

**Council Meeting
July 15, 2025 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, July 15, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. Members Present: Mike Fisher, Craig Hatch and Bob McDonald and Dennis Rome (in the gallery due to Code of Conduct sanctions with the inability to perform council duties). Head of Council Dave Kreklewich presided.

Member Absent: Frank Jones

The resignation of Brett McGregor leaves one position vacant.

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

- 1163 McDonald-Fisher
BE IT RESOLVED that the agenda for the July 15, 2025 meeting be accepted as presented. CARRIED.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

- 1164 Hatch-McDonald
BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the June 17, 2025 regular meeting of Council be hereby approved as circulated. CARRIED.

FINANCE

General Account

- 1165 McDonald-Hatch
BE IT RESOLVED that the July 8, 2025 general accounts payable, being cheque #'s 8139 to 8176 and 8178 to 8180 in the amount of \$167,780.91 be hereby approved. CARRIED.

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

- 1166 McDonald-Fisher
BE IT RESOLVED that general accounts payable cheque #8177 to Westech Contracting Inc. in the amount of \$6,756.76 be hereby approved. CARRIED.
- 1167 Fisher-Hatch
BE IT RESOLVED that Direct Deposit 362, being staff payroll for the period June 7 to June 20, 2025 in the amount of \$17,185.56 be hereby approved. CARRIED.
- 1168 Fisher-McDonald
BE IT RESOLVED that Direct Deposit 363, being staff payroll for the period June 7 to June 20, 2025 in the amount of \$373.12 be hereby approved. CARRIED.
- 1169 McDonald-Hatch
BE IT RESOLVED that Direct Deposit 364, being staff payroll for the period June 21 to July 4, 2025 in the amount of \$20,147.73 be hereby approved. CARRIED.
- 1170 McDonald-Fisher
BE IT RESOLVED that Direct Deposit 365, being Council indemnities for the month of June, 2025 in the amount of \$4,351.03 be hereby approved. CARRIED.

Utility Account

- 1171 Fisher-Hatch
BE IT RESOLVED that the July 8, 2025 utility accounts payable, being cheque #'s 1302 to 1311 in the amount of \$9,525.99 be hereby approved. CARRIED.

Statement of Revenues and Expenditures

- 1172 McDonald-Hatch
BE IT RESOLVED that the Statement of Revenues and Expenditures report to June 30, 2025 be received as presented. CARRIED.

Bank Reconciliations

- 1173 McDonald-Hatch
BE IT RESOLVED that the bank reconciliations for the month of June 2025 be approved as previously circulated. CARRIED.

DELEGATIONS

Presentation regarding Tree Issue on Property – Glen Parsons

- 1174 Fisher-Hatch
BE IT RESOLVED that the presentation by Glen Parsons related to a tree issue on his property be received. CARRIED.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 1175 McDonald-Fisher
BE IT RESOLVED that the regular meeting of council be recessed to allow council to hold a Public Hearing to receive representations from any person who wish to make them in respect to a conditional use application. CARRIED.

Public Hearing on Conditional Use Application C5/2025 to allow a non-farm dwelling on Part of NE ¼ 32-8-19 WPM in an “AG” Agriculture General Zone (Janzen)

Thomas Janzen, applicant, appeared in support of the application and to answer any questions.

- 1176 Fisher-McDonald
WHEREAS all representatives in regard to Conditional Use Application No. C5/2025 to allow a non-farm dwelling on Part of NE ¼ 32-8-19 WPM, in an “AG” Agriculture General Zone (Janzen) have been dealt with;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the public hearing be concluded. CARRIED.

COMMUNICATIONS

Agriculture & Agri-Food – Request for Municipal Data on Gopher Damage and Ag Impacts
Association of Manitoba Municipalities – June 20
Association of Manitoba Municipalities – June 20
Canadian Fallen Heroes Foundation – Honoring 2 fallen soldiers from Wawanesa
CPKC Police – Crossing Activity Notification
Environment and Climate Change Canada – Feedback for the Guide to reporting to the
Federal Plastics Registry – Phase 2 – Full Report on File
Federation of Canadian Municipalities – Communique – June 23
Multi-Material Stewardship Manitoba – 2024 Annual Report – Full Report on File
Municipal and Northern Relations – Bulletin 2025-17 – Amendment to The City of Winnipeg Charter and The Planning Act
Shur-Gro Farm Services – Customer Appreciation Day
Thank You’s for the Scholarships
University of Manitoba – Aggie Bedpush

- 1177 Fisher-McDonald
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

Councillor Rome

Wawanesa Zone Report (Ward 1)

Councillor McDonald – see written report

Head of Council's Report – see written report

Chief Administrative Officer Report

The Chief Administrative Officer added to her written report to advise that a meeting with Water Services Board staff had taken place and it was expected that tender documents for the utility work to be undertaken in Wawanesa could be ready in time for work to commence in the Fall.

Finance Officer Report – see written report

Public Works Report – see written report

Fire Chief's Report – see written report

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Hatch-Fisher

BE IT RESOLVED that the verbal and written reports be received. CARRIED.

Building Feasibility Ad Hoc Committee Report

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Fisher-McDonald

BE IT RESOLVED that the report of the Building Feasibility Ad Hoc Committee dated July 7, 2025 be received and recommendations considered under General Business. CARRIED.

BY-LAWS

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Drainage Issue – Luanne Gibb

- 1180 McDonald-Hatch
BE IT RESOLVED that to alleviate a long-standing issue, the west ditch be cleaned on Road 98 W located in SE 22-98-17 WPM at an approximate cost of \$2,000 to be expended from the Bridges, Culverts and Drainage budget line. CARRIED.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Conditional Use Application C5/2025 to allow a non-farm dwelling on Part of NE ¼ 32-8-19 WPM in an “AG” Agriculture General Zone (Janzen)

- 1181 Fisher-Hatch
BE IT RESOLVED that Conditional Use Application C5/2025 to allow a non-farm dwelling on Part of NE ¼ 32-8-19 WPM in an “AG” Agriculture General Zone (Janzen) be approved. CARRIED.

Proposal to Subdivide – Part of NE 10-8-17 W (Treesbank Holding Co. Ltd)

- 1182 McDonald-Fisher
BE IT RESOLVED that Subdivision Application No. 4157-24-8698 as submitted by Lukas Hofer and David Hofer of Treesbank Holding Co. Ltd to subdivide part of NE 10-8-17 W be approved subject to:
1. a Variation Order being obtained to increase the allowable site area from 10 acres to 11.60 acres and to decrease the allowable site width from 200 feet to 49 feet within the “AG” zone; and
 2. a Conditional Use Order being obtained for the non-farm dwelling in an “AG” zone.
- CARRIED.

Unsightly Property at 143 Fourth St – T. Cullen

- 1183 McDonald-Fisher
BE IT RESOLVED that the communication from Tracy Cullen regarding the Unsightly Property at 143 Fourth St be received. CARRIED.

- 1184 McDonald-Fisher
BE IT RESOLVED that the matter of the unsightly property at 143 Fourth Street be tabled until such time as ownership can be determined. CARRIED.

RFNow Proposed Fibre Path Addition – Along Rd 46N (Hayfield Rd) between PTH 10 and Rd 111W

- 1185 Hatch-Fisher
BE IT RESOLVED that the proposed fibre path along Road 46N (Hayfield Rd) between PTH 10 and Rd 111W outlined on the map attached to correspondence dated June 19, 2025 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 Rd 45N (Tower Rd) between Rd 108W and 109W

- 1186 McDonald-Hatch
BE IT RESOLVED that the proposed fibre path along 45N (Tower Rd) between Rd 108W and 109W outlined on the map attached to correspondence dated June 25, 2025 from RFNow be approved subject to the terms and conditions of the installation agreement dated October 26, 2023. CARRIED.

RFNow Proposed Fibre Path Addition – Brandon Hills Estates

- 1187 Fisher-McDonald
BE IT RESOLVED that the proposed fibre path in Brandon Hills Estates outlined on the map attached to correspondence dated July 7, 2025 from RFNow be approved subject to the terms and conditions of the installation agreement dated October 26, 2023. CARRIED.

Tax Sale

- 1188 Fisher-Hatch
WHEREAS pursuant to Section 372 of The Municipal Act, a municipality may set a reserve bid in the amount of the tax arrears and costs in respect of the property;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that a reserve bid be placed on all properties in the amount of all arrears and costs in respect of each property listed for tax sale.
CARRIED.

New Shop Building

- 1189 Fisher-Hatch
BE IT RESOLVED that Administration be directed to commence the required debenture process for an estimated \$900,000 for construction of a new shop in Nesbitt for the 2026 budget year. CARRIED.

Manitoba Municipalities Online Report

- 1190 McDonald-Fisher
BE IT RESOLVED that the Manitoba Municipalities Online report for the month of June 2025 be received and any necessary actions to the by-law maintenance program be hereby approved. CARRIED.

NOTICE OF MOTION

None

ADJOURNMENT

- 1191 Hatch-McDonald
BE IT RESOLVED that this meeting does now adjourn (9:24 a.m.) to meet again on Tuesday, August 19, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. at Municipal Office in Wawanesa. CARRIED.

Dave Kreklewich, Head of Council

Joni Swidnicki, Chief Administrative Officer