

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL FOR
THE VILLAGE OF TOMPKINS
HELD THE 16TH DAY OF APRIL, 2026 AT THE
VILLAGE CHAMBERS AT #5 - 2ND ST**

PRESENT: Mayor Ethan Wickstrom, Councilors Patty Sloan, Terry Churchill, Tyler Mackay Linda Dodds, & Chief Administrative Officer Melissa Churchill

REGRETS:

CALL TO ORDER:

A quorum being present, Mayor Ethan Wickstrom called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

AGENDA:

26-068 Dodds/Mackay: THAT the agenda for the council meeting of April, 2026 be approved as circulated.

CARRIED.

MINUTES:

26-069 Dodds/Churchill: THAT the minutes of the regular Council meeting held March 4th, 2026 be adopted.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES:

STAFF REPORT:

26-070 Churchill/Sloan: THAT the Foreman Report and Waterworks Operational Records for March, 2026, attached to and forming part of these minutes, be accepted as presented and approved.

CARRIED.

Checked the library for leaks from the snow melt and no leaks are seen. The thermostat was changed and is working well. Raeburn was asked to weld a grate from the waterplant that needs a grate over it. The waterplant is all painted. A resident of Piapot is advertising a street sweeper for \$1600.00 but is willing to negotiate. Mayor Wickstrom, Councillor Mackay and Foreman Mitchell are to make an appointment with the owner to go view the sweeper.

26-071 Dodds/Sloan: THAT Chief Administrative Officer Melissa Churchill's report be accepted as presented and approved.

CARRIED.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

List of Lands in Arrears:

26-072 Mackay/Churchill: THAT the List of Lands with Arrears for the month of March be accepted as presented and approved.

CARRIED.

Employee Bonds:

26-073 Dodds/Mackay: THAT the Employee bonds for CAO Melissa Churchill & Assistant Rhonda Armstrong be acknowledged.

CARRIED.

Outdoor Area Request – Royal Canadian Legion:

26-074 Churchill/Mackay: THAT the Village approve an outdoor area for liquor permit at the Royal Canadian Legion Branch #140 for 2026.

CARRIED

Ministry of Government Relations – EPT Mill Rates:

26-075 Dodds/Sloan: THAT the Education Property Tax Mill Rates, as set by the Government of Saskatchewan, for the year 2026 be acknowledged.

CARRIED.

Lot 9 Block F Plan N1534- Place for Tender

26-076 Churchill/Mackay: THAT invitation for tender of Lot 9 Block F Plan N1534 be advertised on the Village website, Facebook page and at the Village office, Post Office, and received until 12:00 noon on Tuesday, May 12, 2026, and,
THAT the highest, or any tender, not necessarily be accepted.

CARRIED.

CCBF Funding 2025-26 Installment 2:

26-077 Mackay/Sloan: THAT the CCBF funding installment 2 in the amount of \$4865.40 be transferred to the water reserves account.

CARRIED.

Municipal Revenue Sharing 2026-2027:

26-078 Dodds/Churchill: THAT the municipal revenue sharing 2026-2027 for the estimated amount of \$51,166.00 be acknowledged.

CARRIED.

Electronic Bill Payment:

26-079 Mackay/Churchill: THAT the Village sign up with the following financial institutions for electronic bill payment service, provided there is no set up cost, or monthly fees:

- **Royal Bank of Canada**

CARRIED.

Proposal from Rink Board:

26-080 Dodds/Sloan: THAT the council approve the request to purchase Lot C Block K Plan PLA for the purchase price of \$750.00 and for the Tompkins Skating Rink to pay all ISC costs to transfer the title.

CARRIED.

Chinook Regional Library:

26-081 Sloan/Churchill: THAT the council acknowledge the letter sent by Chinook Regional Library.

CARRIED.

Trees for Shelter Belt:

26-082 Mackay/Dodds: THAT council spend \$200.00/yr at Canadian Tire to build the shelter belt back up from where all the dead trees were cut down last year.

CARRIED.

Summer Transfer Station Hours and Increase to Transfer Station Fees:

26-083 Dodds/Churchill: THAT the landfill open for summer on April 22, 2026. Hours of Transfer Station: Wednesdays 1:00-3:00 & Sundays 10:00-12:00

AND

THAT council increase the household garbage due to increased costs, for ratepayers from \$10.00 to \$20.00 per load and the household garbage for non-ratepayers from \$20.00 to \$40.00 per load

CARRIED.

Campground Inspection:

26-084 Mackay/Churchill: THAT Doreen from the Health Inspectors office is coming to inspect the campground on May 1st @ 11:00 so we can open for the season

CARRIED.

Payment Agreement Roll 185:

26-085 Churchill/Sloan: THAT council accept the terms of the payment agreement put forth by Taxservice on behalf of Kevin Mowat to pay \$500.00 per month to get the taxes paid for Roll 185

CARRIED.

Resume #1:

26-086 Mackay/Dodds: THAT council look over and discuss the submitted resume

CARRIED.

Resume #2:

26-087 Mackay/Dodds: THAT council look over and discuss the submitted resume

CARRIED.

Resume #3:

26-088 Mackay/Dodds: THAT council look over and discuss the submitted resume

CARRIED.

Garden Head Gun Club:

26-090 Mackay/Churchill: THAT council does not accept the request of a utility reduction for the Garden Head Gun Club as they do not pay taxes on the building.

CARRIED.

DELEGATES:

BYLAWS:

Bylaw 2026-1 Cemetery Bylaw First Reading

26-091 Sloan/Mackay: THAT Bylaw 2026-1 Cemetery Bylaw be read a first time.

CARRIED.

Bylaw 2026-1 Cemetery Bylaw Second Reading

26-092 Sloan/Mackay: THAT Bylaw 2026-1 Cemetery Bylaw be read a second time.

CARRIED.

Bylaw 2026-1 Cemetery Bylaw Third Reading

26-093 Sloan/Mackay: THAT Bylaw 2026-1 Cemetery Bylaw be read a third time.

CARRIED.

Bylaw 2026-1 Approval

26-094 Mackay/Sloan: THAT Bylaw 2026-1 is unanimously approved and will come into effect immediately.

CARRIED.

Bylaw 2026-2 Amend 2021-1 Building Bylaw First Reading

26-095 Sloan/Churchill: THAT Bylaw 2026-1 Building Bylaw be read a first time.

CARRIED.

Bylaw 2026-1 Cemetery Bylaw Second Reading

26-096 Mackay/Sloan: THAT Bylaw 2026-2 Building Bylaw be read a second time.

CARRIED.

Bylaw 2026-1 Cemetery Bylaw Third Reading

26-097 Churchill/Dodds: THAT Bylaw 2026-2 Building Bylaw be read a third time.

CARRIED.

Bylaw 2026-1 Approval

26-098 Churchill/Dodds: THAT Bylaw 2026-2 is unanimously approved and will come into effect immediately.

CARRIED.

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

26-099 Dodds/Sloan: THAT the Bank Reconciliations for the Village for the month of March 2026 be accepted as presented.

CARRIED.

26-100 Mackay/Dodds: THAT the Statement of Financial Activities for the Village for the month of March, 2026 be accepted as presented.

CARRIED.

PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS:

26-101 Dodds/Sloan: THAT the List of Accounts for March, 2026, in the amount of \$34,288.08 are approved for payment and attached to and forming part of these minutes

CARRIED.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Mayor Wickstrom – Gull Lake Ambulance – The Gull Lake Ambulance is in the process of securing a new ambulance for delivery of 2028. The Village's rough estimate cost will be \$11,424.00 and increase of 3.808%. Total estimated cost for the ambulance is \$300,000.00.

CORRESPONDENCE:

26-102 Sloan/Churchill: THAT the following correspondence, having been read, now be filed.

CARRIED.

COUNCIL FORUM:

Councillor Dodds – Library AGM Tompkins is April 22, 2026 at the Tompkins Seniors and the Chinook AGM is May 9, 2026 in Swift Current.

POLICIES:

OTHER BUSINESS:

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Next Regular meeting of council is Tuesday, May 12th, 2026

OFFICE HOURS:

Regular Office Hours for April.

ADJOURNMENT:

26-103 Sloan: That this meeting be adjourned at 7:30 PM.

CARRIED.

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Mayor/Deputy Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer