

Council of the Hamlet of Little Fishing Lake Meeting March 24, 2026,

The meeting was held virtually using Microsoft Teams on March 24, 2026, and was called to order at 7:03 pm. The meeting was attended by hamlet board members, Chair Kevin Hauth, Director Lori Scheidt, and Secretary Keith Scheidt. The meeting was joined by Linda and Grant Smith.

Motion 2026-01: Motion by Keith Scheidt and seconded by Lori Scheidt to accept agenda as amended. Playground equipment was added to Old Business, and 2026 budget was added to New Business. Carried.

Motion 2026-02: Motion by Keith Scheidt and seconded by Lori Scheidt to accept the November 12th meeting minutes as amended. Carried.

Old Business:

a. Hamlet Maintenance

- **Snow Clearing**
Gary Benkendorf and Jerry Jasper have been busy keeping the streets clear. A grader with a wing plow was hired to widen the roads and appears to have done a good job. The tractor and blade followed the grader to reopen the yards and provide access to the garbage bins. Kevin Hauth will contact Gary and Jerry to get their recommendation as to when the grader with a wing plow should be used.
- **Invoices and Time Sheets**
Invoices and time sheets for the hamlet were submitted before calendar year end. Board member labor costs were paid only once per year rather than monthly for the hired workers. Kevin Hauth will confirm with the RM Office if board member labour hours for working on Hamlet maintenance should be paid out only once per year as meeting stipend costs are.
- **Weeds**
No progress. Keith Scheidt will contact the RM weed person to get advice on how to control the Scotch Broom outbreak and will report back to the board.
- **Bridge**
Keith Scheidt sent the latest bridge report to Mark Kondro. He will follow up with Mark to get his input on what bridge maintenance could be budgeted for 2026.
- **Equipment**
Keith Scheidt will clean the cutting deck and change the blades on the riding mower this spring. Oil and blade changes on the other small summer equipment was completed in the fall.

b. Fire Equipment Operation

- **No progress:** Keith Scheidt will prepare a short document for discussion, listing the pros and cons of transferring the Hamlet fire fighting equipment to the RM of Loon Lake Fire Department to operate and maintain. Hamlet residents would be encouraged to become members of the Loon Lake Fire Department to obtain training and to be eligible for fire fighting insurance. This document will be shared with the board members prior to their next meeting.

c. Playground Equipment

- Lori Scheidt, Isabelle Jasper and Kayla Bak continue to research this item. They are seeking input regarding what age group should the facility be designed for?

New Business:

a. 2025 Operating Expenses

Kevin Hauth shared a brief verbal report on the financials for 2025. Revenue was about \$1100 higher and expenses were about \$6000 less than budgeted.

b. 2026 Maintenance Workers

Job postings for summer maintenance workers will be listed in the spring newsletter. The postings will be revised to reflect the anticipated hours that will be needed.

c. 2026 PARCS Membership

Motion 2026-03: Motion by Kevin Hauth and seconded by Keith Scheidt to renew the hamlets membership in the Provincial Association for Resort Communities of Saskatchewan for 2026. Carried.

d. Spring Newsletter

Keith Scheidt will share a draft spring newsletter with the board members prior to distribution.

e. 2026 Budget Meeting

The board will meet using Teams at 7:00 pm on April 1 to review the proposed budget for 2026. The board hopes to present the proposed budget at the April 8th RM of Loon Lake Council meeting.

Motion 2026-04: Motion by Kevin Hauth to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 pm.