Held in the Council Chambers of the RM of Mervin No. 499 at 211 Main Street, Turtleford, SK.

PRESENT: **Reeve Gerry Ritz**
Division 1 Councillor Jim Range - Virtual
Division 2 Councillor Gordon Spencer
Division 3 Councillor Rob Blais
Division 4 Councillor Ken Hergott
Division 5 Councillor Lane Nedelec
Division 6 Councillor Victor Hamm
Chief Administrative Officer Shiloh Bronken

OATH OF OFFICE: Gordon Spencer, Ken Hergott, and Victor Hamm completed Oath of Office.

PUBLIC DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS: Gerry Ritz, Jim Range, Rob Blais, and Lane Nedelec submitted Form 2: Annual Public Disclosure Statement.

CALL TO ORDER: Reeve Gerry Ritz called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.

AGENDA

0718 – 26 NEDELEC That the November 12, 2026 agenda be accepted as circulated, with the following additions:

- 5)(a)(ix) Turtle Lake Weir Update;
- 6)(a)(xi) Thunderchild First Nation Election; and
- 5)(a)(ii) Right-of-Way Purchasing.

CARRIED

MINUTES

0719 – 26 SPENCER That the October 27, 2026 meeting minutes be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

Kerry Robertson, Municipal Foreman and Taylar Roberts, Maintenance Supervisor joined the meeting at 9:10 a.m.

BRUSHING IN THE MUNICIPAL RIGHT-OF-WAY POLICY

0720 – 26 HERGOTT That the Rural Municipality of Mervin No. 499 approves the revisions, including the agreement, to the Brushing in the Municipal Right-of-Way Policy.

CARRIED

BRUSHING IN THE MUNICIPAL RIGHT-OF-WAY POLICY

0721 – 26 RANGE That the Rural Municipality of Mervin No. 499 approves the compensation to Joe Larre for brushing in the municipal right-of-way for three (3) miles at $500 per half mile, as approved by Victor Hamm, Division 6 Councillor, adjacent to Sections 32 and 33-54-20-W3 and Sections 3 and 4-55-20-W3.

CARRIED

MUNICIPAL FOREMAN TIME OFF REQUEST

0722 – 26 SPENCER That the Rural Municipality of Mervin No. 499 acknowledges and supports the Time Off Request of Kerry Robertson from November 16 to 27, 2026 inclusive, returning on November 30, 2026

CARRIED

Initial: _____ Reeve

Initial: _____ Administrator

GEOPHYSICAL OPERATIONS – WALBURG 3D: 54-21-W3

0723 – 26 HAMM That the Rural Municipality of Mervin No. 499 acknowledge the Geophysical Operations commencing on November 1, 2026 for vibroseis by LXL Consulting Ltd. in the area of 54-21-W3, with an expected completion date of March 30, 2027.

CARRIED

HUNTING REQUEST ON RM LANDS

0724 – 26 SPENCER That the Rural Municipality of Mervin No. 499 grants permission to Mackenzie Lukas to hunt, in accordance with all laws and regulations, on the following lands in 2026:

- NW 09-51-19-W3; and
- SE 17-51-19-W3.

CARRIED

NORTHWEST MUNICIPALITIES SURVEY – 2026

0725 – 26 HAMM That the Rural Municipality of Mervin No. 499 acknowledges the 2026 Northwest Municipalities Survey as received by email on November 2, 2026.

CARRIED

SASKPOWER TURTLE LAKE LOOP – PARCEL ER1 PLAN 101821946, EXT. 0

0726 – 26 HERGOTT That the Rural Municipality of Mervin No. 499 acknowledge that SaskPower plans to complete work on and adjacent to Parcel ER1 Plan 101821946, Ext. 0 for the replacement of some existing infrastructure, aging underground cables with new ones, and underground cables with three-phase overhead power lines.

CARRIED

WESTCON EQUIPMENT AND RENTALS LTD. – REVISED SALES DIRECTIVE

0727 – 26 HERGOTT That the Rural Municipality of Mervin No. 499 requests Administration to sign and return the Revised Sales Directive for a 2024 JCB 4CX-15 and 2026 JCB 3TS-8W for a cost of $350,000.00, with the trade in of the 2025 JCB Hydra Dig valued at $290,000.00, with a difference in cost being $60,000.00 plus applicable taxes, pending the successful demonstration period as per the Municipal Foreman.

CARRIED

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

0728 – 26 NEDELEC That the Rural Municipality of Mervin No. 499 accepts the Public Works Report as presented and discussed by Kerry Robertson, Municipal Foreman and Taylar Roberts, Maintenance Supervisor.

CARRIED

Kerry Robertson, Municipal Foreman and Taylar Roberts, Maintenance Supervisor left the meeting at 10:36 a.m.

Municipal Planner, Susan Stevenson joined the meeting at 10:36 a.m.

QUARTER THREE (3) PLANNING UPDATE

0729 – 26 SPENCER That the Rural Municipality of Mervin No. 499 accepts the Quarter Three (3) Planning Update as submitted, presented, and discussed by Susan Stevenson, Municipal Planner.

CARRIED

Initial: _____ Reeve

Initial: _____ Administrator

DISCRETIONARY USE PERMIT FOR A TEMPORARY RV AS A PRINCIPAL USE

0730 – 26 NEDELEC That the Rural Municipality of Mervin No. 499 approves the Discretionary Use Permit for temporary RVs as a Principal Use for the following properties:

- Lot 3, Block 6, Plan 83B14088 SAND and
- Lot 12, Block 4, Plan 101921655 SAND.

CARRIED

DISCRETIONARY USE PERMIT FOR A TEMPORARY RV AS A PRINCIPAL USE

0731 – 26 HAMM That the Rural Municipality of Mervin No. 499 TABLES the Discretionary Use Permit for Lot 7, Block 5, Plan 81B08855 in the Hamlet of Evergreen Beach pending a visual inspection by Northwest Community Safety Services Inc.

CARRIED

Susan Stevenson, Municipal Planner left the meeting at 10:55 a.m.

2026 – 2028 2-YEAR APPOINTMENTS AND DIRECTOR POSITIONS

0732 – 26 HERGOTT That the Rural Municipality of Mervin No. 499 completes and approves the 2026-2028 2-Year Appointments and Director Positions. Furthermore, the 2-Year Appointments be attached to and form part of the November 12, 2026 meeting minutes.

CARRIED

DRAFT 2027 ANNUAL APPOINTMENTS

0733 – 26 HAMM That the Rural Municipality of Mervin No. 499 completes and approves the Draft 2027 Annual Appointments, with consideration that appointments to the Agricultural Producers Association of Saskatchewan and Brightsand Lake Regional Park Authority will be determined at the December 8, 2026 meeting. Furthermore, the 2027 Annual Appointments be attached to and form part of the November 12, 2026 meeting minutes and the January 12, 2027 minutes.

CARRIED

2026 HOLIDAY PARTY FOR COUNCIL, STAFF, AND SPOUSES

0734 – 26 BLAIS That the Rural Municipality of Mervin No. 499 approves the Holiday Party on December 4, 2026 at the Mervin Hope Hall for all Council and Staff, including Spouses. Furthermore, that the RM will cover all the expenses for the event.

CARRIED

BRALIN TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS AGREEMENTS – 5% INCREASE

0735 – 26 SPENCER That the Rural Municipality of Mervin No. 499 acknowledges the application of a 5% increase effective January 1, 2027, pursuant to Section 2.2 for the following agreements:

- Data Assurance Plan; and
- Technology Assurance Plan.

CARRIED

RECESS

0736 – 26 RANGE That the Rural Municipality of Mervin No. 499 recess the November 12, 2026 meeting at 12:05 p.m.

CARRIED

RECONVENE

0737 – 26 SPENCER That the Rural Municipality of Mervin No. 499 reconvenes the November 12, 2026 meeting at 12:40 p.m.

CARRIED

Initial: _____ Reeve

Initial: _____ Administrator

NORTH CENTRAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING COMMITTEE – FEBRUARY 25, 2027 WORKSHOP

0738 – 26 BLAIS That the Rural Municipality of Mervin No. 499 requests Administration to register, for "From Concept to Completion" Workshop being hosted by North Central Transportation Planning Committee on February 25, 2027 at the St. Walburg Parish Hall, the following individuals:

- Jim Range, Division 1 Councillor;
- Gordon Spencer, Division 2 Councillor;
- Ken Hergott, Division 4 Councillor;
- Lane Nedelec, Division 5 Councillor;
- Victor Hamm, Division 6 Councillor; and
- Shiloh Bronken, CAO.

CARRIED

NOR-SASK BOARD SERVICES – 2027 INFORMATION PACKAGE

0739 – 26 NEDELEC That the Rural Municipality of Mervin No. 499 acknowledges the 2027 Information Package for Nor-Sask Board Services as received by email on October 28, 2026 from Mike Ligtermoet, Secretary.

CARRIED

SARM 2027 INSURANCE LIMITS

0740 – 26 HAMM That the Rural Municipality of Mervin No. 499 acknowledges the following SARM Insurance Coverage Limits for 2027:

- General Liability: $3M, with an additional $4M in excess coverage;
- Errors & Omissions: $2M;
- Fidelity Bond: $200,000.00; and
- Money & Securities: $25,000.00.

CARRIED

Crystal Attfield and Shayleen Spitzer of Canada Post joined the meeting virtually at 1:00 p.m. and left at 1:10 p.m.

HAMLET BOARD MEETING MINUTES

0741 – 26 HERGOTT That the Rural Municipality of Mervin No. 499 acknowledges receipt of the following hamlet meeting minutes as submitted:

- Horseshoe Bay: November 3, 2026;
- Kopps Kove: October 24, 2026;
- Livelong: October 25, 2026;
- Sunset View Beach Public Utility Board: September 8 and October 21, 2026; and
- Turtle Lake South Bay: October 23, 2026.

CARRIED

MAINTENANCE SERVICES AGREEMENT

0742 – 26 HAMM That the Rural Municipality of Mervin No. 499 enter into a Maintenance Services Agreement, that includes snow removal, with Ray Scherr for the Hamlet of Mowery Beach effective May 1, 2026 to May 1, 2027 at a remuneration of $30.00 per hour, as recommended by the Hamlet Board of Mowery Beach.

CARRIED

Initial: _____ Reeve

Initial: _____ Administrator

SUNSET VIEW BEACH – VOLUNTEER POWERED MOBILE EQUIPMENT COMPETENCIES

0743 – 26 HERGOTT That the Rural Municipality of Mervin No. 499 acknowledges the Powered Mobile Equipment Competencies submitted by the Hamlet Board of Sunset View Beach for the following individuals for the purpose of snow removal using hamlet equipment:

- Ron Rommel;
- George Greening; and
- Cliff Nesbitt.

CARRIED

OCTOBER 2026 WATER TREATMENT PLANT DAILY LOGS

0744 – 26 NEDELEC That the Rural Municipality of Mervin No. 499 acknowledges receipt of the October 2026 Daily Water Logs, as submitted by the Operators for the following hamlets:

- Evergreen Acres;
- Livelong; and
- Spruce Lake.

CARRIED

SEWAGE LAGOON OPERATOR INSPECTION REPORTS

0745 – 26 HAMM That the Rural Municipality of Mervin No. 499 acknowledges receipt of the Sewage Lagoon Operator Inspection Reports as submitted by Certified Operator Rick Matthews for the following:

- RM Lagoon Site: Brightsand; and
- Livelong Lagoon Site.

CARRIED

2027 RM AND HAMLET MUNICIPAL AGREEMENTS

0746 – 26 HERGOTT That the Rural Municipality of Mervin No. 499 enters into the 2027 RM and Hamlet Municipal Agreements with the following hamlets:

- Evergreen Acres (50%);
- Kopps Kove (50%);
- Parkland Beach (50%); and
- Sunset View Beach (50%).

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE OF NOVEMBER 12, 2026

0747 – 26 SPENCER That the Rural Municipality of Mervin No. 499 acknowledges and files the list of correspondence as presented by Administration at the November 12, 2026 regular meeting.

CARRIED

ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT AS OF NOVEMBER 12, 2026

0748 – 26 HERGOTT That the Rural Municipality of Mervin No. 499 approves the List of Accounts for Approval being cheque #28556 to #28598 ($189,625.48), manual cheques 1887-Man to 1904-Man ($379,893.90) and Payroll ($122,588.36) totaling $692,107.74, as presented.

CARRIED

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2026

0749 – 26 SPENCER That the Rural Municipality of Mervin No. 499 acknowledges receipt of the Statement of Financial Activities as of September 30, 2026 as circulated and discussed.

CARRIED

Initial: _____ Reeve

Initial: _____ Administrator

KOVA ENGINEERING & DYNAPAC RECERTIFICATION

0750 – 26 NEDELEC That the Rural Municipality of Mervin No. 499 authorizes Administration to bid on the 2014 Dynapac CA2500PD Packer currently listed on Barga.ca to a maximum of $90,000.00, which is to include the transportation, engineering, fabrication, and recertification of the unit, pending confirmation of future SARM Insurance coverage.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

0751 – 26 BLAIS That the November 12, 2026 Council Meeting be adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

CARRIED

Shiloh Bronken
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Gordon Spencer
REEVE

Initial: _____ Reeve

Initial: _____ Administrator