MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE R.M. OF LOON LAKE NO. 561 HELD AT 100 – FIRST STREET SOUTH AT LOON LAKE, SK ON THURSDAY JUNE 12, 2025, AT 8:00 A.M.

Present:

Reeve Greg Cardinal

Councilors:

Division 1: Grant Preece Division 2: Maurice Jeannotte- Absent

Division 3: O'Neil Lavoie Division 4: Grant Huber Division 5: Rodney Schneider- Absent Division 6: Larry Lantz

Administrator: Erin Simpson

Reeve, Greg Cardinal called the meeting to order at 7:54 a.m.

Foreman Nick Honish was present at the meeting when it was called to order.

Shirley Nawman was present at the meeting when it was called to order to discuss the error in her assessment for 2024 on the second residence that was added to the Pt. NW 10-58-20-W3 which resulted in her paying more taxes than she felt she should have been required to pay. She also discussed concerns with the location of the natural drainage on her property.

Shirley left the meeting at 8:09 a.m.

No conflict of interest was noted.

118/25 **Agenda**

LAVOIE

That the agenda for the June 12, 2025, Council meeting be used as a guideline for the meeting.

Carried

119/25 Request Tax Refund

PREECE

That the request for a tax refund for the 2024 taxation year, resulting from an assessment error identified by SAMA, be respectfully denied. The landowner was provided with an assessment notice in accordance with the requirements set out in *The Municipalities Act*. The correction has since been made and will be reflected in the 2025 assessment roll and taxation values.

FURTHER that the landowner be advised that any proposed alterations to the natural drainage on their property must be submitted to the Water Security Agency through the appropriate application process and receive the necessary approvals prior to any work commencing.

Carried

Foreman Nick Honish provided a public works operation update at 8:16 a.m.

120/25 **<u>Gravel Pit</u>**

PREECE

That the RM Foreman Nick Honish be authorized to hire Merdian Surveys to survey and mark the legal boundaries of the gravel pit located on 10-61-22-W3 plan number 73B11117.

Carried

121/25 Gravel Crusher Advance

LANTZ

That the RM of Loon Lake authorize an advance payment of \$30,000 to Von-Rose Enterprises, to be applied as a credit against the company's next gravel-crushing invoice to the RM.

Carried

ACB

122/25 **Grader Blades**

PREECE

That the RM Foreman be authorized to purchase summer grader blades from the lowest quoted company Dionco Sales at the quoted price of \$15,451.20.

Carried

123/25 **Dust Control**

HUBER

That the RM of Loon Lake order one super-bee load of calcium chloride from Tiger Calcium for rural residents wanting to purchase dust control on the road adjacent to their yard and to be applied on the main road that runs north and south through the Village of Makwa, range road 3203.

Carried

124/25 Contract Spraying

CARDINAL

That the RM of Loon Lake proceed with hiring Brian Meyer to spray the willows that are growing up and impeding the line of sight along the following locations;

- along the speed curve near Roger Moores
- The Corner near Rodneys

Carried

125/25 <u>Ministikwan Petition – Speed bumps</u>

LANTZ

That the Council of the RM of Loon Lake acknowledges receipt of the petition submitted by some residents of the Ministikwan Lake subdivision requesting that speed bumps not be installed at the subdivision entrance. The traffic speed entering the subdivision continues to pose a safety concern, Council confirms that the installation of speed bumps will proceed for the summer months as planned.

FURTHER that consideration be given to the placement and design of the speed bumps to ensure accessibility and ease of passage for individuals using wheelchairs, scooters, strollers, bicycles, and other non-motorized means of transportation, allowing them to safely bypass the speed bumps where possible.

Carried

The RM Foreman left the meeting at 9:25 a.m.

126/25 **Minutes**

HUBER

That the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of the R.M. of Loon Lake No. 561 held on May 8, 2025, be approved as presented.

Carried

127/25 Correspondence

HUBER

That the following correspondence having been read can now be filed.

Invitation to join Ag Health and Safety Network Civic Address Registry one time funding Farm & Food Care SK. Membership Changes to our VISA Insurance Coverage

Division 6 Golf Tournament – Meota – July 11, 2025, Carried

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128/25 <u>List of Accounts for Approval</u>

LAVOIE

That the list of payments including cheque # 25819 to cheque # 25852 totaling \$141,434.16 be approved for payment. The Lists of Accounts for Approval are attached and form part of these minutes.

Carried

129/25 Payroll

LAVOIE

That the following amounts for payroll be approved as presented, a copy of each is attached and form part of these minutes:

Payroll April 27, 2025, to May 10, 2025, = \$16,568.56 Payroll May 11, 2025, to May 24, 2025, = \$14,375.68 Carried

130/25 Council Indemnity

LANTZ

That the May Council Indemnity cheque # 1236 to cheque # 1242 totaling \$2,414.48 be approved for payment.

Carried

131/25 **Bank Reconciliation**

HUBER

That the Bank Reconciliation for the month of May 2025 be accepted as presented.

Carried

132/25 Statement of Financial Activity

LANTZ

That the Statement of Financial Activities for the month of May 2025 be accepted as presented.

Carried

133/25 Interest Reversal Request

LAVOIE

That the Council of the RM of Loon Lake deny the request to reverse interest charges on a late tax payment, as the reason provided—postage stamps falling off the envelope—does not meet the criteria for exemption.

Carried

134/24 Adjoining Municipality Land Exemption

PREECE

That the RM of Loon Lake Council deny the request to abate the 2025 taxes for customer number 1538 to reflect the assessment exemption for land owned within the RM of Meadow Lake. The deadline to submit the Land Owned or Under Lease Agreement in Adjoining Municipalities is March 31 annually and it is the landowner's responsibility to ensure the properly executed agreement is received at the RM of Loon Lake office prior to the deadline.

Carried

Representatives from Tolko Jordan Rock – Woodlands Supervisor, Tharren Moberly – Woodlands Supervisor, Erik Quiring – Woodlands Operations Supervisor and Bailey Brokenshire – Woodlands Supervisor joined the meeting at 10:00 a.m. to discuss the future harvesting year and TOLKOs plan within the RM of Loon Lake.

TOLKO representatives left the meeting at 10:35 a.m.

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3 } Juanita Prosser and Shirley Baldwin joined the meeting at 10:37 a.m. to discuss the amount of land within their subdivision located at Pt. NE 12-58-21-W3. Juanita Prosser and Shirley Baldwin left the meeting at 10:52 a.m.

135/25 Reduction in fees for Bylaw

HUBER

That the Administrator be direct to respond to the request received from Rodney and Judy Novack regarding the elimination the business license fee, advising that a business license is only required when operating within the designated area of Jumbo Beach subdivision. If they choose to sell produce or products from their private property, a business license is not required.

Carried

136/25 **Motion to rescind resolution 92/25**

PREECE

That motion number 92/25 be rescinded.

Carried

137/25 Motion to rescind resolution 93/25

PREECE

That motion number 92/25 be rescinded.

Carried

Councilor O'Neil Lavoie requested a recorded vote on the following two resolutions.

138/25 Second Reading Bylaw No. 01-2025

PREECE

That Bylaw No. 01-2025, a bylaw to amend bylaw 02-2013 known as the Zoning Bylaw, be read a second time.

For: Reeve Greg Cardinal, Grant Huber, Grant Preece, Larry Lantz

Against: O'Neil Lavoie

Carried

139/25 Third Reading Bylaw No. 01-2025

LANTZ

That Bylaw No. 01-2025, a bylaw to amend bylaw 02-2013 known as the Zoning Bylaw, be read a third time.

For: Reeve Greg Cardinal, Grant Huber, Grant Preece, Larry Lantz

Against: O'Neil Lavoie

Carried

140/25 Proposed Parcel Tie Removal

LANTZ

That the RM of Loon Lake acknowledges that NE 05-57-21-W3 is divided by the Barthel Grid (Township Road 571), and that the landowner has submitted a subdivision application requesting the removal of the existing parcel tie.

The RM confirms that both resulting parcels have existing legal access, however the northern parcel will require the construction of an approach to provide physical access in accordance with policy 300-02 to allow for physical access or the landowner must have the parcel legally tied to the adjacent northern parcel.

The RM of Loon Lake has no concern with the proposed parcel tie removal subject to the following:

- The RM of Loon Lake enter into an Approach Construction Agreement with the landowner and register it against the title of north portion of the NE 05-57-21-W3.
- Municipal reserve is not required for this file.
- Servicing agreement is not required for this file.

Carried

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141/25 **Proposed Parcel Tie Removal**

LANTZ

That the RM of Loon Lake Council acknowledges that NW 05-57-21-W3 is divided by the Barthel Grid (Township Road 571), and that the landowner has submitted a subdivision application requesting the removal of the existing parcel tie. The RM confirms both resulting parcels have existing legal and physical access; however, should the approach providing access to the northern parcel require upgrading in the future, all associated costs shall be the responsibility of the landowner or the party making the request.

FURTHER that neither a servicing agreement nor a municipal reserve dedication is required for this application.

Carried.

142/25 Response to Ministikwan Resident

LAVOIE

That the RM Administrator respond to Brent Cote a resident from Ministikwan Lake subdivision pertaining to concerns that have been raised regarding perceived inequality in access to the lake via Municipal Reserve (MR) lands, particularly between lakefront and back-lot property owners. Currently the use of all motorized vehicles, including ATVs, on MR lands, is prohibited and this policy applies equally to all property owners regardless of location. Lakefront property owners may access the lake by foot from their property across MR lands, while back-lot property owners are required to use designated municipal roadways to reach MR lands.

The RM of Loon Lake Council affirms its commitment to fairness and the equitable treatment of all ratepayers, and that all property owners shall remain subject to the same access restrictions on MR lands.

Carried

Councilor O'Neil Lavoie requested a recorded vote on the following two resolutions.

143/25 **Proposed Subdivision NW 13-58-24-W3**

PREECE

That the RM of Loon Lake has no concerns with the proposed 18 lot residential subdivision with the exception of the following conditions.

- That the terms and conditions of the servicing agreement must be agreed to, followed and the agreement be fully executed.
- The land must be rezoned from CON Conservation and Recreation District to LD1 Low Density Lakeshore District.
- Developer must submit an engineered drainage plan.
- All conditions of the RM and Provincial Agencies must be met or exceeded.
- Municipal Reserve in the amount of approximately 1.022 ha must be dedicated as shown on the plan of proposed subdivision.

For: Reeve Greg Cardinal, Grant Huber, Grant Preece, Larry Lantz Against: O'Neil Lavoie

Carried

144/25 Adjournment

HUBER

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

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