

**TOWN OF ARBORG
REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
Wednesday May 14th, 2025**

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER: 9:00 A.M.

Mayor Peter Dueck called the Meeting to Order at 9:00 A.M.

Present: Mayor Peter Dueck, Deputy Mayor Ron Johnston
Councillors: Ron Rogowsky, Rob Thorsteinson, Donna Gislason
Also Present: Cindy Stansell, Chief Administrative Officer

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

99-2025

Gislason / Thorsteinson

BE RESOLVED THAT the Agenda be adopted.

CARRIED

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

1. Regular Meeting – April 23rd, 2025

100-2025

Johnston / Thorsteinson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Minutes from the following Meeting be adopted:

Regular Meeting – April 23rd, 2025

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Minutes be signed by the Mayor and Chief Administrative Officer.

CARRIED

4. DELEGATIONS, HEARINGS AND PETITIONS

1. Maddy From ~ FoodCycle Science – 9:00 A.M.

Maddy attended the meeting virtually. Mayor Dueck welcomed her to the meeting. Maddy did her presentation on recycling food waste and left the meeting at 9:18 A.M.

2. Susan Bauernhuber ~ Arborg Street Festival – 9:20 A.M.

Mayor Dueck welcomed Susan Bauernhuber and Jordan Cook to the meeting. They discussed their 2025 plans for the Street Festival and left the meeting at 9:29 A.M.

5. COUNCIL & DEPARTMENT REPORTS

1. Operations Manager Report

Justin provided a written report on the following:

- Public Works Operations
- Well Mechanization Project
- Quotation Projects

2. CAO Report

Cindy reported on the following:

- Office Operations
- Agreements Progress
- Full Scale Emergency Exercise Dates

3. Council Reports

Councillor Ron Johnston reported on attendance at the following:

- EIWD Meeting
- ESD Breakfast

Councillor Donna Gislason reported on attendance at the following:

- ADMHV Fundraiser
- ESD Breakfast
- ASHC AGM

5. COUNCIL & DEPARTMENT REPORTS – cont’d

Councillor Rob Thorsteinson reported on attendance at the following:

- ESD Breakfast

Councillor Ron Rogowsky reported on attendance at the following:

- BAR Waste Meeting
- CFEI Meeting

Mayor Dueck reported on attendance at the following:

- ESD Breakfast
- ADMHV Fundraiser
- ASHC AGM

4. Committee of the Whole Reports - nil

4. DELEGATIONS, HEARINGS AND PETITIONS – cont’d

3. Town of Arborg 2025 Financial Plan – 10:00 A.M.

101-2025

Gislason / Rogowsky
BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council do now adjourn the Regular Meeting to hold the Town of Arborg 2025 Financial Plan Public Hearing. **CARRIED**

In accordance with Section 162 (2) of the Municipal Act, Mayor Dueck called the Public Hearing, as required for the Town of Arborg 2025 Financial Plan, to order at 10:00 A.M. No other persons attended the Public Hearing and no correspondence was received. CAO Stansell presented the key items in the 2025 Financial Plan. The presentation will be posted to the Town of Arborg website for information.

102-2025

Rogowsky / Thorsteinson
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Public Hearing be adjourned and the Regular Meeting be reconvened. **CARRIED**

103-2025

Thorsteinson / Johnston
BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council adopt the Town of Arborg 2025 Financial Plan. **CARRIED**

4. Sunny Sidu, Bridget Design Engineer ~ MTI – 10:30 A.M.

Sunny Sidu, and Michael Hagos from MTI attended the meeting virtually. Mayor Dueck welcomed to the meeting, they discussed the construction plans for the Main Street Bridge and left the meeting at 10:45 A.M.

6. FINANCIAL BUSINESS

1. List of Accounts for Approval

104-2025

Gislason / Rogowsky
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following accounts for 2025 be approved for payment:

Cheque No. 15920 – 16008	\$383,201.59	CARRIED
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2. Financial Statements as at April 30th, 2025

105-2025

Rogowsky / Thorsteinson
BE IT RESOLVED THAT Financial Statements as at April 30th, 2025 be adopted as presented. **CARRIED**

3. Review of Quotations

- a) WTP Assessment Quotes
- b) Loader Repair/Replace

4. Evergreen Regional Library Received as Information

- a) 2024 Annual Report
- b) 2024 Audited Financial Statements

6. FINANCIAL BUSINESS – cont’d

5. Eastern Interlake Planning District
* 2024 Audited Financial Statements
- Received as Information

7. BY-LAWS & POLICIES FOR CONSIDERATION

1. By-law No. 1-2025

106-2025

Thorsteinson / Johnston
BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law No. 1-2025, a By-law of the Town of Arborg to *levy rates to raise the sums required for lawful purposes of the Corporation for the year 2025 as shown in the Estimates*, be read a second time. **CARRIED**

107-2025

Thorsteinson / Rogowsky
BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law No. 1-2025, a By-law of the Town of Arborg to *levy rates to raise the sums required for lawful purposes of the Corporation for the year 2025 as shown in the Estimates*, be read a third time and finally passed.

As required by Section 137 of *The Municipal Act*, a recorded vote was taken on the motion:

Council Member	For	Against	Abstained
Mayor Peter Dueck	✓		
Deputy Mayor Ron Johnston	✓		
Councillor Donna Gislason	✓		
Councillor Rob Thorsteinson	✓		
Councillor Ron Rogowsky	✓		

CARRIED

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Annexation Proposal

9. NEW AND OTHER BUSINESS

1. Water & Sewer Request

108-2025

Johnston / Gislason
WHEREAS Norman and Beverly Penner have received permission from the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton to apply for the connection to water and sewer services from the Town of Arborg Utility to service the six industrial lots in RL-46-22-2E;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Arborg Council approve the request from Norman and Beverly Penner with the following conditions;

- The Town of Arborg is provided with an engineered drawing of the watermain extension;
- The Town of Arborg is provided with an engineered drawing of the sewer main extension (if required)

CARRIED

2. June 11th, 2025 Council Meeting

109-2025

Gislason / Johnston
WHEREAS the June 11th, 2025 Council Meeting is scheduled for the same day as the 2025 Interlake District Meeting;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council change the date of the Regular Meeting to June 10th, 2025. **CARRIED**

10. CORRESPONDENCE/COMMUNICATIONS

1. Honourable Glen Simard ~ Minister of Municipal & Northern Relations
a) 2025 Urban/Hometown Green Team Program
b) Current Trade Dispute
- All Received as Information

10. CORRESPONDENCE/COMMUNICATIONS – cont'd

2. Brant Upward ~ Golden West
* CFRY Community Advertising *Received as Information*
3. Association of Manitoba Municipalities
a) 2025 Interlake District Meeting – June 11th, 2025

110-2025**Johnston / Thorsteinson**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Members of Council and the CAO be authorized to attend the ***Association of Manitoba Municipalities' June District Meeting***, hosted by the RM of St. Laurent on Wednesday, ***June 11th, 2025***;

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT mileage and indemnities be authorized for payment. **CARRIED**

- b) Accessible Information & Communication Standard Regulation *Received as Information*
4. Alex Janower ~ Riverdale Place Workshop
a) Thank You *Received as Information*
b) 50 Year Anniversary Invitation
Discussion: CAO and a member of Council will attend
5. Christine Semenowich
a) Support Programs
b) Follow-Up Letter
Discussion: Administration to reach out with recommendations
6. Community Futures East Interlake *Received as Information*
* 40th Anniversary Gala & AGM
7. Tom Chwaliboga ~ Arborg Bifrost Parks & Recreation
* Helping Hockey Golf Tournament

111-2025**Rogowsky / Gislason**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Arborg sponsor a hole for the 2025 Helping Hockey Golf Tournament held on June 21st, 2025 in the amount of \$200.00. **CARRIED**

8. Eastern Interlake Planning District *All Received as Information*
a) Notice of Public Hearing – June 5th, 2025
b) Notice of Public Hearing – June 12th, 2025
9. Rural Manitoba Economic Development *Received as Information*
* Upcoming Sessions

11. BUSINESS ARISING FROM DELEGATIONS

1. Maddy From ~ FoodCycle Science
Discussion: Council discussed this might be a good initiative for BAR Waste. Committee reps will bring up with them.
2. Susan Bauernhuber ~ Arborg Street Festival

112-2025**Thorsteinson / Gislason**

WHEREAS the Arborg Street Festival is being planned to take place on Main Street, from River Road to Second Avenue, from 6:30 p.m. Friday, August 8th, 2025 to 12:00 a.m. (midnight) Saturday, August 9th, 2025;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council has no objections to the closure of Main Street for the Arborg Street Festival on Condition:

1. Local businesses on Main Street are notified and have no objections;
2. A Contingency Plan is in place for Emergency Vehicles;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED the Arborg Street Festival be exempted from the Town of Arborg Noise Control By-law, for this one occasion only, other than the requirement to obtain written approval from the RCMP, a copy of which shall be provided to the Town Office on or before August 7th, 2025.

CARRIED

11. BUSINESS ARISING FROM DELEGATIONS – cont'd

3. Sunny Sidu, Bridge Designer ~ MTI

12. IN CAMERA**113-2025****Gislason / Thorsteinson**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT in accordance with the Municipal Act Section 152(3)(b)(ii), Council, do hereby close the meeting to the public and move in-camera. **CARRIED**

114-2025**Rogowsky / Thorsteinson**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council do hereby conclude in-camera discussions and resume into Regular Meeting. **CARRIED**

1. Personnel Matters

115-2025**Rogowsky / Thorsteinson**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT David Porter, Facility Attendant, Arborg-Bifrost Parks & Recreation Commission, be designated an employee of the Town of Arborg only for the purposes of employment benefits, effective May 10th, 2025;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the customary probation period be waived for David Porter, and that he therefore be permitted to join the Municipal Employees Benefits Program as well as Group Benefits through Western Financial Group Insurance at the time of his hiring;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT Arborg-Bifrost Parks & Recreation Commission reimburse the Town of Arborg for all costs of employment and benefits on a monthly basis. **CARRIED**

13. ADJOURNMENT – 11:57 A.M.**116-2025****Thorsteinson / Rogowsky**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council do now adjourn to meet again in Arborg on May 28th, 2025. **CARRIED**



Ron Johnston
Deputy Mayor

Cindy Stansell
Chief Administrative Officer