



Town of Lumsden
Meeting Minutes
Group I Committee March 3, 2026 - 6:30 PM

Call To Order

The Group I Committee of the Lumsden Town Council convened their meeting in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Office, and via electronic means (Zoom), on Tuesday, March 3, 2026 at 6:30 pm.

Present:

Out-going Chairperson: Councillor Trevor Haubrich
Mayor: Verne Barber
Councillors: Anne Gibbons, Adam Tropin
Chief Administrative Officer: Monica M. Merkosky
Assistant Chief Administrative Officer: Krystal Strong (attended via Zoom)
Community Coordinator: Chris Exner
Non-Committee Member: Councillor Ryan Schindelka

Absent:

Director of Finance: Ryan Haresign

"We are honoured to acknowledge that we are gathered today on Treaty 4 territory, the traditional lands of the Cree, Saulteaux, Dakota, Nakota, Lakota, and on the homeland of the Métis. The Town of Lumsden recognizes the harms of the past and is committed to working together in the spirit of cooperation and reconciliation."

Appoint a Chairperson

Moved by: Councillor Gibbons

Seconded by: Councillor Tropin

"That we re-appoint Councillor Haubrich as Chairperson of the Group I Committee until further notice."

CARRIED

Approval of Agenda

Moved by: Mayor Barber

Seconded by: Councillor Tropin

"That we adopt the agenda as presented."

CARRIED

Declaration of Conflict of Interest

There were no Declarations of Conflict of Interest.

Financial Reports

RiverPark Financial Statement - December 31, 2025 (Final)

Moved by: Councillor Tropin

Seconded by: Councillor Gibbons

"That we accept the RiverPark Financial Statement for the period ending December 31, 2025, indicating a surplus of \$36,343 which will be transferred to the RiverPark Reserve."

CARRIED

Centennial Hall Financial Statement - December 31, 2025 (Final)

Moved by: Mayor Barber

Seconded by: Councillor Tropin

"That we accept the Centennial Hall Financial Statement for the period ending December 31, 2025, indicating a surplus of \$44,016 which will be transferred to the Centennial Hall Reserve."

CARRIED

Financial Statements - January 31, 2026

Moved by: Councillor Tropin

Seconded by: Councillor Gibbons

"That we accept the Financial Statements for Centennial Hall and RiverPark for the period ending January 31, 2026, as presented."

CARRIED

Previous Meeting Minutes for Review

October 20, 2025 - Group I Committee Meeting

Moved by: Councillor Gibbons

Seconded by: Councillor Tropin

"That the minutes of the October 20, 2025, Group I Committee Meeting be approved, as circulated."

CARRIED

Reports of Administration

Community Coordinator Report

Moved by: Councillor Gibbons

Seconded by: Councillor Tropin

"That the Community Coordinator Report be accepted as presented."

CARRIED

Delegation

6:55 pm - 7:30 pm - Aquatic Facility Research Committee

Members of the Aquatic Facility Research Committee (AFRC) presented a Pool Construction and Operation Preliminary Business Plan. Committee members in attendance were Larry Laxdal, Adam Foster, Karissa Peterson and Dan Coccimiglio. The AFRC requested that the Group I Committee make recommendation to Council to fund a site geotechnical feasibility study to determine if RiverPark is a suitable location for a potential swimming facility. The AFRC also requested that their Committee be permitted to expand to facilitate fundraising activities and that the Committee's Terms of Reference be amended as such.

Aquatic Facility Research Committee - Site Geotechnical Feasibility Study

Moved by: Councillor Haubrich

Seconded by: Councillor Gibbons

"That we recommend Council agree to assume the cost of a site geotechnical feasibility study for a potential swimming pool to be located in RiverPark and further, that the study be funded by the RiverPark Reserve."

CARRIED

Reports of Committees

Moved by: Mayor Barber

Seconded by: Councillor Tropin

"That we accept the verbal reports of the Group I sub-committees."

CARRIED

New Business

Lumsden & District Heritage Home - Request for Memorandum of Understanding

Moved by: Councillor Gibbons

Seconded by: Mayor Barber

"That Administration is directed to draft a Memorandum of Understanding with the Lumsden and District Heritage Home respecting the proposed "Looking Forward Project," conditional upon the project proceeding with its expansion, and that the Memorandum of Understanding include provisions to enter into negotiations for the potential transfer of municipal lands; and further, that Council will review said draft at a later date."

CARRIED



Adjournment

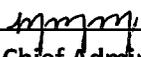
Moved by: Councillor Gibbons

"That we adjourn the meeting at 8:56 pm."

CARRIED



Chairperson



Chief Administrative Officer