TOWN OF ASQUITH
REGULAR MEETING

September 9th, 2026

The Council of the Town of Asquith held its regular meeting on Wednesday, September 9th, 2026, at the Asquith Elks Hall, 450 Main Street.

Present was: Mayor Jackie Stobbe, Councillors Pete Heck, Colleen Hobman, Jodi Nehring, Chase Theisen and Jeremy Wolfe, Foreman Dylan Desrosiers, and Administrator Kaila Montgomerie. Councillor Darcy Stack attended via telephone.

The meeting was called to order at 5:17P.M. by Mayor Stobbe.

Agenda

145/26 That the agenda be adopted as presented.
Hobman Carried

Minutes

146/26 That the August 12th, 2026, regular meeting minutes be accepted as presented.
Theisen Carried

Communications

147/26 That the following communications be accepted and filed:
Stack

- - FCM Newsletter
- SPRA invitation to AGM
- Blair Cummins invitation to regional water utility meeting
- North Central Transportation Planning Committee meeting information
- Deb Winder
  - i. Notes from Town Caucus Meeting
  - ii. Increased RCMP cost notice
- Matthewson & Co. September webinar offerings
- Babak Roshani report on water treatment plant optimization
- SaskEnergy re: new natural gas looping main, extension and service line for Ventura Ag Ltd

Carried

Reports

Streets & Town Property

Foreman Desrosiers: Raider Asphalt brought out two trucks, 10 tons, to work on street patching today. Potholes on Railway Avenue, Eagle Avenue, and portions of Main and Charles Streets were repaired. They plan to begin the Lunn and Cory paving project the third week of September depending on the weather.

Green Drop completed an inventory of Town trees on July 30th.

Councillor Nehring: Green Drop indicated that there may be $8,000 left to allocate through the FCM grant project. CAO Montgomerie and Councillor Nehring will look at the budget to confirm this.

CAO Montgomerie: Three members of the Streets & Town Property Committee heard an appeal of an Order to Remedy issued by the Bylaw Enforcement Officer for Nuisance Abatement. The committee voted to confirm the Order, and enforcement will proceed if compliance is not achieved by the deadline provided in the written Notice of Decision.

Utilities

Foreman Desrosiers: The first biological filter has been installed at the water treatment plant, and the material beds have been cleaned. BTE hooked up some air compressors and lines so aerating can start. They also installed some new valves in the basement of the plant.
The first distribution pump failed on Friday. TSL Mechanical will be coming out next week to collect it for repair. Repairs are anticipated to take 4-6 weeks. The second pump is being used to distribute in the meantime.
There was a dig on the 400 block of Cory Street to repair a service line. The repairs were on the property owner's portion. A tree had to be removed to prevent it from falling onto the house.
Work on installing new water meters is ongoing.

Financials

CAO Montgomerie — Presented August 2026 Statement of Financial Activities, Bank Reconciliations for Town General and Recreation Board accounts, Payroll Summary, Accounts Paid in the amount of $109,756.94 and Accounts Payable in the amount of $63,009.91.

148/26 Stack — That the August 2026 financial reports and accounts be accepted as presented.

Carried

CAO Montgomerie — Presented Invoice 25711 from Trans-Care Rescue Ltd. in the amount of $1,320.90 which was submitted after the accounts were prepared and is due prior to the next meeting.

149/26 Heck — That Council declines payment of Invoice 25711 from Trans-Care Rescue Ltd.

Carried

Building Permits

150/26 Nehring — That Permit 2026-4 be issued for construction of a deck on Lots 15 and 16, Block 40, Plan 102066814.

Carried

Fire Department & First Responders

Councillor Heck — Attended the AFD Executive meeting last night and was given the following concerns to communicate with Council and Administration:

- There are three fire hydrants that require repairs;
- there is a low spot in front of the firehall that is filling with water and will need some gravel added; and,
- that a new liaison be appointed for the Fire Department that will attend meetings and communicate via email.

Councillor Wolfe — Firefighters Besse, Calverley, and Wolfe have been promoted to Lieutenant.

To prevent any perceived conflict of interest Councillor Wolfe would like to resign from the Fire Committee.

151/26 Heck — That Council accept Councillor Wolfe's resignation from the Fire Committee.

Carried

Recreation Committee

Mayor Stobbe — The Committee plans to request $20,000 from the RM of Vanscoy for various projects related to recreation. Estimates for the projects are being collected to submit with the request.

Mayor and Councillor's Forum

Deputy Mayor Theisen — Provided the following information acquired at SUMA Summer School:

- The Fire Underwriters Survey provides a grade for fire departments that could affect insurability for the department and insurance discounts for residents. If there are no fire trucks that are less than 25 years old, the rating could be downgraded. The cost of a new fire truck is not attainable for most small communities and production time is about a year and half. Purchasing a used fire truck offers cost savings, but it may only be a few years before it is also considered too old.
- Some communities have Junior Councillor programs that provide an opportunity for young people to get involved in politics. The Junior Councillors do not have voting rights. One community reported that a Junior Councillor was elected to Council when she turned 18.
- Smaller urbans are struggling to find and keep CAOs. Suggested that Council work with the school to set up a Junior CAO position to increase awareness of town administration as a career.

Unfinished Business

Insurance Review

152/26 Wolfe — That CAO Montgomerie provide the insurance company with the following changes to basis of settlement and values that differ from the 2026 Suncorp Appraisal:

- Fire:
  - Pumper 7 $500,000

- Suburban $10,000
- OshKosh Fire Truck $120,000
- Dodge 3500 $24,000
- Change settlement basis to CRNLD:
  - Antique fire truck
  - International T 841 J
  - ATV
  - Trailer
  - Miscellaneous equipment lot

- Mobile Equipment:
  - Remove spreader
  - Change settlement basis to CRNLD:
    - Pull behind mower
    - Pull behind grader
    - Ferris mower
- Buildings (including contents and yard improvements):
  - Seniors $630,000

Carried

New Business

Offers on Lunn Street Lots

153/26 Theisen — That Council accept Gabriela and Viorel Ciorcas'offer of $30,000 + GST for the purchase of 630 Lunn Street (Lot 18, Block 40, Plan 102066814).

Carried

154/26 Theisen — That Council decline Inga Chircu's offer of $21,500 + GST for the purchase of 680 Lunn Street (Lot 13, Block 40, Plan 102066814).

Carried

Adjournment

155/26 Stobbe — That this meeting be adjourned at 6:55P.M.

Carried

Administrator

Mayor