

MINUTES

A Regular Council Meeting of the Town of Bowden
to be held in Council Chambers, at 2101 – 20 Avenue, Bowden,
on **Monday January 12, 2026, 7:00 pm**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Laurie Miller called the meeting to order at 7:08pm.

PRESENT	Mayor	Laurie Miller
	Councillor	Ryan Howlett
	Councillor	Cam Morrison
	Councillor	Amanda Peffers
	Councillor	Carol Pion
	Councillor	Marietta Tuckwell
	I/CAO	Greg Skotheim
	A/CAO	Jacqui Molyneux

1.a Land Acknowledgement

We respectfully acknowledge that we are gathered on the traditional territories of the Treaty 7 First Nations — including the Blackfoot Confederacy (Siksika, Kainai, and Piikani First Nations), the Tsuut'ina Nation, and the Îyârhe Nakoda Nations — as well as the homeland of the Métis Nation of Alberta, Region 3.

We honour the Indigenous Peoples who have cared for this land, and we are grateful to live, learn, and build community on this land.

2. ADDITIONS / DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA & ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Motion 2

Moved by Councillor Carol Pion that Council adopts the agenda as presented.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

3.a Regular Council Meeting (December 22, 2025)

Motion 3.a

Moved by Councillor Amanda Peffers that Council adopts the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of December 22, 2025, as presented.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. PUBLIC HEARING

None scheduled.

5. DELEGATIONS

5.a Paul Leusink & Theresa Klassen – 1849791 Alberta Inc.

CLOSED SESSION OF COUNCIL

Property Development (Confidential)

An exception to disclose under Division 2 of Part 1 of the Access to Information Act, Statutes of Alberta 2024, Chapter A-1.4 (as amended over time), therefore applies on the basis of: Section 32 “privileged information”.

Motion 5.a

Moved by Councillor Cam Morrison at 7:11 pm that Council moves to an “in-camera” session.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Motion 5.a.i

Moved by Councillor Carol Pion at 8:06 pm that Council return to an “open meeting” of Council.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Agenda Item 5.a

There were no motions made with respect to Agenda item 5.a.

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

6.a Council Resolutions Follow Up Action

Motion 6.a

Motion by Councillor Carol Pion that Council accepts the Council Resolutions Follow Up Action Report as information.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6.b Key Dates

Motion 6.b

Motion by Councillor Marietta Tuckwell that Council accepts agenda item 6.b as information.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7. BYLAWS & POLICIES

7a None

8. NEW BUSINESS

8.a Amendment to Council Committee Appointment

Motion 8.a

Moved by Councillor Cam Morrison that Council appoints Councillor Amanda Peffers as the regular member of the Parkland Foundation Management Body. Councillor Marietta Tuckwell will serve as alternate.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.b Volunteer Application Form

Motion 8.b

Moved by Councillor Ryan Howlett that the application by Evelyn Zimmerman be accepted to become a volunteer for the Town.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9. FINANCIAL

None

10. CORRESPONDENCE**10.a → 10.h**

- 10.a Chief Samuel R.C. Crowfoot – Siksika Nation Administration
- letter of introduction
- 10.b Honourable Mike Ellis, Deputy Premier of Alberta,
Minister of Public Safety & Emergency Services
- email: Update on Changes to Alberta's Police Funding Model
- 10.c Dylan Bressey, President, ABMunis
- email: ABMunis Statement on the Renewed Police Funding Model
- 10.d Chinook's Edge Board of Trustees
- email: e-news December 17, 2025
- 10.e Altalink
- letter of congratulations – request opportunity to meet re Wildfire Mitigation Plan
- 10.f STARS
- letter seeking support
- 10.g Red Deer Polytechnic (RPD)
- email: invite to RDP Impact Breakfast on January 29 (Note: RSVP by January 15).
- 10.h Honourable Ric McIver, ECA, MLA Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Alberta
- letter of congratulations

Motion 10.g

Motion by Councillor Ryan Howlett that Council direct Administration to send a contribution to Red Deer Polytechnic and that Ryan, Marietta, Carol and Amanda accept the invitation for breakfast meeting at Red Deer Polytechnic for the RDP impact breakfast on January 29th.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Motion 10

Motion by Councillor Carol Pion that Council accepts agenda items 10a. to 10.e, 10.f and 10.h as information.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11. REPORTS

11.a CAO's Report (verbal report for meeting).

Motion 11.a

Moved by Councillor Ryan Howlett that Council accepts as information

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.b Council Committee Reports.

None submitted.

11.c Society & Other Reports.

Expanding Horizons Society

- Mayor's Report - 2025-12-16

Bowden & District Agricultural Society

- Mayor's Report – 2025-12-17

FCSS

- 2025-12-03 Council Update

- 2025 December – FCSS Community Navigator Report

The News – Alberta Counsel

- Issue 237, December 2025

Motion 11.b / 11.c

Motion by Councillor Cam Morrison that Council accepts the submitted reports as information.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Mayor Laurie Miller called for a five-minute recess at 8:25 pm.

Mayor Laurie Miller called to reconvene the meeting at 8:30 pm.

12. CLOSED SESSION OF COUNCIL

Motion 12

Moved by Councillor Carol Pion at 8:30 pm that Council moves to an "in-camera" session.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12.a Legal (Confidential) Contracting - Recruitment.

This is a closed meeting of Council as permitted by section 197 of the MGA.

An exception to disclose under Division 2 of Part 1 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, RSA2000, Chapter F-25 (as amended over time) therefore applies on the basis of: Section 23 "local public body confidences".

12.b Legal (Confidential) Contracting – Strategic Planning.

This is a closed meeting of Council as permitted by section 197 of the MGA.

An exception to disclose under Division 2 of Part 1 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, RSA2000, Chapter F-25 (as amended over time) therefore applies on the basis of: Section 23 "local public body confidences".

12.c Property Development (Confidential) Contracting – Planning Services

An exception to disclose under Division 2 of Part 1 of the Access to Information Act, Statutes of Alberta 2024, Chapter A-1.4 (as amended over time) therefore applies on the basis of: Section 32 "privileged information".

Motion 12.i

Moved by Councillor Cam Morrison at 9:07 pm that Council return to an "open meeting" of Council.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Motion 12.a

Moved by Councillor Ryan Howlett at 9:08 pm that Council engage Richardson Executive Search as per the proposal presented to Council for CAO recruitment.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Motion 12.b

There were no motions made with respect to Agenda item 12.b.

Motion 12.c

There were no motions made with respect to Agenda item 12.c.

13. MEETING ADJOURNMENT

Motion 13

Motion by Councillor Amanda Peffers at 9:11 pm to adjourn the meeting.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Meeting adjourned.

Minutes signed by:



**Mayor
Laurie Miller**



**I/CAO
Greg Skotheim**