

**Council Meeting
June 23, 2026 at 9:00 a.m.
Council Chamber, Wawanesa, MB.**

The Council of the Municipality of Oakland-Wawanesa met in the Council Chamber in Wawanesa, Manitoba on Tuesday, June 23, 2026 at 9:00 a.m. Members Present: Mike Fisher, Ryley Gullett, Craig Hatch, Frank Jones and Bob McDonald. Head of Council Dave Kreklewich presided.

Staff in attendance: Chief Administrative Officer Joni Swidnicki, Finance Officer Melissa Sturgeon and Public Works Manager Chelsea Long.

The meeting was open to the public.

CALL TO ORDER – 9:00 a.m.

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Municipality of Oakland-Wawanesa would like to acknowledge and recognize that we are operating on Treaty 1 and Treaty 2 lands being the original territory of the Anishinaabe and Dakota Nations and the homeland of the Metis Nation.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Jones-Gullett

- 1574 BE IT RESOLVED that the agenda for the June 23, 2026 meeting be accepted as presented with the addition of a Manitoba Good Roads Association nomination for Best Non-Farm Rural Home Grounds under General Business. CARRIED.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Fisher-McDonald

- 1575 BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the May 19, 2026 regular meeting of Council be hereby approved as circulated. CARRIED.

FINANCE

General Account

Jones-Hatch

- 1576 BE IT RESOLVED that the June 15, 2026 general accounts payable, being cheque #'s 8849 to 8865 and 8867 to 8920 in the amount of \$121,803.71 be hereby approved. CARRIED.

Councillor Fisher declared an interest in the following matter and left the Chamber without comment or debate.

McDonald-Hatch

- 1577 BE IT RESOLVED that the general accounts payable cheque # 8866 in the amount of \$200.00 to Big Valley Wash be hereby approved. CARRIED.

Gullett-Jones

- 1578 BE IT RESOLVED that Direct Deposit 405, being staff payroll for the period May 9 to May 22, 2026 in the amount of \$16,075.49 be hereby approved. CARRIED.

McDonald-Fisher

- 1579 BE IT RESOLVED that Direct Deposit 406, being staff payroll for the period May 23 to June 5, 2026 in the amount of \$17,284.92 be hereby approved. CARRIED.

Hatch-Gullett

- 1580 BE IT RESOLVED that Direct Deposit 408, being staff payroll for the period June 6 to June 19, 2026 in the amount of \$16,644.93 be hereby approved. CARRIED.

McDonald-Jones

- 1581 BE IT RESOLVED that Direct Deposit 474, being Council indemnities for the month of May, 2026 in the amount of \$4,903.89 be hereby approved. CARRIED.

Utility Account

Hatch-Gullett

- 1582 BE IT RESOLVED that the June 15, 2026 utility accounts payable, being cheque #'s 1440 to 1456 in the amount of \$23,325.74 be hereby approved. CARRIED.

Statement of Revenues and Expenditures

Fisher-McDonald

- 1583 BE IT RESOLVED that the Statement of Revenues and Expenditures report to May 31, 2026 be received as presented. CARRIED.

Bank Reconciliations

Jones-Gullett

- 1584 BE IT RESOLVED that the bank reconciliations for the month of May 2026 be approved as previously circulated. CARRIED.

DELEGATIONS

Presentation of 2025 Audited Financial Statements

Fisher-Jones

- 1585 BE IT RESOLVED that the presentation from Kyle Paul from Sensus Partnership of Chartered Accountants regarding the 2025 audited financial statements be received. CARRIED.

McDonald-Gullett

- 1586 BE IT RESOLVED that the audited financial statements be approved and the municipality take full responsibility for the financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2025. CARRIED.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

COMMUNICATIONS

Accessibility News – June 2026 Newsletter
Age Friendly Connections – May 2026 Newsletter
Association of Manitoba Municipalities – May 20
Association of Manitoba Municipalities – 34th Annual Golf Tournament
Association of Manitoba Municipalities – June 9
Association of Manitoba Municipalities – June 12
Department of Justice – Bulletin #2026-18 – Next Generation 9-1-1 Agreements
Federation of Canadian Municipalities – Communique – May 19
Federation of Canadian Municipalities – Communique – May 25
Federation of Canadian Municipalities – Communique – June 1
Federation of Canadian Municipalities – Communique – June 8
Federation of Canadian Municipalities – Communique – June 11
Federation of Canadian Municipalities – Communique – June 15
Kynetic Homes - Introduction
Manitoba Environment and Climate Change – Bulletin #2026-19 Flood-Affected Private Wells
Manitoba Municipal and Northern Relations – 2025 Annual Report on Assessment Inspections
Manitoba Wildlife Federation Inc. – Seal River Watershed Proposal
Municipal and Northern Relations – Bulletin #2026-17 Amendments to Planning Act
Municipal and Northern Relations – Bulletin #2026-20 Heavy Rains
Municipal World – May and June Newsletters
Municipality of Boissevain-Morton – Proposed AMM Resolution re School Taxes
Oak's Tree of Love – Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Day and Month – October
Progressive Westman Office – New Manitoba Workplace Requirement for Free Menstrual Care Products to Employees
Rangeline Land Surveys – Introduction
Recycle Everywhere - Newsletter
Rotary Brandon Sunset – Volunteer Awards
Thank You – Stars
Tourism Westman – June Newsletter
Westman Regional Cabinet Office – Ray Berthelette, Outreach Coordinator

- 1587 Jones-Fisher
BE IT RESOLVED that the above noted communications be received. CARRIED.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

South Zone Report (Ward 3)

Councillor Fisher – see written report

Councillor Jones – see written report

North Zone Report (Ward 2)

Councillor Hatch – see written report

Vacant position

Wawanesa Zone Report (Ward 1)

Councillor Gullett – see written report

Councillor McDonald – see written report

Head of Council's Report – see written report

Chief Administrative Officer Report – see written report

Finance Officer Report – see written report

Public Works Report – see written report

Fire Chief's Report – see written report

- 1588 Gullett-McDonald
BE IT RESOLVED that the verbal and written reports be received. CARRIED.

BY-LAWS

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

GENERAL BUSINESS

Souris-Glenwood Veterinary Services District Agreement

- 1589 Jones-Hatch
BE IT RESOLVED that a one-year agreement commencing January 1, 2026 be entered into with Souris-Glenwood Veterinary Services District whereby the Municipality of Oakland-Wawanesa shall contribute 4.88%, being \$1,128.82, of the annual district contribution of \$23,161.00. CARRIED.

Enbridge – Request for Letter of Support

McDonald-Fisher

- 1590 BE IT RESOLVED that a letter of support be provided to Enbridge Pipelines Inc. for its application to Manitoba Hydro for additional electrical power to support the Mainline Optimization Program. CARRIED.

RFNow Proposed Fibre Path Addition – Across Service East of Hwy 10, North of Road 46N in NW 26-8-19W

Gullett-Hatch

- 1591 BE IT RESOLVED that the proposed fibre path addition across the access road east of Highway No. 10, North of Road 46N in NW 26-8-19W outlined on the maps attached to correspondence dated May 29, 2026 from RFNow be approved subject to the terms and conditions of the installation agreement dated October 26, 2023 and subject to any required MTI regulations. CARRIED.

RFNow Proposed Fibre Path Addition – East of Road 113W in Carroll, MB

McDonald-Jones

- 1592 BE IT RESOLVED that the proposed fibre path addition to two properties east of Road 113W in Carroll, MB outlined on the maps attached to correspondence dated May 21, 2026 from RFNow be approved subject to the terms and conditions of the installation agreement dated October 26, 2023. CARRIED.

RFNow Proposed Fibre Path Addition – Across Road 47N West of Road 106W in SE 32-8-18W

Gullett-Jones

- 1593 BE IT RESOLVED that the proposed fibre path addition across Road 47N, west of Road 106W in SE 32-8-18W outlined on the maps attached to correspondence dated May 22, 2026 from RFNow be approved subject to the terms and conditions of the installation agreement dated October 26, 2023. CARRIED.

RFNow Proposed Fibre Path Addition – Along North Side of Road 44N Across Road 111W in SW 15-8-19W and SE 16-8-19W

Hatch-Jones

- 1594 BE IT RESOLVED that the proposed fibre path addition along the north side of Road 44N across Road 111W in SW 15-8-19W and SE 16-8-19W outlined on the maps attached to correspondence dated May 25, 2026 from RFNow be approved subject to the terms and conditions of the installation agreement dated October 26, 2023. CARRIED.

RFNow Proposed Fibre Path Addition – Across PR Road 453 and Road 109W in NW 25-8-19W and SE 35-8-19W

McDonald-Jones

- 1595 BE IT RESOLVED that the proposed fibre path addition across PR Road 453 and Road 109W in NW 25-8-19W and SE 35-8-19W outlined on the maps attached to correspondence dated June 2, 2026 from RFNow be approved subject to the terms and conditions of the installation agreement dated October 26, 2023 and subject to any required MTI regulations. CARRIED.

Manitoba Hydro Request for Line Installation at NW 2-8-19W (Doerksen)

Jones-Fisher

- 1596 BE IT RESOLVED that the request from Manitoba Hydro dated May 29, 2026 for line installation at NW 2-8-19W (Doerksen) be approved. CARRIED.

Manitoba Hydro Request for Line Installation at NW 2-8-19W (Cudmore Brothers)

Jones-McDonald

- 1597 BE IT RESOLVED that the request from Manitoba Hydro dated June 1, 2026 for underground line installation at NW 2-8-19W (Cudmore Brothers) be approved. CARRIED.

Cleanfarms Services Agreement – Manitoba Grain Bag and Baler Twine Recycling Program

Fisher-Gullett

- 1598 BE IT RESOLVED that the opportunity to participate in a service agreement with Cleanfarms for the Manitoba Grain Bag and Baler Twine Recycling Program be declined at this time to allow an opportunity to record requests for the service and determine operational capacity. CARRIED.

Manitoba Municipalities Online Report

McDonald-Gullett

- 1599 BE IT RESOLVED that the Manitoba Municipalities Online report for the month of May 2026 be received and any necessary actions to the by-law maintenance program be hereby approved. CARRIED.

Manitoba Good Roads Association – 2026 Annual Competition

Hatch-Gullett

- 1600 BE IT RESOLVED that the property of Gordon McLachlan and Cathy Kolosky at 109112 Road 48 North be nominated for Best Non-Farm Rural Home Grounds in the 2026 Manitoba Good Roads Association Competition. CARRIED.

IN-CAMERA SESSION

Jones-Fisher

- 1601 BE IT RESOLVED that this meeting now adjourns to an “in-camera” meeting to discuss items related to matters in preliminary stages 152(3)(b)(iii) of The Municipal Act, and all matters discussed in-camera are confidential until discussed in an open meeting as per Section 83(1)(d) of The Municipal Act. CARRIED.

Gullett-McDonald

- 1602 BE IT RESOLVED that this “in camera” meeting does now resume back to a regular meeting. CARRIED.

Access to Waste Transfer Stations

Jones-Fisher

- 1603 BE IT RESOLVED that Administration be directed to change the lock on the Wawanesa WTS to limit liability and concerns related to after-hours dumping, after sufficient notice has been provided to the community. CARRIED.

Tender No. 04-2026 – Wawanesa Paving

McDonald-Jones

- 1604 BE IT RESOLVED that the low bid of Zenith Paving for paving on Commercial Street from Fourth Street to Seventh Street with Option 1 (50mm) and Option 2 for patchwork (concrete roll curb and 50 mm) and Option 3 at \$117/sq. meter for other patching for a total of \$84,888.00 plus patching. CARRIED.

Tender No. 05-2026 – Material for Road Reconstruction

Gullett-Hatch

- 1605 BE IT RESOLVED that Council accept the bids received from the qualified bidders to constitute a bid price sheet for materials for 2026 as per availability. CARRIED.

Tender No. 06-2026 – Equipment for Road Reconstruction

Fisher-McDonald

- 1606 BE IT RESOLVED that Council accept the bids received from the qualified bidders to constitute a bid price sheet for equipment for 2026 as per availability. CARRIED.

Councillor Hatch declared an interest in the following matter and left the Chamber without comment or debate.

Project Oversight

Gullett-McDonald

- 1607 BE IT RESOLVED that the low bid of Westech at a rate of \$80.00/hour for project oversight be approved. CARRIED.

Amendment to Purchase Agreement for Carroll Lots

Fisher-Jones

- 1608 BE IT RESOLVED that the purchase agreement with Vadym Toptya be amended to include all Lots 16 to 27, to remove the requirement to subdivide if only Lots 16 and 17 were to be transferred. CARRIED.

Council Meeting Times

Discussion only.

NOTICE OF MOTION

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Fisher-McDonald

- 1609 BE IT RESOLVED that this meeting does now adjourn (10:41 a.m.) to meet again on Tuesday, July 21, 2026 at 9:00 a.m. at Municipal Office in Wawanesa. CARRIED.

Dave Kreklewich, Head of Council

Joni Swidnicki, Chief Administrative Officer