

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

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