



The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the Rural Municipality of Blaine Lake #434 which was held in the RM Municipal Office, on Tuesday, April 15, 2025.

Present at the meeting were the following Council Members and Administration:

Glenn Lamontagne	- Reeve	In Council Chambers
Michael Chudskov	- Division 1	In Council Chambers
Lee Dolezal	- Division 2	In Council Chambers
Courtney Swystun	- Division 3	In Council Chambers
Alan Lavoie	- Division 4	In Council Chambers
John Priestley	- Division 5	In Council Chambers
Lionel Casavant	- Division 6	In Council Chambers
Alan Tanchak	- Asst Admin	In Council Chambers
Linda Klimm	- Admin	In Council Chambers

The meeting was called to order by Reeve Glenn Lamontagne at 7:03 AM. Assistant Administrator Alan Tanchak arrived at 7:04 AM. Councillor John Priestley arrived at 7:07 AM.

**Res#137/25
AGENDA**

LAVOIE: That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 approves the agenda for the Regular Meeting of Council held on April 15, 2025 with the following additional items:

- Public Works – (4) Repair RR#3073
- Administration Reports – (18) Bylaw 03-2025
- Administration Reports – (19) Bylaw 04-2025
- Administration Reports – (20) Community Well – Quote for System

CARRIED

**Res#138/25
MAR 18 2025
MINS**

SWYSTUN: That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 approves the March 18, 2025 Regular Meeting minutes as presented.

CARRIED

**Res#139/25
MAR 24 2025
MINS**

LAVOIE: That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 approves the March 24, 2025 Special Meeting minutes as presented.

CARRIED

**Res#140/25
APR 08 2025
MINS**

CHUDSKOV: That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 approves the April 8, 2025 Special Meeting minutes as presented.

CARRIED

**Res#141/25
MAR 2025
FINANCIALS**

CHUDSKOV: That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 accept the March 2025 Statement of Financial Activities, Income Statement, Budgetary Control, Chequing Account Statement and Bank Reconciliation as presented. **CARRIED**

**Res#142/25
LIST OF
ACCOUNTS**

DOLEZAL: That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 approves the List of Accounts for Approval for April 2025, including cheques #7274 to #7317 with the total payable amount being \$53,313.63. **CARRIED**

**Res#143/25
ADDITIONAL
ACCOUNTS**

LAVOIE: That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 approves the Additional Accounts for payment as presented by Administration in the amount of \$659.96:

- Town of Shellbrook \$ 60.20
- Alan Tanchak \$599.76

CARRIED

**Res#144/25
COUNCIL
INDEMNITY**

PRIESTLEY: That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 approves the presented Council indemnity totaling \$2,163.78:

▪ Glenn	Apr	\$403.28
▪ Lee	Apr	\$540.00
▪ Courtney	Apr	\$386.40
▪ Alan	Apr	\$359.10
▪ John	Apr	\$300.00
▪ Lionel	Apr	\$175.00

CARRIED

Mark Curry presented his lead hand report to Council from 7:24 to 8:01 AM.

Councillor Alan Lavoie declared a Conflict of Interest and left Council Chambers at 7:37 AM.

**Res#145/25
RR#3072**

CASAVANT: That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 authorize repairs to the RR#3072 at NW 26-45-07 W3 and the installation of a culvert. **CARRIED**

Councillor Alan Lavoie returned to Council Chambers at 7:39 AM.

**Res#146/25
TRAILER HITCH**

DOLEZAL: That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 authorize Mark Curry to obtain a hitch for the trailer with a budget of \$250. **CARRIED**

Councillor Lionel Casavant left Council Chambers at 7:43 AM and returned at 7:50 AM.

Councillor Lee Dolezal left Council Chambers at 7:54 AM and returned at 7:57 AM.

**Res#147/25
DITCH**

CASAVANT: That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 authorize Mark Curry to build a ditch on RR#3074 at SE 05-44-07 W3. **CARRIED**

**Res#148/25
EMPLOYEE
TRAINING**

SWYSTUN: That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 authorize Mark Curry to complete Pest Applicator training at a cost of \$115 plus applicable taxes. **CARRIED**

**Res#149/25
CROWN HILL
AGREEMENT**

PRIESTLEY: That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 approve the Crown Hill Access Agreement and that Reeve Glenn Lamontagne be authorized to sign the agreement on behalf of the municipality. **CARRIED**

**Res#150/25
EPT MILL RATES**

DOLEZAL: That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 acknowledges that the education property tax (EPT) mill rates for the 2025 taxation year are as follows:
Agricultural Property – 1.07 mills
Residential Property – 4.27 mills
Commercial & Industrial Property – 6.37 mills
Resource Property – 7.49 mills

CARRIED

**Res#151/25
PARKS SERVICE
AGREEMENT**

CHUDSKOV: That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 approves the Ministry of Parks Service Agreement for mowing at the Petrofka Rec Site located at SW 31-42-06 W3, and that Reeve Glenn Lamontagne be authorized to sign the agreement on behalf of the municipality. **CARRIED**

**Res#152/25
NCTPC
MEMBERSHIP**

PRIESTLEY: That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 authorizes payment of the North Central Transportation Planning Committee membership fee of \$581, and that a letter be sent along with the cheque notifying NCTPC that this may be our final year of membership if no services or work is being done in our RM.

CARRIED

Councillor Lionel Casavant left Council Chambers at 8:14 AM and returned at 8:17 AM.

**Res#153/25
SMHI W/DRAW
LIST**

DOLEZAL: That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 acknowledge receipt from Saskatchewan Municipal Hail Insurance (SMHI) of the Supplementary Withdrawal List. **CARRIED**

**Res#154/25
OFFICE QUOTE**

CHUDSKOV: That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 approve the quote received from North Wind Contracting for office work in the amount of \$477.75.

CARRIED

**Res#155/25
LETTER**

CASAVANT: That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 support the RM of Canwood and direct Administration to send a letter to RM of Canwood lending our support for letters to be sent to SARM and the federal government for the following: 1) letter to SARM to address that a) TLE funds are not sufficient to cover road maintenance costs of common roads to reserves, and b) TLE funds are reduced annually by SARM management fees and municipalities should have option to withdraw the funds in one lump sum, and 2) letter should be sent to federal

government informing them that TLE fund is not sufficient to cover road maintenance of common roads to reserve and additional funding must be provided.
CARRIED

**Res#156/25
RIRG** **DOLEZAL:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 acknowledge the Clearing the Path (CTP) Corridor Incremental Maintenance Funding Advisory received from SARM under the Rural Integrated Roads for Growth (RIRG) Program informing of total annual funding for the CTP corridor of \$18,210.
CARRIED

**Res#157/25
ROAD MAINT.
AGREEMENTS** **LAVOIE:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 approve the road maintenance agreements with a May 1, 2025 start date for the following: Lafarge Aggregates, Empire Aggregates Ltd., Delta Construction Group, and Midwest Cylinder Supply Ltd.
CARRIED

**Res#158/25
LETTER -
MEDICAL CLINIC** **DOLEZAL:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 direct Administration to send letter to Scott Moe regarding doctor recruitment for the Blaine Lake Medical Clinic and request a response.
CARRIED

*Alan Tanchak left Council Chambers at 8:25 AM and returned at 8:30 AM.
Councillor Alan Lavoie left Council Chambers at 8:29 AM and returned at 8:31 AM.*

**Res#159/25
PEST CONTROL
SUPPLIES** **LAMONTAGNE:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 authorize the purchase of pest control supplies from Marcel Baynton for \$3,052.50 plus applicable taxes.
CARRIED

**Res#160/25
WSP CONTRACT** **PRIESTLEY:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 enter into a contract with WSP for repairs to the Blind Line under the RIRG Program.
CARRIED

**Res#161/25
WAGE INCREASE** **CHUDSKOV:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 provide a wage increase, effective May 1, 2025, to Morris Woytiuk of \$34.70 per hour (a wage increase of \$0.85 per hour).
CARRIED

**Res#162/25
WAGE INCREASE** **CHUDSKOV:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 provide a wage increase, effective May 1, 2025, to Mark Curry of \$40.44 per hour (a wage increase of \$0.99 per hour).
CARRIED

Curtis Hemming, from APAS addressed Council from 9:00 to 9:20 AM regarding APAS membership and Federal election priorities.

Jack Androsoff addressed Council from 9:20 to 9:27 AM regarding a sign for Riverland Heritage.

**Res#163/25
BYLAW 03-2025
1ST READING** **CHUDSKOV:** That Bylaw 03-2025 being *A Bylaw for Payment of Accounts*, be read a first time.
CARRIED

Res#164/25
BYLAW 03-2025
2ND READING

SWYSTUN: That Bylaw 03-2025 be given a second reading at this meeting.

CARRIED

Res#165/25
BYLAW 03-2025
CONSENT

DOLEZAL: That Bylaw 03-2025 being *A Bylaw for Payment of Accounts*, be given three readings at this meeting.

CARRIED

Res#166/25
BYLAW 03-2025
3RD READING

LAVOIE: That Bylaw 03-2025 being *A Bylaw for Payment of Accounts*, be read a third time, signed, sealed and that it form a part of these minutes.

CARRIED

Res#167/25
BYLAW 04-2025
1ST READING

CHUDSKOV: That Bylaw 04-2025 being *A Bylaw for the Encroaching of Roads*, be read a first time.

CARRIED

Res#168/25
BYLAW 04-2025
2ND READING

PRIESTLEY: That Bylaw 04-2025 be given a second reading at this meeting. **CARRIED**

Res#169/25
BYLAW 04-2025
CONSENT

DOLEZAL: That Bylaw 04-2025 being *A Bylaw for the Encroaching of Roads*, be given three readings at this meeting. **CARRIED**

Res#170/25
BYLAW 04-2025
3RD READING

LAVOIE: That Bylaw 04-2025 being *A Bylaw for the Encroaching of Roads*, be read a third time, signed, sealed and that it form a part of these minutes. **CARRIED**

Jace Ryan addressed Council from 9:38 to 10:13 AM regarding a servicing agreement for the Eldon Fortnum subdivision.

Councillor Lionel Casavant left Council Chambers at 9:38 AM and returned at 9:43 AM.

Reeve Glenn Lamontagne left Council Chambers at 9:45 AM and Deputy Reeve Michael Chudskov chaired the meeting in his absence. Reeve Glenn Lamontagne returned at 9:48 AM and resumed chairing the meeting.

Elizabeth Torrens addressed Council from 10:13 to 11:09 AM and presented Council with audited 2024 financial statements.

Res#171/25
AUDITED
FINANCIALS

LAMONTAGNE: That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 approves the audited 2024 financial statements.

CARRIED

**Res#172/25
APPOINT
AUDITOR**

LAMONTAGNE: That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 appoints Elizabeth M. Torrens Professional Corporation as the auditor for 2025. **CARRIED**

**Res#173/25
AUDIT INVOICE**

DOLEZAL: That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 authorize the payment of invoice #2025-00095 for 2024 audit services in the amount of \$10,545 to Elizabeth M. Torrens Professional Corporation. **CARRIED**

**Res#174/25
LETTER**

LAMONTAGNE: That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 direct Administration to send a letter to Cynthia Popoff regarding the use of the undeveloped road allowance. **CARRIED**

Councillor Lionel Casavant left Council Chambers at 11:28 and returned at 11:30 AM.

Mowing tenders were opened at 11:28 to 11:40 AM.

**Res#175/25
AWARD TENDER**

SWYSTUN: That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 award the 2025 mowing tender #2025-002-RM434 to Lynden Butler. **CARRIED**

**Res#176/25
MEETING**

SWYSTUN: That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 direct Administration to contact Lynden Butler to meet with Council to discuss expectations. **CARRIED**

Councillor Lee Dolezal left Council Chambers at 11:42 AM and returned at 11:44 AM.

Administrative Assistant Autumn Lamontagne met with Council to discuss the requirements and cost estimate for the Community Well Project.

**Res#177/25
COMMUNITY
WELL PROJECT**

LAMONTAGNE: That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 direct Administration to proceed with the Community Well Project based on an estimated cost of \$628 plus applicable taxes. **CARRIED**

**Res#178/25
ADJOURN**

SWYSTUN: That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 adjourn, the time being 12:12 PM. **CARRIED**

REEVE

SEAL

ADMINISTRATOR