

Rural Municipality of Roland

Regular Meeting of Council Approved Minutes Council Chambers – Roland Memorial Hall October 14th, 2025 – 8:30am

The regular meeting of the Council of the Rural Municipality of Roland was held on Tuesday, October 14th, 2025, in the Council Chambers of the Roland Memorial Hall. Present was Reeve Jodi Gaultier, Deputy Reeve John Fox, Councillor Carrie Hennan, Councillor Robynn Linde and Chief Administrative Officer Taya O'Brien. Also present was Public Works Foreman Don Roy. Regrets from Councillor Jason McIntosh.

1. Call to Order

*Reeve Gaultier called the meeting to order at 8:34am.

2. Acceptance of the Agenda

Resolution No.: 202510-01 Moved by: Councillor Fox Seconded by: Councillor Linde

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council accept the agenda, as presented.

CARRIED

3. Minutes

Resolution No.: 202510-02 Moved by: Councillor Hennan Seconded by: Councillor Linde

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council adopt the minutes of the regular meeting of Council on September

11, 2025.

CARRIED

4. Public Hearings

*No public hearings

5. Unfinished Business

5.1 Memorial Hall

5.2 New Logo

5.3 Tractor Club Land

*Council will engage residents regarding potential use of land.

5.4 Tax Relief – Roland Store

Resolution No.: 202510-03 Moved by: Councillor Hennan Seconded by: Councillor Fox

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council do now close the regular council meeting for the purposes of going

in-camera.

CARRIED

Resolution No.: 202510-04 Moved by: Councillor Fox Seconded by: Councillor Linde

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council now moves out of in-camera and resumes the regular meeting of

Council.

CARRIED

5.5 Firetruck Fundraising

*A New Year's Eve social will be held in the Roland Memorial Hall for the purpose of raising funds for the new firetrucks. Other events to come.

- 6. Delegates
- 7. Financial Statements
- 7.1 Budgetary Control as of September 30th, 2025
- 7.2 Income Statement as of September 30th, 2025

Resolution No.: 202510-05 Moved by: Councillor Linde Seconded by: Councillor Fox

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the financials as circulated.

CARRIED

- 8. Correspondence
- 8.1 PRSD Minutes
- 8.2 PVWC Minutes
- 8.3 Winkler & District Health Care Board Minutes
- 8.4 Red River Basin Holiday Gala Silent Auction Request

Resolution No.: 202510-06 Moved by: Councillor Linde Seconded by: Councillor Hennan

^{*}No decision was made. Tabled until further discussion is had.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves a donation of up to \$100.00 value for the Red River Basin Holiday Gala silent auction.

CARRIED

8.5 AF Connection

9. Reports of Committee

9.1 Jodi Gaultier

*PVWC meeting – in good financial standing *BCH *Canoe meeting *Town of Morris Water Plant tour *WDHCB – new doctors *KGS – hire for lagoon consumption measures, or look for quotes

9.2 John Fox

*Poor roads – 22W & Rosewell Rd *Poor quality and timing of new gravel *Hall renovation complaints & contractor questions *Dirt road complaints *Large muddy chunks on Dyke road *Questions regarding assistance for immigrants *2 dwellings on one property inquiry

9.3 Jason McIntosh

*No report

9.4 Carrie Hennan

* BTHF *3rd St drainage *Rosewell Rd complaints *Road 21N – move "not all weather road" to the beginning of the gravel road *55 2nd St – new deck complaint *Issues with dirt clumps in ditches

9.5 Robynn Linde

* Levelling dirt after drainage complaint – along with drainage *Katie Cares Fundraiser *Website/meeting management *Concession at the rink *New Council technology reimbursement *Roland shirts, cups, etc.

9.6 Public Works

*Ditching well underway in country. Still waiting on provincial permits on non licensed ditching*Fixed 2 water leaks at SE 5-4-4 and one at 62 Blakeston Lane *Big E tree services removed 3 maple trees on 2nd street due to their condition *Spent approximately 30 hours setting up / tear down for pumpkin fair *Replaced culvert on 21W at road 29N *Water resources did repairs on bridge on 17W just north of 20N. Bridge is once again in disrepair due to heavy traffic. Also waiting on repairs for bridges on 17W at 26N & 27N *Mowing of rural roadsides is nearly completed *Fall lagoon draining underway *Read water meters in Roland and rural properties *Consumption meter in Roland pumphouse quit working. Waiting on installation of new meter *Finished lead water testing program for 2025. Only 2 properties have elevated levels. Continued monitoring underway *Rural water hydrant flushing program completed *Refurbishment of the Roland walking path should commence on October 20th *Quote from Ryan Bell for the generator plug in at the Firehall received

Resolution No.: 202510-07 Moved by: Councillor Fox Seconded by: Councillor Hennan

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council accept the quote from Bell Electric to install a generator plug and

Roland Fire Department Report

*Fire call on Thursday, October 2nd at 14:58. Combine fire *Juan & Don went to different communities to look at firetrucks for customization.

9.7 Office Report

*Bank recs *Office getting busy with tax payments *Updating and filing files *Contact with Province regarding bridges and roads *Utility rate study with Dale - meetings and emails *BCH meetings *Supplementary tax bills *Tax sale auction *Local improvement work *CANOE meeting *Decided to cancel Movie in the Park. Licensing reasoning caused us to postpone until next year *Thanksgiving coloring contest

9.7 **EMC Report**

*4 hours *Updated outdated information – still lots of changes to be made *Recruiting volunteers for coordinator roles *Will pass 2026 plan next month with changes made

10. **New Business**

10.1 Stop Sign – Cottonwood & Blakeston

Resolution No.: 202510-08 Moved by: Councillor Hennan **Seconded by:** Councillor Fox

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the installation of stop signs on 1st St. going north and south at its intersection with Blakeston Lane and Cottonwood Grove, in accordance with the authority granted under The Highway Traffic Act and The Municipal Act of Manitoba.

CARRIED

10.2 Utility Deficit & Rate Rider Request

Resolution No.: 202510-09 Moved by: Councillor Fox **Seconded by:** Councillor Linde

WHEREAS Roland Utility incurred audited PSAB, PUB adjusted deficits of \$678,294 for the years 2016 to 2024 inclusive;

AND WHEREAS Roland Utility had an audited 2024 Working Capital Deficit of \$25,206 and PUB Minimum Working Capital requirement of \$108,312;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Rural Municipality of Roland request approval from the Public Utilities Board for Roland Utility 2016 to 2024 deficits of \$678,294 with \$133,518 to be recovered by rate rider of \$1.89 per 1,000 gallons of water sold over 3 years commencing April 1, 2026 and the balance of \$544,776 to be recovered from accumulated surplus;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law No. 2025-13 to set utility rates for 2027, 2028 and 2029 be given first reading and submitted to the Manitoba Public Utilities Board for approval.

10.3 Christmas Party

10.4 Added/Cancelled Taxes

Resolution No.: 202510-10 Moved by: Councillor Linde Seconded by: Councillor Fox

WHEREAS Manitoba Municipal Relations Assessment Services has provided a listing of

assessment increases and decreases for the 2025 tax year;

AND WHEREAS The Municipal Act Sec 326(1) permits a municipality to correct its tax roll and impose supplementary taxes after the tax roll has been completed;

AND WHEREAS The Municipal Act Sec 300(6) permits a municipality to correct its tax roll and cancel or reduce taxes in respect of the property after the tax roll has been completed; **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the RM of Roland authorize the addition and deletion of supplementary taxes for the year 2025.

CARRIED

10.5 Non-Union Wages

*Tabled until further negotiations.

10.6 Tree Lighting Event

*Booked for December 2, 2025.

10.7 Manitoba GRO Application

Resolution No: 202510-11 Moved by: Councillor Hennan Seconded by: Councillor Linde

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves the application for the 2025 Manitoba Growth, Renewal

& Opportunity Grant for the RM of Roland Memorial Hall renovations.

CARRIED

10.8 Council Code of Conduct

Resolution No: 202510-12 Moved by: Councillor Fox

Seconded by: Councillor Hennan

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council allow administration to engage legal counsel regarding potential

upcoming Ombudsman investigation.

CARRIED

11. By-Laws

11.1 By-Law 2025-13 – Utility Rate Increase First Reading

Resolution No: 202510-13 Moved by: Councillor Fox

Seconded by: Councillor Hennan

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council give first reading to By-Law 2025-13.

CARRIED

12. Building Permits

12.1 Henry Buhler – 13 Parkview – New house with attached garage

Resolution No: 202510-14 Moved by: Councillor Linde Seconded by: Councillor Fox

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the circulated building permits.

CARRIED

13. Accounts

Resolution No: 202510-15 Moved by: Councillor Fox Seconded by: Councillor Linde

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorize payment of accounts as follows:

September 11th to October 9th, 2025

Cheque No. 12092 to 12149 totalling \$146,967.09

Payroll totalling \$29,622.31

CARRIED

14. Adjournment

Resolution No: 202510-16 Moved by: Councillor Fox

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council do now adjourn at 12:03pm.