Minutes of the Town of Didsbury Organizational Meeting held on November 2, 2026 in Council Chambers 1606 14 Street Commencing at 6:00 p.m.

Council Members Present Mayor Chris Little
Councillor Curt Engel
Deputy Mayor Troy Lambert
Councillor Irwin Mahon
Councillor Bob Murray
Councillor Norm Quantz
Councillor Will Stevens

Council Members Absent

Administration Present Chief Administrative Officer, Vanessa Van der Meer
Executive Assistant, Ty Tomasta
Legislative Advisor, Leonie-Arianne Becker
Development Officer, Lee-Ann Gaudette
Communications Coordinator, Lisa Bastarache

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
Mayor Little called the November 2, 2026 Organizational Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**
Res. 367-26
Moved by Councillor Engel
That Council adopt the agenda with the addition of 6.1 Citizens on Patrol Committee, where we will need one primary and one alternative; and the Town of Didsbury Library Board and the Municipal Policing Committee are on the new agenda.
Motion Carried.

3. **DEPUTY MAYOR APPOINTMENT**

Meeting recessed at 6:06 p.m. for a vote by secret ballot.

Meeting reconvened at 6:08 p.m..

Mayor Little declared that Councillor Lambert has been appointed as Deputy Mayor for a period of one (1) year by a vote of 4-3.

4. **SIGNING AUTHORITY**

Res. 368-26
Moved by Councillor Stevens
That Council accept the designated Signing Authorities for the Town of Didsbury for Information.
Motion Carried.

5. **REVIEW OF COUNCIL BYLAWS & POLICIES**

Res. 369-26
Moved by Councillor Lambert
That Council accept Bylaw #001-24, being the Council Procedural Bylaw, for information.
Motion Carried.

Res. 370-26
Moved by Councillor Quantz
That Council APPROVE Policy COUN 2026-001 Council Remuneration and Professional Development Policy.
Motion Carried.

6. **COUNCIL COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS**

Res. 371-26
Moved by Councillor Stevens
That Council appoint Members of Council to the Boards and Committees listed below until the 2027 Organizational Meeting of Council as discussed.
Motion Carried.

Municipal Planning Commission (Bylaw 2025-02)
- Councillor Stevens
- Councillor Quantz
- Councillor Murray (Alternate)

Intermunicipal Cooperation Committee (ICF Agreement)
- Mayor Little
- Councillor Engel
- Councillor Murray

Mountain View Regional Water Services Commission
- Councillor Quantz
- Mayor Little (Alternate)

Mountain View Regional Waste Management Commission
- Councillor Lambert
- Councillor Stevens (Alternate)

Mountain View Seniors' Housing Board
- Councillor Stevens

Parkland Regional Library System Board
- Councillor Murray

- Councillor Quantz (Alternate)

Red Deer River Municipal Users Group
- Councillor Quantz

Town of Didsbury Library Board
- Councillor Engel
- Councillor Lambert

Municipal Policing Committee
- Councillor Lambert

Citizens on Patrol
- Councillor Mahon
- Councillor Murray

7. **SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS**

Res. 372-26
Moved by Councillor Stevens
That Council adopt the 2027 Council Calendar as presented.
Motion Carried.

8. **COUNCIL ATTENDANCE AT CONFERENCES**

Res. 373-26
Moved by Councillor Murray
That Council inform administration of their desired attendance at the Alberta Municipalities President's Summit and Spring Municipal Leaders Caucus, and select Councillor Murray, Deputy Mayor Lambert, and Mayor Little as Council delegates.
Motion Carried.

Res. 374-26
Moved by Councillor Stevens
That Council inform administration of their desired attendance to the 2027 ABmunis' Convention & Trade Show, and select Mayor Little, Councillor Mahon, and Councillor Engel as Council delegates.
Motion Carried.

9. **CLOSED MEETING**

Res. 375-26
Moved by Councillor Engel
That Council move to closed 6:54 p.m..
Motion Carried.

10. **RECONVENE**

Res. 376-26
Moved by Councillor Engel
That Council come out of Closed at 7:23 p.m..
Motion Carried.

Recess for 5 minutes

Res. 377-26
Moved by Councillor Murray
That Council appoint to the Municipal Planning Commission the following individuals: Kristen Edmunds, George Fawns, Shirley Madge, Dorothy Moore, and Sean Prestie to a one year term ending at the 2027 Organizational Meeting.
Motion Carried.

Res. 378-26
Councillor Stevens recused himself from voting for perceived pecuniary interest.
Moved by Councillor Mahon
That Council reappoint Diane Arbuckle as a public member at large for the Town of Didsbury Library Board, given that their terms ended on October 24, 2026 and that the member has not exceeded the maximum of three (3) consecutive terms.
Motion Carried.

Res. 379-26
Moved by Councillor Engel
That Council reaffirm Colin Creighton, Fred Van Vliet, and Gary Wiens as members of the public-at-large for the Municipal Policing Commission.
Motion Carried.

13. **ADJOURNMENT**

Res. 380-26
Moved by Councillor Quantz
That the Council Meeting be adjourned at 7:30 p.m..
Motion Carried.

Mayor - Chris Little

Chief Administrative Officer
Vanessa Van der Meer