

**TOWN OF ARBORG
REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
Wednesday October 8th, 2025**

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER: 9:00 A.M.

Mayor Peter Dueck called the Meeting to Order at 9:00 A.M.

Present: Mayor Peter Dueck, Deputy Mayor Ron Johnston

Councillors: Ron Rogowsky, Rob Thorsteinson, Donna Gislason

Also Present: Cindy Stansell, Chief Administrative Officer and Justin Hoplock, Operations Manager (left the meeting at 9:14 a.m.)

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

232-2025

Gislason / Thorsteinson

BE RESOLVED THAT the Agenda be adopted.

CARRIED

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

1. Regular Meeting – September 24th, 2025

233-2025

Rogowsky / Gislason

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of the following Meetings be adopted:

Regular Meeting – September 24th, 2025

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Minutes be signed by the Mayor and Chief Administrative Officer.

CARRIED

4. DELEGATIONS, HEARINGS AND PETITIONS

5. COUNCIL & DEPARTMENT REPORTS

1. Operations Manager Report

Justin reported on the following:

- Public Works Operations
- Water Treatment Plant Update

Justin then left the meeting.

2. CAO Report

Cindy reported on the following:

- Office Operations
- MMA District Meeting

3. Council Reports

Councillor Ron Rogowsky had nothing to report

Councillor Rob Thorsteinson reported on attendance at the following:

- EIPD Meeting

Councillor Gislason reported on attendance at the following:

- ADMHV Meeting
- EIPD Meeting

Councillor Ron Johnston reported on attendance at the following:

- EIWD Meeting

Mayor Peter Dueck reported on attendance at the following:

- Culturama
- IERHAAGM

4. Committee of the Whole Reports – Nil

6. FINANCIAL BUSINESS

1. List of Accounts for Approval

234-2025

Johnston / Rogowsky
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following accounts for 2025 be approved for payment:

Cheque No. 16373 – 16383, 16395 – 16410, 16437 - 16446	\$512,470.15
Payroll & Indemnity Cheque No. 16362 – 16372, 16384 – 16394, 16411 – 16436	<u>\$ 76,842.69</u>
	\$589,312.84

CARRIED

2. Financial Statements as at September 30th, 2025

235-2025

Thorsteinson / Gislason
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Financial Statements as at September 30th, 2025 be adopted as presented. **CARRIED**

3. Development Incentive Grant
Roll 32300, Year 2 of 5

Mayor Peter Dueck expressed interest in the matter and recused himself from the meeting. Deputy Mayor Ron Johnston assumed the Chair.

236-2025

Gislason / Rogowsky
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the 2025 Development Incentive Program Grant (BL9-2019; Year 2 of 5), for Evergreen Properties (Roll No. 32300), in the amount of \$8,154.95 be authorized for payment. **CARRIED**

Mayor Dueck returned to the meeting and re-assumed the Chair.

7. BY-LAWS & POLICIES FOR CONSIDERATION

1. By-law No. 4-2023
* Development Incentive By-law *Held Over*

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. William Street Water & Sewer
Discussion: Council will need to look at additional funding for the project to reduce costs.

9. NEW AND OTHER BUSINESS – Nil

10. CORRESPONDENCE/COMMUNICATIONS

1. Maurice Bouvier, Deputy Minister ~ Municipal & Northern Relations
* 27th Annual AMM Convention Meeting Requests *Received as Information*
2. Glen Simard, Minister ~ Municipal & Northern Relations
* 2025 Municipal Operating Grant Final Payment *Received as Information*
3. Manitoba Municipal Administrators
a) MWSB Annual Capital Budget Increase Outreach

237-2025

Thorsteinson / Rogowsky
WHEREAS the vast majority of Manitoba municipalities are in dire need of the Manitoba Water Services Board (MWSB) financial, professional, and / or related subject matter expertise assistance for every aspect of water and wastewater projects and initiatives;

AND WHEREAS the provincial economy, municipal residential and commercial growth, community development opportunities, climate resiliency, public health, and convergent federal or provincial programs are at serious risk of being postponed, cancelled, sub optimally advanced because the MWSB is critically oversubscribed with projects and at current funding levels has a seriously compromised financial capability to complete even a fraction of the queued projects required to drive local prosperity, health, safety, and livability;

10. CORRESPONDENCE/COMMUNICATIONS – cont'd

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Arborg Council fully supports an immediate annual increase to the MWSB's capital budget, beginning in 2026, to \$100 million from its current \$24 million. **CARRIED**

b) PD Sessions

238-2025**Gislason / Thorsteinson**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Arborg Council authorize CAO Cindy Stansell to attend the Recruiting, Orientating and Surviving your next Council training session on November 7th, 2025 at the Victoria Inn in Winnipeg;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the registration fee and expenses be authorized for payment. **CARRIED**

4. Association of Manitoba Municipalities *All Received as Information*

a) 2025 Wildfire Disaster Financial Assistant Program

b) AMM Fall Convention Meeting Requests

5. Interlake-Eastern Regional Health Authority

* AGM

Received as Information

6. Arborg Skating Club

* Sponsorship Request

239-2025**Gislason / Johnston**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Arborg Sponsor the Arborg Skating Club for the 2025/26 Season;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the sponsorship in the amount of \$500.00 be authorized for payment. **CARRIED**

7. Arborg Ice Dawgs

* Sponsorship Request

240-2025**Thorsteinson / Rogowsky**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the town of Arborg Sponsor the Arborg Ice Dawgs Jr B Hockey Club for the 2025/26 Season;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the sponsorship in the amount of \$500.00 be authorized for payment. **CARRIED**

11. BUSINESS ARISING FROM DELEGATIONS – Nil**12. IN CAMERA**

1. Personnel Matters

241-2025**Gislason / Rogowsky**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT in accordance with the Municipal Act Section 152(3)(b)(ii) Council, do hereby close the meeting to the public and move in-camera. **CARRIED**

242-2025**Johnston / Thorsteinson**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council do hereby conclude in-camera discussions and resume into Regular Meeting. **CARRIED**

13. ADJOURNMENT – 11:19 A.M.**243-2025****Gislason / Rogowsky**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council do now adjourn to meet again in Arborg on October 22nd, 2025. **CARRIED**


Ron Johnston
Deputy Mayor


Cindy Stansell
Chief Administrative Officer