

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF LONGVIEW
In the Province of Alberta, held on Tuesday, May 20, 2025
Held at the Longview Community Hall at 5:30 p.m.

PRESENT

Mayor Lisa Penner
Deputy Mayor Rose Klassen
Councillor Aaron Lyons

Chief Administrative Officer Roy Tutschek

PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE

22 public in attendance.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Penner called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

AGENDA

Resolution 090-25

MOVED by Councillor Lyons that the agenda be accepted as amended, add 11.4 Village of Longview Clean up.
CARRIED

Mayor Penner advised the Municipal Planning Services April 29, 2025, Public Hearing Report is not yet available. Will have a Special Council meeting as soon as possible, with 7 – 10 days notice to the public.

DELEGATIONS

NONE.

CORRESPONDENCE FROM RESIDENT

NONE.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Resolution 091-25

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Klassen that the Minutes of the Regular Council meeting April 15, 2025, Special Council meeting April 23, 2025, Special Council meeting April 29, 2025 and Special Budget Council meeting May 7, 2025, be adopted as presented, (spelling April 15, 2025, page 1 of 13, 'Kathryn' versus 'Catherine').
CARRIED

ACTION ITEMS

CAO presented Action Items.

Council has now completed resolving all Road Closure (adjacent Right of Way (ROW) lot) issues.

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REPORTS

Policing Report April 2025 Policing Report from Diamond Valley Policing, presented by Sergeant Matt Hogan.

CAO Report CAO Tutschek presented the April 2025 CAO report.

Council Reports April - May 2025 Council reports were presented.

**Report to Council
Mayor Lisa Penner**

From April 15 to May 16, 2025

General

- Met with MLA Chelsae Petrovic via Teams (April 14)
- Met with 11 residents about potential Malmberg Place development
- Volunteer Appreciation Celebration (April 26)

Special Recognition: Councilor Lyons, 25 years Service Award - Fire Department.

- April 29 Special Meeting – Public Hearing
- May 6 – Village Connection – no residents attended
- Special Budget Meeting – May 7
- 2 residents reach out directly to me re LUB rezoning – unable to discuss with them due to Public Hearing/MGA rules.

CAO to elaborate:

Municipal Planning Services Land Use Planners who co-chaired the April 29, 2025 Public Hearing, have advised from their lengthy experience that the Spirit and Intent of Municipal Government Act (MGA) – it is called a ‘Public’ Hearing, an effort is made through their legislation and many prescriptive rules, to give everybody in the Public, including residents and proponents (developers applying for the rezoning) a chance to be at the event, give input – the intention is to be as fair as possible to all parties. There is legislation to do with how to have a fair administrative process. The idea is to target a date (April 29, 2025), notices must go out. There is a minimum required notice period, all this illustrates the spirit and intent that all people who should have opportunity have a chance to speak (at that time) it is not a day

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before, a day after situation, (minimize) people not being aware – newspapers are involved, websites are involved, adjacent landowners are notified. The MGA intent is that everybody who should be involved is there at one point in time.

Therefore, the understanding and guidance from the Village Land Planners experts, having gone through this a number of times, is that unless these legislated rules are adhered to through MGA processes, notification, it is not fair if someone was not aware of the (testimony) presentation date and location. Therefore, unless you go through this whole (Public Hearing) process again, all the rules – notifications, it is really inappropriate to have that meeting (discussion) again – someone might be excluded. We have tried to adhere to this. It is supposed to be the best practice and right practice. Therefore, some will have heard from Mayor and Council they are not entitled, in absence of another Public Hearing to discuss (the proposed Land Use Bylaw amendment) further. Therefore, after the Public Hearing was closed, evening of April 29, 2025, after the Mayor asked many times if any further testimony, after that, there is not supposed to be any further discussion – unless there is (another) Public Hearing process, so everyone (in Public) has a chance to be involved.

Mayor Penner.

on another topic, sorry to advise that one of our residents lost a home due to fire. Responding units from Longview and Diamond Valley Fire Department did a tremendous job, kept everyone safe. Unfortunately, the pets were lost. So glad everyone is safe!

Longview School –

- Next meeting May 22 6pm in Learning Commons. Childcare provided.
- Foothills School Division (FSD) update – check website (<https://www.foothillsschooldivision.ca/>)

Municipal Planning and Commission

- no meetings

Sheep River Regional Utility Corporation (SSRUC)

- Special Meeting – Auditors report April 17, 2025 – unable to attend due to work conflict
- Regular meeting May 15, 2025
 - Water Works Advisory Committee (WWAC) – is to be dissolved. Next steps is for SSRUC board members to take the idea to their respective Councils and discuss next steps with submitting dissolution request to Province and considering SSRUC board

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restructuring to possibly include a member-
at -large

- Next meeting September 18, 2025 at 1pm in Foothills Chambers.

Deputy Mayor Rose Klassen

Council Report April 15-May15 2025

April 15 - Regular Council Meeting

April 21 & 22 - Seniors Casino

April 23 - Special Council Meeting

April 26 - Volunteer Appreciation

April 29- Public Hearing

April 29 - Westwinds

Meeting cancelled for Convention

May 6 - Library

Seed Library is open

Bingo still ongoing

Writers group Thursday June 5th 1pm - 2pm

May 7- Special Budget Meeting

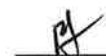
May 15 FCSS

Due to unforeseen circumstances, meeting was cancelled

Community Clean Up the Clutter Fundraiser

May 24 - June 8

All the information is in the newsletter



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Councilor Lyons

Council Report April 15-May15 2025

- Teams call with MLA Chelsae Petrovic
- Volunteer Appreciation
- Public Hearing
- Special Budget meeting
- Missed FRESC meeting because planned same day as the Public Hearing
- Fire Department planning to burn the branch pile soon, weather dependent

Mayor Penner.

CAO advise –

We are using a lagoon cleaning product, Acti-Zyme. Preventive measure, it will save larger expenditures.

MOVED by Mayor Penner that the April 2025 Council reports be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

Resolution 092-25

**FINANCIAL
REPORTS**

April 2025 Bank Reconciliation.

April 2025 Accounts Payable Cheque Register.

April 2025 YTD Revenue and Expense report.

Resolution 093-25

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Klassen that the April 2025 Financial Reports be accepted as presented.

CARRIED



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QUESTION PERIOD

Dave Marshall.

Concerned with post Public Hearing relaying of information. I agree with CAO it is for all public. Mayor and Council have time to review and absorb information from Public Hearing, so do residents. They have every right to make their position known. I agree individual Councilors cannot speak with the residents. Letters not taken as correspondence is thoroughly inappropriate. These are voters, they own the property, they have every right to express those opinions. They do not have to be talked about but those opinions should be included. Do not need a new Public Hearing. There is enormous amount of precedent on this. I am not sure the Planning Consultant is accurate. Look at the recent bulk rezoning in Calgary. For 2 months after the Public Hearing there was correspondence. When asking per policy to be included in correspondence it should be included.

Mayor Penner:

CAO comment.

We choose to go along with the Village Planning Consultants – they feel it is well based in their long experience and the legalities they work with – the MGA tries very hard to set a point in time (in our case April 29, 2025) as much feedback as possible has opportunity to get in, through whatever means is possible, day of, it is recorded, listened to, the assumption is that all the feedback is included (at that one point in time). It is the one time to obtain all the feedback. It is not just the day it is at least a few weeks before. It is legislated, there is notice in newspapers, notice to adjacent properties, weeks prior notice and it has to also include virtual feedback. We have chosen to recognize that date/time (and leading up to) as the opportunity to be fair, for all residents, stakeholders to provide input at the same time.

Mayor Penner:

If correspondence included, it would influence Council without the proponents being in available/in attendance to counter anything that was said.

Dave Marshall.

Now the public has no right to influence Councilors. Are you kidding me?

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This is a democracy. The MGA does not contemplate suppression of opinion.

Mayor Penner.

No one is saying anyone's opinion is being suppressed. This is not suppression of opinion. I for one have talked to 2 residents that contacted me directly, I appreciate being able to sit face to face with anybody. I give this opportunity 2 hours a month. Once the Public Hearing was closed, we have been instructed we can no longer entertain, we need to take every testimony that has come in plus testimony of the proponents, what they want to do and MPS's report and make our decision based on that. That is as democratic as you can get.

This discussion is finished, we will be having a Special meeting, it will be advertized more than 48 hours in advance so that everyone can come hear Council make the decision.

Dave Marshall.

Will public be allowed to comment at the Special Meeting?

Mayor Penner.

There will be no opportunity for comment. You will listen to our debate and our decision. We then we will move forward with whatever process that looks like.

Dave Marshall.

I hope everyone is aware. You will get no opportunity to speak again. Your opinions do not count.

Mayor Penner.

That is not accurate sir. In regard to the Public Hearing and the rezoning decision, that is one thing. If Council decides to move forward, but please correct me if I am wrong, there will be a development agreement, and in that time, information and input can be taken during the development agreement.



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CAO.

The Development Permit process should be standard where there is a 21-day notice period, does not matter whose Development Permit it is, this would be no exception – there is an opportunity to appeal. Not trying to encourage either way. That is a democratic as we can get. Will give notice through regular mediums, bulletin board, on site notice etc.

John Richmond.

This is not on the agenda - I want to thank members of Council and in particular citizens of Longview for the incredible support my wife and I received after our house fire. Aaron, please pass on heart felt gratitude to the Fire Department and the Regional people that showed up. This strengthens my belief why we moved to Longview, support from the community is extremely important to Kathryn and I. We are not leaving this town. Despite all the differences there are, what in the big picture is petty politics and things – this is a great community. It's being lived in by great people. We intend to stay. Thank you for your time.

Mayor Penner.

Thank you, Mr. Richmond.

Deanna Sinton.

Re: Responsible Pet Ownership Bylaw.

3.1(b), Cage Animals. 3.2, prohibited animals. Caged, exotic animals is a grey area. There are a number of exotic animals kept in cages, hamster yes - ostrich does not fit in a cage. We own a parrot.

Is my pet ok, even though been here since 2003? Is he allowed in Longview?

Mayor Penner.

Will revisit this in the Bylaw section of the agenda, Officer Hogan with Diamond Valley can comment.

Mayor Penner.



Mayor



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Thank you, Deanna.

Ms. Selbee.

Kathie Selbee.

I think you are being grandfathered in Deanna, because the Bylaw is happening after the fact.

Has Council received any formal complaints about Hens?

Mayor Penner. The council has not.

CAO.

Administration, formal, no.

Kathie Selbee.

Why have Bylaw to do with Hens when many years with no complaints. The Village is not full of Hens. 5 Families with Hens. Why need Hen Bylaw?

Also, limited people with 5500 square foot or greater. If below this size cannot have Hens. Smaller homes in Village, disadvantaged, do not have a lot of protein, might be beneficial to have chickens, for example in the trailer court.

Discriminatory to exclude residents based on land mass.

Money for Dog Licenses. What do those monies go for?

Mayor Penner.

Cost recovery. Waste disposal bags. Administration time. Tags.

If there is a need to call Bylaw in.

Kathie Selbee.

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We pay for the tags when we get the dog licenses.

The tags are useless, they fall off.

We had \$2000 collected?

That is a lot of poop bags.

Fees usually go to the pound, or education. It does not sound like Longview is doing that.

Mayor Penner.

It was mentioned in 2023 by resident who wanted to bring hens into the Village. You sat around table with me, how good it would be to have a Hen Bylaw. I appreciate the switch in position, Council will need to make a decision with Officer Hogan's input.

Kathie Selbee.

I mentioned back then, keep it simple/stupid – produce PID, why charge a fee, they are caged hens. No sense to charge a fee for chickens, they do not run at large. I do not feel it is necessary to have a bylaw for chickens. They were just asking if there was a Bylaw, not that we needed a Bylaw.

The more laws you create the more lawless society becomes.

Mayor Penner.

Thank you for your time.

BYLAWS

**10.1 Draft Longview
and Area Recreation
Committee Bylaw
479-25.**

Resolution 094-25

MOVED by Mayor Penner that the **Longview and Area Recreation Committee Bylaw 479-25**, being a Bylaw of the village of Longview, in the Province of Alberta to exercise the control, supervision and management of any Village of Longview recreation program, facility, park and public space, receive 1st Reading.

CARRIED



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Resolution 095-25 **MOVED** by Councilor Lyons that the **Longview and Area Recreation Committee Bylaw 479-25**, being a Bylaw of the village of Longview, in the Province of Alberta to exercise the control, supervision and management of any Village of Longview recreation program, facility, park and public space, receive 2nd Reading.
CARRIED

Resolution 096-25 **MOVED** by Deputy Mayor Klassen that the **Longview and Area Recreation Committee Bylaw 479-25**, being a Bylaw of the village of Longview, in the Province of Alberta to exercise the control, supervision and management of any Village of Longview recreation program, facility, park and public space, proceed to 3rd Reading.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolution 097-25 **MOVED** by Mayor Penner that the **Longview and Area Recreation Committee Bylaw 479-25**, being a Bylaw of the village of Longview, in the Province of Alberta to exercise the control, supervision and management of any Village of Longview recreation program, facility, park and public space, receive 3rd and final Reading.
CARRIED

10.2 Draft New Responsible Pet Ownership Bylaw 480-25.

Tabled to next Regular Council meeting, modify Hen Coops wording to synchronize with the Village Land Use Bylaw, obtain input from Land Planning consultants.

10.3 Fees and Fines Bylaw 476-25 update.

Based on 10.2 above, Fees and Fines Bylaw is tabled till next Regular Council Meeting.



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BUSINESS

**11.1 RFD - LNYD
Logo use request.**
Resolution 098-25

MOVED by Mayor Penner, that the Council approves LNYD to use the Village Logo.

CARRIED

**11.2 RFD - Senior's
week declaration.**
Resolution 099-25

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Klassen, that the Council Declares June 2 – 8, Senior's week.

CARRIED

11.3 MCCAC grant.
Resolution 100-25

MOVED by Mayor Penner that CAO can apply for the MCCAC grant (Expression of Interest is already in place from a previous grant iteration), with the intention to explore – this does not authorize committing to any final funding agreement.

CARRIED

**11.4 Village of
Longview Clean up.**
Resolution 101-25

MOVED by Mayor Penner that Village community-wide, with school student help, clean-up will take place Saturday June 14, 2025, Admin will do advertising on website. Food arrangements will be made offline.

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE

RCMP Q4 2025 report.

Recess: 6:48 pm – 7:15 pm.

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CLOSED MEETING

Resolution 102-25

MOVED by Mayor Penner to go into closed meeting at 7:15 pm p.m., Advice from Officials, **FOIP** section 24(1)(c), negotiations, land development.

CARRIED

Resolution 103-25

MOVED by Mayor Penner to come out of closed meeting at 7:56 pm.

CARRIED

No residents waiting.

Resolution 104-25

MOVED by Mayor Penner that based on discussions in closed Council meeting the CAO/Admin take next steps with legal services to close land negotiation matters.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

Resolution 105-25

MOVED by Mayor Penner to adjourn the meeting at 7:57 pm .

CARRIED



Mayor



CAO



Mayor



CAO

