

Ways and Means Minutes
September 16, 2025 8:30 am

Working notes of a meeting of the Ways & Means Committee held on September 16, 2025 at 8:30 am. In attendance were Mayor Myron Dyck, Deputy Mayor Chris Wiebe, Councillors Nathan Dueck, Bill Fast & Meghan Beasant together with Eric King, Audrey Neufeld, Jenna Patterson, and Warren Britton.

A. In-Camera

M. Beasant – B. Fast

BE IT RESOLVED THAT committee meet in camera in accordance with Section 152(3) of the Manitoba Municipal Act.

“Carried”

M. Beasant – B. Fast

BE IT RESOLVED that the in-camera meeting of the W&M’s committee be adjourned and that Committee resume its former order of business;

AND BE IT RESOLVED that while in camera Committee discussed employee, development, and legal matters.

“Carried”

B. Open Committee

1. Protective

- a. Traffic Enforcement – RCMP has been out around the elementary school. Positive comments also about the resident who volunteered to help monitor the 2nd Street crosswalk; and
- b. AFA Licence Updates – Medical First Response change over to Advanced First Aid. Goal was to switch over yesterday, but this is not ready yet.

2. Parks & Recreation

- a. Communities in Bloom would like to do Art Installation adjacent to Main Street on the north side by the railway tracks (across the street from Chicken Chef);
- b. Trees
 - i. Manitoba Hydro no longer trims trees that are hanging over lines, they remove them due to safety concerns;
 - ii. Edelweiss / Spectis Trees – For the trees between Spectis Moulders Inc. and Edelweiss properties, a few homeowners asked if we could come

and trim the tree on their property. Warren will get a quote and see what type of permission the Town requires to do this.

- c. Library Grand Opening – We would have it run from about 4-9 and have multiple readings by local celebrities such as Nighthawks players, the Mayor, the Fire Chief, in between book readings have a ribbon cutting ceremony, Council members to say a few words and photo-op. Council will discuss the possible dates of October 27, 29 or 30th. Cyrus will advise the public about this event and date(s) when finalized;
- d. Library Donation Policy – Clarification on how questionable content will be assessed. Will leave that to parental discretion;
- e. Opa's Park Grand Opening – Will be on October 10th at 4:30 pm, invited Minister Simard but are not sure yet if he will attend. There will be a hog roast, bouncy castle, drumming circle, a Master of Ceremonies. Cyrus will advise the public about this event;
- f. Cultural Space Updates – Start adding special events that have been hosted at the CRRC or in Town. Some smaller community spaces will have a storage space for items, you can call the Manitoba Museum and they will come out free of charge and look at the items to see if there is anything they will take. It is a service that the Manitoba Museum provides to Rural Communities;
- g. Splash Pad – Replaced the UV Filter and it was good for a little while, then a pipe burst. If the pipe cannot be fixed may have to look at insurance for same; and
- h. Forging Ahead Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) – Making progress on this idea. The Federal grants will pay for the rent of a building but will not pay for the building itself. Taking this concept to the business park would make the most sense for this project. Council agreed to the Art being displayed at Grant Park and signing an MOU.

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AND BE IT RESOLVED that while in camera Committee discussed development and legal matters.

“Carried”

3. Administration

- a. Update to Cheque Replacement Policy F2-17 – **RECOMMENDATION** to update Cheque Replacement Policy F2-17;
- b. Request for Crosswalk on 2nd Avenue S – looking for a painted crosswalk for that area;
- c. Subdivision 4340-25-9153 Lots 1 & 2, Parcels A & B Plan 66192 – information for Council, will be coming up soon; and
- d. Ways to Serve the Community – The daycare idea with 4th Avenue Bible Church did not pass requirements, they are still looking for other ways to help serve the community if Council knows or hears of any other ideas that may be suitable for this location.