



COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

January 27, 2026

The Town of Didsbury Council held a Regular Council Meeting on Tuesday, January 27, 2026 in Council Chambers.

CAO Report

Council was presented with a CAO Report that included information on Economic Development Engagements, Governance Consultation Planning, and Bylaw Reviews. The CAO report can be found in the [Agenda Package](#).

Bylaws and Policies

Council reviewed a number of bylaws and policies including:

FIN 009-26 Financial Review. The amendments to this policy include updating the formatting of the policy to align with current practices, some rewording for clarification, and the addition of a clause to allow the CAO to override the requirement in the event of urgency. Council approved the amendments as presented.

COUN 010-26 Town of Didsbury High School Scholarship Award Policy. The Policy would be revised to reflect the actual budgeted amount with a minor amendment reflecting the change in amount from \$1,500 to \$2,000. Council adopted the updated policy as presented.

Municipal Credit Card Borrowing Bylaw 2026-02. This is a short-term borrowing bylaw for the purpose of authorizing borrowing by credit card. Credit cards are a useful payment method when travelling, purchasing subscriptions or memberships, and small dollar value retail purchases for which immediate payment is required. Council granted all three readings of the bylaw. Administration will return a credit card policy for Council's review outlining the requirements for credit card use by employees.

Bylaw 2025-17 Municipal Policing Committee. At the August 26, 2025 Regular Council Meeting, Council requested permission from the Minister of Safety and Emergency Services to establish a Municipal Policing Committee rather than a Regional Policing Committee to meet new requirements set out in the [Police Act](#). On September 11, 2025, the Town received a letter from the Minister authorizing the request. Council granted first reading to Bylaw 2025-17 on September 23, 2025. Council granted second and third & final reading to the Municipal Policing Committee Bylaw 2025-17.

Town of Didsbury Policies and Bylaws can be [found here](#).

[ABmunis' 2026 Spring Municipal Leaders Caucus \(MLC\)](#)

During MLC, municipal councils have an opportunity to potentially meet with the Honourable Dan Williams, Minister of Municipal Affairs. The deadline to request a meeting is January 30, 2026. Council would be expected to provide three topics of interest for discussion if they wish to meet with the Minister. Council approved to request a meeting with the Minister of Municipal Affairs at the Alberta Municipalities 2026 Municipal Leader's Caucus.