

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL OF
THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF NORTON NO. 69 HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER LOCATED AT THE
MUNICIPAL OFFICE, PANGMAN SASKATCHEWAN
FRIDAY JANUARY 20, 2026**

COUNCIL PRESENT:

Reeve:		Matt Mazer
Councilors:	Division 1	Darren Scott
	Division 2	Joy White
	Division 3	Kris Webb
	Division 4	Sean Kessler
	Division 5	Paul Metke
	Division 6	Craig Sorensen

STAFF:

Administrator Patti Gurskey

CALL TO ORDER:

A quorum present Reeve Mazer called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

AGENDA:

01/26 Mazer: That we adopt the agenda as attached hereto to form part of these minutes with the addition of 6. b) Ambulance Service.

Carried.

FIDELITY BOND:

02/26 Mazer: That we acknowledge the Fidelity Bond as presented to the Head of Council.

Carried.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

03/26 Webb: That the minutes from the last regular meeting held Wednesday December 10, 2025, be approved as circulated.

Carried.

Foreman Ager arrived at 9:04 – 9:20 a.m. to discuss what he has been working on, plans for February and gave an equipment update. Council decided to demo a rock rake in the spring and asked Cam to look at pricing for a 3pt Sprayer for the back of the tractor.

DELEGATES:

Solid Waste Facility – Question and Information Session – 9:30 a.m. – 10:42 a.m.
Michael Rathwell – Minister of Environment – Sothorn Regional Manager & Steve – Lands Assessment Branch
ARWMAS – Keith Matheson – Board Chair & Anne Mathewson – Executive Director
The delegates appeared before council upon receiving invitation for a question-and-answer session on the development of a Solid Waste Facility, Costs, Operation and Decommissioning were discussed.

FIREHALL FUNDING:

04/26 Mazer: That we authorize the administrator to contact financial institutions to discuss the possibility of a loan and the current rates for a loan in the amount up to \$1 Million Dollars to allow the municipality to secure funding in conjunction with the Village of Pangman for the construction of a new firehall.

Carried.

FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES AND BANK RECONCILIATION REPORT:

05/26 Scott: That we accept the financial report, monthly statement of financial activities and bank reconciliation as presented for the period ending December 31, 2025 with the understanding that there are year-end adjustments required to accurately state the municipalities financial position for the year ending December 31, 2025.

Carried.

APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT:

06/26 Metke: That the list of accounts as per attached list in the amount of Two Hundred and Ten Thousand Sixteen Dollars and Eighteen cents (\$210,016.18), cheque numbers 6187-6209 inclusive be approved for payment.

Carried.

COUNCIL INDEMNITY RATES:

07/26 Mazer: That we set the Council indemnity and mileage rates for 2026 as follows:

Meetings – Regular, Convention and Other	\$ 130.00 per day
Special and Committee Meetings (one-half day)	\$ 65.00 per day
Reeve Supervision	\$ 1,000.00 per annum
Public Works Supervision	\$ 130.00 per day
(Day rate based upon an accumulation of 8 hours)	
Mileage while conducting RM business	\$ 0.60 per Km
All other municipal related expenses	as per receipts

Carried.

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS:

08/26 Metke: That the following appointments be made:

Board of Revisions	Western Municipal Consulting Ltd.
Emergency Measures Coordinator (EMO)	Matt Mazer
Municipal Solicitor	SARM Legal unless otherwise specified by council
Municipal Auditor	Dudley & Company Chartered Accountants
Fire Department	Pangman Volunteer Fire Department
Fire Chief/Deputy Fire Chief	Shawn Howse/Brandon Tessier
Ogema & District Vet Board	Kris Webb
Pangman Recreation Board	Paul Metke
Road Committee	All members of Council
Pound Keeper	Kris Webb
Weed Inspector	Paul Metke
Pest Control Office	To be determined
Fire Board	Matt Mazer/Sean Kessler/Joy White
Khediye Recreation Board	Darren Scott & Matt Mazer
Firehall Fundraising Committee	Patti Gurskey, Emma Mazer, Lindsay Johnson & Melissa Kimball
Pangman Library Board	Joy White

Carried.

CUSTOM WORK RATES:

09/26 Kessler That we set the following custom work rates for work conducted by municipal employees using municipal equipment:

Grader -	\$240.00 per hour
Village of Pangman Rate-	\$150.00 per hour for the 1 st 2 hrs per mth
Backhoe -	\$150.00 per hour
Tractor with implements -	\$150.00 per hour
Grave digging/closure Summer -	\$500.00 per grave site
Winter -	\$1,000.00 per grave site
Urn (summer)	\$200.00
Urn (winter)	\$500.00

Carried.

MEMBERSHIPS:

10/26 Kessler: That we agree to the following annual memberships and further authorize the payment of the same:

Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities (SARM)	\$ 2,844.85
Rural Municipal Administrator Association (RMAA)	\$ 425.00
Stars – Voluntary Contribution	\$ 1,000.00

Carried.

KHEDIVE WATER PLANT REPORT:

11/26 Scott: That we acknowledge the Khedive water plant report for the month of December 2025.

Carried.

SARM VOTING DELEGATES:

12/26 White: That we appoint Councilor Sorensen and Reeve Mazer to be our voting delegates at the 2026 SARM Annual convention that is being held in Regina on March 10-12, 2026.

Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

13/26 Sorensen: That we receive and file correspondence as listed on the agenda.

Carried.

IN CAMERA – EMPLOYEE DISCUSSION:

14/26 Mazer: That we go into camera at 11:47 A.M. to discuss current employees’ performance.

Carried.

OUT OF CAMERA:

15/26 Mazer: That we come out of camera at 12:03 p.m.

Carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

16/26 Mazer: That this meeting of council be adjourned at 12:03 p.m.

Carried.

Next Regular Meeting of Council will be held Wednesday February 11, 2026 at 9:00 a.m.

ADMINISTRATOR

REEVE