



Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton

Meeting Minutes

March 12, 2026 - Regular Meeting - 08:00 AM

Voter Attendees:

Brian N Johnson (Reeve)
Chad Johnson (Councilor)
Gordon Klym (Councilor)
Ken Stadnek (Councilor)
Kirk Johnston (Councillor)

Non-Voter Attendees:

Deanna Fridfinnson (Assistant CAO)
Larissa Love (CAO)

1. Meeting Called To Order

Reeve Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:58am.

Resolution No:
2026-0044

2. Confirmation of Minutes

Moved By: Gordon Klym
Seconded By: Kirk Johnston

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council do hereby adopt the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of February 12 & Special Council Meeting Minutes of March 5, 2026 as circulated.

Carried

Resolution No:
2026-0045

3. Adoption of Agenda

Moved By: Chad Johnson
Seconded By: Ken Stadnek

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda be adopted, as amended, and the order of the agenda is authorized to be altered as required.

Carried

4. Reception of Delegations/Petitions

4.1 8:45a.m. Tile Drainage (Lorne Johnson)

4.2 9:00 Weed Control (Fred Paulson)

4.3 9:15 ABR Rec (Lisa Klym)

4.4 9:30 am RHTC - Delegation (Ruth Ann Furgala)

4.5 10:00a.m. MB Wind Energy

Resolution No:
2026-0046

4.6 Open in camera

Moved By: Gordon Klym
Seconded By: Chad Johnson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT in accordance with The Municipal Act Section 152(3)(b)(ii) and (iv) Council do hereby close the meeting to the public and move In-Camera at 10a.m. to discuss an informational proposal and potential economic development consideration. AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT pursuant to Section 83(1) of the Municipal Act all matters shall remain confidential until a report is made public.

Carried

Resolution No:
2026-0047

4.7 Close in camera

Moved By: Chad Johnson

Seconded By: Kirk Johnston

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council now reconvene it's Regular Meeting of Council at 11:00a.m.

Carried

Resolution No:
2026-0048

5. Reception of Elected Officials/Comittees

Moved By: Chad Johnson

Seconded By: Kirk Johnston

Be it resolved that Council hereby accept the verbal and written reports of elected official/committees as presented.

5.1 EIWD Minutes

5.2 AMM Bulletin

5.3 Riverton Ice Fishing Derby Report

5.4 MB EMO 2026 Flood Outlook

5.5 Mb. Wildlife Federation- MB Seal River Watershed Concern

5.6 Bell National Satellite Constellation project

5.7 Long-term & Continuing Care Assoc. Mb. Membership

5.8 Appreciation Bouquet of thanks

Resolution No:
2026-0049

6. Communications

Moved By: Chad Johnson

Seconded By: Gordon Klym

Be it resolved that Council accept the following communications as presented:

Carried

6.1 Violation - New Dwelling Construction RL # 60450

6.2 Public Works Manager Activity Report

6.3 CAO Activity Report

Resolution No:
2026-0050

6.4 Rec - Facility Manager report 03/2026

Moved By: Chad Johnson

Seconded By: Gordon Klym

BE IT RESOLVED THAT council enters into a Preventivite Maintenance contract with Summit Elevators for the V-1504 Vertical Platform Wheelchair Lift located at the Riverton Curling Club at 175 Reggie Leach Drive in Riverton, MB

Carried

7. Accounts

Resolution No:
2026-0051

7.1 Authorization of Accounts for Payment

Moved By: Ken Stadnek
Seconded By: Chad Johnson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council do hereby adopt and approve Cheque No. 4089 to 4160 for expenses in the amount of \$313,407.56;

And further be it resolved that Council do hereby adopt and approve payroll & council indemnities for the pay periods ending Feb 22, 2026 totalling \$51,607.06, and Government Remittance of \$24,438.97.

Carried

Resolution No:
2026-0051

7.2 Unaudited Financials as at December 31, 2025

Moved By: Chad Johnson
Seconded By: Kirk Johnston

Be it resolved that Council hereby accept the Dec 31, 2025 Unaudited Financial Statements as presented.

Carried

7.3 February Bank Statement

7.4 Budget Control to Date

7.5 DFA As At March 11, 2026

8. By-laws

Resolution No:
2026-0052

8.1 Geysir Community Hall Designation - Second Reading of By-Law 01-2026

Moved By: Ken Stadnek
Seconded By: Chad Johnson

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton hereby give second reading to By-Law 01-2026, being a By-law of the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton to designate the property known as Geysir Cooperative Community Club RL # 74900 as a Municipal Heritage Site under the Heritage Resource Act.

| Name | Yes | No | Abstained | Absent |
|-----------------|-----|----|-----------|--------|
| Brian N Johnson | ✓ | | | |
| Chad Johnson | ✓ | | | |
| Kirk Johnston | ✓ | | | |
| David King | | | | ✓ |
| Gordon Klym | ✓ | | | |
| Corey Palsson | | | | ✓ |
| Ken Stadnek | ✓ | | | |

Carried

Resolution No:
2026-0053

8.1.1 Geysir Community Hall Designation -Third Reading of By-Law 01-2026

Moved By: Chad Johnson
Seconded By: Kirk Johnston

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton hereby give third reading to By-Law 01-2026, being a By-law of the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton to designate the property known as Geysir Cooperative Community Club RL # 74900 as a Municipal Heritage Site under the Heritage Resource Act.

| Name | Yes | No | Abstained | Absent |
|-----------------|-----|----|-----------|--------|
| Brian N Johnson | ✓ | | | |
| Chad Johnson | ✓ | | | |
| Kirk Johnston | ✓ | | | |
| David King | | | | ✓ |
| Gordon Klym | ✓ | | | |
| Ken Stadnek | ✓ | | | |

Carried

Resolution No:
2026-0054

8.2 By-Law Amendment 02-2026 Renumeration

Moved By: Gordon Klym

Seconded By: Kirk Johnston

WHEREAS the Council of the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton adopted By-Law No. 02-2026;

AND WHEREAS Council deems it necessary to amend said by-law;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that council enacts as follows:

1. THAT section "Effective 1" of By-Law No. 02-2026 be deleted and replaced with the following:
 - THAT this By-law shall become effective on the first pay period of the year;

| Name | Yes | No | Abstained | Absent |
|-----------------|-----|----|-----------|--------|
| Brian N Johnson | ✓ | | | |
| Chad Johnson | ✓ | | | |
| Kirk Johnston | ✓ | | | |
| David King | | | | ✓ |
| Gordon Klym | ✓ | | | |
| Corey Palsson | | | | ✓ |
| Ken Stadnek | ✓ | | | |

Carried

Resolution No:
2026-0055

8.3 By-Law 02-2026 Employee Renumeration - Second Reading

Moved By: Chad Johnson

Seconded By: Ken Stadnek

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton hereby give second reading to By-Law 02-2026, being a By-law of the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton for Employee Renumeration.

| Name | Yes | No | Abstained | Absent |
|-----------------|-----|----|-----------|--------|
| Brian N Johnson | ✓ | | | |
| Chad Johnson | ✓ | | | |
| Kirk Johnston | ✓ | | | |
| David King | | | | ✓ |
| Gordon Klym | ✓ | | | |
| Corey Palsson | | | | ✓ |
| Ken Stadnek | ✓ | | | |

Carried

Resolution No:
2026-0056

8.3.1 By-Law 02-2026 Employee Remuneration - Third Reading

Moved By: Chad Johnson
Seconded By: Ken Stadnek

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton hereby give third and final reading to By-Law 02-2026, being a By-law of the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton for Employee Remuneration.

| Name | Yes | No | Abstained | Absent |
|-----------------|-----|----|-----------|--------|
| Brian N Johnson | ✓ | | | |
| Chad Johnson | ✓ | | | |
| Kirk Johnston | ✓ | | | |
| David King | | | | ✓ |
| Gordon Klym | ✓ | | | |
| Corey Palsson | | | | ✓ |
| Ken Stadnek | ✓ | | | |

Carried

Resolution No:
2026-0057

8.4 By-Law 04-2026 Development Incentive - First Reading

Moved By: Chad Johnson
Seconded By: Gordon Klym

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton hereby give first reading to By-Law 04-2026, being a By-law of the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton to allow for a Development Incentive.

| Name | Yes | No | Abstained | Absent |
|-----------------|-----|----|-----------|--------|
| Brian N Johnson | ✓ | | | |
| Chad Johnson | ✓ | | | |
| Kirk Johnston | ✓ | | | |
| David King | | | | ✓ |
| Gordon Klym | ✓ | | | |
| Ken Stadnek | ✓ | | | |

Carried

9. Unfinished Business

9.1 Okno 3 phase Distribution

10. General Business

Resolution No:
2026-0058

10.1 Auditor

Moved By: Ken Stadnek
Seconded By: Chad Johnson

WHEREAS Section 184(1) of The Municipal Act requires, the council of a municipality must appoint an auditor to carry out the duties of an auditor under this Act in respect of the municipality for that fiscal year.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton hereby appoint Exchange Chartered Professional Accountants LLP as the municipal auditor for three years including 2025, 2026, 2027.

Carried

Resolution No:
2026-0059

10.2 Signage - Municipality (Interlake sign Service)

Moved By: Ken Stadnek

Seconded By: Chad Johnson

BE IT RESOLVED that council purchase Street numbers 329 for the Municipal building in Town of Arborg for \$250.00

Carried

10.3 OffRoad Club Boundary Rd to Riverton trail proposal

Discussion took place with no action taken.

Resolution No:
2026-0060

10.4 CPR trail use Agreement IORC

Moved By: Gordon Klym

Seconded By: Kirk Johnston

BE IT RESOLVED THAT that Council for Bifrost-Riverton approve the Landowner Right of-Way Agreement with the Interlake Off Road Club Corp. (IORC);
And further be it resolved that Reeve Johnson and CAO Love sign said agreement on behalf of the municipality.

Carried

10.5 Frank Hadfield - Dinosaur Valley Studio Reggie Leach - stick attraction

Resolution No:
2026-0061

10.6 EIPD Legal fees

Moved By: Chad Johnson

Seconded By: Kirk Johnston

WHEREAS the Eastern Interlake Planning District (EIPD) provides planning services to its member municipalities, including the RM of Gimli, Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton, Town of Arborg, and Town of Winnipeg Beach;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Municipality of Bifrost Riverton hereby approves the Agreement for Legal Fees and Insurance Deductibles as presented, which outlines that:

- The EIPD shall be responsible for the first one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) of legal fees;
- The EIPD shall be responsible for one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) of any insurance deductible resulting from a claim;
- Any remaining legal fees or insurance deductible costs shall be the responsibility of the municipality for which the legal services were obtained or the insurance claim was made;
- The EIPD shall consult with the respective municipal Chief Administrative Officer prior to seeking legal representation or initiating an insurance claim on behalf of a municipality;
- Where legal representation is required for matters benefiting all member municipalities, the EIPD shall be responsible for the full cost of such legal fees;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Council authorizes the Mayor/Reeve and Chief Administrative Officer to sign the agreement on behalf of the Municipality.

Carried

Resolution No:
2026-0062

10.7 Tile drainage project on E½ 11-22-2E1

Moved By: Ken Stadnek
Seconded By: Gordon Klym

WHEREAS S.S. Johnson Farms Ltd. has requested municipal approval for a tile drainage project on E½ 11-22-2E1;

AND WHEREAS the project aims to improve field conditions and manage excess moisture;

BE IT RESOLVED that Council approves the proposed tile drainage project, **subject to the proponent obtaining all required provincial approvals** and ensuring the works do not negatively impact municipal drains or neighbouring properties.

| Name | Yes | No | Abstained | Absent |
|-----------------|-----|----|-----------|--------|
| Brian N Johnson | | | ✓ | |
| Chad Johnson | ✓ | | | |
| Kirk Johnston | ✓ | | | |
| David King | ✓ | | | |
| Gordon Klym | ✓ | | | |
| Corey Palsson | | | | ✓ |
| Ken Stadnek | ✓ | | | |

Carried

10.8 Arborg-Bifrost-Fire (ABFES) 2026 Budget

deferred to budget meeting

Resolution No:
2026-0063

10.9 Conditional Appr 4105-25-8557 DA

Moved By: Gordon Klym
Seconded By: Ken Stadnek

BE IT RESOLVE THAT Council approve the Development Agreement with Ronald Kornelson and Marcela Kornelson;
AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT Reeve Johnson and CAO Love sign said agreement on behalf of the municipality.

Carried

10.10 ABR GC -Proposed Operating

Moved By: Gordon Klym
Seconded By: Kirk Johnston

Tabled

Resolution No:
2026-0064

10.11 ABR-Fees

Moved By: Gordon Klym
Seconded By: Ken Stadnek

BE IT RESOLVED THAT council accepted proposed fees as presented from Arborg Bifrost Parks and Recreation.

Carried

Resolution No:
2026-0065

10.12 RBPRC Financial Statement Dec 31, 2024

Moved By: Gordon Klym
Seconded By: Ken Stadnek

BE IT RESOLVED THAT council adopts the 2024 Draft Financial Statement for the Riverton Bifrost Parks and Recreation Commission.

Carried

10.13 Letter Regarding Improper Snow Clearing

10.14 Riverton Transportation Heritage Centre - MOU

Resolution No:
2026-0066

10.15 2026 Reunion Days -sponsorship

Moved By: Ken Stadnek

Seconded By: Chad Johnson

WHEREAS the Riverton Reunion Days Committee is organizing community events that contribute to the social and cultural vitality of the community;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Municipality approves the in-kind provision and grants the use of the Community Hall and Skating rink to the Riverton Reunion Days Committee at no cost for the purpose of hosting Reunion Days events.

Carried

Resolution No:
2026-0067

10.16 Volunteer Gala - Riverton Parks and Rec.

Moved By: Chad Johnson

Seconded By: Kirk Johnston

BE IT RESOLVED Riverton Parks and Recreation nominated a volunteer and Council will purchase tickets for the event.

Carried

Resolution No:
2026-0068

10.17 DIA - RL 89600

Moved By: Chad Johnson

Seconded By: Kirk Johnston

BE IT REOLVED that Council approve the following application for the Development Incentive Tax Program

- Roll: RI #89600
- Applicant: Kelvin Einarson

Carried

10.18 Riverton Property lot purchase inquiry

Resolution No:
2026-0069

10.19 SD #4105-25-8558 Part of NE ¼ of Section 33-23-2 EPM

Moved By: Gordon Klym

Seconded By: Chad Johnson

WHEREAS the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton has received a subdivision application (File No. 4105-25-8558) from the registered owners, S. Dueck/B. Dueck and Vidir Machine Inc., to subdivide part of NE ¼ of Section 33-23-2 EPM;

AND WHEREAS the intent of the proposed subdivision is to separate the farmstead from the surrounding agricultural land and expand the industrial lot, resulting in the creation of Proposed Lot 1 (4.06 acres), Proposed Lot 2 (11.58 acres), and a residual lot (±137.83 acres);

AND WHEREAS the subdivision application has been reviewed by relevant government departments and agencies, and no objections have been raised, subject to compliance with specific conditions;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that, after careful consideration of the application, the Council of the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton hereby approves Subdivision application #4105-25-8558, subject to the following conditions:

1. That taxes on the land to be subdivided, for the current year plus any arrears, have been paid or that an arrangement satisfactory to Council has been made.
2. That a variance order has been obtained to vary the minimum side yard requirement of Proposed Lot 2 from 25 feet to 15 feet (4.572 metres).
3. That the 'shed' that is straddling the proposed boundary between Proposed Lot 1 and the Residual Lot has been removed or relocated.
4. That the 'shed' that is immediately south of the rear lot line of Proposed Lot 1 has been relocated or a variance order has been obtained to vary the Residual Lot's minimum side yard requirement. If the variance order option is selected, confirmation of its present location in relation to the proposed boundary, through the provision of an updated Subdivision Application Map, will be required.
5. That any other variances have been obtained to ensure compliance with the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton Zoning By-law.
6. That any conditional use orders have been obtained for Proposed Lot 2.
7. That a Right-of-Way Agreement has been entered into to provide access from PR 326 to the Residual Lot over the northeast corner of Proposed Lot 2.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Council directs the Community Planning Services Branch to issue a Certificate of Approval upon confirmation that all conditions have been met and that the subdivision complies with provincial department and agency requirements.

- Any other matters deemed necessary by Council to protect municipal interests and ensure orderly development.

Carried

Resolution No:
2026-0070

10.20 Casual employment

Moved By: Chad Johnson

Seconded By: Gordon Klym

BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve the reactivation of Leonard Mantik as a casual, on-call employee of the Municipality, effective March 4, 2026, under the following terms:

- Hourly wage of \$29.00 per hour
- 6% vacation pay, paid bi-weekly
- Cell phone allowance of \$22.22 bi-weekly
- No additional benefits provided under this casual employment arrangement

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this position is casual and on-call with hours scheduled as required by Public Works Manager.

Carried

11. Notice of Motion

12. In Camera

Resolution No:
2026-0071

12.1 Open in Camera

Moved By: Gordon Klym

Seconded By: Kirk Johnston

Be it resolved that in accordance with The Municipal Act Section 152(3)(b)(ii) and (iv) Council do hereby close the meeting to the public and move In-Camera at 12:15p.m. to discuss;

1. Legal Matters
2. Personnel

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT pursuant to Section 83(1) of the Municipal Act all matters shall remain confidential until a report is made public.

Carried

Resolution No:
2026-0072

12.2 Close in Camera

Moved By: Chad Johnson
Seconded By: Kirk Johnston

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council now reconvene it's Regular Meeting of Council at 1:30p.m.

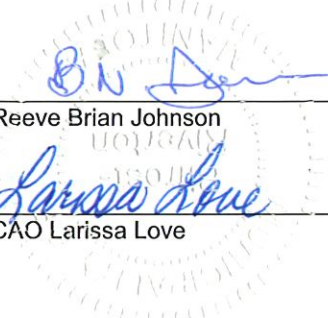
Carried


13. Business Generated from In Camera

14. Adjournment

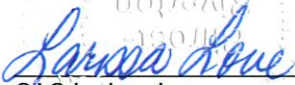
The meeting was adjourned by Reeve Johnson at 1:45p.m.

Carried





Reeve Brian Johnson



CAO Larissa Love