

Town of Cut Knife
Regular Meeting of Council Meeting Minutes – April 20th, 2026

Mayor Don McCallum called the Regular Meeting of Council, held on April 20th, 2026 to order at 19:00, in the Council Chambers at the Municipal Office located at 102 Broad St. in Cut Knife, Saskatchewan.

Present were:

Mayor: Don McCallum

Deputy Mayor: Sandra Feser

Councillor Lisa Drake

Councillor: Karen Hamel

Councillor: Crystal Pentecost

Councillor Natasha Toews

Councillor Grant Wasmuth

Administrator: Deborah Schaefer

Mayor Don McCallum asked those members of Council who have a conflict of interest regarding matters listed on the agenda, to declare their conflict of interest.

Delegations:

19:00 Fire Chief

20:00: Public Hearing – Zoning Bylaw

75/2026 Councillor Feser

RESOLVED THAT the agenda for the April 20th, 2026 Regular Meeting of Council be adopted as presented.

Carried.

76/2026 Councillor Hamel

RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council meeting held March 9th, 2026 shall be approved as presented.

Carried.

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Correspondence

77/2026 Councillor Wasmuth

RESOLVED THAT the following correspondence be accepted as presented.

- SaskExpress
- Notice Nature Program
- The Loft Counselling
- North Central Transportation Planning Committee

Carried.

Approval by Council

78/2026 Councillor Toews

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Town of Cut Knife hereby approves the following payments:

Payroll & Indemnity:

March 2026, 317 – 338 in the amount of \$ 24,812.11

Carried.

79/2026 Councillor Wasmuth

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Town of Cut Knife hereby approves the following payments for March 2026:

General Cheques:

#10980 – #10987 In the amount of \$ 50,821.35

Automatic Withdrawal:

Utility Payments (Power, Energy, Telephone)

In the amount of \$ 7,079.74

School Tax Payments (March 2026)

In the amount of \$ 2,322.22

Visa Card, 35-41

In the amount of \$ 1,786.66

Bank Loans

Innovation New Truck Payments

In the amount of \$ 1,635.00

Innovation New Well Payments

In the amount of \$ 11,203.00

RBC WTP

In the amount of \$ 39,387.31

Proposed EFT Payments (296-316)

In the amount of \$ 39,387.31

For a Grand Total of

\$ 151,717.90

Carried.

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80/2026 Councillor Feser

RESOLVED THAT the Statement of Financial Activities for the month of March 2026 be approved as presented.

Carried.

81/2026 Councillor Wasmuth

RESOLVED THAT the Bank Reconciliations for March 2026 be approved as presented.

Carried.

Public Hearing

Mayor Don McCallum opened the Public Hearing of Council, held on April 20th, 2026 to at 20:00, in the Council Chambers at the Municipal Office located at 102 Broad St. in Cut Knife, Saskatchewan.

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82/2026 Councillor Wasmuth

WHEREAS a Public Hearing was scheduled for April 20th, 2026 regarding proposed Bylaw 193-2026 to amend zoning Bylaw 185-2015, and;

WHEREAS 0 objections where received, and;

RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Town of Cut Knife shall move forward with said zoning Bylaw.

Carried.

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83/2026 Councillor Feser

RESOLVED THAT this Public Hearing of Council shall now be adjourned at and the Regular Meeting of Council proceed at 20:20.

Carried.

Reports

84/2026 Councillor Drake

RESOLVED THAT the following Reports be accepted as presented:

- PW Foreman Report
- Administrator Report
- Mayor Report
- Museum Report
- Library Report
- Recreation Board
- RCMP Reports
- Cemetery Reports

Carried.

Unfinished Business

85/2026 Councillor Feser

WHEREAS THE Town of Cut Knife received a quote from Straight Line Contractors Ltd – North Battleford to test the Town properties for asbestos in the amount of \$32,867.10, and;

RESOLVED THAT for budget reasons we have the buildings tested we intend to keep (not buildings for sale), which works out to about \$20,000.

Carried.

86/2026 Councillor Toews

RESOLVED THAT we change the unpaid tax allowance from the \$44,000 to \$85,000 for the 2025 audit.

Carried.

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87/2026 Councillor Wasmuth

WHEREAS several properties with outstanding bills went to the Town of Cut Knife through Tax Enforcement and the following have been unpaid;

RESOLVED THAT we add the following accounts receivable to tax roll;

- R104 \$ 540.00
- R112 \$ 180.00
- R254 \$ 15,373.41
- R362 \$ 4,330.00, and;

RESOLVED THAT we add the following utility accounts to tax roll;

- R254 \$ 395.76, and;

FURTHER RESOLVED THAT we move the following to tax title property (plus the above-mentioned outstanding amounts and closing amounts):

- R104 \$ 40,810.55
- R112 \$ 25,459.98
- R254 \$ 7,285.96
- R362 \$ 52,816.00

Carried.

88/2026 Councillor Toews

RESOLVED THAT we have the Realtor (Nadine Holstine) list the following tax title properties with the intend to recover the taxes and costs:

Houses:

- 407 Broad St
- 200 Otter St
- 208 Irvine St

Properties as is (buildings need to be demolished)

- 200 Strange
- 202 Strange

Carried.

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89/2026 Councillor Feser

RESOLVED THAT Bylaw 193-2026 (Zoning Bylaw to amend Bylaw 185-2015) shall be read the second time.

Carried.

90/2026 Councillor Drake

RESOLVED THAT Bylaw 193-2026 (Zoning Bylaw to amend Bylaw 185-2015) shall be read the third time and adopted when approved by Community Planning.

Carried.

New Business

91/2026 Councillor Drake

WHEREAS the Town of Cut Knife requires a new Bylaw Enforcement Officer, and;

WHEREAS the Town of Unity offered a contract with the Town of Cut Knife to provide for Bylaw Enforcement, and;

RESOLVED THAT the Town of Cut Knife appoints Ryan Brun as the new Bylaw Enforcement Officer, and;

FURTHER RESOLVED THAT we have the Mayor and Administrator sign said contract and have the new Bylaw Enforcement Officer start as soon as mutual agreed upon.

Carried.

92/2026 Councillor Wasmuth

WHEREAS THE Town of Cut Knife is now the owner of the old school, and;

WHEREAS THE Fire chief of the Cut Knife fire association submitted a request to use the old school as practise ground for fire fighters simulating situation training (no building damages), and;

RESOLVED THAT we look into this request and start the process for the fire department to be able to use said building.

Carried.

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93/2026 Councillor Hamel

RESOLVED THAT we acknowledge the 2026 Education Property Tax Mill Rates provided by the Ministry of Government Relations.

Carried.

94/2026 Councillor Feser

RESOLVED THAT we acknowledge the 2026 Municipal Revenue Sharing Grant provided by the Ministry of Government Relations.

Carried.

95/2026 Councillor Feser

RESOLVED THAT Bylaw 194-2026 (Repeal Bylaw) shall be read the first time.

Carried.

96/2026 Councillor Pentecost

RESOLVED THAT the attached list of arrears shall be accepted as presented and send to Taxervice for proceeding as per *Tax Enforcement Act*.

Carried.

97/2026 Councillor Toews

RESOLVED THAT this Regular Meeting of Council shall now be adjourned at 22:15 and;

RESOLVED THAT we change the next council meeting from May 11th, 2026 to May 4th, 2026 at 19:00.

Carried.

Mayor Don McCallum

Administrator Deborah Schaefer