



**TOWN OF MORRIS
MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
January 8th, 2026 @ 6:00 pm**

Councillors Present: Mel Baxter
Taylor Braun
Chris Hamblin
Trevor Thiessen (Virtual)
David Funk
Tim Lewis

Also Present: Arien Peterson, CAO
Absent: None
Presiding: Mayor Scott Crick

03/01/26
Agenda

Moved by Councillor David Funk
Seconded by Councillor Taylor Braun
BE IT RESOLVED that the Agenda for January 8th, 2026, Regular Council meeting be approved as presented
(Carried)

04/01/26
Council
Minutes

Moved by Councillor Chris Hamblin
Seconded by Councillor Tim Lewis
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Minutes for the November 20th, 2025, Regular Council Meeting be adopted as presented.
(Carried)

05/01/26
CAAW
Minutes

Moved by Councillor Taylor Braun
Seconded by Councillor David Funk
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Minutes for the December 11th, 2025, Committee as a Whole Meeting be adopted as presented
(Carried)

06/01/26
Council
Members

Moved by Councillor Chris Hamblin
Seconded by Councillor Taylor Braun
BE IT RESOLVED that Council accept the following Members from Council for the January 8th, 2026 Regular Council Meeting as:

In Attendance: Councillors David Funk, Mel Baxter, Tim Lewis, Taylor Braun, Trevor Thiessen (Virtual), Deputy Mayor Chris Hamblin, and Mayor Scott Crick
Excused: None
Unexcused: None
(Carried)

DELEGATIONS: None

CORRESPONDENCE:

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| 1. Letter from MCC Thrift Store | Noted & discussed |
| 2. Letter from CF Triple R | Noted & discussed |
| 3. Letter from Big Rig Carwash | Noted & discussed |
| 4. Letter from VAS 07/01/26 | Noted & discussed |

SEMINARS & EDUCATION: None

TOWN OF MORRIS FINANCIAL

- 1) Town of Morris List of Accounts #08/01/26
- 2) Town of Morris Financials #09/01/26
- 3) Town of Morris Interim Budget #10/01/26

08/01/26 Moved by Councillor Mel Baxter
 Town List Seconded by Councillor Tim Lewis
 Of Accounts **BE IT RESOLVED** that the accounts for December 2025, being Cheque #'s 19837 to 19900 in the amount of \$92,670.31, Electronic Payments of \$220,727.87 and Payroll Direct Deposits of \$136,383.78 be approved as presented.
(Carried)

09/01/26 Moved by Councillor Mel Baxter
 Town Seconded by Councillor Tim Lewis
 Financials **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Financial Statements for the month of November 2025 for the Town of Morris be adopted as presented.
(Carried)

10/01/26 Moved by Councillor David Funk
 Town Interim Seconded by Councillor Chris Hamblin
 Budget **WHEREAS** pursuant to Section 163 of The Municipal Act, Council hereby adopts the Interim Budget for all operations and capital expenditures for 2026 until the adoption of the Annual Estimates as follows:

OPERATING REQUIREMENTS:

General Government Services:	\$ 200,000.00
Protective Services	\$ 130,000.00
Transportation Services	\$ 300,000.00
Environmental Health Services	\$ 60,000.00
Public Health & Welfare Services	\$ 20,000.00
Economic Development Services	\$ 20,000.00
Recreation & Cultural Services	\$ 200,000.00
Fiscal Services	\$ 500,000.00
Environmental Development Services	\$ 40,000.00
	<u>\$1,470,000.00</u>

CAPITAL SERVICES:

Operating	\$ 100,000.00
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UTILITIES OPERATION:

Operating	\$ 100,000.00
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UTILITIES CAPITAL:

\$ 50,000.00

(Carried)

MORRIS MULTIPLEX FINANCIAL

- 1. MultiPlex List of Accounts #11/01/26
- 2. Multiplex Financials #12/01/26

11/01/26 Moved by Councillor Taylor Braun
 MultiPlex List Seconded by Councillor Mel Baxter
 Of Accounts **BE IT RESOLVED** that the December 2025 accounts for the Morris MultiPlex, being Cheque #s 11777 to 11794 in the amount of \$49,976.83, Electronic Payments of \$13,179.37 and Payroll Direct Deposits of \$2,765.68 be approved as presented.

(Carried)

12/01/26 **Moved by Councillor Mel Baxter**
Multiplex **Seconded by Councillor Taylor Braun**
Financials **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Financial Statements for the months
of October and November 2025 for the Morris MultiPlex be adopted as presented.

(Carried)

TOWN OF MORRIS NEW BUSINESS:

1. Authorize for Electronic Access - Chief Administrative Officer **#13/01/26**
2. Signing Authority Municipal Documents - Chief Administrative Officer **#14/01/26**
3. Removal of Electronic Access – Retired CAO **#15/01/26**
4. Removal of Signing Authority – Retired CAO **#16/01/26**

13/01/26 **Moved by Councillor Tim Lewis**
Town Auth **Seconded by Councillor David Funk**
Electronic **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Town of Morris Council authorize CAO, Arien Peterson,
to have electronic access for cheques and other municipal documents as of the first day of
employment, January 2nd, 2026.

(Carried)

14/01/26 **Moved by Councillor Chris Hamblin**
Signing **Seconded by Councillor Taylor Braun**
Authority **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Town of Morris Council authorize CAO, Arien Peterson,
to have signing authority for cheques and other municipal documents as of the first day of
employment, January 2nd, 2026.

(Carried)

15/01/26 **Moved by Councillor Mel Baxter**
Removal **Seconded by Councillor Dave Funk**
Electronic **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Town of Morris Council remove CAO, Brigitte
Access Doerksen’s electronic access for cheques and other municipal documents as of her last day
of employment, December 19th, 2025.

(Carried)

16/01/26 **Moved by Councillor Tim Lewis**
Removal **Seconded by Councillor Taylor Braun**
Signing **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Town of Morris Council remove CAO, Brigitte
Authority Doerksen’s electronic access for cheques and other municipal documents as of her last day
of employment, December 19th, 2025.

(Carried)

MORRIS MULTIPLEX NEW BUSINESS:

1. Authorize for Electronic Access - Chief Administrative Officer **#17/01/26**
2. Signing Authority Municipal Documents - Chief Administrative Officer **#18/01/26**
3. Removal of Electronic Access – Retired CAO **#19/01/26**
4. Removal of Signing Authority – Retired CAO **#20/01/26**

17/01/26 **Moved by Councillor Mel Baxter**
Multiplex Auth **Seconded by Councillor Taylor Braun**
Electronic **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Town of Morris Council authorize CAO, Arien Peterson,
to have electronic access for cheques and other documents for the Morris Multiplex Inc as
of the first day of employment, January 2nd, 2026.

(Carried)

18/01/26 **Moved by Councillor David Funk**
Signing **Seconded by Councillor Chris Hamblin**
Authority **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Town of Morris Council authorize CAO, Arien Peterson,
to have signing authority for cheques and other documents for the Morris Multiplex Inc as
of the first day of employment, January 2nd, 2026.

(Carried)

19/01/26 **Moved by Councillor Mel Baxter**
Removal **Seconded by Councillor Taylor Braun**
Signing **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Town of Morris Council remove CAO, Brigitte
Doerksen’s signing authority for cheques and other documents for the Morris Multiplex Inc
as of her last day of employment, December 19th, 2025.

(Carried)

20/01/26 **Moved by Councillor Tim Lewis**
Removal **Seconded by Councillor Mel Baxter**
Electronic **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Town of Morris Council remove CAO, Brigitte Doerksen's electronic access for cheques and other documents for the Morris Multiplex Inc as of her last day of employment, December 19th, 2025.
(Carried)

BY-LAWS & POLICIES:

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| 1. By-Law 04.25 – Water and Wastewater Utility | On hold for PUB |
| 2. By-Law 07.25 – Line of Credit – Second Reading | #21/01/26 |
| 3. By-Law 07.25 – Line of Credit – Final Reading | #22/01/26 |
| 4. By-Law 05.25 – General Enforcement – Second Reading | #23/01/26 |
| 5. By-Law 05.25 – General Enforcement – Final Reading | #24/01/06 |
| 6. By-Law 06.25 – Vacant and Derelict Buildings | On hold |

21/01/26 **Moved by Councillor Mel Baxter**
By-Law 07.25 **Seconded by Councillor David Funk**
Second **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-Law 07.25 being a By-Law of the Town of Morris authorizing the borrowing of money to meet the current operating expenditures be given 2nd reading.
(Carried)

22/01/26 **Moved by Councillor Mel Baxter**
By-Law 07.25 **Seconded by Councillor David Funk**
Final **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-Law 07.25 being a By-Law of the Town of Morris authorizing the borrowing of money to meet the current operating expenditures be given final reading.
(Carried)

*Recorded Vote: For: Councillors Tim Lewis, Mel Baxter, David Funk, Trevor Thiessen, Taylor Bruan, Chris Hamblin and Mayor Scott Crick
Against: None
Absent: None*

23/01/26 **Moved by Councillor Tim Lewis**
By-Law 05.25 **Seconded by Councillor Chris Hamblin**
First Read **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-Law 05-25 being a by-law of the Town of Morris to provide for general enforcement by the municipality of its by-laws, provisions of the municipal act, the planning act, and any other act the municipality is authorized to enforce, and any permits, authorizations or agreements issued by or entered into by the municipality under the authority of such act, by-laws or provision be given second reading
(Carried)

24/01/26 **Moved by Councillor David Funk**
Bylaw 05.25 **Seconded by Councillor Chris Hamblin**
Final **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-Law 05-25 being a by-law of the Town of Morris to provide for general enforcement by the municipality of its by-laws, provisions of the municipal act, the planning act, and any other act the municipality is authorized to enforce, and any permits, authorizations or agreements issued by or entered into by the municipality under the authority of such act, by-laws or provision be given final reading
(Carried)

*Recorded Vote: For: Councillors Tim Lewis, Mel Baxter, David Funk, Trevor Thiessen, Taylor Bruan, Chris Hamblin and Mayor Scott Crick
Against: None
Absent: None*

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE

NOTICE OF MOTION: NONE

IN CAMERA ITEMS: NONE

Adjournment: There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 6:39 p.m.

TOWN OF MORRIS

MAYOR

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

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