



# Town of Claresholm

**Council Committee Report**

**Date: February 23, 2026**

<p><b>Mayor Schlossberger</b></p>	<p>Feb. 5 Robert’s Rules. Good meeting. Larry always does a great job. 26 attendees.</p> <p>Feb. 6 MPC. Approved a variance for a front yard so they could sell their house. Approved 1 home occupation.</p> <p>Feb. 6 Mayors and Reeves. Very heated discussion on police funding!! Everyone is absolutely wild. A county in southern Alberta is paying 1.4 million for policing and they have no, 0 police. I asked if anyone in the room could answer the question where has all this money gone. Who has this money? Where is it? Lots of discussion on AGLC changing the rules for charitable organization receiving casinos? Several people have received very different answers to this question. Different answers from different ministers. Going to request Minister Nally come to our next meeting and explain this? Won’t happen!!</p> <p>Feb. 7 Coffee with council. Citizen raised concerns about Bill 53 from the GOA. Talk of converting a wing Mental Health Unit into mandatory addiction treatment. Where are the clients going to after treatment? Stay in Claresholm?</p> <p>Concerns about Blue Sky facility. What is happening there? When are we going to build housing. What are we doing to encourage growth.</p> <p>Feb. 10 Attended the MD of Willow Creek and Waterton Bio Sphere presentation on large carnivores, live stock predations.</p> <p>Feb. 11 MD of Willow creek and town met to discuss changes to our Municipal Plan. After a very short discussion everything was agreed to. We will get a letter from MD approving our changes.</p> <p>Feb. 12 Emerging Trends. Wow mostly boring stuff but as always took away a couple tidbits.</p> <p>Feb. 12 ORRSC executive meeting. With the new CAO at ORRSC we got a new brand of meeting agenda. Lots of heated discussion amongst the municipalities involved about the huge increase in police funding. Our new CAO paid a visit to Claresholm and the MD. Tracy met with Abe on her own. Good to see her out and about.</p> <p>Feb. 16 Attended Family Day skate. Great event. Over 200 attendees.</p> <p>Feb. 18 Landfill meeting. Good meeting. Lots of applications for job opening. Made up new employee contracts. Still discussing waste to energy. Talking about closing sealing a waste cell and building a new wet waste cell.</p>
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	<p>Feb. 18 Ag Society meeting. Claresholm Fish &amp; Game appeared as a delegation. Asking for permission to extend gun range. The board says they may have to take that to general board meeting. Heating system is west building in and running. Have arranged for services and fire hydrant to be put in for the West Agriplex.</p>
<p><b>Councillor Carlson</b></p>	
<p><b>Councillor Kettles</b></p>	<p>Playschool Committee</p> <p>Thanks everyone who made it through the cold for this months meeting. There are open positions on the board. We will hand out info to parents about being on the board and about the AGM planned for April 21 at 6:30pm at the Playschool.</p> <p>As with all the community organizations - if there is not enough volunteers for the board the organization cannot continue.</p> <p>The board will carefully look at finances and make decisions about what the classes and sizes look like for next year.</p> <p>There were meet ups between a number of the parents and their students and the teacher which went well and helps prepare the students as they progress</p> <p>Financial accounts are in good shape with most fees up to date.</p> <p>Next meeting on March 17 - 7pm in the community room</p> <p>Golf Club Committee</p> <p>With the snow and the cold it is a quiet time for the Club allowing golf carts to be serviced and equipment prepared for the nice weather coming and hopefully an early opening.</p> <p>The camera security system has been upgraded and combined with additional lighting the buildings are buttoned up a bit tighter.</p> <p>The Clubhouse restaurant continues to serve great food to everyone who comes by this winter so make sure to drop by the course for a pint and a bite.</p>



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	<p>The new carts are arriving soon and the board has decided to pursue a sponsorship program for company logos on the carts. If your company is interested, contact Lyle at the pro shop and he will explain the particulars and some of the spiffs that might come with it.</p> <p>We were informed that our casino dates have been moved up to 1st quarter of 2027 which will go to support our ongoing irrigation upgrade initiatives. Regarding that, we hope the new irrigation controller board (purchased through grant money and a few years of fundraising) will be installed in March with testing as weather allows.</p> <p>The board passed the budget for 2026 with an emphasis on a few more trees and some cart path improvements.</p> <p>Next meeting March 18 - 7:30 at the clubhouse boardroom.</p>
<p><b>Councillor Knox</b></p>	<p>Feb 7th: Coffee with Council. Great turnout!</p> <p>Feb 10th: Museum new building Committee. Review two 'quotes'. Discuss what we need to put out to tender. Details of wish list for building. Grants.</p> <p>Feb 11th: Online training ' Effective Meetings' with EOEP.</p> <p>Feb 13th: Meeting with MLA</p> <p>Feb 18th: Museum new building Committee. More discussion. Planning a meeting with Chris from Superior Codes.</p> <p>Feb 18th: Chamber of Commerce meeting. Financial report. Attracting new members. Events Committee report. Winter fest. AGM April 8th.</p>
<p><b>Councillor Meister</b></p>	
<p><b>Councillor Wagner</b></p>	<p>Food Bank - Jan 29/26</p> <p>Standards of Excellence + Link2Feed grant awarded \$27,775. \$9000 goes to company to do policies to bring Food Bank up to the standards. ~\$17,000 goes to staffing costs, new laptops, internet, set-up fees, and programs,</p> <p>Capacity boost grant + after the bell program grants pending</p> <p>Received \$2198 for Tim Hortons smile cookies</p>



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	<p>Grant for Canada summer jobs to encourage 16-30 year olds to work at the Food bank. Casino in June</p> <p>Library - Feb 17 Talking about who is eligible to rent rooms out. Found no policies broken for the APP. There are policies in place to leave it up to the library. Need to get in touch with Fire Chief to find out capacity of meeting room. Have been doing well with fundraising. Numbers of patrons and active members going up Meeting rooms bookings going up.</p>
<b>Councillor Zimmer</b>	