



**Rural Municipality of Whitehead
Meeting Minutes**

Regular Meeting of Council August 10, 2026 - 05:30 PM (RM Office)

In attendance: Reeve Trevor Tuttosi, Councillor Jeff Owens, Councillor Curtis Storey, Councillor Dennis Foerster, Councillor Kaley Mykula, Councillor Chris Semeschuk

Regrets: Councillor Kevin Klassen

- 2026-151

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CALL TO ORDER
- 2026-151

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ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA
Councillor Mykula - Councillor Foerster

Resolved that the Agenda be adopted as amended.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 2026-152

2.1

Amending Motion
Councillor Storey - Councillor Owens

That the agenda be amended to include an item under the order of New Business with respect to Road 56N Construction Site Concerns.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 2026-153

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ADOPTION OF MINUTES AS CIRCULATED
Councillor Foerster - Councillor Owens

Resolved that the regular minutes from July 13, 2026 be approved as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 4

DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST
- 5

PUBLIC HEARINGS
- 5.1

Variance Applications (Multiple) - Robert Willman - NE & SE 7-9-22W

Robert Willman, applicant, spoke in favour of the proposal by providing background to the yard site and outlining reasons why alternative building locations would not be workable.

Councillor Semeschuk - Councillor Mykula

Be it resolved that the Joint Public Hearing with respect to Variance Applications VO2026-11 and VO2026-12 be concluded.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 2026-155

Councillor Storey - Councillor Semeschuk

Whereas Robert Willman applied for multiple variances to allow for a reduced side yards of 0 feet down from 25 feet in the "AG" Agriculture General Zone;

And whereas a joint public hearing was held this day to hear any representation for or against the applications;

Therefore be it resolved that Variance Orders VO2026-11 and VO2026-12 be approved with the following condition:

1. That an easement agreement be registered on title to address the access, use, ownership, or any other matter regarding the proposed structure which may cause issue were the NE and SE Sections of 7-9-22 ever separately owned. Further, that the easement agreement must ensure the instrument carries over to any new titles in the event of a title split.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2026-156

5.2

Variance Application (Multiple) - Williamson - SE 36-9-20
Councillor Mykula - Councillor Storey

Be it resolved that the Joint Public Hearing with respect to Variance Applications VO2026-06, VO2026-07, VO2026-08, VO2026-09, and VO2026-10 be recessed to a later date.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6 PRESENTATIONS AND DELEGATIONS

7 BYLAWS AND POLICIES

2026-157

7.1

GG-10 Donations & Charitable Receipts Policy
Councillor Owens - Councillor Semeschuk

Be it resolved that GG-10, being a policy for the governance of donations made to the RM of Whitehead and issuance of official charitable receipts, be approved and come into immediate effect.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8 SUBDIVISION

9 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

10 NEW BUSINESS

2026-158

10.1

2026 Supplemental Taxes
Reeve Tuttosi - Councillor Owens

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the Assessment Changes as per sections 300 (6) and 326 of The Municipal Act be added to the 2026 Assessment Roll.

Total ADDED TAXES = \$12,417.04
Total DELETED TAXES = (\$1,723.76)
Total = \$10,693.28

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2026-159

10.2

Private Event Noise Variance
Councillor Mykula - Councillor Foerster

Whereas Wendy Fergusson has requested that Council permit an event to be held August 21, 2026 to vary from the provisions of Noise By-law No. 2023-08;

And Whereas Section 5.1(a)(i) of the Noise By-law allows for exemptions to events when given approval by Council;

Therefore be it resolved that the request to vary from Noise By-law No. 2023-03 for a duration of a private event held by Wendy Fergusson at 53124 Road 119W on August 21, 2026 be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2026-160

10.3

Alexander Cemetery - Columbarium Project Revision
Councillor Foerster - Councillor Semeschuk

Be it resolved that Administration is authorized to amend the Alexander Cemetery design by removing up to three vacant plot rows, as required, to accommodate a columbarium in the south-east corner of the property.

DEFEATED

2026-161

10.4

Fall MMA Conference - Office Closure
Councillor Foerster - Councillor Storey

Whereas the Manitoba Municipal Administrators Association is holding its annual Fall Conference from September 14 - 16, 2026;

And whereas the 2026 election nomination period is to open on Wednesday, September 16, 2026;

Be It Resolved that the Municipal Office will be closed only for September 14th to 15th for administrative staff to attend the MMA Conference and will reopen for regular business hours on September 16th.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.5

Road 56N Construction Site Concerns
Councillor Storey raised an inquiry with respect to a construction zone on Road 56N which appeared to create unsafe conditions for motorists. Concerns focused on safety to the public and whether liability risks existed to the RM for work done by privately contracted companies in or around municipal property. Options were discussed which would require private contractors to be in good standing with the Workers Compensation Board and normal safety practices, including proper traffic control signage, to operate on municipal roadways.

Administration confirmed that municipal safety pylons had been on-site over the preceding weekend due to safety concerns but noted that the property owner had been contacted to ensure the contractor installed their own signage. Further, it was agreed that a legal opinion would be obtained regarding the RM’s risks and available measures to prevent future cases.

11 ACCOUNTS

2026-162

11.1

Accounts
Councillor Semeschuk - Councillor Storey

Resolved that the List of Accounts as paid for July 2026, cheque numbers #16967 to #17002, EFT numbers #229 to #245 (both inclusive) and 3 auto withdrawals for a total of \$192,008.66 and Direct Deposit Register totaling \$36,717.91 inclusive of payroll and council indemnity as per By-law No. 2023-01 be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2026-163

11.2

Budget to Actual
Councillor Storey - Councillor Owens

That the July 2026 year-to-date budget to actual report be approved as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12 COMMITTEE AND BOARDS REPORTS

2026-164

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CORRESPONDENCE
Councillor Owens - Councillor Mykula

Resolved that the Correspondence listed below be received;

-Manitoba Habitat Conservancy - Notice of Intent to File Caveat

CARRIED

14 NOTICE OF MOTION

- 2026-165

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IN CAMERA

Reeve Tuttosi - Councillor Owens

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this regular meeting now adjourns to an “in camera” meeting to discuss matters in the preliminary stages as per Subsection 152(3)(b)(iii) of The Municipal Act and all matters discussed in-camera are confidential until discussed in an open meeting as per Section 83(1)(d) of The Municipal Act.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 2026-166

15.1

Personnel

15.1.1

Back to open session

Reeve Tuttosi - Councillor Semeschuk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this ‘in camera’ meeting does now resume back to a regular meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 2026-167

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ADJOURNMENT

Reeve Tuttosi - Councillor Semeschuk

Resolved that we now adjourn to meet again on September 8, 2026 at 8:30 a.m. for a Regular Council meeting or at the call of the Reeve.

Time 7:11pm

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY