



**MINUTES FROM THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL FOR THE VILLAGE OF CARMACKS  
ON December 16th, 2025, IN THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

**PRESENT:** Mayor: J. Lachance

Councillors: D. Mitchell, D. Hansen, T. Wheeler

Staff: CAO P. Singh, A. Wylimczyk

Regrets: None

Delegation: Cst. G. Beauchamp

- 1. CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor J. Lachance called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Mayor and Council observed a moment of silence in recognition of the recent passing of Carmacks residents Malcom Cashin and Francine Gillings.

- 2. AGENDA:** Council reviewed the agenda.

**25-24-01 M/S Councillors D. Hansen/T. Wheeler motioned that the agenda be accepted as presented.**

**CARRIED**

- 3. MINUTES:**

**3.1** From the regular council meeting on December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2025

**25-24-02 M/S Councillors T. Wheeler/D. Hansen motioned that the minutes be accepted as presented.**

**CARRIED**

- 4. DELEGATION**

Cst. Beauchamp provided Council with written report and broke it down verbally. Call volume in November was low, attributed in part to colder weather. Members increased traffic enforcement efforts, resulting in several warnings and tickets for speeding, as well as operating unregistered and uninsured vehicles. Alcohol-related files decreased during the month. Members continued regular patrols within the community and the local lounge to help ensure residents returned home safely despite alcohol consumption. In addition to routine school visits, members participated in the Tantalus School and Community Remembrance Day ceremonies. Members remained actively engaged in community activities, including archery, boxing, hockey, and bingo. A report of suspected drug activity was received and remains under investigation.

- 5. CORRESPONDENCE**

**5.1 Landfill Water & Well Monitoring Costs Ausenco**



CAO P. Singh explained to Council that monitoring costs increased this year because two wells drilled last year were found to be dry, requiring Ausenco to drill two replacement wells. Ausenco has advised that the new wells are expected to function properly for the next several years.

## **6. Reports**

### **6.1 Council Activity Reports**

Councillor D. Hansen has nothing to report.

Councillor D. Mitchell reported attending several funerals and expressed his support and condolences to the families experiencing difficult times, particularly during the holiday season.

Councillor T. Wheeler attended the Kids Christmas party. It was well organized.

### **6.2 Mayor's Report**

Mayor Lachance reported attending the Kids Christmas Party and responding to several fire calls related to carbon monoxide. He noted that the Fire Marshal's Office has been conducting frequent call-outs to check the smoke & carbon monoxide detectors in your homes. The New Year's fireworks will be held at 12:00 p.m. from Two Mile Hill. He had no further items to report.

### **6.3 CAO Report**

CAO P. Singh provided Council with a written report and presented a verbal overview. He updated Council on the HAF Funding Initiative, noting that the first payment has been issued to one resident who successfully completed all program and policy requirements. The remaining applicants are awaiting the issuance of building permits from the Government of Yukon.

The weigh scale project is awaiting electrical connection. Once completed, the Village will proceed with the installation of computer hardware, internet connection, and scale software, following staff training.

The FireSmart Project RFP deadline was today at 4:00 p.m. One submission was received, and the contract is expected to be awarded by the end of the week.

As Council is aware, Administration has been working on the preparation of the 2026 annual budget. Over the past several weeks, Administration has collaborated with all departments to develop the draft budget for the upcoming year. A provisional budget has been prepared and will be presented to Council for further discussion later in the meeting.

Finally, the upcoming by-election nomination period has been finalized and posted across all required platforms, with the process in place and proceeding as planned.



#### **6.4. AYC Report**

Councillor T. Wheeler informed Council that AYC circulated emails to all Yukon mayors and councils regarding the receipt of quotes for FCM from Northern Communities. Mayor Lachance indicated his willingness to participate. Councillor Hansen added that the executive meeting will be held this Friday.

It was also noted that the winner of the Festival of Trees donation of ice time from the Village of Carmacks has agreed to donate the prize to a local organization in Carmacks.

#### **7. Bylaws**

##### **7.1 Bylaw No. 321-25 – Landfill Service Rates Bylaw**

Council discussed the wording of the paragraph in Section 5.2 of the bylaw and requested that CAO P. Singh revise it. Council also discussed adding a provision to the fee schedule regarding the disposal of vehicles. The CAO is in communication with the Government of Yukon to determine the practicality of this addition, noting that electric vehicles are not accepted.

Councillors T. Wheeler and D. Hansen moved to give Bylaw 321-25, *Landfill Service Rates*, second reading with amendments.

**25-24-03 M/S Councillors T. Wheeler/D. Hansen motioned to give Bylaw 321-25 – Landfill Service Rates Bylaw second reading with amendments.**

**CARRIED**

#### **8. New and Unfinished Business**

##### **8.1. Preliminary Budget 2026**

CAO P. Singh and Finance Officer A. Wylimczyk presented the draft preliminary budget to Council, including explanations for proposed increases and decreases. Following thorough discussion, Council passed a motion to approve the preliminary budget with amendments.

**25-24-04 M/S Councillors D. Hansen/T. Wheeler motioned to adopt the Preliminary Budget 2026.**

**CARRIED**



## 8.2. Draft Inclement Weather Policy

Council discussed the draft policy and noted that it was not an appropriate time to implement it. Mayor Lachance suggested contacting LSCFN to obtain information on their cold weather policy. The policy was tabled to a future meeting.

## 9. QUESTION PERIOD

None.

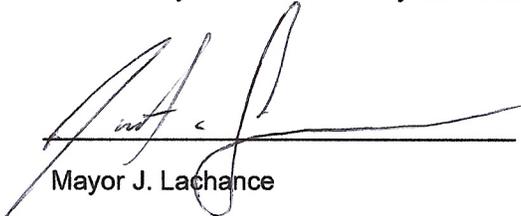
## 10. IN-CAMERA

Motion to move into Closed Meeting in accordance with the Yukon Municipal Act, Section 213 (3) (a) if in the case of a council, the council decides during the meeting to meet as a council committee to discuss a matter.

## 11. ADJOURNMENT

**25-24-05 M/S Councillor T. Wheeler motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:54 PM.**

Mayor J. Lachance adjourned the meeting at 8:54 PM.



Mayor J. Lachance



CAO Parminder Singh (Interim)

