

RURAL MUNICIPALITY
OF
BRITANNIA NO. 502

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD
March 26, 2025

The Britannia Municipal Council convened their regular meeting in the council chambers of the Rural Municipality of Britannia office located at NE 23-50-28 W3M, RM of Britannia, SK commencing at 8:59 a.m., March 26, 2025, with Reeve John Light presiding.

Present:	Reeve:	John Light
	Councillors:	Joe Hufnagel Wilf Jurke Spenser McGowan Elaine Newman Ed Noble
	CAO:	Bryson Leganchuk
	EA:	Liz Bailey
Absent:	Councillor:	H. John Wack

- 168/25 **Approve Agenda**
HUFNAGEL: That council approve the agenda for the March 26, 2025 regular meeting of council with the following additions: 10. l. Reclamation Standards (Div 1), 10. j. Holiday payout CAO (Admin), 10. k. Redden Arena Board Representative (Admin).
CARRIED

Conflicts of Interest Declared: Members were asked to declare if they had any conflicts of interest relating to agenda items for the meeting, and if so, that they should declare them in accordance with Sections 144 and 144.1 of The Municipalities Act. Conflict of Interest Declared:

- None

1. a.
169/25 **March 17, 2025 Meeting Minutes**
NOBLE: That council approve the March 17, 2025 regular meeting minutes as presented.
CARRIED

Development Services Officer Ben Clipperton joined the meeting at 9:08 a.m.

2.
170/25 **Correspondence**
JURKE: That council acknowledge the following list of correspondence and accept it as information:
1. 2025-03-17 APAS Ag Summit Registration Reminder
 2. 2025-03-18 Rural Dart
 3. 2025-03-18 Sask Ag Now - Gophers
 4. 2025-03-19 SARM News Release - Response to Budget
 5. 2025-03-20 Gov of Sask - Revenue Sharing
 6. 2025-03-20 SARM Convention Review
- CARRIED



Development Services Officer Ben Clipperton left the meeting at 10:06 a.m.

4. *Delegation –Ducks Unlimited Conservation Programs Specialist Pam Minish and Lead of Habitat Securement Zoey Piecowye joined the meeting at 10:06 a.m.*

CAO Bryson Leganchuk stepped out of the meeting at 10:07 a.m. returned at 10:08 a.m.

5.
171 /25 **Close Regular Meeting for Public Hearing**

HUFNAGEL: That council close the regular meeting to open the Public Hearing for Bylaw 06-2025 Public Hearing, the time being 10:26

CARRIED

Present: Reeve John Light, Councillor Wilf Jurke, Councillor Ed Noble, Councillor Joe Hufnagel, Councillor Elaine Newman, Councillor Spenser McGowan, Ducks Unlimited Conservation Programs Specialist Pam Minish, Ducks Unlimited Lead of Habitat Securement Zoey Piecowye, CAO Bryson Leganchuk, and EA Liz Bailey.

Delegation - Ducks Unlimited Conservation Programs Specialist Pam Minish and Lead of Habitat Securement Zoey Piecowye left the Council Chambers at 10:31 a.m. and did not return.

Development Services Officer Ben Clipperton entered the Council Chambers at 10:32 a.m.

- 172 /25 **Resume Regular Meeting**

NOBLE: That council resume the regular meeting, the time being 10:37 a.m.

CARRIED

Present: Reeve John Light, Councillor Wilf Jurke, Councillor Ed Noble, Councillor Joe Hufnagel, Councillor Elaine Newman, Councillor Spenser McGowan, DSO Ben Clipperton, CAO Bryson Leganchuk, and EA Liz Bailey.

3. b.

- 173 /25 **Subdivision Application SUBD-004003-2025**

HUFNAGEL: That council support SUBD-004003-2025, a subdivision to re-arrange lot boundaries between Parcel A, Plan 101295941 and Parcel C, Plan 101919720 within SE 35-50-28 W3M, subject to the removal of the components of the drilling rig on Parcel C and the dedication of a 5.182m road widening across the entire frontage of proposed Parcel D and across Parcel C to replace the registered interest granting a road widening that currently exists.

CARRIED

- 7.

- 174 /25 **Bylaw 06-2025 Second Reading**

JURKE: That the council of the Rural Municipality of Britannia No. 502 read Bylaw 06-2025, a bylaw to amend LPDC Zoning Bylaw 18-2024 to replace garden suites with secondary suites and revise accessory building regulations, the second time.

CARRIED



175/25 Bylaw 06-2025 Third Reading

NOBLE: That the council of the Rural Municipality of Britannia No. 502 read Bylaw 06-2025, a bylaw to amend LPDC Zoning Bylaw 18-2024 to replace garden suites with secondary suites and revise accessory building regulations, the third and final time.

CARRIED

Development Services Officer Ben Clipperton left the meeting at 10:40 a.m. and did not return.

176/25 Break from Regular Meeting

NEWMAN: That council take a brief recess from the regular meeting, the time being 10:40 a.m.

CARRIED

Present: Reeve Jonh Light, Councillor Wilf Jurke, Councillor Ed Noble, Councillor Joe Hufnagel, Councillor Elaine Newman, Councillor Spenser McGowan, CAO Bryson Leganchuk, and EA Liz Bailey

177/25 Resume Regular Meeting

JURKE: That council resume the regular meeting, the time being 10:47 a.m.

CARRIED

Present: Reeve Jonh Light, Councillor Wilf Jurke, Councillor Ed Noble, Councillor Joe Hufnagel, Councillor Elaine Newman, Councillor Spenser McGowan, CAO Bryson Leganchuk, and EA Liz Bailey

6. a.

178/25 Accounts for Approval

JURKE: That the following accounts requiring council approval, a list of which is attached hereto and forms a part of these minutes, be approved for payment, and signed by the Reeve and the CAO:

- General Cheques # 33007 - 33008, Online Payments # 3781 – 3794 all totaling \$5,573.07.

CARRIED

6. b.

179/25 Research Options for Equitable Taxation of Multi-Lateral Wells

HUFNAGEL: That council instruct administration to start exploring options for equitable taxation of multi-lateral wells in Saskatchewan.

CARRIED

180/25 February 2025 Financial Report

MCGOWAN: That council accept the February 2025 Financial Report as submitted.

CARRIED

Temporary Operations Director Cindy Schreiber and Foreman Barry Kastendieck joined the meeting at 11:06 a.m.

181/25 Township Road 510 Work

HUFNAGEL: That council instruct the Operations Department to carry out the following works on TWP RD 510, between Highway 17 and RR 3272:

- rip up the oil;
- re-establish the crown in the road; and
- prepare for road oiling in 2026

Further, that re-oiling the surface of TWP RD 510, between Highway 17& RR 3272 be added to the 2026 Capital Plan.

CARRIED



8 .b.

182 /25 Zero Turn Mower Purchase – John Deere Z950M

HUFNAGEL: That council instruct the CAO to proceed with the purchase of a 2024 John Deere Z950M from Horizon Ag and Turf in the amount of \$15,483.39 (taxes included); and
Further, that this price include the trade-in of the R.M.'s Unit #23 (Kubota ZD326 zero turn mower).

*DEFEATED***183 /25 Zero Turn Mower Purchase – Kubota ZG327**

JURKE: That council instruct the CAO to proceed with the purchase of a 2024 Kubota ZG327 from Prairie Ag Center Inc. in the amount of \$16,584.58 (includes taxes); and
Further, that this price include the trade-in of the R.M.'s Unit #23 (Kubota ZD326 zero turn mower).

*DEFEATED***184 /25 Motion to Reconsider the Purchase of a Zero Turn Mower**

NEWMAN: That council reconsider the purchase of a zero turn mower.

*CARRIED***185 /25 Zero Turn Mower Purchase – Kubota ZG327**

HUFNAGEL: That council instruct the CAO to proceed with the purchase of a 2024 Kubota ZG327 from Prairie Ag Center Inc. in the amount of \$16,584.58 (includes taxes); and
Further, that this price include the trade-in of the R.M.'s Unit #23 (Kubota ZD326 zero turn mower).

CARRIED

8. c.

186 /25 Fencing Policy TS-010 Amendment

NOBLE: That council approve the following amendments to Fencing Policy TS-010

- 2(1)d. i. The new fence will consist of four wires and 3" to 4" diameter – six-foot posts, which will be placed 16 feet apart, at a minimum. If the landowner had larger posts or closer spacings, the municipality will replace the new fence with what was existing prior.
- 2(1)d. iii. An upgraded fence may be:
 - a. Where the replacement fence requested in the Right of Way agreement, Right of Entry Agreement, or Temporary Workspace Agreement is of higher quality or for a different purpose than the municipal fence standard;
- 2(1)d. iv. Costs for the upgraded fence shall be based on the current Custom Work Fee Bylaw.
- 3. (2) The municipality is responsible for replacing the fence where damaged once mulching is complete.
- 3. (3) Where a fence is inadvertently damaged, the Operations Director or designate is to be notified immediately and the appropriate repairs will be completed by operations.

And further that these amendments be effective immediately.

CARRIED

Councillor Joe Hufnagel stepped out at 11:45 a.m. and returned 11:47 a.m.

8. d.

187 /25 Mulching Policy TS Amendment

NOBLE: That council approve the following amendments to Mulching Road Allowances Policy TS-004:

- Responsibilities f) ... If it is in the best interest of the municipality to mulch a fence line, to provide safer

sightlines or to provide improvement to the right of way, the municipality will replace the fence that is mulched. Provisions to this work would be on the condition that the RM is not responsible to remove or replace the fence once mulching is complete and any residual mulch, twigs or branches is acceptable to the landowner, if the mulching project does not benefit the municipality.

- The Public Works Staff and/or any contractor hired under agreement, are responsible to be aware of, ...:
 - a) Understanding that mulching works may only take place between August 31 and March 15 without an environmental bird sweep be completed prior to mulching. If mulching is to be done between March 16 and August 30, a bird sweep must be completed prior to mulching...
 - g) If a fence within the mulching area has been inadvertently damaged, contacting the appropriate person and/or the Operations Director or designate to report the damage, so that the damage may be repaired.
- 2 (2)(d) Private fence lines in areas where mulching is to take place, provided the landowner is in favour and signs a written agreement allowing the RM to do this work. The RM is not responsible to remove or replace the fence once mulching is complete, nor is responsible for any residual mulch, twigs or debris left behind, if the mulching does not benefit the municipality. If the mulching benefits the municipality by providing safer sightlines or improvement to the right of way, the municipality will replace the fence in accordance with Policy No. TS-010 section 2 (1) d. i.

and further that these amendments be effective immediately.

CARRIED

Councillor Spenser McGowan stepped out of the meeting at 11:57 a.m. and returned at 11:59 a.m.

Temporary Operations Director Cindy Schreiber and Foreman Barry Kastendieck left the meeting at 12:00 p.m. and did not return

188/25 **Break for Lunch**

MCGOWAN: That council take a break from the regular meeting for lunch, the time being 12:00 p.m.

CARRIED

Present: Reeve John Light, Councillor Wilf Jurke, Councillor Ed Noble, Councillor Joe Hufnagel, Councillor Elaine Newman, Councillor Spenser McGowan, CAO Bryson Leganchuk, and EA Liz Bailey.

189/25 **Resume Meeting**

NEWMAN: That council resume the regular meeting, the time being 12:35p.m.

CARRIED

Present: Reeve John Light, Councilor Wilf Jurke, Councillor Ed Noble, Councillor Joe Hufnagel, Councillor Elaine Newman, Councillor Spenser McGowan, CAO Bryson Leganchuk, and EA Liz Bailey.

10. a.

190/25 2025/2026 Sask Lotteries Grant Applications

MCGOWAN: That council allocate the 2025-2026 Saskatchewan Lotteries Grant as follows:

- Hillmond Central Sports Society \$6,828.00
- Nigel Stapleton Clay Shoot \$684.00
- Nigel Stapleton – Ball Tournament \$4,093.00
- Britannia United Services Hall \$4,780.00

CARRIED

10. b.

191/25 Tax Arrears Payment Proposal from Novacor Exploration Ltd.

HUFNAGEL: That council accept the proposal of Novacor Exploration Ltd. to pay \$6,000 monthly towards their taxes owing on their recently acquired disposal well property located at LSD-04-29-51-26-W3 until taxes are current. If the \$6,000 monthly payment is missed the RM of Britannia No. 502 will proceed with section 317 of the Municipalities Act.

CARRIED

10. c.

192/25 Correspondence Regarding Acquisition of Certain Assets from the Orphan Fund by Argyle Oil & Gas

JURKE: That council acknowledge the letter dated March 18, 2025, sent to Onyx Land Services Ltd. regarding the acquisition of wells from the orphan well fund by Argyle Oil and Gas, in accordance with resolution 076/25.

CARRIED

10. d.

193/25 Multi-Lateral Oil Well Program

NOBLE: That council instruct administration to draft a letter under the signature of the Reeve to the Minister of Government Relations and the Minister of Energy and Resources regarding the negative impact that the new provincial government oil well drilling programs have on the RM's infrastructure.

CARRIED

10. e.

194/25 2025 Meeting Schedule

NOBLE: That, as per subsection 6.4 of the Procedure Bylaw 21-2020, council approve the following revised list of 2025 regular council meeting dates:

7. April 9, 2025	14. September 3, 2025
8. April 30, 2025	15. September 24, 2025
9. May 21, 2025	16. October 15, 2025
10. June 11, 2025	17. November 3, 2025
11. July 2, 2025	18. November 26, 2025
12. July 23, 2025	19. December 17, 2025
13. August 13, 2025	

CARRIED

Councillor Ed Noble stepped out of the meeting at 1:45 p.m. and returned at 1:49 p.m.

10. g.

195/25 RCMP Priorities

NOBLE: That council instruct the CAO to respond to the letter received from Sgt. Harrison regarding the upcoming Detachment Action Plan requesting the following be set as priorities for 2025/2026:

- Ensure that the RCMP are available to people in the RM of Britannia when they need them;
- Reduction in property crime; and

- Increased community presence, including random patrols at high-crime times (10:00 p.m. to 4:00 a.m.).

Further, that council request the Community Consultative Group be re-established and continue to meet annually at a minimum.

CARRIED

196/25 Appointment to the RCMP Community Consultative Group

JURKE: That council appoint the following two members to the RCMP Community Consultative Group:

- Division 1 Councillor Ed Noble
- Division 3 Councillor Joe Hufnagel.

CARRIED

Councillor Wilf Jurke stepped out at 2:37 p.m. and returned at 2:40 p.m.

Councillor Hufnagel stepped out of the meeting at 2:42 p.m. and returned at 2:44 p.m.

10. h.

197/25 2025 Strategic Plan – Q1 Progress Report

JURKE: That council accept the first quarter (January – March) 2025 CAO Report as presented.

CARRIED

10. i.

198/25 Spring Road Restriction Order Opt-Out

JURKE: That council acknowledge the March 22, 2025 Spring Road Restriction Order Opt-Out letter sent to Government of Saskatchewan Manager of Highway Hotline/ Emergency Planning Officer Lana Eering. Further, that council acknowledge that the RM of Britannia will be removed from the Spring Road Restriction Order effective 12:01 a.m. on Friday March 28, 2025.

CARRIED

10. j.

199/25 CAO Holiday Payout Request

MCGOWAN: That council approve the CAO's holiday payout request to reduce the CAO's accrued vacation balance to three weeks, as per Pay and Benefits Policy HR-007.

CARRIED

200/25 Appointment to Hillmond Redden Arena Board

HUFNAGEL: That council appoint Division 5 Councillor Spenser McGowan to the Hillmond Redden Arena Board as a representative of the Rural Municipality of Britannia.

CARRIED

Councillor Joe Hufnagel stepped out at 3:03 p.m. and returned at 3:04 p.m.

201/25 Adjournment

NOBLE: That the regular meeting of council be adjourned, the time being 3:14 p.m.

CARRIED

Reeve

Chief Administrative Officer



Date Printed
2025-03-20 2:41 PM

RM of Britannia
List of Accounts for Approval
Batch: 2025-00021 to 2025-00021

Page 1

Bank Code - AP - AP GENERAL

COMPUTER CHEQUE

Payment #	Date	Vendor Name	Reference	Invoice Amount	Payment Amount
		Invoice #			
33007	2025-03-26	Rural Municipal Admin.Assoc.			
		May 12-15 2025	RMAA 2025 Convention	100.00	100.00
33008	2025-03-26	RMAA			
		May 12 2025	2025 Annual RMAA Golf Tourname	110.00	110.00
			Total Computer Cheque:		210.00

OTHER

Payment #	Date	Vendor Name	Reference	Invoice Amount	Payment Amount
		Invoice #			
3781	2025-03-20	Receiver General for Canada			
		Feb 2025 GST	February 2025 GST Remittance	661.79	661.79
3782	2025-03-20	SaskEnergy			
		Mar 13 2025 LS	Feb '25 - Mar '25 - Lift Station	50.92	50.92
3783	2025-03-20	SaskEnergy			
		Mar 13 2025 WTP	Feb '25 - Mar '25 - G'street WTP	177.25	177.25
3784	2025-03-20	SaskEnergy			
		Mar 13 2025 Sho	Feb '25 - Mar '25 - RM Shop	818.23	818.23
3785	2025-03-20	SaskPower			
		0798-0095-0917	Feb '25 - Mar '25 Rink Lights	32.74	32.74
3786	2025-03-20	SaskPower			
		1029-0093-7949	Feb '25 - Mar '25 H'mond St Light	111.10	111.10
3787	2025-03-20	SaskPower			
		1029-0093-7952	Feb '25 - Mar '25 H'mond Shed	1,012.39	1,012.39
3788	2025-03-20	SaskPower			
		0732-0094-7878	Feb '25 - Mar '25 G'st St Light	232.66	232.66
3789	2025-03-20	SaskPower			
		0732-0094-7881	Feb '25 - Mar '25 G'st Lift Statio	335.04	335.04
3790	2025-03-20	SaskPower			
		0732-0094-7884	Feb '25 - Mar '25 G'street Well	755.33	755.33
3791	2025-03-20	SaskPower			
		1095-0093-8496	Feb '25 - Mar '25 H'mond Tank Lo	240.79	240.79
3792	2025-03-20	SaskPower			
		3768-0047-4480	Feb '25 - Mar '25 N'bend Well	58.58	58.58
3793	2025-03-20	SaskTel			
		Mar 16 2025 Off	Feb '25 - Mar '25 Office Phone	683.92	683.92
3794	2025-03-20	SaskTel			
		Mar 16 2025 BFD	Feb '25 - Mar '25 BFD Phone	192.33	192.33
			Total Other:		5,363.07

Certified correct this 26th of March 2025

DO

Total AP: 5,573.07

Reeve

Administrator