

The Corporation of the Town of Kearney

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Council Chambers

Thursday, January 22, 2026 – 10:30 am.

Council Members Present:	Mayor: Cheryl Philip
	Deputy Mayor: Michael Rickward
	Councillors: Keven Beaucage, Heather Pateman, Jill Sharer
Staff Present:	Nicole Gourlay, CAO/Clerk (CAO)
	Jenny LeBlond, Treasurer (T)
	Paul Schaefer, Fire Chief/Chief Building Official
	Tom Young, Public Works Superintendent (PW)

Staff and Council were present for the entirety of the meeting.

1. Call the Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order at 10:30 am.

2. Approval of Agenda

Resolution 2026-018

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Rickward; Seconded by: Councillor Sharer

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney adopts the Agenda of Thursday, January 22, 2026 as circulated:

CARRIED

3. Disclosure of Interest – None noted

4. Items for Discussion

4.1 Draft 2026 Capital Budget Discussion #2

Resolution 2026-019

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Rickward; Seconded by: Councillor Beaucage

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney directs Staff to: Obtain 3 quotations for the First Response Vehicle contrary to the Procurement Bylaw Section 6.2 due to the urgency of models currently available.

CARRIED

Resolution 2026-020

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Rickward; Seconded by: Councillor Sharer

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney approves Staff to Tender for the Tandem Plow Truck immediately; AND FURTHER THAT Council authorize Staff to obtain 3 quotes contrary to Section 6.2 of the Town Procurement Bylaw for the cost of a used loader

CARRIED

Resolution 2026-021

Moved by: Councillor Pateman; Seconded by: Councillor Sharer

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney approves the 2026 Capital Budget with the following changes: Remove \$450,000 of revenue for grants for Road Improvements; decrease road improvement expense by \$450,000; remove tractor cost of \$219,000; add zero-turn mower for \$10,000; borrow for the cost of the 2026 tandem should the interest rate for borrowing be no more than 2% higher than the current reserves interest rate; transfer \$250,000 from Public Works Equipment Reserves to pay for the used loader.

CARRIED

6. Adjournment

Resolution 2026-022

Moved by: Councillor Pateman; Seconded by: Councillor Beaucage

BE IT RESOLVED that the Special Council Meeting of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney adjourn at 12:31 pm

CARRIED

**THE CORPORATION OF THE
TOWN OF KEARNEY**

Mayor

Clerk

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