



TOWN OF ONOWAY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

June 12, 2025
9:30 a.m.
Council Chambers
Onoway Civic Centre (and Virtually Via Zoom)

Council Present: Mayor Lenard Kwasny
Deputy Mayor Lisa Johnson
Councillor Bridgitte Coninx
Councillor Robin Murray
Councillor Sheila Pockett

Administration: Jennifer Thompson, Chief Administrative Officer
Gino Damo, Director of Corporate and Community Services
Debbie Giroux, Recording Secretary

1 member of the public attended the meeting in person.
3 members of the public attended the meeting via Zoom.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Lenard Kwasny called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. and advised that the meeting will be recorded and acknowledged that the meeting was being held on Treaty 6 Land.

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Motion # 159-25

MOVED by: Councillor Robin Murray

THAT the June 12, 2025 Regular Council Meeting agenda be approved as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. PUBLIC INPUT SESSION

4. CONSENT AGENDA, INCLUDING APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PRIOR MEETINGS

Motion # 160-25

MOVED by: Councillor Bridgitte Coninx

THAT all items on the proposed consent agenda and respective recommendations be approved; with the exception of a) and b) regarding Teric Power to be discussed later in the meeting by Council.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- a. May 22, 2025 Regular Council Meeting Minutes
- b. 11. Information Items
 - c. Town of Onoway - Development Permit 25DP04-01 - 5107 - 47 Avenue - Accessory Structure (Garage) and demolition of existing garage
 - d. Yellowhead Regional Library (YRL) 2024 Annual Report

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS

6. APPOINTMENTS/PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS - n/a

7. FINANCIAL REPORTS

- a. Monthly Cheque Listing January 1-May 30, 2025

Motion # 161-25

MOVED by: Councillor Sheila Pockett

THAT Council approve the monthly cheque listing from January 1 to May 30, 2025, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8. POLICIES & BYLAWS - n/a

9. ACTION ITEMS

- a. FCSS Round 1 Applications

Motion # 162-25

MOVED by: Councillor Bridgitte Coninx

THAT Council approve the following Committee funding amounts for the 2025 FCSS Funding Round 1 to a total amount of \$13,950:

Organization Name	Project/Program Name	Committee Funding Amount Recommendation
Lac Ste Anne Foundation (Chateau)	Flowers for residences	\$1,000
Onoway & District Heritage Society	Heritage Days	\$4,000
Onoway United Church Thrift Store	Volunteer Appreciation Dinner	\$1,000
Onoway Legion Branch 132	Remembrance Day Recognition of Veterans	\$1,250

Onoway Legion Branch 132	Valour Café	\$1,500
Onoway Golden Club	Senior Christmas Supper	\$1,000
Lac St. Anne East End Bus Society	Seniors In Motion 2025	\$1,700
Town of Onoway Public Library	Stories & Tunes for Tots & Takeaway Kits	\$2,500

AND THAT Council approve the following Committee funding amounts for the 2025 FCSS Funding Round 1 to a total amount of \$7,450 and distribute funds in the condition that an application is submitted and funding request is equal or lesser than previous year:

Organization Name	Project/Program Name	Committee Funding Amount Recommendation
Onoway & District Historical Guild	Fall Harvest Festival 2024	\$750
Onoway Facility Enhancement Association	Community Halloween Event	\$650
Onoway Facility Enhancement Association	Kids Christmas Party	\$850
Onoway Moms and Tots c/o Tracy Alden	Annual program	\$1,000
Onoway Facility Enhancement Association	Seniors Tea	\$700
Town of Onoway Public Library	Community Christmas Fair	\$500
Celebrate Kids: Onoway Children's Health and Wellness Fair	Celebrate Kids: Onoway Children's Health and Wellness Fair	\$1,000
Onoway & District Agricultural Society	Free Community Ice Use Programming/ Volunteer Drive Program	\$2,000

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

b. Emergency Preparedness Awareness

Motion # 163-25

MOVED by: Councillor Robin Murray

THAT Council accepts the emergency preparedness awareness for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10. COUNCIL, COMMITTEE & STAFF REPORTS

Motion # 164-25

MOVED by: Councillor Bridgitte Coninx

THAT the Council and staff reports be accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11. INFORMATION ITEMS

Information items c. and d. were approved under the Consent Agenda Motion 160-25

Motion # 165-25

MOVED by: Councillor Bridgitte Coninx

THAT Council's discussion of the Teric Power, Pioneer Power Centre Project, be accepted for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- a. Teric Power - Pioneer Power Centre Project - May 14, 2025 letter from Kolja Vainstein
- b. Teric Power - Pioneer Power Centre Open House - June 24, 2025
- c. Town of Onoway - Development Permit 25DP04-01 - 5107 - 47 Avenue - Accessory Structure (Garage) and demolition of existing garage
- d. Yellowhead Regional Library (YRL) 2024 Annual Report

12. CLOSED MEETING

Motion # 166-25

MOVED by: Deputy Mayor Lisa Johnson

THAT Council move into a Closed Meeting at 10:07 a.m. pursuant to Section 197(2) of the Municipal Government Act and:

Section 16 FOIP: Disclosure harmful to business interests of a third party

Section 17(4)(d) FOIP - Disclosure harmful to personal privacy

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Council recessed from 10:07 a.m. to 10:10 a.m. to allow the members of the public and Recording Secretary to leave the meeting.

The following individuals attended the Closed Meeting:

Mayor Lenard Kwasny

Deputy Mayor Lisa Johnson

Councillor Bridgitte Coninx

Councillor Robin Murray

Councillor Sheila Pockett

Jennifer Thompson, Chief Administrative Officer

Gino Damo, Director of Corporate and Community Services

Ryan Bourke (10:31 a.m. to 10:58 a.m.)

Motion # 167-25

MOVED by: Deputy Mayor Lisa Johnson

THAT Council move out of Closed Meeting at 11:45 a.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Motion # 168-25

MOVED by: Councillor Sheila Pockett

THAT Council awards the 2025 Student Bursary in the amount of \$500 each to the following recipients upon receipt of proof of registration and acceptance to a qualified post-secondary institution in a full-time or part-time program and be attending their first year of studies:

Brodie McLennan

Markuss Mikelsons

Sawyer Quinn McNeice

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Motion # 169-25

MOVED by: Councillor Robin Murray

THAT Council deny the property tax exemption for the non-profit portion of the property being used for daycare use of tax roll 88000 due to the inability to establish a clear benefit distinction between the board of directors and the property owner.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

13. ADJOURNMENT

As all matters on the agenda have been addressed, Mayor Lenard Kwasny declared the Regular Council Meeting adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

Signed by Lenard Kwasny, Mayor

Signed by Jennifer Thompson
Chief Administrative Officer