

# TOWN OF FIFIELD

## REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

**March 18, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chairman Felch called the meeting to order on March 18, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. at the Fifield Town Hall. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**ROLL CALL:** Present: William Felch, John W. Smith, John Schroeder, Angie Richardson, Ted Fleming, and approximately 14 public attendees.

**VERIFICATION OF POSTING:** Clerk verified the public postings.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** A resident requested that there be copies of the previous meetings minutes available for them to have and view. Also, a resident brought back up the discussion of the community garden. The resident questioned the availability of any property owned by the Town of Fifield that could be used for this purpose.

**APPROVE MEETING MINUTES:** Minutes of March 4, 2025, were presented for review and approval. Motion made by John Smith and seconded by John Schroeder to approve. VV3-0

**CEMETERY FINANCIALS/REPORT:** Financials were submitted for review. There were questions and discussion about the purchase of a new lawn mower in the future. When this is necessary the funds are readily available.

**CLERK/TREASURER REPORT:** The Town Clerk presented the Cooperative Agreement with Town of Eisenstein for signature by Chairman Felch. A motion was made by John Schroeder and seconded by John Smith to approve. VV3-0. An extension for 6 months for the loan for the Walnut Street project was presented to The Board to make payment on the interest portion only. A motion was made by John Smith and seconded by John Schroeder to approve. VV3-0. A building permit by a resident was presented to The Board for review.

**FIRE DEPARTMENTS:** Fire Department #1 has contracted Carefree Cleaning to do its monthly cleaning of the fire hall. The Toenail Clinic will donate monthly to help with this cost. This cost is figured into their budget. Fire Department #2 reported that the new pumper is all equipped and ready.

**TOWN CREW REPORT:** Crew Supervisor reported on past discussion for a new dump truck. Discussion now is about replacing the dump box on the existing truck, which is a much more reasonable option. The Board wanted to table this item until they see what the current budget has available before making a decision. The Crew Supervisor also reported on projects that they have been working on and reported work by the loggers to expand the gravel pit.

**TRANSFER SITES REPORT:** Crew supervisor reported about a vendor that will dispose of collected batteries.

**FISH TRAP ROAD-SPEED LIMIT:** The Board reached out for advice and the County Highway Commissioner suggests posting a 35-mile speed limit sign to try and help slow down traffic on the paved road. The speed limit was previously changed around 2012 from 55 miles per hour to the current 45 miles per hour. The Board recommends that the town crew update and change the sign.

**VRBO TOWN LICENSING AND FEES:** Town Supervisor John Schroeder reported a variety of information from other townships that he obtained. The Board tabled this as more information continues to be gathered.

**SNO-DROVERS:** Town Supervisor John Schroeder needs to meet with the club but gave examples from other snowmobile clubs on their approximate fees. The Board tabled this until there is a meeting with the Sno-Droivers.

**SCHEDULE ROAD TOUR:** A date will be determined after the Annual meeting. The snow needs to be gone to look at all the roads. This usually takes 2 days and involves the Crew Supervisor and The Board.

**CRACK SEAL BIDS:** Crew Supervisor has the list ready. He will start the process to have the bids ready for the regular April 15, 2025, meeting.

**PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT:** The committee has drafted a letter to use when visiting local businesses and residents to help collect donations. A sign will be made to put in the park listing the names of any that make a donation of \$500 or greater. To help fundraise money, The Moosejaw Resort is holding Bingo each Saturday with a portion of the proceeds going to help with this project. The committee will also be selling raffle tickets and a drawing taking place at the July 5<sup>th</sup> Community Picnic with cash prizes awarded. Tickets will be sold around the area and by committee members. Their goal is to raise \$50,000.00; A thermometer will be placed in the park to show the growth of the goal during the fundraising process.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Chairman Felch thanked Supervisor John Smith for his years of service to The Board and Town of Fifield.

**ADJOURN:** Motion made by John Smith and seconded by John Schroeder to adjourn the meeting at 7:09 p.m.

**\*THESE MINUTES ARE A DRAFT UNTIL APPROVAL AT THE NEXT SCHEDULED REGULAR BOARD MEETING\***

Respectfully submitted,

Angie Richardson, Clerk/Treasurer  
Kelly Kleinschmidt, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer