFER: That cheques numbering 17463-17492, direct deposits, and online payments for March and April 2026, all totaling \$57,278.30 as shown on the attached List of Accounts for Approval be approved for payment.

CARRIED.

Statement of Financial Activities

72/26

SILVERTHORN: That the Statement of Financial Activities for the month of March 2026 and Bank Reconciliation at March 31, 2026 shall be approved as presented.

CARRIED.

Correspondence

73/26

BARRINGTON: That the list of correspondence be acknowledged as attached to and forming a part of these minutes, now be filed.

CARRIED.

BMP
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74/26 Contract Castle Engineering LLP for Conquest Fire Hall Plans
THOMPSON: That the R.M. of Fertile Valley #285 contract Castle Engineering LLP for the Conquest Fire Hall engineered plans as well as for a geotechnical foundation design for the site.

CARRIED.

75/26 Bylaw No. 01-2026 Rural Addressing Bylaw
INGELL: That Bylaw No. 01-2026, a Bylaw of the Rural Municipality of Fertile Valley #285 to Provide for and Implement a Rural Addressing System, be introduced and read a first time.

CARRIED.

76/26 MAUCH: That Bylaw No. 01-2026 be read a second time.

CARRIED.

77/26 HOFER: That Bylaw No. 01-2026 be given third reading at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

78/26 SILVERTHORN: That Bylaw No. 01-2026, a Bylaw of the Rural Municipality of Fertile Valley #285 to Provide for and Implement a Rural Addressing System, be read a third time and finally adopted.

CARRIED.

79/26 Tax Title Property Lots 15-16, Block 3, Plan G421 Tender
BARRINGTON: That the R.M. of Fertile Valley #285 accept the tendered bid for Lots 15-16, Block 3, Plan G421, Ext 0 in Ardath from Wes and Kim Friesen in the amount of \$200.00. That a deposit of \$200.00 has been received and will be deducted from the tendered bid. All transfer costs responsibility of new owner.

CARRIED.

80/26 Bounty Lots for Tender
THOMPSON: That the R.M. of Fertile Valley #285 accept the tendered bids for Lots 11-13, Block 2, Plan G84, Ext 0; Lots 40-41, Block 3, Plan G84, Ext 0; and Lot 1, Block 5, Plan G84, Ext 0 in Bounty from Phil Hamm in the amount of \$600.00. That a deposit of \$0.00 has been received and will be deducted from the tendered bid. All transfer costs responsibility of new owner.

CARRIED.

BML
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81/26

Subdivision Application for SE ¼ 35-28-09 W3M

INGELL: That the R.M. of Fertile Valley #285 approves the subdivision application for the SE ¼ 35-28-09 W3M – Proposed Parcel A – Residential (25.30 acres). There are no land uses in the vicinity of the proposed subdivision that would be incompatible with the intended use of the proposed site, nor are there any site conditions that make the land unsuitable for its intended use. No service agreement will be required. A parcel tie will remain for surface Parcel #119721056 and Parcel #119579675. Further, that this approval be subject to final approval by the Ministry of Government Relations, Community Planning Branch.

CARRIED.

82/26

Dinsmore & District Fire Protection Inc. 2026 Levy

MAUCH: That the R.M. of Fertile Valley #285 approve the Dinsmore & District Fire Protection Inc. levy for 2026 in the amount of \$8,543.63.

CARRIED.

83/26

Dinsmore Library Levy 2026

HOFER: That the R.M. of Fertile Valley #285 approve the Dinsmore Library Levy for 2026 in the amount of \$365.09.

CARRIED.

84/26

Scott Land & Lease Ltd.

SILVERTHORN: That the R.M. of Fertile Valley #285 approves of the proposed drill sites within the road allowances for the Westside Irrigation Rehabilitation as far off the road as possible (as attached).

CARRIED.

85/26

List of Lands with Arrears of Taxes at April 8, 2026

BARRINGTON: That the R.M. of Fertile Valley #285 accept the List of Lands with arrears of taxes at April 8, 2026 as presented: AND THAT the list exclude properties on which the amount of taxes in arrears does not exceed one half of the immediately preceding year's tax levy; AND THAT TAXervice be authorized to manage tax enforcement proceedings on behalf of the municipality.

CARRIED.

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86/26

SaskPower Approval to Plow Summer Road/Trail

THOMPSON: That the R.M. of Fertile Valley #285 grant approval to SaskPower to plow summer road/trail in between NE 05-30-08 W3 and NW 04-30-08 W3 for underground rural residential service on NW 04-30-08 W3. SaskPower File Number 20633506.

CARRIED.

87/26

Schedule "C" R.M. Rates and Charges Change

INGELL: That the R.M. of Fertile Valley #285 increase Council Indemnity: Mileage cost of \$.50/km to \$.75/km effective immediately.

CARRIED.

88/26

Train the Trainer Workshop for Administrator and MAIP Intern

MAUCH: That the R.M. of Fertile Valley #285 send the Administrator and MAIP Intern to the SARM Office in Regina, April 15, 2026 for a "Train the Trainer" workshop. Mileage costs to be reimbursed by the Municipality.

CARRIED.

89/26

Adjournment

HOFER: That the meeting be adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

CARRIED.



Reeve



Administrator