

MINUTES FROM THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL FOR THE VILLAGE OF CARMACKS ON MARCH 18th, 2025, IN THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL CHAMBERS

PRESENT: Deputy Mayor: D. Mitchell

Councillors: C. Bellmore, T. Wheeler, D. Hansen Staff: CAO C. Pelletier, A. Wylimczyk, P. Singh

Regrets: Mayor J. Lachance

- 1. CALL TO ORDER: Deputy Mayor: D. Mitchell called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.
- **2. AGENDA:** Council reviewed the agenda.
 - 25-06-01 M/S Councillors C. Bellmore / D. Hansen motioned that the agenda be accepted as amended adding Bylaw 318-25 under section 7.0.

CARRIED

- 3. MINUTES:
 - **3.1** From the regular council meeting on March 4th, 2025
 - 25-06-02 M/S Councillors C. Bellmore / D. Hansen motioned that the minutes be accepted as amended.

CARRIED

- 4. DELEGATION
- 5. CORRESPONDENCE
 - 5.1 Appointments, President of Yukon Housing Corporation, Deputy Minister of Economic Development, Deputy Minister of Community Services

25-06-03 M/S Councillors C. Bellmore / T. Wheeler motioned that no action be taken on the file.

CARRIED

- 6. REPORTS
 - **6.1 Councillor Activity Reports**

Councillor D. Hansen nothing to report.



Councillor C. Bellmore nothing to report.

Councillor Tara Wheeler noted that she feels there is currently a much better working relationship with the LSCFN Council than she has seen in the past. She described the joint council meeting as excellent, with great, meaningful, and proficient discussions. She also commented that the food served at the meeting was quite good.

6.2 Deputy Mayor D. Mitchell expressed his apologies for not being able to attend the breakfast as originally planned. He explained that he was informed at the last minute that he would be attending the Fire Chief's Conference, which he hadn't realized would overlap with the meeting. He apologized for the scheduling conflict. He also agreed with Councillor Wheeler's remarks, stating that he had a similar discussion and felt the joint council meeting was a very productive and positive meeting overall.

6.3 CAO Report

CAO Chantal Pelletier provided the following updates:

- The next regular Council meeting will take place on April 1, 2025.
- Met with **Arbor Webster** from Community Affairs to discuss Section 14 of the Recreation Act, as requested by professional partners. Community Affairs is currently reviewing the matter.
- The **disposal of municipal assets** is nearly complete and will be brought forward for discussion at the April 1 Council meeting.
- Lagoon Update: Following the recent Joint Council meeting, CAO received updates from Mike and David from YG. The conceptual design will now proceed with the engineers, then be presented to both Mayor & Council and Chief & Council. If both councils approve, the design will go to community consultation before moving into full design.
- **Public Works Building:** Tenders are expected to be posted soon. The current projected construction start date is April 2025. CAO noted concern over the tight timeline and is awaiting clarification.
- **Fire Hall Generator:** The generator has been installed and fully permitted but cannot be used until a letter of authorization is received from the engineer.
- Solid Waste Scale Project: The tender includes the new attendant shack. However, if bids exceed budget, the shack may be removed from the project. In that case, a decision will be made to either retain the current shack or repurpose the existing teal building. The project signage will be paid for and installed by Yukon Government (YG).
- **Sewer System Upgrades:** The project is 94% complete. However, the contractor failed to resolve outstanding deficiencies and has been placed in



default. YG is managing the issue. The remaining 6%—installation of filtration lids on the manholes—will be completed in the spring or summer by municipal staff.

- **Arena Shutdown:** Scheduled for April 7, 2025. Budget Plumbing & Heating has indicated that their work will likely begin in April instead of March. CAO continues to follow up to confirm a start date.
- Ongoing collaboration with heating and plumbing contractors to address preventive maintenance and facility issues at the arena. These include resolving freezing issues in the bathroom and replacing a temporary plywood patch with a proper access hatch near the stairwell.
- **Pool:** The permit application has been submitted. Jens is arranging for a plumber to assess the boilers. The new pool inspector, Chris, is scheduled to visit on Tuesday to inspect the well and familiarize himself with the facility.
- Cemetery Update: One component of the cemetery project is the
 archaeological groundwork. CAO has contacted an archaeologist who works
 with university students to complete this portion. Confirmation of availability
 is expected in the fall, after which work can proceed to prepare the plots
 identified in the cemetery report.

6.4 Carmacks Volunteer Fire Department Report

Deputy Mayor D. Mitchell provided an update on the Carmacks Volunteer Fire Department.

The department remains active with ongoing training, including the use of the new fire truck and traffic control procedures. The team is strong and functioning well.

A concern was raised regarding similar street names on the LSCFN side, which could lead to confusion during emergency responses

The Village of Carmacks works collaboratively with Little Salmon/Carmacks First Nation (LSCFN) to maintain a joint emergency response structure. Where Roles and responsibilities are clearly defined to ensure effective coordination in the event of an emergency.

6.5 AYC report Councillor T. Wheeler

- **Minister Richard Mostyn**: Remarks were political; no direct answers provided on CMG funding.
- Yukon Employees Union (YEU): Raised concerns about poor water quality in Yukon schools. Petition available at YEU.ca.
- **CTTS Update**: Funding approved; seeking one new member; reviewing past unfunded applications.



- AYC Awards: Nomination deadline extended to April 3rd.
- AYC Key Topics:
 - o Infrastructure investment
 - o Housing
 - Financial sustainability
 - Community safety
 - o Environmental sustainability & climate change
- **AYC AGM**: Next meeting is on April 27, 2025 and By-election will be held for **two Board positions**.

7. BYLAWS

7.1 306-24 VOC Animal Control Bylaw

Council reviewed the 306-24 VOC Animal Control Bylaw.

25-06-04 M/S Councillors C. Bellmore / D. Hansen motioned to table the 306-24 VOC Animal Control Bylaw until next meeting. CARRIED

7.2 316-25 Rates of Taxation 2025

25-06-05 M/S Councillors C. Bellmore / T. Wheeler motioned to give first reading to 316-25 Rates of Taxation 2025. CARRIED

25-06-06 M/S Councillors D. Hansen / T. Wheeler motioned to give second reading to 316-25 Rates of Taxation 2025. CARRIED

7.3 317-25 Bylaw to Repeal Old Bylaws

25-06-07 M/S Councillors C. Bellmore / D. Hansen motioned to give second reading to 317-25 Bylaw to Repeal Old Bylaws. CARRIED

7.4 318-25 Annual Operating Budget Bylaw 2025

25-06-08 M/S Councillors C. Bellmore / T. Wheeler motioned to give first reading to 318-25 Annual Operating Budget Bylaw 2025. CARRIED



8. NEW & UNFINISHED BUSINESS

9. QUESTION PERIOD No Question.

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.

25-06-09 M/S Councillor T. Wheeler motioned to go in-camera at 8:40PM.

An in-camera discussion by Council regarding a labour matter.

25-06-10 M/S Councillor T. Wheeler / D. Hansen motioned to go out of in-camera at 8:50 PM.

11. ADJOURNMENT

25-06-11 M/S Councillor D. Hansen / T. Wheeler motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:50PM.

Deputy Mayor D. Mitchell adjourned the meeting at 8:50 PM.	
Deputy Mayor D. Mitchell	CAO Chantal Pelletier