

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

A regular meeting of council for the Rural Municipality of Fertile Valley #285 was held on Wednesday, July 9, 2026, in the Council Chambers, 316 Railway Avenue, in Conquest, Saskatchewan.

Present were:

Reeve: Barry Friesen

Councilors 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 and MAIP Intern Hannah Maclean

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

Additions to the Agenda

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BARRINGTON: That the following items be added to the Agenda:

1. Ministry of Highways Outlook Area; 2. Macrorie Cemetery Maintenance; 3. Extra Material Twp 304 RR 3102.

CARRIED.

Approval of Agenda

127/26

THOMPSON: That the Agenda be approved as presented.

CARRIED.

Approval of Minutes

128/26

SILVERTHORN: That the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on June 10, 2026 be approved as presented.

CARRIED.

List of Accounts for Approval

129/26

HOFFER: That cheques numbering 17558-17589, direct deposits, and online payments for June and July 2026, all totaling \$173,575.12 as shown on the attached List of Accounts for Approval be approved for payment.

CARRIED.

Statement of Financial Activities

130/26

MAUCH: That the Statement of Financial Activities for the month of June 2026 and Bank Reconciliation at June 30, 2026 shall be approved as presented.

CARRIED.

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Correspondence

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

CARRIED.

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Contract ATS Traffic for Civic Addressing Installation

THOMPSON: That the R.M. of Fertile Valley #285 contract ATS Traffic for civic addressing sign installation at a quoted cost of \$95/sign.

CARRIED.

DELEGATION: 9:30 A.M. Kelly Farden, Manager, Agronomy Services, Ministry of Agriculture, attended our meeting. Discussion centered on the creation of a new irrigation district established under *The Irrigation Act* for the Westside Irrigation Project. Should establish a new district prior to bringing the engineering design to 100%. Mr. Farden left the Council Chambers at 10:00 a.m.

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Mizu Complaint Reply

BARRINGTON: That the R.M. of Fertile Valley #285 forward a reply to Lori Mizu regarding the complaint received June 9, 2026.

CARRIED.

134/26

Big Sky Rail/Mobil Grain Farm Crossing 41.66

SILVERTHORN: That the R.M. of Fertile Valley #285 request a quote from Big Sky Rail/Mobil Grain to lay gravel on farm crossing 41.66 in the municipality.

CARRIED.

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2026 Budget

HOFER: That the R.M. of Fertile Valley #285 shall adopt the 2026 Budget as presented and attached to these minutes.

CARRIED.



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Bylaw No. 02-2026

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MAUCH: That Bylaw No. 02-2026, a Bylaw of the Rural Municipality of Fertile Valley No. 285 to Establish Mill Rate Factors, be introduced and read a first time.

CARRIED.

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INGELL: That Bylaw No. 02-2026 be read a second time.

CARRIED.

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THOMPSON: That Bylaw No. 02-2026 be given third reading at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

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BARRINGTON: That Bylaw No. 02-2026, a Bylaw of the Rural Municipality of Fertile Valley No. 285 to Establish Mill Rate Factors, be read a third time and finally adopted.

CARRIED.

Mill Rate for 2026

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SILVERTHORN: That the R.M. of Fertile Valley #285 shall set the 2026 Mill Rate at 4.10 mills, with use of mill rate factors as set out in Bylaw No. 02-2026.

CARRIED.

Macrorie Cemetery Donation 2026

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HOFER: That the R.M. of Fertile Valley #285 make a donation of \$500.00 to the Village of Macrorie for Macrorie Cemetery Maintenance for 2026.

CARRIED.

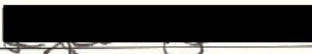
Adjournment

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MAUCH: That the meeting be adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

CARRIED.


Reeve


Administrator