

**Council Meeting
April 21, 2026 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, April 21, 2026 at 9:00 a.m. Members Present: Mike Fisher, Ryley Gullett, Craig Hatch and Bob McDonald. Head of Council Dave Kreklewich presided.

Members absent: Frank Jones

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

McDonald-Fisher
1487 BE IT RESOLVED that the agenda for the April 21, 2026 meeting be accepted as presented. CARRIED.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Gullett-Hatch
1488 BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the March 17, 2026 regular meeting of Council be hereby approved as circulated. CARRIED.

McDonald-Fisher
1489 BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the March 17, 2026 special meeting of Council be hereby approved as circulated. CARRIED.

Hatch-McDonald
1490 BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the March 27, 2026 special meeting of Council be hereby approved as circulated. CARRIED.

1491 Gullett-Fisher
BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the March 31, 2026 special meeting of Council be hereby approved as circulated. CARRIED.

1492 McDonald-Fisher
BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the April 2, 2026 special meeting of Council be hereby approved as circulated. CARRIED.

FINANCE

General Account

1493 Fisher-Hatch
BE IT RESOLVED that the April 14, 2026 general accounts payable, being cheque #'s 8709 to 8798 in the amount of \$168,839.88 be hereby approved. CARRIED.

1494 Gullett-McDonald
BE IT RESOLVED that Direct Deposit 399, being staff payroll for the period March 14 to March 27, 2026 in the amount of \$14,819.85 be hereby approved. CARRIED.

1495 McDonald-Gullett
BE IT RESOLVED that Direct Deposit 400, being staff payroll for the period March 28 to April 10, 2026 in the amount of \$14,777.84 be hereby approved. CARRIED.

1496 McDonald-Hatch
BE IT RESOLVED that Direct Deposit 401, being Council indemnities for the month of March, 2026 in the amount of \$5,591.44 be hereby approved. CARRIED.

Utility Account

1497 McDonald-Fisher
BE IT RESOLVED that the April 14, 2026 utility accounts payable, being cheque #'s 1416 to 1426 in the amount of \$9,109.11 be hereby approved. CARRIED.

Statement of Revenues and Expenditures

1498 Hatch-Gullett
BE IT RESOLVED that the Statement of Revenues and Expenditures report to March 31, 2026 be received as presented. CARRIED.

Bank Reconciliations

1499 McDonald-Fisher
BE IT RESOLVED that the bank reconciliations for the month of March 2026 be approved as previously circulated. CARRIED.

DELEGATIONS

Innergex Renewable Energy Inc. – MB Hydro RFP re Wind Towers Update

1500 McDonald-Hatch
BE IT RESOLVED that the presentation by Adeline Thames, Nicola Vaughan and Lucas Reindler of Innergex Renewable Energy Inc. with respect to an update on the Manitoba Hydro RFP regarding Wind Towers be received. CARRIED.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

COMMUNICATIONS

Age Friendly Connections – April Newsletter
Accessibility News – Accessible Outdoor Spaces – Guide Development
Association of Manitoba Municipalities – March 13
Association of Manitoba Municipalities – March 16
Association of Manitoba Municipalities – March 20
Association of Manitoba Municipalities – March 25
Association of Manitoba Municipalities – March 25
Association of Manitoba Municipalities – March 30
Association of Manitoba Municipalities – April 1
Association of Manitoba Municipalities – April 1
Association of Manitoba Municipalities – April 2
Association of Manitoba Municipalities – April 7
Communities Futures Westman – Community Builders Workshop Series
Federation of Canadian Municipalities – Communique – March 16
Federation of Canadian Municipalities – Communique – March 23
Federation of Canadian Municipalities – Communique – April 7
Federation of Canadian Municipalities – Communique – April 13
Ashley Haigh, Peng. – Development on Class 6 & 7 Soils – Resolution & Update
Health Canada – Radon – What You Need To Know – Municipal Edition
Managed IT Services – InfoMetrics Network Data Solutions
Manitoba Association of Senior Communities – International Social Prescribing Day
Manitoba Good Roads Association – Banquet Information
Minister of Environment and Climate Change – Recycling Rebate July-December, 2025
Minister of Municipal and Northern Relations – Municipal Operating Support
Municipal World – April 8
NAMS Canada – Insight Monthly News
NG9-1-1 Data Manager – Formerly Address Manager
Office of the Fire Commissioner – 2026 Wildfire Season Planning Seminar
Public Safety Communication Services – Motorola Solutions Agreement
Public Utilities Board – Wawanesa Rate Adequacy
RFNow – Introducing talkNOW Business
Rural Municipality of Cornwallis – Zoning By-law Amendment
Sunrise Credit Union – Building Communities Grant Program
Thank You – St. Paul’s Church and Wawanesa Express

1501 Fisher-McDonald
BE IT RESOLVED that the above noted communications be received. CARRIED.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

South Zone Report (Ward 3)

Councillor Fisher added to his written report to advise that Oakland-Wawanesa Parks and Recreation would be hosting the U15AAA Provincial Baseball Championships in July.

Councillor Jones – see written report

North Zone Report (Ward 2)

Councillor Hatch – see written report

Vacant position

Wawanesa Zone Report (Ward 1)

Councillor Gullett – see written report

Councillor McDonald – see written report

Head of Council's Report – see written report

Chief Administrative Officer Report – see written report

Finance Officer Report – see written report

Public Works Report

The Public Works Manager added to her written report to advise that information had been received from Ritchie Brothers Auction with respect to the sale of the surplus tractor. She also asked Council to think about the timing for the sale of the one-way plows.

Fire Chief's Report – see written report

1502 Fisher-Gullett
BE IT RESOLVED that the verbal and written reports be received. CARRIED.

Building Feasibility Ad Hoc Committee Report

1503 Hatch-McDonald
BE IT RESOLVED that the report of the Building Feasibility Ad Hoc Committee Meeting held March 24, 2026 be received and recommendations be considered under General Business. CARRIED.

BY-LAWS

**By-law No. 52-2026 – Being the 2026 Tax Levy By-law
AMENDMENT, 2nd & 3rd Readings**

1504 McDonald-Hatch
BE IT RESOLVED that By-law No. 52-2026 being the 2026 Tax Levy By-law be amended in Clause 2(a) by adding 7.411 as the ESL mill rate and in Clause 2(b) by adding 15.111 as the Brandon School Division #40 mill rate and 9.670 as the Southwest Horizon School Division #43 mill rate;

and by replacing the draft Schedule “A” with the attached Schedule “A” dated April 9, 2026. CARRIED.

1505 Fisher-McDonald
BE IT RESOLVED that By-law No. 52-2026, as amended, be read a second time. CARRIED.

1506 Hatch-Gullett
BE IT RESOLVED that By-law No. 52-2026 be read a third and final time. CARRIED.

A recorded vote was taken on the above motion.

<u>FOR</u>	<u>AGAINST</u>
Head of Council Kreklewich	
Councillor Fisher	
Councillor Gullett	
Councillor Hatch	
Councillor McDonald	

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Tender and Procurement Policy

1507 McDonald-Fisher
BE IT RESOLVED that Tender and Procurement Policy #ADM002, as amended, be adopted. CARRIED.

GENERAL BUSINESS

RFNow Proposed Fibre Path Addition – Across PTH 2 along Road 100W

1508 Gullett-McDonald
BE IT RESOLVED that the proposed fibre path addition across PTH 2 along Road 100W outlined on the maps attached to correspondence dated April 8, 2026 from RFNow be approved subject to the terms and conditions of the installation agreement dated October 26, 2023 subject to approval from Manitoba Transportation and Infrastructure for crossing the provincial trunk highway. CARRIED.

RFNow Proposed Fibre Path Addition – Across Road 113W in SW 8-7-19W

Fisher-Hatch

- 1509 BE IT RESOLVED that the proposed fibre path addition across Road 113W in SW 8-7-19W outlined on the maps attached to correspondence dated April 8, 2026 from RFNow be approved subject to the terms and conditions of the installation agreement dated October 26, 2023. CARRIED.

RFNow Proposed Fibre Path Addition – Across Road 47N in NE 26-8-18W

McDonald-Gullett

- 1510 BE IT RESOLVED that the proposed fibre path addition across Road 47N in NE 26-8-18W outlined on the maps attached to correspondence dated April 2, 2026 from RFNow be approved subject to the terms and conditions of the installation agreement dated October 26, 2023. CARRIED.

AiM Land Services Ltd. o/b/o Enbridge – Temporary Equipment Crossing, Temporary Access and Temporary Workspace for Borehole Drilling Project in NW 22-7-17 WPM

Hatch-McDonald

- 1511 BE IT RESOLVED that the request of AiM Land Services Ltd. on behalf of Enbridge Pipelines Inc. for temporary equipment crossing, temporary access and temporary workspace for a borehole drilling Project in NW 22-7-17 WPM as outlined in the correspondence dated April 8, 2026 be approved under the same terms and conditions as the original agreement. CARRIED.

Request for Older Mobile Home to be moved onto Lot 2, Plan 69198

McDonald-Fisher

- 1512 BE IT RESOLVED that permission be granted to the applicant to move an older mobile home onto Lot 2, Plan 69198 subject to approval of a conditional use application through the Keystone Planning District for the RR10 zone, and subject to the home meeting all requirements of the Building Code related to egress requirements. CARRIED.

Request for Second Dwelling in “AG” Zone NW 25-8-17W

Fisher-Gullett

- 1513 BE IT RESOLVED that permission be granted for the construction of a second dwelling unit on property located in the “AG” Agriculture General Zone, located at 46131 PR 340 in the NW 25-8-17 WPM (Kaastra) subject to all necessary development and building permits being obtained through the Keystone Planning District. CARRIED.

Request for Council Support – Kayak Dock at Seddon Landing

1514 McDonald-Fisher
WHEREAS the area at Seddon Landing is zoned “CR” Conservation and Recreation, which would allow for a kayak dock;

AND WHEREAS the annual cost to add the Wawanesa Women’s Group as an additional insured for municipal insurance coverage would be \$25.00;

AND WHEREAS the Wawanesa Women’s Group will be responsible for the Provincial application fee and the Provincial annual rental fee for a dock located on Crown land;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that a Letter of Support be provided to the Wawanesa Women’s Group for the installation of a kayak dock at Seddon Landing whereby the municipality will cover the additional \$25.00 insurance cost under its municipal insurance. CARRIED.

Reimbursement for Plumbing Issue – 331 Commercial Street

1515 McDonald-Gullett
WHEREAS a plumbing issue at 331 Commercial Street was determined to be on municipal property;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the property owner be reimbursed for payments made in the amount of \$582.40. CARRIED.

Gravel Crushing Tender

1516 Fisher-Hatch
BE RESOLVED that Administration be directed to prepare the necessary tender documents for immediate release for gravel crushing for three years, being 2026 to 2028. CARRIED.

Wawanesa Paving Tender

1517 Gullett-McDonald
BE IT RESOLVED that Administration be directed to prepare the necessary tender documents for immediate release for Wawanesa Paving in 2026 in accordance with budget allocations. CARRIED.

Weed Spraying Agreement with Manitoba Transportation and Infrastructure

1518 Hatch-Fisher
BE IT RESOLVED that a weed spraying agreement be entered into with Manitoba Transportation and Infrastructure for 2026 for service along PR 453 as outlined in the Schedules previously distributed. CARRIED.

By-Election for Ward Councillor

- 1519 McDonald-Fisher
WHEREAS Councillor Rome has resigned his position creating a vacancy for a ward councillor;
- AND WHEREAS the earliest a by-election could be held would be mid-June;
- AND WHEREAS there will be a general election on October 28, 2026;
- THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that no by-election be held to fill the vacant ward councillor position. CARRIED.

June District Meeting

- 1520 Fisher-Hatch
WHEREAS the Association of Manitoba Municipalities June District meeting is scheduled for June 16, 2026, being the same day as the scheduled Council meeting;
- THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council meeting be rescheduled to June 23, 2026 at 9:00 a.m. CARRIED.

Shop Building Specifications

- 1521 Hatch-Gullett
BE IT RESOLVED that the shop building specifications approved electronically on March 27, 2026 be confirmed. CARRIED.

Manitoba Municipalities Online Report

- 1522 McDonald-Fisher
BE IT RESOLVED that the Manitoba Municipalities Online report for the month of March 2026 be received and any necessary actions to the by-law maintenance program be hereby approved. CARRIED.

IN-CAMERA SESSION

- 1523 McDonald-Gullett
BE IT RESOLVED that this meeting now adjourns to an “in-camera” meeting to discuss items related to matters in preliminary stages as per Subsections 152(3)(b)(iii) of The Municipal Act, and all matters discussed in-camera are confidential until discussed in an open meeting as per Section 83(1)(d) of The Municipal Act. CARRIED.
- 1524 McDonald-Gullett
BE IT RESOLVED that this “in camera” meeting does now resume back to a regular meeting. CARRIED.

Tender for Shop Building

Hatch-Fisher

1525 BE IT RESOLVED that the low bid meeting specifications from Wohlco Contracting Ltd. in the amount of \$833,702 for design and construction of a new public works shop in Nesbitt, MB be accepted subject to approval by The Municipal Board for the necessary borrowing. CARRIED.

NOTICE OF MOTION

None

ADJOURNMENT

Hatch-McDonald

1526 BE IT RESOLVED that this meeting does now adjourn (11:03 a.m.) to meet again on Tuesday, May 19, 2026 at 9:00 a.m. at Municipal Office in Wawanesa. CARRIED.

Dave Kreklewich, Head of Council

Joni Swidnicki, Chief Administrative Officer