



**MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
SUMMER VILLAGE OF VAL QUENTIN
Wednesday, June 18, 2025 COMMENCING AT 7:00 P.M.
HELD IN THE ALBERTA BEACH COUNCIL CHAMBERS AND
HELD ELECTRONICALLY VIA ZOOM**

ATTENDANCE: GALLERY	Kathy Dion, Mayor; Alan Christiansen, Deputy Mayor; Roger Montpellier, Councillor; Janice Christiansen, DEM; Marlene Walsh, Municipal Administrator; Shantelle McDermid 2 Residents Arrival 6:55 PM
VIRTUALLY	2 Resident Arrivals 6:30 PM; 1 Resident Arrival 6:57 PM
Land Acknowledgement The Summer Village of Val Quentin is honoured to acknowledge the land we work, play, and make our homes on as Treaty 6 territory, and the Métis Homeland. This is sacred land that holds the hearts, footsteps and spirits of many First Nation, Métis and Inuit Peoples, and in particular, Paul First Nation, Enoch Cree Nation, Alexis Nakota Sioux Nation, Michel First Nation, Alexander First Nation, the Lac Ste. Anne Métis, and Métis Nation of Alberta District 8. We recognize and acknowledge Indigenous values, traditional teachings, ways of being, contributions, and historical inequities.	
	1. Call to Order: Mayor Kathy Dion called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM.
Res. #165 25-06-18	2. Acceptance of Agenda: Deputy Mayor Alan Christiansen moved acceptance of the Agenda with the following additions: 7. v) Yellowhead Regional Library vi) Occupational Health and Safety vii) 01SDAB2025 CARRIED
Res. #166 25-06-18	3. Adoption of the Previous Minutes: Moved by Cllr Roger Montpellier the May 28, 2025 Council Meeting Minutes be approved as presented. CARRIED
	4. Public Hearings: No Public Hearings
	5. Delegations: N/A
	6. Business Arising i) 2025 Capital Plan Update Administration will present for approval at the July meeting
	ii) Water Distribution Feasibility Study (WDFS) MPE A Division of ENGLOBE have incorporated the changes to the schematic layout of the watermain system. The documentation from the WILD engineering team has been received and MPE is beginning to complete cost estimates to determine lifecycle costs. When the

		<p>Lifecycle Cost Analysis Memo is ready for draft review a meeting will be scheduled to discuss feedback.</p> <p>The Feasibility Study is on track for completion by the December deadline.</p>	
<p>Res. #167 25-06-18</p>		<p>iii) Bylaws</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 300-27 Procedure Bylaw (to be presented at the July 16, 2025 Meeting) ○ <u>300-26 No Truck Route Bylaw</u> Moved by Mayor Kathy Dion that Bylaw No. 300-26, No Truck Route Bylaw be given second reading. <p>The motion was seconded by Deputy Mayor Alan Christiansen and carried unanimously.</p> <p>Bylaw 300-26 No Truck Route Bylaw will be brought forward to the July 16, 2025 Meeting for 3rd and final reading.</p> <p>Council directed Administration to connect with the frequent commercial truck route users to advise of the proposed No Truck Route Bylaw.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Deputy Mayor Alan Christiansen moved Administration proceed with ordering two NO TRUCK ROUTE signs for installation at each entrance to the Summer Village once the NO TRUCK BYLAW 300-26 is passed and duly signed. <p>Bylaws to be presented at the July 16, 2025 Council Meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Traffic Bylaw ○ 300-30 Animal Control Bylaw <p>Land Use Bylaw Review Municipal Planning Services Update "To Scale" Drawings are identified as a requirement.</p> <p>A Newsletter will be available for handout to residents at the Picnic in the Park, and will be uploaded on the website in July, along with the Draft Land Use Bylaw. Once confirmed, the August date for Public Engagement will be shared.</p>	<p>CARRIED</p> <p>CARRIED</p>
		<p>iv) Lac Ste Anne Trail Road Remediation</p> <p>The Alberta Beach Public Works team will proceed with the road allowance remediation when their staffing levels are back to full complement.</p> <p>Tim Hay Trucking & Construction will proceed with the grading and gravelling of back alleys by mid-July.</p>	

Res. #169 25-06-18		Deputy Mayor Alan Christiansen moved an onsite inspection be completed to confirm any additional back alleys requiring grading and gravelling in this cycle. Following the inspection, a revised quote will be provided.	CARRIED
		v) Municipal Election 2025 Nomination Day: Saturday, July 19, 2025 11 AM - 1 PM Advance Poll: Saturday, August 9, 2025 9 AM - 1 PM Election Day: Saturday, August 16, 2025 10 AM - 7 PM Notice of Nomination Day information will be published as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Voice and The Bulletin. • Val Quentin Facebook, Website and ALLNET Connect. 	
		vi) Speed Tables/ Line Painting Administration will connect with Lac Ste Anne County to confirm the schedule for Val Quentin Line Painting and Speed Table Painting.	
		vii) Crack Sealing and installation of Speed Table Signage The signage for the additional speed table on Lac Ste Anne Trail has been ordered and will be installed by Border Paving. Administration will obtain an additional quote for pothole maintenance including mobilization and cost per sq ft using hot asphalt mix.	
Res. #170 25-06-18		viii) Polynesian Days Bronze Sponsorship payment of \$250.00 processed Parade entry form completed and submitted to the Ag Society. Mayor Kathy Dion moved the expenditure of up to \$450.00 for candy and decorations for the float/parade. Residents Dave & Cathy McLennan have offered to assist with the Picnic in the Park and also with the construction and assembly of the Float for the Polynesian Days Parade	CARRIED
		ix) Picnic in the Park - Saturday, July 12, 2025 - Noon to 3 PM Administration provided a progress update. Special thanks to the Sponsors, FortisAlberta; Tim Hay Trucking & Construction and Standstone Waste & Water Service Ltd.	
Res. #171 25-06-18	7.	NEW BUSINESS i) Animal Control Complaint Moved by Councillor Roger Montpellier that Administration direct the Alberta Beach Patrol to proceed with the issuance of a Violation Ticket for the contravention of Land Use Bylaw 218- Section 52 Keeping of Animals.	CARRIED

Res. #172 25-06-18		<p>ii) Nature Alberta - Silent Auction Item for ASVA Conference Mayor Dion moved the purchases of two "Living on the Waterfront" books:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) SilentAuction Item for the ASVA Conference 2) Prize Draw for Picnic in the Park with sponsorship funds https://naturealberta.ca/shop/books/living-on-the-waterfront/	CARRIED
		<p>iii) Fire Smart Home Inspections Administration will invite FRI to provide a Sign Up sheet at the Picnic in the Park for residents wanting to schedule FireSmart Home assessments. Janice has an abundant supply of "FireSmart Begins At Home Guides" for handout to residents.</p>	
Res. #173 25-06-18		<p>iv) Munis 101- Summer Villages EOEP Registration EOEP is offering online delivery of Munis 101 on September 13, 2025 to help summer villages meet mandatory council orientation requirements under the Municipal Government Act. Mayor Dion moved Administration proceed with 4 registrations Training Fee is \$295 + GST for 3 Council members and complimentary for the CAO. Additional training with ASVA/SVLSACE to be confirmed in July 2025.</p>	CARRIED
Res. #174 25-06-18		<p>v) Yellowhead Regional Library (YRL) YRL is working on 2026 Budget Planning and recommends an increase to the levy amount by \$0.85 per capita for municipalities, and \$2.77 per FTE student for school divisions. Current rates: \$4.75 per capita (municipality); \$15.40 per FTE student. Proposed rates: \$5.60 per capita (municipality); \$18.17 per FTE student. Mayor Kathy Dion moved Val Quentin Council support the \$0.85 per capital increase and \$2.77 per FTE student for school divisions.</p>	CARRIED
		<p>vi) Occupational Health and Safety Administration is meeting virtually with the Summer Village OHS Officer on June 19, 2025 to conduct an inspection initiated by OHS. Following the meeting, reports/outcomes will be shared with Council.</p>	
		<p>vii) 01SDAB2025 Decision May 21, 2025 SDAB approval granted, subject only to an Appeal to the Alberta Court of Appeal pursuant to Section 688 of the MGA.</p>	
Res. #175 25-06-18	8.	<p>Financial Reports i) May 2025 Financials Mayor Dion moved the approval of the May Financial Report as presented.</p>	CARRIED

Res. #176 25-06-18		ii) GIC Renewal Mayor Dion moved Administration proceed with rollover of the GIC coming up for renewal on June 21, 2025. Terms will be for a one year Non Redeemable GIC with an Investment Commencement Date of June 22, 2025.	CARRIED
	9.	Correspondence	
	10.	REPORTS Development Officer - Tony Sonnleitner <p style="text-align: center;">Summer Village of Val Quentin</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Report to Council</p> <p>Meeting: June 18, 2025 - Regular Council Meeting</p> <p>Originated By: Tony Sonnleitner, Development Officer, Summer Village of Val Quentin</p> <p>Development Permits:</p> <p>25DP03-35 Plan 5719 HW, Block 3, Lot 11 : 5006 – 62 Street RENOVATION OF AN EXISTING SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING The landowner was issued a AN approval for this application.</p> <p>25DP04-35 Plan 5301 KS, Block 4, Lot 2 : 6330 Ste. Anne Trail "AS-BUILT" PLACEMENT OF AN ACCESSORY BUILDING (22.8 SQ. M.). The landowner was issued an Approval for this application.</p> <p>25DP05-35 Plan 5719 HW, Block 3, Lot 12 : 5004 – 62 Street CONSTRUCTION OF A DETACHED GARAGE (78.0 SQ. M.). The landowner was issued an Approval for this application.</p> <p>Letters of Compliance:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">NONE</p> <p>Enforcements:</p> <p>25STOP01-35 Plan 5301 KS, Block 4, Lot 2 : 6330 Ste Anne Trail The landowner was issued an Order, pursuant to MGA Section 645; for development without a valid Development Permit.</p> <p>June 18, 2025 – This matter has been satisfactorily resolved with the landowner. Development Permit 25DP04-35 issued by Council as the Development Authority.</p>	
		Mayor Kathy Dion - June 2025 Attended Alberta Beach Library meeting. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sandy, Library Assistant, retired June 17, 2025 • Printing costs are now \$0.25 per copy for all sizes • Broken concrete on Ramps will be replaced shortly • The well has now been replaced 	

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Automatic Doors have been installed • Children's Summer Reading Program July and August <p>Attended Yellowhead Regional Library</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approved Strategic Plan for 2026 - 2030 and updated policies • Review of Municipal and School Division rate increases - seeking feedback from municipalities <p>Attended Tri-Village FCSS Meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approved Round 2 of FCSS funding 	
		<p>Emergency Management Report - Janice Christiansen</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agency Meeting - well attended - reviewed Audited Plan • Janice formally announced she is not planning on renewing her contract for SVREMP - Regional Director of Emergency Management in 2026. Janice plans to continue in her role as DEM for Alberta Beach and Val Quentin. A job description for the RDEM contract position has been created and will be recruited to in August 2025. 	
		<p>Val Quentin Public Works Report to May 28, 2025 Roger Montpellier/Alan Christiansen</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Weekly play ground inspection. • Rake pea gravel at park • Check walking trail • Install Picnic in the Park Signage • Repair of gate at Basketball Court • Playground improvement - Blue Imp 	
		<p>Deputy Mayor Alan Christiansen No Meetings attended during this timeframe.</p> <p>In Deputy Mayor Christiansen's absence, Mayor Dion will plan to attend the July 9, 2025 Tri Village Meeting being held at the Alberta Beach Council Chambers at 7:00 PM.</p>	
		<p>Administration - Marlene Walsh</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GIC roll over for one year term • Asset Management - presentation for SVLSACE • Review and management of letters for <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Untidy/unsightly properties ○ Derelict Vehicles ○ Scentless Chamomile ○ Ditches grass cutting - invoicing • Policy Review • Bylaw Review Ongoing • 2025 Election - working collaboratively with Returning Officer • Water Feasibility Distribution Study - liaising with MPE Engineering • Processing 2025 Combined Assessment and Taxation payments • Tax Collection Payments • Website/Social Media Updates 	

Res. #177 25-06-18		Mayor Kathy Dion moved the reports be received for information	
	13.	ADJOURNMENT: As all matters were addressed, Mayor Kathy Dion adjourned the meeting at 9:10 PM. Next Meeting - Wednesday, July 16, 2025 at 7:00 PM at the Alberta Beach Council Chambers Office.	

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YRL Board of Trustees Meeting June 16, 2025

2026 Budget Planning

Item 4

Recommendation

- Increase the levy amount by \$0.85 per capita for municipalities, and \$2.77 per FTE student for school divisions.
 - Current rates: \$4.75 per capita (municipality); \$15.40 per FTE student.
 - Proposed rates: \$5.60 per capita (municipality); \$18.17 per FTE student.

Alternative Recommendation

- None.

Background

- The levy rates were frozen for 11 years; and small increases of two per cent were applied consistently since 2019, apart from COVID.
- The ad hoc Finance Committee discussed this in context of the 2026 budget priorities discussion.
- The direction included no reduction in services, and no transfer of costs to the local library board(s).
- YRL administration realized a deficit for 2024; the 2025 budget is a planned deficit budget; however, YRL needs to carry reserves to ensure safe operation of the organization and maintenance of the building. Unlike municipal libraries, regional systems do not have a single municipality to rely on for support.
- Ongoing deficit budgets are not prudent or realistic past 2026.
- The difference between the actual costs for services as required under the YRL Master Membership Agreement and the amount supported by the levy is 19 per cent (see page two).

Current Situation/Challenges

- Any increase over \$0.10 (two per cent) will require two-thirds of the municipalities representing two-thirds of the population to be in favour.
- This increase supports cybersecurity/network security – it covers the cost of the replacement networking and wireless equipment required by the libraries.
- The Master Membership Agreement only requires three months' notice (October), and we know budget planning is already underway
- This is an election year; the Finance Committee was divided on the timing of this.

Draft Motion/Action

- To direct administration to move forward with a levy increase of \$0.85 per capita for municipalities and \$2.77 per FTE student for school divisions.

Moved by _____

Seconded by _____