

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
of the Town of Wembley, in the Province of Alberta,
held in the Wembley Municipal Office
This 22nd Day of June 2026.**

1. CALL-TO-ORDER

Present: Mayor Peterson called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

CAO Zhang

Councillor Barendregt

Councillor Berlasty

Councillor Baker

Councillor Wills (via Zoom)

Councillor Skinner

Chris Crane – Public Works Foreman (left 7:44 p.m.)

Regrets: Councillor Ketchum

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION #2026-0142

Moved by Councillor Berlasty Council approve the Agenda with the addition of Item 11.5 Committee Appointment – ICF/IDP Steering Committee.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

3.1 Minutes of Regular Meeting of Council held on June 8, 2026.

MOTION #2026-0143

Move by Councillor Barendregt Council adopt the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held June 8, 2026, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. DELEGATIONS

5. FINANCE

5.1 Property Tax Outstanding Balance – Tax Trial Balance (Debit Balances Only)

Total includes tax installment payment plan.

Trial Balance as of 2026-06-19 (Penalty included)

Current (2026) \$2,565,964.26

1 Year (2025) \$103,530.91

2 Years (2024) \$29,104.71

3 Years (2023) \$2,252.76

Over 3 (2022) \$0.00

Outstanding \$2,700,852.64

MOTION #2026-0144

Moved by Councillor Baker Council accept the Property Tax Outstanding Balance of \$2,700,852.64, as of 2026-06-19, as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. PUBLIC HEARING

7. BYLAWS

8. POLICIES

9. CAO REPORT

10. OLD BUSINESS

11. NEW BUSINESS

11.1 Request for Direction: Partnership Proposal for Palaeo Palooza 2026

MOTION #2026-0145

Moved by Councillor Skinner Council direct Administration support the partnership for Palaeo Palooza 2026 with a gift in kind through Public Works.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.2 Request for Direction: Wembley Ag Society – Request for Assistance

MOTION #2026-0146

Moved by Councillor Berlasty Council proceed with the improvements requested, with the Town providing labor only if external funding is secured for the remaining project costs.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.3 Request for Direction: TRAVIS and ROAD DATA

MOTION #2026-0147

Moved by Councillor Barendregt Council authorize the implementation of TRAVIS (Transportation Routing and Vehicle Information System) and the use of ROADATA permits on Town roads where applicable.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.4 Request for Direction: Modified summer hours for Town Office (Verbal Report)

MOTION #2026-0148

Moved by Councillor Skinner Council approve the following summer hours for July and August: Monday – Thursday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., open during lunch hours, and Friday 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.5 Committee Appointment – ICF & IDP Steering Committee

MOTION #2026-0149

Moved by Councillor Baker Council replace Councillor Skinner with Councillor Barendregt on the ICF & IDP Steering Committee.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12. REPORTS

12.1 Audit Committee

12.2 Community Futures

12.3 Community and Protective Services Committee

12.3.1 Minutes of June 11, 2026 Meeting – Public Works Section

12.3.1.-A *Committee recommended to Council that switching to clover in Town's greenspaces does not have any financial benefit.*

MOTION #2026-0150

Moved by Councillor Baker Council accepts the Community and Protective Services Committee's recommendation that switching to clover in the Town's green spaces does not have any financial benefit.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12.3.1.-B *Committee recommended to Council that at the next Town clean-up that once the bins are full, they will be closed, no more pick-ups, and recommend people bring their items to the landfill when this happens. Committee also recommended to Council that residents be made aware that mattresses and fridges will no longer be picked up at curbside and to stay within the recommended limit of items.*

MOTION #2026-0151

Moved by Councillor Skinner Council accept the Community and Protective Services Committee's recommendation that once the bins at the Public Works yard are full, they will be closed for drop-offs; and that mattresses and large appliances at curbside will no longer be picked up, and residents stay within the recommended item limit.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12.3.1. -C *Committee recommended to Council that the attached list of equipment be put up for sale or auction. Proceeds to be used for purchasing/upgrading other equipment.*

MOTION #2026-0152

Moved by Councillor Barendregt Council accept the list of items for sale or auction and direct the proceeds be used for purchasing or upgrading equipment.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 12.4 FCSS Advisory Board
- 12.5 Grande Prairie Regional Emergency Partnership
- 12.6 Grande Prairie Regional Emergency Partnership Committee
- 12.7 Grande Prairie Regional Recreation Committee
- 12.8 Grande Prairie Regional Tourism
- 12.9 Grande Spirit Foundation
- 12.10 HR Committee
- 12.11 Helen E. Taylor Advisory School Council
- 12.12 ICF & IDP Steering Committee
- 12.13 Northern Alberta Elected Leaders
- 12.14 Parks and Recreation
- 12.15 Peace Airshed Zone Association (PAZA)
- 12.16 Peace Library System Board

- 12.17 South Peace Physician Attraction & Retention Committee
- 12.18 Wapiti Area Synergy Group (WASP)
- 12.19 Water North Coalition
- 12.20 Wembley and District Agricultural Society

12.20.1 September 11-12, 2026, Fall Fair Event - Letter Invitation Mayor's Participation in the Parade Friday, and Councillors as Bench Show Judges & Parade Route Request (same as last year – 2025 info attached).

MOTION # 2026-0153

Moved by Councillor Berlasty Council direct Administration to deal with the proposed parade route as they see fit.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 12.21 Wembley-Dimsdale-Saskatoon Lake Recreation Board
- 12.22 Wembley Elementary School
- 12.23 Wembley Health and Wellness Society
- 12.24 Wembley Public Library
- 12.25 West Grande Prairie County Regional Landfill
- 12.26 911 and Emergency Service
- 12.27 Bylaw Enforcement Services

12.27.1 County of Grande Prairie No.1 Bylaw Enforcement Services Wembley Report for May 2026

- 12.28 Beaverlodge RCMP Detachment

MOTION #2026-0154

Moved by Councillor Barendregt Council accept the Committee reports as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

13. CORRESPONDENCE

14. NOTICE OF MOTION

15. COUNCIL REPORTS

- Mayor Peterson – attended Aquatera AGM.

16. ROUND TABLE

- Councillor Berlasty – issue with streetlights at 94 Avenue getting dimmer. Had fun at Mud Bogs.
- Councillor Wills – nothing to report.
- Councillor Barendregt – suggested that when weed inspectors have to enter private property they contact Town Hall first and Administration will post on Facebook and local media that weed inspectors are in the area and might have to enter private property in some instances.
- Councillor Skinner –Grande Spirit Foundation now has all the approved minutes on their website and Councillor Skinner will be forwarding them to Council. Also had a resident complain about sidewalk construction crew utilizing the whole truck parking lot for equipment storage. If they could maybe just use part of the parking lot for their equipment and leave some space for people who usually park their trucks there.

- Councillor Baker – Water Fight Parade on Tuesday (June 23rd).
- CAO – reminded Council there will only be one Council meeting in July and August. Already thinking of items for next year’s budget process which will be starting in September. CAO Zhang has approached some developers regarding further development of land, next to museum, for industrial/commercial purposes. Some developers have expressed an interest in this project. Next steps will be establishing an Economic Development Committee towards the end of the year.
- Mayor – asked Council to refer any issues pertaining to the Town directly to CAO Zhang rather than directly contacting other Town staff.

17. CLOSED SESSION

18. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION #2026-0155

Moved by Councillor Wills Council adjourn at 8:04 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Original Signed

Mayor – Kelly Peterson

Original Signed

CAO Noreen Zhang