

# RM OF BLAINE LAKE No. 434

Saskatchewan

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, January 21, 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 8:00 AM. Councillor Lionel Casavant and Assistant Administrator Alan Tanchak arrived at 8:02 AM.*

**Res#006/25  
AGENDA**

**CHUDSKOV:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 approves the agenda for the Regular Meeting of Council held on January 21, 2025 with the following additional items:

- Public Works – Sign – Summer Road Only
- Honorarium for Secretary-Treasurer of Blaine Lake Fire Board
- Grant – 1<sup>st</sup> Installment – Wapiti Regional Library
- New Correspondence – Blaine Lake Library Board Minutes – December 18, 2024

**CARRIED**

**Res#007/25  
DEC 17 2024  
MINS**

**LAVOIE:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 approves the December 17, 2024 Regular Meeting minutes as presented.

**CARRIED**

**Res#008/25  
AMEND #452/24**

**LAVOIE:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 amend resolution #452/24 from “Indemnity – Alan – Dec 2024 - \$501.25” to “Indemnity – Alan – Nov-Dec 2024 - \$501.25.”

**CARRIED**

**Res#009/25  
JAN 10 2025  
MINS**

**SWYSTUN:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 approves the January 10, 2025 Special Meeting minutes as presented.

**CARRIED**

- Res#010/25  
DEC 2024  
FINANCIALS**      **PRIESTLEY:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 accept the December 2024 Statement of Financial Activities, Income Statement, Budgetary Control, Chequing Account Statement and Bank Reconciliation as presented. **CARRIED**
- Mark Curry presented his lead hand report to Council from 8:09 to 8:24 AM.*
- Res#011/25  
SHOP DOOR**      **DOLEZAL:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 authorize repairs to the shop door as per the quote received from Abe's Overhead Door Installations & Service for \$1,756.84. **CARRIED**
- Res#012/25  
LIST OF  
ACCOUNTS**      **LAVOIE:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 approves the List of Accounts for Approval for December 2024, including cheques #7141 to #7182 with the total payable amount being \$164,459.59. **CARRIED**
- Res#013/25  
LIST OF  
ACCOUNTS**      **CHUDSKOV:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 approves the List of Accounts for Approval for January 2025, including cheques #7183 to #7191 with the total payable amount being \$57,080.68. **CARRIED**
- Res#014/25  
ADDITIONAL  
ACCOUNTS**      **DOLEZAL:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 approves the Additional Accounts for payment as presented by the Administration in the amount of \$643.40:
- Alan Tanchak      \$343.40
  - Wade Fiala      \$300.00
- CARRIED**
- Res#015/25  
OFFICE DOOR**      **CHUDSKOV:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 direct Administration to contact Patrick Hupaelo to adjust the office door. **CARRIED**
- Res#016/25  
AUDITOR  
PROPOSAL-BLFB**      **DOLEZAL:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 acknowledge receipt of the proposal from Elizabeth M. Torrens, CPA Professional Corporation, and that the proposal be presented to the Blaine Lake Fire Board Committee for approval. **CARRIED**
- Res#017/25  
COUNCIL  
MILEAGE**      **CASAVANT:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 set Council remuneration for mileage at \$0.72 per km. **CARRIED**
- Res#018/25  
COUNCIL  
REMUN.**      **PRIESTLEY:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 set Council remuneration for Regular Meetings at a flat rate of \$175. **CARRIED**
- Res#019/25  
COUNCIL  
REMUN.**      **LAVOIE:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 set Council remuneration for Special Meetings as follows: no charge under one hour and for every hour thereafter \$50. **CARRIED**

**Res#020/25  
COUNCIL  
REMUN.**

**SWYSTUN:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 set Council remuneration for Committee Meetings as follows: less than 4 hours at a rate of \$50 per hour, and for 4 hours or more at a flat rate of \$175 per meeting. **CARRIED**

**Res#021/25  
COUNCIL  
REMUN.**

**CHUDSKOV:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 set Council remuneration for Supervision at \$50 per hour. **CARRIED**

**Res#022/25  
COUNCIL  
REMUN.**

**CHUDSKOV:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 set Council remuneration for Conventions as follows: at a flat rate of \$175 per day, that meals at the Convention will be payable to SARM on the delegate(s) behalf, and any meals paid directly by the delegate will be reimbursed at maximum: \$20 for breakfast, \$20 for lunch, and \$30 for dinner. **CARRIED**

**Res#023/25  
COUNCIL  
INDEMNITY**

**PRIESTLEY:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 approves the presented Council indemnity totaling \$1,145.84:

- Glenn Jan \$193.72
- Lee Jan \$343.08
- Courtney Jan \$218.20
- Alan Jan \$215.84
- John Jan \$175.00

**CARRIED**

**Res#024/25  
SIGN**

**LAMONTAGNE:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 direct Administration to obtain a quote for a 'summer road only' sign. **CARRIED**

**Res#025/25  
2025 APPTS**

**SWYSTUN:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 approve the following Committee/Individual/Civic Appointments:

Chief Administrative Officer	Linda Klimm
Assessor	Linda Klimm
Signing Authorities	One of Glenn Lamontagne/Michael Chudskov/Alan Lavoie & one of Linda Klimm/Autumn Parchewski/Alan Tanchak
Signers for Payment Vouchers	Divisions 1, 3 & 5
Deputy Reeve	Michael Chudskov
Auditor	Elizabeth Torrens
Lawyer	SARM
Dispatcher	Linda Klimm
Overweight Permits	Linda Klimm
Blaine Lake Public Library	Karen Dagenais
Fire Rangers	Councillor from each Division
Joint Fire Committee (w/Town)	Michael Chudskov/John Priestley

Stray Animals Act	Linda Klimm
Poundkeeper	Barry Thiessen
Emergency Measures Committee	Glenn Lamontagne/Linda Klimm/Alan Tanchak
Shellbrook Hospital	Courtney Swystun
Doctor Recruitment	Courtney Swystun
Hafford & District Advisory Board	Courtney Swystun/Alan Tanchak
Martins Lake Board	Michael Chudskov/Lee Dolezal
NCTPC	Jim Joannette
Blaine Lake Community (w/Town)	Alan Lavoie/Glenn Lamontagne/Linda Klimm
Riverlands Heritage	Michael Chudskov/Lee Dolezal
Redberry Biosphere	Courtney Swystun/Alan Lavoie
Employee Relations Committee	Council as a Whole
Financial Planning Committee	Council as a Whole
Roads Committee	Council as a Whole
Bylaw Committee	Linda Klimm/Alan Tanchak
Tendering Committee	Linda Klimm/Alan Tanchak
OH&S	Linda Klimm/Alan Tanchak

*As per subsection 93(2) of The Municipalities Act, the Reeve is a member of all Council Committees and all bodies established by Council pursuant to this Act, unless the Council provides otherwise.* **CARRIED**

**Res#026/25  
BEAVER TAILS**

**SWYSTUN:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 appoint Councillor John Priestley to receive beaver tails on behalf of the municipality. **CARRIED**

**Res#027/25  
APPT - WEED  
INSPECTOR**

**DOLEZAL:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake appoint Marcel Baynton as the weed inspector for the municipality.

*Councillor Alan Lavoie left the Council meeting at 9:01 AM.*

**Res#028/25  
APPT – BLDG  
INSPECTORS**

**CASAVANT:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 appoint the following building officials from Construction Code of Authority Saskatchewan for 2025 as follows:

Chris Gates	BOL-3, BOL105
Ryan Shepard	BOL-3, BOL360
Karly Heatcoat	BOL-3, BOL421
Raymond Hummeny	BOL-2R, BOL635
Ben McLeod	BOL-2R, BOL758
Jerry Wintonyk	BOL-1, BOL142
Dale Wagner	BOL-3R, BOL379
Dan Knutson	BOL-3, BOL112
Janelle Cox	BOL-1, BOL696
Dwayne Williams	BOL-2, BOL122
Rashel Gervais	BOL-3, BOL307

**Res#029/25  
CENTRALIED  
BOD OF REVIS.**

**PRIESTLEY:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 appoint ADR Institute of Saskatchewan Centralized Board of Revision Services Inc. as the Board of Revision for the RM, and that a retainer of \$250 be paid as per Invoice #2025-014. **CARRIED**

**Res#030/25  
PUBLIC  
DISCLOSURE**

**CHUDSKOV:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 acknowledges receipt of the public disclosure statement from the Councillor for Division 6. **CARRIED**

**Res#031/25  
RESCIND  
RES#414/24**

**PRIESTLEY:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 rescind resolution #414/24. **CARRIED**

**Res#032/25  
MRS GRANT  
FUNDING**

**DOLEZAL:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 confirms the municipality meets the following eligibility requirements to receive the Municipal Revenue Sharing Grant:

- Submission of the 2023 Audited Financial Statements to the Ministry of Government Relations;
- The municipality does not run a Municipal Waterworks System;
- In Good Standing with respect to the reporting and remittance of Education Property Taxes;
- Adoption of a Council Procedures Bylaw;
- Adoption of an Employee Code of Conduct;
- All members of Council have filed and annually updated their Public Disclosure Statements as required; and

That we authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to sign the Declaration of Eligibility and submit it to the Ministry of Government Relations. **CARRIED**

**Res#033/25  
2025 FEES AND  
RATES SCHEDULE**

**DOLEZAL:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 sets the following fees & rates for 2025:

<b>Equipment</b>	<b>Ratepayers/Non-Ratepayers</b>
Grader	\$175 per hour
Backhoe	\$150/\$175 per hour
<b>Good/Service</b>	<b>(Plus Applicable Taxes)</b>
Photocopying	Black/White \$0.25/page, Colour \$0.50/page
Fax Service	\$0.50/sheet, incoming/outgoing
RM Maps	\$15/map + \$2 for S&H
SARM Grid Maps	\$3/map
Building Permits	Per Building Bylaw
Development Permits	Per Zoning Bylaw
Overweight Permits	Per Ministry Guidelines
Tax Certificates	\$20.00 each
Tax Statements/Searches	\$10.00 (Verbal)/\$15.00 (Written)

Bait Stations	\$25.00 each
Rozol	\$70 per pail
Mouse/Rat Poison	Only for Ratepayers – No Charge

**CARRIED**

**Res#034/25  
WASTE  
DISPOSAL**

**CHUDSKOV:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 allows RM ratepayers and residents twelve (12) half-ton loads of garbage for 2025, free of charge, at the Blaine Lake Transfer Station, that the 12 loads can be delivered monthly or all at once, and that ratepayers must provide their land location on delivery. **CARRIED**

**Res#035/25  
RMAA DUES –  
MEMBER**

**DOLEZAL:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 authorizes payment for RMAA membership dues for the Administrator in the amount of \$425. **CARRIED**

**Res#036/25  
RMAA DUES -  
ASSOCIATE**

**CASAVANT:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 authorizes payment for RMAA associate membership dues for the Administrative Assistant in the amount of \$175. **CARRIED**

**Res#037/25  
MIN OF AG  
CONSULTATION**

**SWYSTUN:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 acknowledges receipt from the Ministry of Agriculture of their consultation on weed designation, and that the RM respond that we have “no concerns.” **CARRIED**

**Res#038/25  
SASK LOTTERIES  
GRANT**

**PRIESTLEY:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 supports the Saskatchewan Lotteries Community Grant Program 2026 application with designating a total of \$2,393 to the following populations:

- Blaine Lake Community Association (BLCA) – 205 x \$7.95. total of \$1,629.75, and
- Village of Marcelin – 96 x \$7.95, total of \$763.25. **CARRIED**

**Res#039/25  
SARM CONV  
DELEGATES**

**DOLEZAL:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 appoint 2 of Glenn Lamontagne, Michael Chudskov, Lee Dolezal, Courtney Swystun, Alan Lavoie or John Priestley as delegates for the SARM Convention in Saskatoon from March 11<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup>. **CARRIED**

**Res#040/25  
IPCP GRANT**

**DOLEZAL:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 acknowledge receipt from SARM with respect to the 2024 Invasive Plant Control Program (IPCP) of \$118.51. **CARRIED**

**Res#041/25  
SMHI CLAIMS**

**DOLEZAL:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 acknowledge the letter received from Sask. Municipal Hail Insurance for 2024 Annual Claims. **CARRIED**

**Res#042/25  
RMA – LEASK**

**CASAVANT:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 approve a road maintenance agreement for the RM of Leask with the following additional general provisions: 1) gravel is to be applied by the RM of Leask at 150 yards per mile to the haul route of 2.5 miles, 2) dust control is to be applied by the RM of Leask for 600 feet at yard site located at NW 25-45-07 W3, 3) a tentative June 1, 2025 start date dependent on weather, and 4) our RM office is to be contacted once haul is complete.

**CARRIED**

**Res#043/25  
RP TAX REFUND**

**SWYSTUN:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 direct Administration to issue a tax refund for an over payment of taxes for roll #1149 in the amount of \$467.49. **CARRIED**

**Res#044/25  
RP WRITE-OFF  
ADVTG &  
INTEREST**

**CASAVANT:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 direct Administration to write-off advertising and interest totaling \$342:  

- Roll #615 – Advertising \$125.63 & Interest \$5.43,
- Roll #616 – Advertising \$84.79 & Interest \$3.66, AND
- Roll #617 – Advertising \$117.42 & Interest \$5.07.

**CARRIED**

**Res#045/25  
LETTER - TOWN**

**CASAVANT:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 direct Administration to send a letter and bill to the Town of Blaine Lake with respect to delayed receipt of the funds with respect to roll #615, #616, and #617 that resulted in advertising and interest costs of \$342. **CARRIED**

**Res#046/25  
BEAVER BOUNTY**

**DOLEZAL:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 approve a beaver bounty of \$2,850 payable to Les Derkachenko for 95 beaver tails. **CARRIED**

**Res#047/25  
BEAVER BOUNTY**

**DOLEZAL:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 approve a beaver bounty of \$120 payable to Richard Stupnikoff for 4 beaver tails. **CARRIED**

**Res#048/25  
TOWN – BILLING**

**SWYSTUN:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 acknowledge receipt of the billing from the Town of Blaine Lake and approve payment of invoices #2024-00058, #2024-00059 & #2024-00060 for a total amount of \$6,063.63. **CARRIED**

**Res#049/25  
LETTER – TOWN**

**SWYSTUN:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 direct Administration to send a letter to the Town of Blaine Lake to inquire why the Town of Blaine Lake is not paying into the Doctor Recruitment Fund. **CARRIED**

**Res#050/25  
RMAA SPRING  
WORKSHOP**

**DOLEZAL:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 approve the Administrator & the Administrative Assistant to attend the RMAA Spring Workshop at a cost of \$100 each. **CARRIED**

**Res#051/25  
PEST CONTROL  
SUPPLIES**

**DOLEZAL:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 direct Administration to order pest control supplies at an estimate of \$798.70 plus applicable taxes. **CARRIED**

**Res#052/25  
MAP SALES –  
IHUNTER SK**

**PRIESTLEY:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 acknowledge the funds received from Inside Outside Studios Inc. for 2024 map sales of \$915.20. **CARRIED**

**Res#053/25**

**CASAVANT:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 acknowledge receipt from Sandy Kuzyk of the 2024 Reconciliation of Hours, and approve payment of one-

**HONORARIUM – FIRE BOARD SECRETARY** – half of the honorarium of \$5,675, or \$2,837.50, split 50/50 with the Town of Blaine Lake. **CARRIED**

**Res#054/25 WAPITI REG. LIBRARY** **DOLEZAL:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 acknowledge Invoice #0000015631 received from Wapiti Regional Library and authorize payment of the 2025 grant payable for the first instalment in the amount of \$2,736.09. **CARRIED**

**Res#055/25 HIRE TANCHAK** **SWYSTUN:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 hire Alan Tanchak at 1/5's of the RMAA Salary Schedule. **CARRIED**

**Res#056/25 HOURS OF OPTN** **DOLEZAL:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 approve Fridays to be open for business effective immediately. **CARRIED**

*Reeve Glenn Lamontagne & Councillor Lee Dolezal declared a Conflict of Interest and left Council Chambers at 11:20 AM.*

**Res#057/25 IN CAMERA** **SWYSTUN:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 move in camera to discuss Legal Matters compliant with s. 120(2) of *The Municipalities Act*, and on the basis that the discussions that take place during the meeting apply to s. 22 of *The Local Authority Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, the time being 11:20 AM. **CARRIED**

**Res#058/25 OUT CAMERA** **SWYSTUN:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 move out of camera, the time being 11:40 AM. **CARRIED**

*Reeve Glenn Lamontagne & Councillor Lee Dolezal returned to Council Chambers at 11:40 AM.*

**Res#059/25 LEGAL** **SWYSTUN:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 accept the information received from Austin Cooper dated January 17, 2025. **CARRIED**

**Res#060/25 ADJOURN** **CHUDSKOV:** That the Council of the RM of Blaine Lake #434 adjourn, the time being 11:50 AM. **CARRIED**

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ADMINISTRATOR