

Town of Davidson
Council Meeting Minutes
April 22, 2025

The regular meeting of the Davidson Town Council was held in the Davidson Town Hall Council Chambers on April 22, 2025.

Present: Mayor: Keith LePoudre; Councillors: Gene Stangland, Kirby Manz (7:05 p.m.), Stacey Siroski-Belisle, Arlene Low, Terry Epp, Adrian Schmiedge; Administrator Yvonne Jess; and Director of Recreation & Culture Dave Whitenect

Mayor Keith LePoudre called the Council Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Conflict of Interest Declarations

Mayor LePoudre and Councillor Schmiedge announced that they would have a conflict of interest to declare in regards to the Payment of Accounts.

Agenda

2025-58 Siroski-Belisle: That the agenda be approved as amended, adding Davidson Epp: Skatepark Committee under Communications.

Carried.

Delegation – Elaine Ebenal, Davidson Housing Authority – 7 p.m.

Elaine Ebenal attended the meeting on behalf of the Davidson Housing Authority to provide information on the housing program and the importance of providing the community with 36 housing units. The Davidson Housing Authority is in need of board members, and she encouraged Council to spread the word.

Councillor Manz arrived at the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

Elaine Ebenal left the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

Delegation – Fire Chief Cory Dean – 7:15 p.m.

Fire Chief Cory Dean attended the meeting on behalf of the Davidson Fire Department to raise concerns with the water pressure and fire suppression in Town.

Fire Chief Dean left the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Minutes

2025-59 Low: That the minutes of the March 18, 2025 Regular Meeting and be Siroski-Belisle: approved as presented.

Carried.

Financial Statement

2025-60	Schmiedge: Epp:	That the March 2025 financial statement be accepted as presented.	
			Carried.

2024 Audited Financial Statements

2025-61	Stangland: Low:	That we accept the 2024 audited financial statements as presented.	Carried.
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Mayor LePoudre and Councillor Schmiedge declared a conflict of interest in the Payment of Accounts, and left the meeting at 7:36 p.m.

Deputy Mayor Stangland took over the chair.

Payment of Accounts

2025-62 Manz: That Council acknowledge and approve the list of payments,
 Siroski-Belisle: cheques #34612 to #34663 inclusive, in the amount of
 \$107,974.18, EFT's totalling \$45,454.23, and March payroll
 totalling \$38,012.40.

Carried.

Mayor LePoudre and Councillor Schmiedge returned to the meeting at 7:38 p.m. and Mayor LePoudre resumed the chair.

Enterprise Lane – Roadway Engineering Review

2025-63 Stangland: That we accept the proposal from MPE Engineering for a
 Siroski-Belisle: roadway engineering review of Enterprise Lane for \$7,500.

Carried.

Folding Table Purchase

2025-64	Stangland: Manz:	That we purchase 45 new folding tables for the Town Hall, with the old ones from the Town Hall to be moved over to the AGT Centre, with a budget of \$10,000.	Carried
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Natural Gas Supply Agreement

2025-65	Low:	That we authorize the Administrator to sign a one year
	Epp:	“guaranteed savings option” Natural Gas Supply Agreement
		with Connect Energy.
		Carried.

2025 Education Property Tax Mill Rates

- 2025-66 Siroski-Belisle: That we acknowledge the 2025 Education Property Tax Mill
Epp: Rates as set by the Provincial Government:
- Agricultural Property – 1.07 mills
 - Residential Property – 4.27 mills
 - Commercial/Industrial Property – 6.37 mills
 - Resource Property – 7.49 mills

Carried.

Donation – Davidson Skatepark Committee

- 2025-67 Low: That we donate a Panther Pool family swim pass to the
Manz: Davidson Skatepark Committee's Summer Fun Raffle.

Carried.

Correspondence

- 2025-68 Low: That the following correspondence, having been read, be filed:
Stangland:
 - Connect Energy
 - Rural Integrated Roads for Growth
 - SaskPower
 - Ministry of Government Relations
 - Jennifer Bartel
 - Dale Barlow
 - RM of Craik
 - Town of Craik
 - Davidson Skatepark Committee

Carried.

Mowing Vacant Lots

- 2025-69 Schmiedge: That going forward, the Town will be charging \$50 to mow vacant
Manz: residential lots.

Carried.

AGT Centre Rates – 2025/26

- 2025-70 Siroski-Belisle: That we set AGT Centre rates as follows for the 2025-26 season:
Epp:

	2025/26 season
JAA	\$49,896
Cyclones	\$8,069
Local Rec	\$140/hr
Out of Town	\$170/hr
Tournament - JAA	\$1,000/day
Tournament - OOT	\$1,300/day
Curling	\$16,183

Carried.

SaskLotteries Grant Allocations

- 2025-71 Low: That we fund the following SaskLotteries grant applications as
 Siroski-Belisle: follows:
- Central Sask Music Festival - \$1,201
 - Davidson Health Centre - \$2,145
 - Davidson JAA - \$4,290
 - Davidson Junior Cyclones - \$1,717
 - Davidson Minor Football - \$1,287
 - Davidson Playschool Association - \$858
 - Davidson Public Library - \$2,145
 - Davidson Skatepark Committee - \$2,575
- Carried.

Reports

- 2025-72 Epp: That we acknowledge the following reports having been presented
 Low: to Council:
- Administration
 - Public Works Committee
 - Recreation
 - Davidson Library Board
 - Highway 11 Emergency Response Area Board
- Carried.

Mayor & Councillor's Forum

Sponsorship & Advertising Policy

- 2025-73 Schmiedge: That we accept the Sponsorship and Advertising Policy as
 Stangland: presented.
- Carried.

In-Camera Session

- 2025-74 Siroski-Belisle: That Council move in-camera at 9:07 p.m. as per section 12 of
 Stangland: Bylaw No. 771 Council Procedures Bylaw, and Part III of *The Local Authority Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* regarding legal and human resource matters.
- Carried.

In attendance for the in-camera session: Mayor LePoudre, Councillors Manz, Siroski-Belisle, Low, Epp, Schmiedge, Stangland and Administrator Jess and Director of Recreation & Culture Whitenect.

Director of Recreation & Culture Whitenect left the meeting at 9:20 p.m.

Council returned from the in-camera session at 9:40 p.m.

Adjournment

2025-75 Low: That this meeting be adjourned at 9:40 p.m.
 Epp:

Carried.

Keith LePoudre, Mayor

Yvonne Jess, Administrator