

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF FERTILE VALLEY #285
REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
APRIL 9, 2025

A regular meeting of council for the Rural Municipality of Fertile Valley #285 was held on Wednesday, April 9, 2025, in the Council Chambers, 316 Railway Avenue, in Conquest, Saskatchewan.

Present were:

Reeve: Barry Friesen

Councillors for

Div. 1: Lonnie Ingell

Div. 2: Bryce Mauch

Div. 3: Mike Z. Hofer

Div. 4: Bob Silverthorn

Div. 5: Craig Barrington

Div. 6: Bill Thompson

Administrator L. Jean Jones

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

Approval of Agenda

79/25

THOMPSON: That the Agenda be approved as presented.

CARRIED.

Approval of Minutes

80/25

BARRINGTON: That the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on March 10, 2025 and the minutes of the Special Meeting of Council held on March 27, 2025 be approved as presented.

CARRIED.

List of Accounts for Approval

81/25

SILVERTHORN: That cheques numbering 17073-17100, direct deposits, and online payments for March and April 2025, all totaling \$56,513.10 as shown on the attached List of Accounts for Approval be approved for payment.

CARRIED.

Statement of Financial Activities

82/25

HOFER: That the Statement of Financial Activities for the month of March 2025 and Bank Reconciliation at March 31, 2025 shall be approved as presented.

CARRIED.

Correspondence

83/25

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

CARRIED.

84/25 Pest Control Officer Agreement for Services
INGELL: That the R.M. of Fertile Valley #285 enter into an Agreement for Services with Darren Bessette for Pest Control. Remuneration provided as set out in the Agreement attached to these minutes. That the Reeve and Administrator be authorized to sign on behalf of the Municipality.

CARRIED.

85/25 SARM Classifieds Grader Operator Advertisement
THOMPSON: That the R.M. of Fertile Valley #285 re-advertise the Grader Operator ad with SARM for another month.

CARRIED.

DELEGATION: 9:30 A.M. Members of the Conquest Fire Department attended the Council Meeting – Fire Chief Connor Ogilvie and Deputy Fire Chief Dan Ogilvie. There was discussion on the need for extra space for fire emergency vehicles being housed in the present Conquest Fire Department Fire Hall—whether an addition or a new build. Connor Ogilvie was going to ask for SaskEnergy quotes to put a new line in for a new build. Will look at options for financing at the May 7, 2025 next meeting of Council. The two members of the Conquest Fire Department left the Council Chambers at 9:50 A.M.

86/25 May Meeting Date Change
BARRINGTON: That the R.M. of Fertile Valley #285 reschedule the May meeting date to May 7, 2025 at 8:30 a.m. due to the RMAA Convention May 12-15, 2025.

CARRIED.

87/25 Road Name Signing Request
SILVERTHORN: That the R.M. of Fertile Valley #285 requests Saskatchewan Ministry of Highways & Infrastructure for Road Name Signing for Dallas Road signs intersecting Highway #15 at the SW 15-29-10 W3, Option 1, upon approval of cost. That the Administrator be authorized to sign on behalf of the municipality.

CARRIED.



88/25 Purchase of 2025 Schulte 320 XH-1500 Series 5 Cutter
HOFER: That the R.M. of Fertile Valley #285 purchase a 2025 Schulte 320 XH-1500 Series 5 Cutter from PMC Sales Equipment & Irrigation.

CARRIED.

89/25 List of Lands with Arrears of Taxes
MAUCH: That the List of Lands with arrears of taxes at April 9, 2025 is acknowledged by the Council of the R.M. of Fertile Valley #285 and be forwarded to TAXervice for preparing the Tax Enforcement List advertisement.

CARRIED.

90/25 Coteau Creek Hydro Station Standalone Electric Fire Pump Installation
INGELL: That the R.M. of Fertile Valley #285 along with SaskPower are willing to accept liability of installation of Standalone Electric Fire Pump without a 1h Fire Rated Enclosure at the Coteau Creek Hydro Station.

CARRIED.

91/25 Road Maintenance Agreement No. 01-2025
THOMPSON: That the R.M. of Fertile Valley #285 enter into Road Maintenance Agreement No. 01-2025 with J. Wright Construction Ltd. for a road haul of approximately 5000 cu yds of aggregate.

CARRIED.

92/25 Habermehl Farm Ltd. Directional Drill on Range Road 3074
BARRINGTON: That the R.M. of Fertile Valley #285 provide approval for Habermehl Farm Ltd. to directional drill on Range Road 3074 for a new irrigation expansion project.

CARRIED.




93/25


Adjournment

SILVERTHORN: That the meeting be adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

CARRIED.



Reeve, Friesen



Administrator, Jones