



**TOWN OF CLARESHOLM**  
**PROVINCE OF ALBERTA**  
**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**  
**FEBRUARY 9, 2026**

**Place: Council Chambers**  
**Town of Claresholm Multi-Use Community Building, 111 – 55 Avenue West**  
**Livestream: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCe3OPyLhTzPajvPVAfNL1KA/live>**

**COUNCIL PRESENT:** Mayor Brad Schlossberger, Councillors: Kieth Carlson, Rod Kettles, David Knox, Kandice Meister, Seth Wagner and Craig Zimmer

**ABSENT:** None

**STAFF PRESENT:** Chief Administrative Officer: Abe Tinney; Finance Assistant: Karine Keys, Director of Claresholm Family & Community Support Services: Barbara Bell

**MEDIA PRESENT:** None

**NOTICE OF RECORDING:** Mayor Schlossberger provided notice that live streaming and recording of the Council meeting would begin immediately at 7:00 p.m. and that recording would continue until such time as the meeting goes In Camera and/or is adjourned.

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Schlossberger.

**AGENDA:** Moved by Councillor Carlson that the Agenda be accepted as presented.

**CARRIED**

**MINUTES:** **REGULAR MEETING – JANUARY 26, 2026**

Moved by Councillor Knox that the Regular Meeting Minutes of January 26, 2026 be accepted as presented.

**CARRIED**

**ACTION ITEMS:**

**1. BYLAW #1824 – Land Use Bylaw Amendment**  
**RE: 1<sup>st</sup> Reading**

MOTION #26-019 Moved by Councillor Kettles to rescind 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of Bylaw #1824, a Land Use Bylaw Amendment, rezoning lands from R1 to R4 from January 12, 2026.

**CARRIED**

Moved by Councillor Meister to give Bylaw #1824, a Land Use Bylaw Amendment, rezoning the lands noted from R1 to R5, 1<sup>st</sup> Reading.

**CARRIED**

**2. BYLAW #1826 – Fire Hall Renovation Borrowing Bylaw**  
**RE: 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Readings**

Moved by Councillor Zimmer to give Bylaw #1826, the Fire Hall Renovation Borrowing Bylaw, 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading.

**CARRIED**

Moved by Councillor Wagner to give Bylaw #1826, the Fire Hall Renovation Borrowing Bylaw, 3<sup>rd</sup> & Final Reading.

**CARRIED**

**3. CORRES: Claresholm Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP)**  
**RE: Community Priorities Plan Leadership Invitation Letter**

Received for information.

**4. CORRES: Hon. Mike Ellis, Minister of Public Safety & Emergency Services**  
**RE: Update on Changes to Alberta's Police Funding Model**

Received for information.

**5. CORRES: Alberta Municipalities**  
**RE: 2026 Call for Resolutions**

MOTION #26-020 Moved by Councillor Carlson to direct Administration to work towards putting forward a resolution to Alberta Municipalities regarding brown field funding support and to bring it back to Council at a future meeting.

**CARRIED**

**6. CORRES: Alberta Municipalities**  
**RE: Webinar to Learn How Alberta's 2026 Budget Supports Municipalities**

Received for information.

**7. CORRES: Inclusion Foothills**  
**RE: Request for Advocacy**

FCSS Director Barbara Bell spoke about this issue to provide clarification.

MOTION #26-021 Moved by Councillor Carlson that the Mayor, on behalf of Town Council, advocate to the Government of Alberta to immediately pause implementation of the recent changes to the Assured Income for the Severely Handicapped Act and Alberta Disability Assistance program; and further, that the Government of Alberta undertake meaningful, accessible consultation with persons with disabilities, advocacy organizations, and community partners; and finally, that the Province publicly report on the social and economic impacts of these changes prior to moving forward. In addition, to request a meeting with Hon. Jason Nixon Minister of Assisted Living and Social Services during the Spring Caucus.

**CARRIED**

**8. CORRES: Claresholm & District Agricultural Society  
RE: Request for Sponsorship**

MOTION #26-022 Moved by Councillor Carlson to support the Alberta High School Finals Rodeo in Claresholm from June 3-7, 2026 with a sponsorship of \$1,500 as a Saddle Sponsor, with funding to come from operational reserves, and to receive tourism statistics following the event.

**CARRIED**

**9. REQUEST FOR DECISION: Coffee with Council**

MOTION #26-023 Moved by Councillor Knox to postpone the Coffee with Council initiative on Saturday, April 4, 2026 to Saturday, April 11, 2026 at 10:00 a.m. in Council Chambers.

**CARRIED**

**10. INFORMATION BRIEF: Council Committee Report**

Received for information.

**11. INFORMATION BRIEF: Council Resolution Status**

Received for information.

**12. ADOPTION OF INFORMATION ITEMS**

Moved by Councillor Zimmer to adopt the information items as presented.

**CARRIED**

**13. IN CAMERA**

**a. Confidential Evaluations – ATIA Section 22**

**b. Advice from Officials – ATIA Section 29**

Moved by Councillor Kettles to go In Camera at 7:58 p.m. for the following items:

**a. Confidential Evaluations – ATIA Section 22**

**b. Advice from Officials – ATIA Section 29**

**CARRIED**

**NOTICE OF RECORDING CEASED:** Mayor Schlossberger stated that the live stream has ended at 7:58 p.m.

Moved by Councillor Zimmer to come out of In Camera at 8:15 p.m.

**CARRIED**

**NOTICE OF RECORDING:** Mayor Schlossberger provided notice that live streaming and recording of the Council meeting would begin again at 8:15 p.m.

**a. Confidential Evaluations – ATIA Section 22**

MOTION #26-024 Moved by Councillor Knox to appoint Bitia Stone to the Claresholm & District Museum Board.

**CARRIED**

**ADJOURNMENT:** Moved by Councillor Carlson that the meeting adjourn at 8:16 p.m.

**CARRIED**

**NOTICE OF RECORDING CEASED:** Mayor Schlossberger noted that recording ceased at 8:16 p.m.

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Mayor – Brad Schlossberger

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Chief Administrative Officer – Abe Tinney