

TOWN OF TROCHU – MINUTES

FOR THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD

August 17th, 2026

At Trochu Town Office

Motions

Item and Information Regular Meeting – August 17th, 2026

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Kletke called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. In attendance were Mayor Barry Kletke, Deputy Mayor Chris Reeds, Councillors Chris Armstrong, Bill Cunningham, Cerilo Dela Cruz, Jaime Martel, and Carl Peterson, CAO Jamie Collins, Director of Operations Dave Nelson, and Recording Secretary Toni Nelson.

2. ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA

- a) Additions to the Agenda
 - None
- b) Agenda Acceptance

2026-08-17-01

Motion to accept the agenda as presented

Motion by REEDS to accept the agenda as presented

CARRIED

3. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

- a) Adoption of July 13th, 2026, Regular Council Meeting Minutes

2026-08-17-02

Motion to adopt the July 13th, 2026, Regular Council Meeting Minutes

Motion by ARMSTRONG to adopt the July 13th, 2026, Regular Council Meeting Minutes

CARRIED

4. HOUSEKEEPING

- a) Housekeeping Acceptance

2026-08-17-03

Motion to accept the Housekeeping and file for future reference

Motion by MARTEL to accept the Housekeeping and file for future reference

CARRIED

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- a) Nothing for this Agenda Item

6. DELEGATIONS

- a) Nothing for this agenda item

7. BYLAWS, POLICIES and AGREEMENTS

- a) Nothing for this Agenda Item

8. REPORTS:

A. STAFF REPORTS:

- a) Director of Operations Report
 - also reported that the Town has offered trees from the tree farm for planting around the Seniors Living Facility

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2026-08-17-04

Motion to accept
the Director of
Operations
Report and file
for future
reference

Motion by DELA CRUZ to accept the Director of Operations Report and file for future reference

CARRIED

2026-08-17-05

Motion to accept
the
Administrator's
Report and file
for future
reference

b) Administrator's Report

Motion by MARTEL to accept the Administrator's Report and file for future reference

CARRIED

2026-08-17-06

Motion to accept
the Arboretum
Report and file
for future
reference

c) Arboretum Report

Motion by CUNNINGHAM to accept the Arboretum Report and file for future reference

CARRIED

B. COMMITTEE REPORTS, MINUTES & OTHER REPORTS

- a) Trochu Arboretum Financials
- b) July Regional Grant Writer Report
- c) June 22nd, 2026, MPC Minutes
- d) July 13th, 2026, MPC Minutes
- e) FCSS Minutes
- f) Q1 Community Policing Report
- g) Three Hills Q1 Provincial Crime Statistics

Accepted for information

C. COUNCIL REPORTS

- a) Councillor Armstrong
 - No additions
- b) Councillor Cunningham
 - No additions
- c) Councillor De La Cruz
 - No additions
- d) Councillor Martel
 - Updated FCSS agreement will be presented at the next regular Council meeting
- e) Councillor Peterson

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- Arboretum Open Farm Days event went very well, listed some highlights
- Library Board needs some adjustments to their appointment dates for members, will be brought to the next regular Council meeting

f) Deputy Mayor Reeds

- No additions

g) Mayor Kletke

- Attended meeting with Minister of Municipal Affairs Dan Williams and other local municipalities, topics included municipal funding and derelict buildings

h) Motions from Items in Councillor Reports

i) Acceptance of Council Reports and filing for future reference

2026-08-17-07
Motion to accept
the Council
Reports and file
for future
reference

Motion by CUNNINGHAM to accept the Council Reports and file for future reference

CARRIED

9. CORRESPONDENCE LISTING:

a) Call to Action Email

2026-08-17-08
Motion to
support the
National Police
Federation's Call
to Action
regarding
upcoming
changes to
Alberta policing

**Motion by PETERSON to support the National Police Federation's Call to Action regarding
upcoming changes to Alberta policing**

CARRIED

b) National Police Federation Wave 9

c) Siren Email

d) St. Mary's Letter

Accepted for information

10. FINANCE:

a) June Bank Rec

2026-08-17-09
Motion to accept
the June 2026
Bank
Reconciliation
and file for future
reference

**Motion by ARMSTRONG to accept the June 2026 Bank Reconciliation and file for future
reference**

CARRIED

**11. OLD BUSINESS, UNFINISHED BUSINESS and ITEMS TABLED or REQUIRING MORE
INFORMATION FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

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Motion to authorize the Mayor and Chief Administrative Officer to execute a service agreement with Empringham Disposal for residential solid waste collection services, and to terminate the Hamlet waste collection contract with Kneehill County

a) RFD Solid Waste Contract Award

Motion by REEDS to authorize the Mayor and Chief Administrative Officer to execute a service agreement with Empringham Disposal for residential solid waste collection services, and to terminate the Hamlet waste collection contract with Kneehill County

CARRIED

2026-08-17-11

Motion to approve closure of the Garbage Truck Reserve, reallocate \$20,000 from the reserve toward the purchase of residential garbage bins, and transfer the remaining balance of \$197,000 to Unrestricted Surplus

b) RFD Garbage Truck Reserve

Motion by ARMSTRONG to approve the closure of the Garbage Truck Reserve, reallocate \$20,000 from the reserve toward the purchase of residential garbage bins, and transfer the remaining balance of \$197,000 to Unrestricted Surplus

CARRIED

2026-08-17-12

Motion to approve an amendment to the 2026 Operating Budget by changing the budgeted \$20,000 contribution to the Garbage Truck Reserve to a \$20,000 allocation for the purchase of residential garbage bins

Motion by ARMSTRONG to approve an amendment to the 2026 Operating Budget by changing the budgeted \$20,000 contribution to the Garbage Truck Reserve to a \$20,000 allocation for the purchase of residential garbage bins

CARRIED

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12. NEW BUSINESS

2026-08-17-13

Motion to approve a one-time exemption to Animal Control Bylaw No. 2016-05 permitting the owners of 702 Royal Drive to keep their existing three dogs until the property is brought into compliance with the bylaw through transfer of ownership or death of a dog, after which no further exemption shall apply. The exemption will only be valid as long as there are no verifiable nuisance complaints.

a) RFD Third Dog

Motion by DELA CRUZ to approve a one-time exemption to Animal Control Bylaw No. 2016-05 permitting the owners of 702 Royal Drive to keep their existing three dogs until the property is brought into compliance with the bylaw through transfer of ownership or death of a dog, after which no further exemption shall apply. The exemption will only be valid as long as there are no verifiable nuisance complaints. **CARRIED**

b) RFD Business License Consideration

Council discussed and chose to receive the correspondence for information and maintain the current approach of not requiring business licenses.

13. SPECIAL PROJECTS

a) Nothing for this Agenda Item

Dave Nelson and Toni Nelson left the meeting at 7:47pm

14. CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS – CLOSED SESSION

2026-08-17-14

Motion to move to a closed session at 7:48pm to discuss the following: Labour Item, Staff Evaluation

Motion by REEDS to move to a closed session at 7:48pm to discuss the following:

- **Labour Item, Staff Evaluation**

CARRIED

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CAO Jamie Collins stayed to provide information and administration.

15. RETURN TO OPEN MEETING

2026-08-17-15

Motion to return
to a public
meeting at
8:13pm

Motion by REEDS to return to a public meeting at 8:13pm

Meeting recessed at 8:14pm to allow return of public and reconvened with public present.

2026-08-17-16

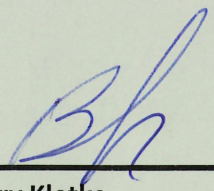
Motion to
approve the
2026–2027 CAO
goals as
presented
following the CAO
performance
evaluation, and
approve the CAO
compensation as
presented,
effective January
1, 2027

Motion by MARTEL to approve the 2026–2027 CAO goals as presented following the CAO performance evaluation, and approve the CAO compensation as presented, effective January 1, 2027
CARRIED

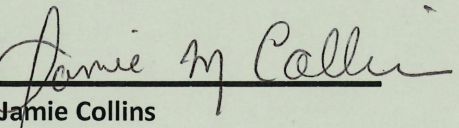
16. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Kletke adjourned the meeting at 8:16pm

X


Barry Kletke
Mayor

X


Jamie Collins
CAO