



Rural Municipality of Stuartburn

Minutes of the regular council meeting of Tuesday, January 20th, 2026 at 7:00pm in the Municipal Council Chambers, Vita, Manitoba

Present: Reeve: Michelle Gawronsky Deputy Reeve: Dan Bodz
Councillors: Dylan Gurman, Michael Paciorka and Jon Mellor
Marissa Dheilly, Administrative Assistant

Regrets: CAO, Brittany Fisher

Reeve Gawronsky called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Adoption of Agenda:

19-26 Moved by Dylan Gurman Seconded by Michael Paciorka

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council hereby approves the January 20th, 2026 agenda as presented.

Carried

Adoption of Minutes:

20-26 Moved by Jon Mellor Seconded by Dylan Gurman

WHEREAS the minutes of the regular meeting of January 8th, 2026 are correctly recorded as presented,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes for the January 8th, 2026 meeting be adopted as circulated.

Carried

Conflict of Interest Declaration: Councillor Dylan Gurman – Item 9.a)

Delegation: Nil

Reception of Petitions: Nil

Notice of Motions: Nil

By-Laws and Policies

21-26 Moved by Michael Paciorka Seconded by Jon Mellor

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council hereby gives 2nd reading to by-law 208-2026, the Economic Development Reserve By-law.

Carried

22-26 Moved by Dylan Gurman Seconded by Dan Bodz

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council hereby gives 3rd and final reading to by-law 208-2026, the Economic Development Reserve By-law.

FOR: ALL

AGAINST: None

Carried

23-26 Moved by Michael Paciorka Seconded by Jon Mellor

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council hereby gives 1st reading to by-law 209-2026, a by-law to amend the Fee and Charges By-law.

Carried

24-26 Moved by Dan Bodz Seconded by Jon Mellor

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council hereby gives 2nd reading to by-law 209-2026, a by-law to amend the Fee and Charges By-law.

Carried

Accounts:

Councillor Gurman is excused from the Council Chambers, 7:10pm

25-26 Moved by Jon Mellor Seconded by Dan Bodz

BE IT RESOLVED THAT regular cheques 20260011 – 20260023 and EFT cheques 260008 – 260047 in the amount of \$54,329.22 be approved and paid as presented.

Carried

Councillor Gurman returns to the Council Chambers, 7:13pm.

26-26 Moved by Dylan Gurman

Seconded by Michael Paciorka

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council Indemnities and Expenses in the amount of \$6,090.45, EFT cheques 260048 - 260055, be approved and paid as presented. **Carried**

Communications & Correspondence:

<i>From</i>	<i>Subject</i>	<i>Disposition</i>
CAO	CAO Report from January 5 th – 16 th , 2026	Resolution #27-26
PWM	PWM Report from January 5 th – 16 th , 2026	Resolution #28-26
J. Martin	Tile Drainage Request – NW 10-2-7E	Tabled
J. Hoover	Tile Drainage Request – NW 15-2-7E	Tabled
Eastman Tourism	2026 Advertising Kit	Resolution #29-26
TRS Aerial Surveys	Orthophoto Imagery	Information
MMA	2026 Membership	Resolution #30-26
MARR	Recycling & Waste Management Training Session	Resolution #31-26
RCMP	Quarterly Report	Information
Taxervice	2026 Engagement Renewal	Resolution #32-26
HBRA	Update and 2026 Membership	Information
SRRWD	RM approval for Project at Pansy Pasture	Tabled

27-26 Moved by Dylan Gurman

Seconded by Jon Mellor

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council hereby accepts the CAO report dated January 5th – 16th, 2026 as presented. **Carried**

28-26 Moved by Michael Paciorka

Seconded by Jon Mellor

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council hereby accepts the Public Works Manager report dated January 5th – 16th, 2026 as presented. **Carried**

29-26 Moved by Dan Bodz

Seconded by Michael Paciorka

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council hereby approves placing an advertisement in the 2026 Eastman Tourism Guide, in the amount of \$450.00. **Carried**

30-26 Moved by Michael Paciorka

Seconded by Dylan Gurman

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council hereby approves the renewal of the CAO's membership to the Manitoba Municipal Administrators for 2026. **Carried**

31-26 Moved by Dan Bodz

Seconded by Dylan Gurman

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council hereby approves public works staff, Jason Hiebert and Jeff Hildebrandt, to attend the MARR Recycling & Waste Management Training Session on February 12th, 2026, in Morden, MB, with related expenses to be paid by the municipality. **Carried**

32-26 Moved by Jon Mellor

Seconded by Dylan Gurman

WHEREAS The Municipal Act requires the municipality to conduct tax recovery proceedings every year;

AND WHEREAS council for the municipality deems it to be in the municipality's best interest to hire Taxervice Inc. to manage tax arrears recovery on its behalf;

NOW THEREFORE IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that Rural Municipality of Stuartburn hire Taxervice Inc. to manage tax arrears recovery on the municipality's behalf for a term of 3 (three) years;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the administrator be and is hereby authorized to sign the Taxervice Inc. engagement letter on behalf of the municipality. **Carried**

Reports/Minutes from Committees

33-26 Moved by Dylan Gurman

Seconded by Michael Paciorka

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council accepts as information the reports/minutes from the following committees:

- Economic Development and Tourism Managers Report for December 2025
- SSCC ERMC meeting minutes for December 8th, 2026

Carried

General Business:

- **From the Ground Up Program** – Resolution #34-26
- **Drain Cleaning/Brushing** - Information

34-26 Moved by Dan Bodz

Seconded by Michael Paciorka

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council hereby authorizes the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) to apply for funding from the Province of Manitoba under the From the Ground Up Grant Program, in an amount up to \$50,000.00, to support the achievement of identified strategic planning initiatives.

Carried

Unfinished Business: Nil

In Camera:

35-26 Moved by Dan Bodz

Seconded by Michael Paciorka

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council meet in camera as a committee of the whole to discuss Item 14 (Personnel) on the agenda, and as such discussions be kept in confidence as required under Section 16.13 of By-Law 187/22. Time: 7:25PM

Carried

36-26 Moved by Dylan Gurman

Seconded by Michael Paciorka

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council adjourn their in camera session and resume regular business, Time: 7:37 PM

Carried

37-26 Moved by Michael Paciorka

Seconded by Dan Bodz

WHEREAS, the Rural Municipality of Stuartburn entered into an agreement with the Rural Municipality of Piney dated December 21st, 2022, for the joint implementation and operation of the Piney-Stuartburn Economic Development Board; and

WHEREAS, the Agreement is scheduled to expire on October 15th, 2026, and contains provisions respecting notice, termination, and the distribution of assets and liabilities; and

WHEREAS, the governing body of the Municipality has reviewed the performance, costs, operational requirements, and strategic considerations associated with the Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the governing body has determined that it is in the best interests of the Municipality to exit the Agreement prior to its scheduled expiration; and

WHEREAS, the governing body intends to provide notice of early exit in accordance with the notice and termination provisions of the Agreement and applicable law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Rural Municipality of Stuartburn, as follows:

- The Rural Municipality of Stuartburn shall exit and terminate its participation in the Agreement respecting the Piney-Stuartburn Economic Development Board, prior to the scheduled expiration date of October 15th, 2026.
- The Chief Administrative Officer is hereby authorized and directed to provide written notice of termination to the Rural Municipality of Piney and the Piney-Stuartburn Economic Development Board in accordance with the notice provisions of the Agreement.
- Municipal staff are authorized to take all necessary and appropriate actions to ensure an orderly transition, wind-up, and fulfillment of any remaining obligations under the Agreement, including the distribution or disposition of assets and liabilities strictly in accordance with the terms of the Agreement.
- This resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

Carried

Adjournment:

38-26 Moved by Michael Paciorka

Seconded by Dylan Gurman

WHEREAS all matters pertinent to this meeting have been completed,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting do now adjourn, and Council shall meet again in Regular Session February 3rd, 2026, Time: 7:45 P.M. **Carried**

THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF STUARTBURN

Michelle Gawronsky, Reeve

Marissa Dheilly, Administrative Assistant