



Town of Claresholm

Council Committee Report

Date: March 9, 2026

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| <p>Mayor Schlossberger</p> | |
| <p>Councillor Carlson</p> | |
| <p>Councillor Kettles</p> | |
| <p>Councillor Knox</p> | <p>Feb 21: Bartended at the social centre for Back to the 80's night for Cares. Super fun and great turnout!</p> <p>Feb 24: Dinner with MD!</p> <p>Feb 25: Museum Meeting</p> <p>Financial and Events planning committee reports. Introduction of new board member Bitia Stone. New building report and March 7th joint meeting with Friends of the museum.</p> <p>Feb 25: Curling Club meeting</p> <p>Treasurers report and correspondence. Town Operational Grant discussion. Pool table from Social centre discussion. Won't be taking it. Building damage report. Ice rink shut down discussion. New company same as the skating rink?</p> <p>March 2: FCSS meeting</p> <p>Directors report. Correspondence on Budget and FCSS funding. Social</p> |

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| | <p>Centre options for Bingo depending on who becomes president after AGM. Bingo set up March 17 at 6:30.</p> |
| <p>Councillor Meister</p> | <p>Museum Events planned for the season. We welcomed Bitia to the board. Next steps for new building discussed. A large part of this is continued fundraising. Collections and accessioning are being caught up on.</p> <p>FCSS-ADAP/AISH changes negatively impacting those that rely on the program. It is also adding to the volume of visitors to the office. Disappointment that there was no increase in the provincial budget, cost of living and inflation essentially makes this a cut. Community grants decided for the year.</p> <p>Brownlee Municipal trends webinar Discussions related to the different hats we wear as a councillor vs. a board, committee, or commission member. ~ Data centres, seems to me these could end up being long term commitments, concerns, and clean up wrapped neatly with a few short-term benefits. ~Updating of POPA act. ~ Fraud prevention. ~ Misconduct on social media. Every employee/volunteer has a duty of loyalty to their employer and should act accordingly on line. ~ Aboriginal title. Some instances of uncertainty in other provinces are minimal in Alberta because we are covered by treaties.</p> <p>Meeting with MLA Petrovic We thanked her for recent advocacy on behalf the Town. Discussed changes to ADAP and some of the effects it is having on FCSS. Forced care, Policing costs, Budget strains, importance of services, and the costs that are being downloaded to municipalities.</p> <p>ABmunis budget webinar Fully restoring GIPOT funding. Insufficient infrastructure funding. Provincial portion of property taxes going up 15%! No increase to FCSS. CFEP funding cut in half. LGFF is down this year but should go up again in 27. There is a 300% increase in debt servicing costs.</p> |
| <p>Councillor Wagner</p> | <p>CCCS AGM - Feb 25/26 Doing well on budget - Looking to spend money via wind fence (with town/LRSD approval), new toys, shelves, toy boxes, etc.</p> |



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| | <p>Expenses went down from 2024-2025, while revenue increased. Having a hard time w/ recruitment for board members, going to do more advertising for recruitment.</p> <p>Food Bank - Feb 26/26 New stand-up freezers Applying for more grants (Operational) Taking on two full time employees for grant writing/standards of excellence/etc. Taking on one part time employee (HR/Payroll) Board recruitment efforts increasing May food bank conference</p> <p>Senior Protect - March 5/26 5 New cases, 2 in Claresholm March 10, Wills and estate planning at the hospital 8000 visits and calls. Helping senior people with their taxes a lot this month. Finding a lot of people are not getting all their benefits and money they should be, so finding nice surprises. Multiple facilities with seniors in them are having multiple non-compliant issues, with very little penalties. Continued advocation work with the minister. World Elder Abuse Awareness Day - June 15th Seniors Week - June 1st-7th</p> |
| <p>Councillor Zimmer</p> | |