

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
27 January 2026

The Regular Meeting of the Unity Town Council was held on January 27, 2026 in the Unity Council Chambers commencing at 7:00 p.m.

Present Mayor: Bob Abel
 Councillors: Chris Halter, Brett Lang, Curtis McLean, Ryan Sernecky, Darryl Stubbs and Brent Weber

Also Present CAO, Aileen Garrett

DELEGATION

Unity Skating Club arrived to meeting at 7:30 pm
Discussion regarding proposed Ice Fee Increase
Unity Skating Club left meeting at 7:45 pm

DELEGATION

Unity Minor Hockey arrived to meeting at 7:30 pm
Discussion regarding proposed Ice Fee Increase
Unity Minor Hockey left meeting at 8:13 pm

18.26 CALL TO ORDER

That Mayor B. Abel called the meeting to order at 6:59 p.m.
 CARRIED

19.26 CONFLICT DECLARATIONS

Sernecky/McLean: That Council has reviewed the agenda and items have been identified as a conflict of interest. All Councillors have responded to the conflict disclosure as follows:

Mayor B. Abel - No Conflict

Councillor C. Halter - No Conflict

Councillor B. Lang - No Conflict

Councillor C. McLean - No Conflict

Councillor R. Sernecky - No Conflict

Councillor D. Stubbs - No Conflict

Councillor B. Weber - No Conflict

 CARRIED

20.26 AGENDA

Stubbs/Lang: That the agenda for the Regular Meeting of Council of the Town of Unity for Tuesday, January 27, 2026 commencing at 7:00 p.m. be adopted as amended.

 CARRIED

21.26 MINUTES

Stubbs/McLean: That the minutes of the January 13, 2026 Regular Council Meeting be approved by Council.

 CARRIED

22.26 ACCOUNT PAYMENTS

Lang/Halter: That Council approve the account payments, as detailed on the attached cheque listing and amounting to \$91,088.39 for the period ending January 27, 2026. Computer Cheque #22922-22939 inclusive, Credit Invoice payment # 2026-0001 inclusive, Online Banking payment #2026-0015 - 2026-0027 inclusive, Automatic Withdrawal #2026-05 - 2026-06 inclusive, Proposed Payments #458-474 inclusive, Credit Card Collabria- 2026-003 - 2026-016 inclusive.

 CARRIED

23.26 CORRESPONDENCE
Sernecky/McLean: That Council acknowledges and files correspondence from:

Parkview Place Meals on Wheels Schedule 2026, and
2026 SUMA Convention and Tradeshow Brochure 2025.
CARRIED

24.26 POLICING REPORT
Weber/Halter: That Council accepts the December 2025 Policing Report.
CARRIED

25.26 REPORT
Lang/Sernecky: That Council accept the Public Works Waste Water Treatment Facility Report dated January 2026
CARRIED

26.26 REPORT
Lang/Weber: That Council accept the Public Works Town of Unity Water & Sewer Infrastructure Report dated January 2026
CARRIED

27.26 REQUEST - UNITY MINERS
Lang/ McLean: That Council approve the request from Unity Miner's Hockey Club to host beer gardens at the Unity Rink for Sask. Senior Hockey Provincials and League Playoffs.
CARRIED

28.26 REQUEST - SEARCH & RESCUE SASKATCHEWAN
Stubbs/Halter: That Council acknowledge the request from Search & Rescue Sask Association of Volunteers and decline to purchase advertisement space in "Wilderness Survival Guide"
CARRIED

29.26 RECOMMENDATION - SNOW REMOVAL
Lang/Sernecky: That Council considers and approves the creation of a "Sidewalk Snow Removal Policy" encouraging residents to clean and maintain the sidewalks in front of and adjacent to their private property to ensure residents can utilize the sidewalks during the winter months in a safe manner.
CARRIED

30.26 TABLED RECOMMENDATION - ENVIRONMENTAL LEVY FEES
Lang/McLean: That Council approve the proposed rate increases as outlined in the recommendation presented by administration regarding environmental levy.
CARRIED

31.26 POLICY 4.1
Sernecky/Lang: That Council approve amended policy 4.1 "Rental Rates for Culture, Parks and Recreation Facilities" as submitted by Director of Culture, Parks & Recreation, Lisa Feser.
TABLED

32.26 POLICY 4.5
Stubbs/Weber: That Council approve amended policy 4.5 "Arena Board Advertising Fees" as submitted by Director of Culture, Parks & Recreation, Lisa Feser.
CARRIED

33.26	SK RECYCLES TRANSITION	<p>Lang/Sernecky: That the Town of Unity indicate Yes, requesting that SK Recycles deliver curbside recycling directly in our municipality beginning February 1, 2028</p> <p>By indicating YES, The Town of Unity acknowledges that:</p>
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SK Recycles will be responsible for all aspects of the management of collection and post-collection services of the residential curbside recycling program for packaging and paper beginning February 1, 2028 • SK Recycles will procure collection services with a private collection service provider (wastehaulers) directly, effective February 1, 2028 • The Town of Unity will continue to fulfill its obligations under its current Services Agreement until the effective date of transition • The Town of Unity will provide SK Recycles with all reasonable cooperation and assistance to allow SK Recycles to prepare for delivering this service directly, including the provision of a detailed address list, household data and applicable service details.
		<p>That The Town of Unity indicate Yes, requesting to transition to the new SK Recycles Curbside Collection Agreement for the period of June 1, 2026 to February 1, 2028</p> <p>By indicating YES, The Town of Unity acknowledges that:</p>
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Town of Unity will continue to fulfill its obligations under its current Services Agreement with MMSW/SK Recycles until June 1, 2026 • A finalized Curbside Collection Agreement, prepared by SK Recycles using the template version previously provided to the Town of Unity, will be executed between the Town of Unity and SK Recycles in advance of June 1, 2026 • The Town of Unity will continue to be responsible for providing collection services in the Town of Unity until February 1, 2028 • SK Recycles will be responsible for all post-collection operations and cost beginning June 1, 2026 and will designate a facility for curbside material to be delivered by the Town of Unity.
		CARRIED
34.26	RESOLUTION - RECIDED	<p>Sernecky/Lang: That Council rescind Resolution 294.25 passed at the September 23, 2025 meeting.</p>
		CARRIED
35.26	COMMUNITY PLANNING	<p>Lang/Halter: That Council approves the subdivision application and advises the following regarding the proposed parcel tie removal for the lands described as SW1/4 17-40-22-W3rd under Subdivision application SUBD-005102-2025:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -There are no known conflicting land uses in the surrounding area that would interfere with the intended use of the proposed parcel. -There are no known site conditions that would make the land unsuitable for its intended use. -There are no municipal facilities that would be affected by this proposed development. <p>Council prefers that the Municipal Reserve requirement be provided as cash-in-lieu, rather than land dedication.</p> <p>Municipal Reserve calculation will be based on current market value which is \$30,121.00 (2.1515 ha x 14000/ha)</p> <p>-The subject land is currently zoned I1 - General Industrial under Zoning Bylaw 939-P-09, as amended by Bylaw 1082-P-19.</p>
		CARRIED
36.26	BYLAW NO. 1173-P-26	<p>Lang/Weber: That Bylaw No. 1173-P-26 be introduced and read a first time at this meeting.</p>
		CARRIED

37.26 BYLAW NO. 1173-P-26
McLean/Stubbs: That Bylaw No. 1173-P-26 be read a second time.
CARRIED

38.26 BYLAW NO. 1173-P-26
Halter/Sernecky: That Bylaw No. 1173-P-26 be given three readings at this meeting.
of Members Voted: 7 CARRIED Unanimously 7

39.26 BYLAW NO. 1173-P-26
Weber/Lang: That Bylaw No. 1173-P-26 as annexed to and forming part of these minutes be read a third and final time this 27th day of January, 2026.
CARRIED

40.26 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
Sernecky/Stubbs: That Council move into the Committee of the Whole and the session be "in camera". Time 9:01 p.m.
CARRIED

41.26 RECONVENE
Weber/Halter: That Council meeting reconvene. Time 9:22 p.m.
CARRIED

RISE AND REPORT
No Report

42.26 ADJOURNMENT
Sernecky/Lang: That the meeting be adjourned. Time 9:23 p.m.
CARRIED

MAYOR

CAO

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