

Minutes of the regular meeting of council held Monday, January 26th 2026 No. 1504 held in the Council Chambers at 34 Reid's Lane, Deer Lake, NL.

In attendance: Mayor Dean Ball
Deputy Mayor Lindell Smith
Councillor Andrew Strangemore
Councillor Keith Park
Councillor Kerry Jones
Councillor Darren Fitzgerald
Councillor David Hynes

Also in attendance: Town Manager, Jason Young
Town Clerk, Lori Humphrey
Director of Public Works, David Thomas
Director of Recreation Community Services, Glynn Wiseman

Regular meeting of council called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Ball.

2026-0126-01, Agenda Meeting 1504

Councillor Kerry Jones / Deputy Mayor Lindell Smith

Resolved to accept the agenda of regular meeting of council, 1504 January 26th, 2026.

In Favor: Mayor Dean Ball
Deputy Mayor Lindell Smith
Councillor Andrew Strangemore
Councillor Keith Park
Councillor Kerry Jones
Councillor Darren Fitzgerald
Councillor David Hynes

In favor 7; opposed 0. Carried

2026-0126-02, Minutes No. 1503

Councillor Darren Fitzgerald / Councillor Andrew Strangemore

Resolved to accept the minutes of regular meeting of council, 1503 January 12th, 2026.

In Favor: Mayor Dean Ball
Deputy Mayor Lindell Smith
Councillor Andrew Strangemore
Councillor Keith Park
Councillor Kerry Jones
Councillor Darren Fitzgerald
Councillor David Hynes

In favor 7; opposed 0. Carried

Correspondence

Meeting No. 1504

No	NAME	REGARDING	ACTION
1	MAA	Western Director -Dean Ball	FYI
2	Congenital Heart Disease	Proclamation	Sign
3	Municipal Affairs	Mandatory Training Schedule	Please let clerk know if you sign up for any
4	RCMP	Annual Performance Plan	FYI
5	Department of Justice	Funding letter	FYI
6	MNL	Regional Meetings- Stephenville March 13-14	Please let clerk know if you plan to attend

Date: January 26, 2026



PROCLAMATION

Congenital Heart Disease (CHD) is the most common of all birth defects occurring in about one in every 100 births in Canada. Heart defects are present at birth and affect the structure of the heart and how blood flows throughout the heart and body.

Whereas: More than 50 percent of all children born with CHD will require at least one invasive surgery in their lifetime;

Whereas: Survival of children with CHD has greatly improved thanks to advances in medical technology, but for many, CHD means lifelong cardiac care and support;

Whereas: With more children reaching adulthood, continued efforts in fundraising and research are required to ensure access to ongoing care and support.

On behalf of the Town of Deer Lake council and residents I proclaim February 7-14,

2026 as:

“CONGENITAL HEART DISEASE AWARENESS WEEK”



Mayor Dean Ball
Town of Deer Lake

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(a) Finance

2026-0126-03, Finance

Councillor Kerry Jones/ Deputy Mayor Lindell Smith

Resolved that the recommendations for Finance Report for January 22nd, 2026 be adopted as presented excluding #5.

In Favor: Mayor Dean Ball
Deputy Mayor Lindell Smith
Councillor Andrew Strangemore
Councillor Keith Park
Councillor Kerry Jones
Councillor Darren Fitzgerald
Councillor David Hynes

In favor 7; opposed 0. Carried

2026-0126-04, Garden Road Infrastructure Upgrades Phase 2

Councillor Kerry Jones/ Councillor Keith Park

That Council approve the allocation of up to an additional \$190,998.05 to the Deer Lake – Garden Road Infrastructure Upgrades Phase 2 project to cover the funding shortfall between the approved total funding and the combined construction estimate and engineering fees;

And further that Council authorizes provincial government staff to proceed with issuing the tender call, with Council approval extending to cover any project cost overruns associated with this amount.

In Favor: Mayor Dean Ball
Deputy Mayor Lindell Smith

Councillor Andrew Strangemore
 Councillor Keith Park
 Councillor Kerry Jones
 Councillor Darren Fitzgerald
 Councillor David Hynes

In favor 7; opposed 0. Carried

**Finance Committee Minutes
 January 22nd, 2026**

In attendance:	Chair Kerry Jones
Deputy Mayor Lindell Smith	Town Manager Jason Young
Town Clerk Lori Humphrey	

No.	Vendor	Amount	Notes	Action
1	Brandt	\$15,213.90	Unit 71 parts, Excavator	Recommend Payment
2	West Coast Diesel	\$6,046.22	Unit 71 repairs, excavator	Recommend Payment
3	Eastchem (NL) inc.	\$10,336.68	Chlorine for recreation, budgeted amount.	Recommend Payment
4	Marine Contractors	\$335,399.41	Progress payment for Main Dam Road Project.	Recommend Payment
5	Garden Road Capital Project 17-MCW-25-00021	\$190,998.05	Separate motion to for estimated cost overruns to allow to proceed to Tender.	See motion 2026-0126-04

(b) Cheque ledger

2026-0126-05, Cheque Ledger Report

Councillor Kerry Jones / Councillor Andrew Strangemore

Resolved that the Town of Deer Lake accepts the cheque ledger as presented.

In Favor:

Mayor Dean Ball
 Deputy Mayor Lindell Smith
 Councillor Andrew Strangemore
 Councillor Keith Park
 Councillor Kerry Jones
 Councillor Darren Fitzgerald

Councillor David Hynes

In favor 7; opposed 0. Carried

Town of Deer Lake
Regular Accounts Payable Report
Date: January 13, 2026

No.	Name of Supplier	Amount Owing	Notes
1	A & C Enterprise	\$685.19	Monthly mats
2	Air Liquide	\$247.77	Cylinder rental
3	Adam's Electrical	\$517.50	Lift rental
4	Auto Value	\$196.72	Battery and gloves
5	B & S Trucking	\$2,921.00	Hodder and depot dumpster rental
6	Browning Harvey	\$1,428.17	Drinks for vending machine
7	Byron's Shoe	\$636.86	Nuts, bolts, rags, glasses etc
8	Brandt Tractor	\$544.61	Steady bearing Unit 34
9	Chandler	\$269.33	Scrubber pads
10	CIMCO	\$131.11	Duct temp
11	Coleman's	\$359.35	Bowling supplies
12	Computers & Communications	\$4,702.35	Yearly support
13	Crane Supply	\$724.68	Water Supplies
14	Day & Ross	\$325.52	Shipping
15	Deer Lake Foodland	\$1,250.00	Supplies
16	Deer Lake Home Hardware	\$1,068.58	Mop, cleaninf supplies, windshield wash etc.
17	Eastchem	\$1,073.59	Chlorine calcium
18	Graybar	\$1,214.66	Heater, connectors, thermastate, cover etc
19	J.N Automotive	\$1,642.15	Shop supplies, fittings, bulb, paint, etc

20	K.C Reid	\$504.91	Cleaners and supplies
21	Mcloughlan Supplies	\$782.23	Electrical tape
22	Meridian Engineering	\$1,602.18	Wight's Road
23	Municipalities Newfoundland	\$8,775.43	Membership
24	National Shoe	\$517.38	Safety gear
25	Paint Shop	\$72.35	Pool reno's
26	Pardy's Waste Management	\$3,114.49	Service call - Main lift station
27	Phonetech	\$98.98	Alarm monitoring
28	Ridgeview Contracting	\$345.00	Chop saw rental
29	Rudy's Transportation	\$57.50	Shipping
30	Shears Building Supplies	\$4,282.29	Batteries, lumber, pool reno's shovels etc.
31	Speedy Automotive	\$2,830.79	Hydraulic hose and hydraulic fittings
32	Superior Propane	\$985.89	Propane for zamboni and cylinder rentals
33	Toope's Auto	\$36.02	Supplies
34	Tow Fast	\$41.39	Vest
35	Wajax	\$104.78	Seals Unit 122
36	Western Hydraulic	\$1,219.00	Carbide shoes
37	Western Petroleum	\$465.77	Furnace oil
38	Western signs	\$549.01	Signs
39	Williams's Building Supplies	\$2,594.37	Pool reno's, power bar, quick plug, wood etc
40	Wolseley Canada	\$1,170.08	Water supplies
41	Western Regional Waste Management	\$19,161.76	December waste

\$69,250.74

(c) Public Works

2026-0126-06 Public Works

Deputy Mayor Lindell Smith/Councillor Keith Park

Resolved that the minutes/recommendations for The Town of Deer Lake Public Works Committee for January 21st, 2026 be adopted as presented.

In Favor: Mayor Dean Ball
Deputy Mayor Lindell Smith
Councillor Andrew Strangemore
Councillor Keith Park
Councillor Kerry Jones
Councillor Darren Fitzgerald
Councillor David Hynes

In favor 7; opposed 0. Carried

Public Works

January 21, 2026

Attendees:

Deputy Mayor Lindell Smith
Councillor Keith Park
Town Manager Jason Young
Director of Public Works David Thomas
Town Superintendent Scott Elms

Item #	Title	Notes	Action
1.	Main Dam Rd Garden Rd	Sewer Connection. We have 2 homes that are hooked into an old sewer line. When new sewerline was installed on these roads there should be new sewer stubs for each home. We have had issues with the old connection	Recommend that we have our Public Works crew check and make sure there are sewer stubs on the new line for both homes. If they are installed send letter to home owners requesting that they hook up to new line.
2.	Equipment	Our single axle plow truck needs about \$20,000 to \$30,000 work done on dump box. We can patch it up to get through this winter for around \$9000. Truck is a 2007 and is at it's end of life cycle.	We recommend that we patch old box for this year and go out to look for a plow truck that is a couple of years old to replace this truck.
3.	Lush's lane storm water study	We have the study and are reviewing the project. we will have someone from our PW department to get some elevation grades to see how big of and	Recommendation is to have our crew do the work and we will bring

		area we will be able to add on to the project in the future	information back to council and determine if we will proceed with the project how it was presented to us.
4.	Work list	See attached	FYI

JAN 2026 Work Report			
Monday	Monday, January 5, 2026	Snow clearing, shop clean up	
Tuesday	Tuesday, January 6, 2026	Snow clearing, waterline repair on Jewers Ln	
Wednesday	Wednesday, January 7, 2026	Snow clearing, cleaned out catch basins on bottom of jewers Ln	
Thursday	Thursday, January 8, 2026	snow clearing, C.S. repair on 7th ave	
Friday	Friday, January 9, 2026	Snow clearing, cleaning out Cul-de-sacs	
Monday	Monday, January 12, 2026	Snow Clearing	
Tuesday	Tuesday, January 13, 2026	Snow Clearing	
Wednesday	Wednesday, January 14, 2026	Snow clearing, cleaning out Cul-de-sacs & catch basins	
Thursday	Thursday, January 15, 2026	Snow clearing, cleaning out Cul-de-sacs & catch basins	
Friday	Friday, January 16, 2026	cleaning out Cul-de-sacs & catch basins, Tending to main lift station with vas trucks (4 in total)	
Monday	Monday, January 19, 2026	Snow Clearing, yard clean up, sign maintenance and repair, pothole patching	
Tuesday	Tuesday, January 20, 2026	Snow Clearing, yard clean up, sign maintenance and repair, pothole patching	
Wednesday	Wednesday, January 21, 2026	Snow Clearing, yard clean up, sign maintenance and repair	

(d) Recreation

2026-0126-07 Recreation

Councillor David Hynes/ Councillor Darren Fitzgerald

Resolved that the minutes/recommendations for The Town of Deer Lake Recreation Committee for January 22nd, 2026 be adopted as presented.

In Favor:

Mayor Dean Ball
Deputy Mayor Lindell Smith
Councillor Andrew Strangemore
Councillor Keith Park
Councillor Kerry Jones
Councillor Darren Fitzgerald
Councillor David Hynes

In favor 7; opposed 0. Carried

Recreation Committee

Date January 22, 2026

Attendees:

*Chair David Hynes
Counsellor Darren Fitzgerald
CAO Jason Young
Rec Director Glynn Wiseman*

Item #	Title	Notes	Action
1.	cross country skiing	Members of the Recreation Committee have received interest from town residents regarding the potential installation of cross-country ski trails. This idea has previously been shared with the Humber River Golf Club by Council. Chair David Hines is reaching out to the Humber River Golf Club again to determine whether they would be interested in creating such trails.	FYI
2.	Deer Lake Winterfest	This year's Deer Lake Winterfest will take place from February 27 to March 7. The committee is currently planning events and preparing the Winterfest booklet. Once completed, the booklet will be shared on the Deer Lake Recreation Facebook page as well as the Town of Deer Lake's Facebook page. All organizations must submit their events to the Winterfest Committee by the end of January.	FYI
3.	Snowmobiles inside the splash pad fenced in area	The Recreation Committee would like to remind residents of Deer Lake that snowmobiles are not permitted within the fenced area surrounding the splash pad. The area contains large pieces of splash pad equipment that could be damaged if struck by snowmobiles. The fencing is in place to prevent access by snowmobiles and all-terrain vehicles, ensuring the safety of riders as well as protecting the splash pad equipment.	FYI
4	Outdoor Rink	Recreation staff are currently in the process of building an outdoor rink at the Powerhouse field. Construction will take several weeks, depending on weather conditions. Updates on the rink's progress, as well as notification when it is ready for use, will be shared on the Deer Lake Recreation Facebook page.	FYI

(e) Economic Development

2026-0126-08 Economic Development

Councillor Andrew Strangemore/Councillor Kerry Jones

Resolved that the minutes/recommendations for The Town of Deer Lake Public Works Committee for January 21st, 2026 be adopted as presented.

In Favor: Mayor Dean Ball
 Deputy Mayor Lindell Smith
 Councillor Andrew Strangemore
 Councillor Keith Park
 Councillor Kerry Jones
 Councillor Darren Fitzgerald
 Councillor David Hynes

In favor 7; opposed 0. Carried

Economic Development Committee

January 20, 2026 starting at noon

Attendees: Counsellor Strangemore (Chair)
 Counsellor Jones
 Mark Lamswood (EDO)

Item #	Title	Notes	Action
1.	Industrial Park	1. Signage Install – use of poppy in logo not allowed; exact location confirmed by town and site prep for W. Signs* 2. Foreign Investment Attraction <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Certified Sites Program – Tier 1 Application b. Can Export Program – Submission w Deer Lake Airport 	*T of DL to work with W Signs to confirm exact location and site prep (snow removal) if necessary)
2.	Housing – NL Housing, Affordable 360 and Pivot	1. NL Housing – arrange tour of DL; Lucas Pl, Haven of Rest partnership, other 2. Affordable 360 Application – federal funding approved 3. Pivot Housing Solutions – follow up required on initial Pathways session for T of DL	
4.	Tourism Development; Accommodation Tax Update, HNL Conference, WDMO AGM	1. Meeting w funding partners incl. Western DMO, TCAR, IET, ACOA (regrets) on January 6 th – Follow up w ACOA rep for proposal development 2. HNL Conference registered (February 24-26 th); DL Strawberry Festival Nominated for Cultural Tourism Award	

		3. Go Western AGM – January 20; EDO attended	
5.	Trans-Canada Highway	1. Business Owner meeting on January 13 th 2. Letter of follow up from the T of DL with town perspectives/shared with business community for reference.	*Approve and send letter to Minister Petten w cc. to Premier NL, Minister Goosney (MHA), Carol Anstey (MP)
6.	MUN Engineering Students	1. Meeting Friday to discuss availability and possible matches for projects/work term	
7.	Rural Transit	1. Email request to meet with program rep	
8.	Community Sector Council NL	1. January 19 th meeting re-scheduled for January 21 st due to weather 2. Community vitality discussion led by CSCNL 3. Near 30 participants registered	
9.	Co-op Training	1. EDO approved for 4 courses for Co-op Mentor Training – value of \$3000 2. T of DL also promoting Incubator program with funding available for any new Co-op; EDO could be paired as mentor (Deadline January 23 rd)	
10.	Website	1. EDO and CAO to meet with C&C updated; Action Items will be produced in person and follow up meeting scheduled to track changes/updates	

2026-0126-09 Adjournment

Councillor Kerry Jones

Resolved that since there is no further business that the meeting adjourns at 8:03 pm. Next Meeting scheduled for Monday, February 9th, 2026.

In Favor:

Mayor Dean Ball
Deputy Mayor Lindell Smith
Councillor Andrew Strangemore
Councillor Keith Park
Councillor Kerry Jones
Councillor Darren Fitzgerald
Councillor David Hynes

In favor 7; opposed 0. Carried



Mayor Dean Ball

Lori Humphrey
Town Clerk, Lori Humphrey
