

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF PENSE NO. 160
TUESDAY, APRIL 8, 2025

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MINUTES OF THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF PENSE NO. 160
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT 324 ELDER STREET, PENSE, SASKATCHEWAN
TUESDAY, APRIL 8, 2025

Present: Garry McRae, Reeve
Robert Lax, Councillor Division 2
Doug Szeles, Councillor Division 4
Blair Findlay, Councillor Division 6
Kerry Ogilvie, Councillor Division 1 (zoom)
Kris Waller, Councillor Division 3
Joanne Simpson, Councillor Division 5
Cathy Ripplinger, Administrator
Amber Meadows, Asst Administrator

Reeve Garry McRae called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

Conflict of Interest: Conflict-of-interest declaration – Councillor Waller, Building Permit Application.

75/25 **Simpson:** That the minutes of the regular meeting held on March 18, 2025 be approved.
Minutes: Carried.

76/25 **Findlay:** That the Statement of Financial Activities and Bank Reconciliation for the
Stat. of month of March, 2025 be accepted as presented.
Fin. Act.: Carried.

77/25 **Szeles:** That the accounts totalling \$160,635.95 be approved for payment as per the list
Accounts attached to and forming a part of the minutes.
Payable: Carried.

Justin Lesperance, Pier Solutions, met with Council commencing at 9:10 a.m. Justin left the meeting at 9:35 a.m.

78/25 **Lax:** That the R.M. of Pense No. 160 hire Pier Solutions to inspect our bridge and
Bridge compile a 5 year plan at a cost of \$4,900 (plus taxes).
Services: Carried

79/25 **Findlay:** That the R.M. of Pense No. 160 does not repair the SANY grader. That the
SANY: grader be taken to Ritchie Bros. Auction in Saskatoon.
Carried.

80/25 **Waller:** That the R.M. of Pense No. 160 purchase a Capital I Mulcher through Finning
Mulcher: at a cost of \$41,478.00 (plus taxes). Finning to supply and install the mulcher.
Carried.

81/25 **Szeles:** That Council approve Policy #2025-02 (Bereavement Policy) as presented by the
Bereavement Administrator.
Policy: Carried.

82/25 **Ogilvie:** That Council acknowledge the following development permit
Dev. Permit - issued by the Development Officer:
Bakke:

Issued to: Shane Bakke
To: Construct a new house
On: SE 25-18-22 W2
Permit #: D2025-201
Date: March 27, 2025

Carried.

Councillor Waller left Council Chambers at 10:44 a.m. re: conflict of interest.

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83/25 **Lax:** That Council acknowledge the following building permit, approved, with
Building. conditions, by our building official, Clayton Meier, MuniCode Services Ltd.:
Permit -
Waller:

Issued to: Kris & Wendy Waller
To: Construct a storage building
On: SW 06-16-23 W2
Permit #: B2025-100
Date: March 19, 2025

Carried

Councillor Waller returned to Council chamber at 10:47 a.m.

84/25 **Simpson:** That the following 2025 mill rates be acknowledged and levied:
EPT - Education (Public School Division)

Mill Rates:	Agricultural	1.07
	Residential	4.27
	Commercial/Industrial	6.37
	Resource	7.49

Carried.

85/25 **Ogilvie:** That the Potash Tax Sharing Board's mill rate of 5.3582 mills be acknowledged
Potash Mill and levied.
Rate:

Carried.

Devon Lendvay, Public Works Foreman met with Council commencing at 10:49 a.m.
Devon left the meeting at 11:20 a.m.

86/25 **Ogilvie:** That the R.M. of Pense No. 160 place an order for 30,000 yards of gravel to be
Gravel crushed from Mortimer Aggregates Ltd. from the Bouchard Pit.
Purchase:

Carried.

Councillor Ogilvie left the meeting at 11:40 a.m.

87/25 **Findlay:** That the R.M. of Pense No. 160 accept JAK Enterprises Ltd. 2025 gravel
2025 Load/ loading and hauling rates as follows:
Haul Rates:

Load: \$0.85 per yard
Haul: \$0.37 per yard
with a fuel surcharge after \$1.20/l at the rate of one cent/yard mile for every
5 cents/litre.

Carried.

88/25 **Szeles:** That the R.M. of Pense No. 160 set up 9 email addresses
New Email (7 Council/1 Office/1 Shop) through MuniSoft at a set up cost of \$770 for the first year,
Addresses: then an annual cost of \$585.

Carried.

89/25 **Lax:** That the R.M. of Pense No. 160 retain MuniSoft Premium IT Services at a cost of
IT Services: \$182.00/month.

Carried.

90/25 **Findlay:** That the R.M. of Pense No. 160 donate \$500.00 to the Jim Pattison Children's
Donation Hospital Foundation.
Children's
Hospital

Carried.

91/25 **McRae:** That the R.M. of Pense No. 160 sell a snow plow to the Town of Pense
Sale of for \$400.00 (plus PST).
Snow Plow:

Carried.

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Councillor Simpson left the meeting at 12:11 p.m.

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Corresp:

Szeles: That the following correspondence having been read now be filed:

- SARM
- Response to Provincial budget announcement.
- Annual Convention – wrap-up.
- Supports move to become a fully Carbon Tax Free province.
- Announces Federal Election Priorities & Rural Perspective.
- Pense Rec Board – March 4th and April 3rd meeting logs.
- Moose Jaw R.C.M.P. – January – March Occurrence Stats.
- Enbridge – 1st Quarter Email.

Advertising:

- Lone Star Contracting – Mowing/Spraying/Weed Inspector/Gravel Hauling/Snow Removal.
- Ulmer Construction – Regina.

Carried.

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Next Reg.

Meeting:

Szeles: That the next regular Council meeting be held at the date, time and place listed below:

Date: Friday, May 9, 2025
Time: 9:00 a.m.
Place: R.M. of Pense No. 160 Office
324 Elder St., Pense, SK

Carried.

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Adjourn:

Findlay: That this meeting be adjourned at 12:13 p.m.

Carried.

REEVE

ADMINISTRATOR