

**TOWN OF ARBORG
REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
Wednesday, August 26th, 2026**

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: Rob Thorsteinson, Donna Gislason, Ron Rogowsky

Also Present: Cindy Stansell, Chief Administrative Officer; Justin Hoplock, Operations Manager

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

187-2026 Johnston / Gislason
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda be adopted. **CARRIED**

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

1. Regular Meeting – August 12th, 2026

188-2026 Thorsteinson / Rogowsky
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of the following Meeting be adopted:

Regular Meeting – August 12th, 2026

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

5. COUNCIL & DEPARTMENT REPORTS

1. Operations Manager Report

Justin reported on the following:

- Public Works Operations

a) WSP, Professional Services Proposal

189-2026 Rogowsky / Thorsteinson
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Arborg accept the professional services proposal from WSP Canada Inc. for general consulting engineering services;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT CAO, Cindy Stansell, be authorized to sign the proposal on behalf of the Town. **CARRIED**

b) Office Window Replacement

190-2026 Thorsteinson / Gislason
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Arborg accept the quote from RandyBuilds for the purchase of office windows in the amount of \$20,197.65 on the condition they are able to store them until installation. **CARRIED**

Justin left the meeting at 9:30 A.M.

2. CAO Report

Cindy reported on the following:

- Office Operations
- Capital Campaign Meeting
- Immigration Meeting
- PCH/Penn-co Meeting

5. COUNCIL & DEPARTMENT REPORTS – cont'd

a) Bifrost-Riverton, Resolution Amendment, Denial

Discussion: CAO advised Council that Bifrost-Riverton has decided not to amend Resolution No. 2026-0108 as was requested by the Town of Arborg Council at a joint meeting held on May 14th, 2026.

b) Outdoor Sports Complex, Delay/Postponement

Discussion: CAO advised Council that because there has been no amendment to Resolution No. 2026-0108, purchase of lands for the outdoor sports complex will have to be delayed.

191-2026

Johnston / Thorsteinson

WHEREAS the future personal care home is proposed to be constructed on land currently occupied by the jointly operated soccer fields and baseball diamonds;

AND WHEREAS the Town of Arborg and Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton previously agreed to jointly purchase land at a separate location for the development of the new Arborg-Bifrost Outdoor Sports Complex and replacement of the existing fields, with each municipality responsible for 50% of the purchase cost;

AND WHEREAS the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton subsequently made its participation in the new sports complex land purchase conditional upon:

1. Fifty percent of the value of the existing shared recreation land to be provided for the future personal care home being recognized as an in-kind contribution made on behalf of the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton; and
2. Fifty percent of the municipal property taxes generated by the future personal care home being allocated to the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton;

AND WHEREAS the Town requested that the Municipality reconsider or amend its resolutions so that the conditions related to the personal care home would not delay the purchase of the replacement sports complex land;

AND WHEREAS the Municipality has advised that it will not reconsider its resolutions at this time, has retained a consultant acting solely on its behalf, and has requested that the Town submit a written proposal for consideration by the Municipality and its consultant;

AND WHEREAS the addition of these conditions and the Municipality's decision not to reconsider its resolutions have delayed the acquisition of the replacement sports complex land and the related subdivision, rezoning, design and development work;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Town of Arborg approve recognizing 50% of the value of the existing shared recreation land provided for the future personal care home as an in-kind contribution made on behalf of the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton, subject to confirmation of the eligible land value and acceptance of the contribution by the applicable provincial or regional authority;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council supports sharing an appropriate percentage of the municipal property taxes generated by the future personal care home with the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton, with the percentage to be determined following a Town review of the municipal services, infrastructure, operating costs, capital renewal obligations and other responsibilities provided or assumed by the Town in relation to the property;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town's proposal and supporting service-cost analysis be provided directly to the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton, with any review undertaken by the Municipality's consultant understood to be advice provided on behalf of the Municipality and not an independent assessment jointly commissioned by both municipalities;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the final tax-sharing percentage and all related terms, including the effective date, duration and review provisions, shall be subject to negotiation and approval by resolution of both councils through a written agreement;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT this resolution does not constitute the Town's approval of the requested 50% tax allocation and does not establish a precedent for sharing taxes from other properties.
CARRIED

4. DELEGATIONS, HEARINGS AND PETITIONS

1. Public Hearing 9:30 A.M.
Application for Variance, TA-26-14V

192-2026

Gislason / Thorsteinson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council does now adjourn from the Regular Meeting to hold a Public Hearing to hear representations with respect to the following:

- 1) Application for Variation, TA-26-14V, Lot 14/15, Blk 3, PI 2337, 289 First Avenue – Roll No. 17100

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Public Hearing be declared open.
CARRIED

In Attendance: Applicant Kendall Reimer

Mayor Dueck called the Public Hearing to order at 9:30 A.M. and explained the purpose of the Public Hearing.

Notice of the Hearing, as required, had been given by the Eastern Interlake Planning District. There was no correspondence received at the Town Office.

The Public Hearing was declared closed at 9:45 A.M.

193-2026

Rogowsky / Gislason

WHEREAS the Public Hearing has been completed;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Public Hearing be adjourned and the Regular Meeting be reconvened.
CARRIED

The attendee then left the meeting.

2. Susan Bauernhuber, Arborg Street Festival – 10:00 A.M.
* Feedback on Festival

Mayor Dueck welcomed Susan Bauernhuber and Jordan Cook to the meeting and thanked the committee for the work that they do to make the event what it is. Susan and Jordan gave an update on the successful event and wondered if there was any feedback from the town. Council gave some suggestions and the delegations left the meeting at 10:15 A.M.

5. COUNCIL & DEPARTMENT REPORTS – cont'd

3. Council Reports

Councillor Ron Rogowsky reported attendance at the following:

- Capital Campaign Meeting
- Immigration Meeting

Councillor Rob Thorsteinson reported attendance at the following:

- Public Works Operations
- EIPD Meeting
- PCH/Penn-Co Meeting

5. COUNCIL & DEPARTMENT REPORTS – cont'd

Councillor Donna Gislason reported on attendance at the following:

- PCH/Penn-co Meeting

Councillor Ron Johnston reported on attendance at the following:

- PCH/Penn-co Meeting
- Immigration Meeting

Mayor Peter Dueck reported on attendance at the following:

- Immigration Meeting
- EIPD Meeting
- PCH/Penn-co Meeting

4. Committee of the Whole Reports – Nil

6. FINANCIAL BUSINESS

1. 2024 Audited Financial Statements *Received as Information*
 - a) Supplemental Report
 - b) CCBF Annual Expenditure Report, 2024
 - c) Consolidated Financial Statements, 2024

7. BY-LAWS & POLICIES FOR CONSIDERATION

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

9. NEW AND OTHER BUSINESS

1. Regional Connections Training Centre Agreement

194-2026

Thorsteinson / Rogowsky

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Arborg renew the lease agreement with Regional Connections Inc. for the leasing of the upper level of the Training Centre Building located at 440 Recreation Centre;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Mayor and CAO be authorized to sign the Agreement on behalf of the Town. **CARRIED**

10. CORRESPONDENCE/COMMUNICATIONS

1. Joan Todd
 - * Request for Compensation, Animal Control

195-2026

Thorsteinson / Rogowsky

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Arborg provide funding in the amount of \$1,000.00 to the Arborg Veterinary Clinic to assist with animal control. **CARRIED**

2. Central Interlake Chamber of Commerce
 - * Renewal

Discussion: CAO to renew membership.

3. Canadians for Safe Technology *Received as Information*
 - * Proposed Changes to Cell Tower Siting Process

11. BUSINESS ARISING FROM DELEGATIONS

1. Application for Variance, TA-26-14V

196-2026

Johnston / Thorsteinson

WHEREAS the following Application for Variation, under the Town of Arborg Zoning By-law No. 6-2011, as amended, has been applied for:

Application: TA-26-14V
Area Affected: Lot 14/15, Block 3, Plan 2337 – 289 First Ave – Roll No. 17100
Proposal: To increase the maximum allowed open deck projection into a required front yard from 6' to 14' leaving a setback of 11' from the deck edge to the front property line.

AND WHEREAS the Public Hearing has been completed and Council has given careful consideration to the application;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council **approve** the application for Variation No. TA-26-14V. **CARRIED**

11. BUSINESS ARISING FROM DELEGATIONS – cont'd

2. Susan Bauernhuber, Arborg Street Festival
* Feedback on Festival

Discussion: CAO to send a letter to committee on behalf of Council to thank them for the work that they do.

12. IN CAMERA - Nil

13. ADJOURNMENT – 11:24 A.M.

197-2026 Thorsteinson / Rogowsky

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council do now adjourn to meet again in Arborg on September 9th, 2026. **CARRIED**



Ron Johnston
Deputy Mayor



Cindy Stansell
Chief Administrative Officer