

THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT DISTRICT OF PINAWA

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD ON MAY 26, 2026 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS WITH THE FOLLOWING COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

B. Skinner, Mayor
R. Henschell, Deputy Mayor
M. King, Councillor
S. Appleyard, Councillor
D. Murray, Resident Administrator
N. Davidson, Assistant Resident Administrator

Absent: J. Tirschman, Councillor

1. **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER**

Mayor B. Skinner called the meeting to order at 1:03 pm.

2. **CEREMONIAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT – O CANADA
LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

3. **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

RESOLUTION 8038-05-26

R. Henschell, M. King

Be It Resolved that the agenda be accepted with the following addition:

5.1 Boreal Shores Art Tour

CARRIED.

4. **OLD BUSINESS**

4.1 **Minor Subdivision Application – 22 Vanier (Vanier Centre)**

RESOLUTION 8039-05-26

M. King, R. Henschell

Whereas the Local Government District (LGD) of Pinawa owns the parcel of land legally described as Part of Section 3 and 10-14-12 EPM, Being Lot 153, Plan 8368 WLTO, comprising 5.56 acres, with the civic address of 22 Vanier Avenue.

And Whereas DIF Southern Manitoba Fibre LP ('DIF') is a limited partnership with Valley Fiber and their parent company - CVC DIF and their primary stakeholder;

And Whereas DIF is listed as the applicant on the proposed minor subdivision which would divide the property at 22 Vanier Avenue (known as the Vanier Centre/EMO Building) currently totaling 5.56 acres, into two separate parcels, consisting of one parcel, of approximately 0.05 acres in size, to be allocated to Valley Fiber, and the remaining 5.51 acres will constitute the residual land, to be retained by the LGD;

And Whereas, as per Section 125.1 of The Planning Act, Council may consider the application and decide, by resolution, to approve or reject it;

And Whereas Council has reviewed the Minor Subdivision application File #4616-26-7877;

And Whereas Council has signed a Rights-of-Way Consent and Access Agreement and a letter of intent in 2022, which set out the agreement between Valley Fiber and the LGD

And Whereas further information is required on the next steps and administrative/ legal procedures for the transfer of ownership;

Therefore Be it Resolved that the Council of the LGD of Pinawa hereby tables its decision on the review of Minor Subdivision Application File #4616-26-7877 until further ownership and procedural information is obtained.

CARRIED.

4.2 **AECL and CNL Strategic Discussion**

Discussion to be held in-camera.

4.3 **Seasonal Land Use Agreements & Fee Schedule Update**

Item deferred to June 9th, 2026

4.4 **Upcoming Schedules and setting Staff Appreciation Date**

Staff Barbeque to be held Thursday, June 25th

5. **NEW BUSINESS**

5.1 **Boreal Shores Art Tour**

M. King, R. Henschell

RESOLUTION 8040-05-26

Whereas the Local Government District of Pinawa recognizes the importance of advertising and promoting the area;

Whereas the Boreal Shores Art Tour (BSAT) is an annual self-guided art tour held throughout Eastern Manitoba that promotes regional artists, tourism, and economic development;

AND WHEREAS the Boreal Shores Art Tour is organized and delivered by a volunteer Board of Directors with support from a part-time Coordinator;

And Whereas the Tour has attracted approximately 21,000 visitors since its inception and generated over \$290,000 in artist income, while also contributing economic spin-off benefits to local restaurants, accommodations, fuel stations, and businesses throughout the region;

And Whereas the Local Government District of Pinawa previously supported the Boreal Shores Art Tour as a Platinum Sponsor in recognition of the event's cultural and economic value to the region through the PCDC;
 And Whereas the Boreal Shores Art Tour has submitted a request for municipal financial support for the 2026 Tour to be held August 15–16, 2026;
 Therefore be it resolved that Council approve the financial support request for the Boreal Shores Art Tour for the 2026 event in the amount of \$1,000, with funds to be allocated from the Community Development budget. CARRIED.

5.

IN CAMERA

RESOLUTION 8041-05-26

M. King, S. Appleyard

Be It Resolved That Council of the Local Government District of Pinawa recess the Regular meeting and does hereby agree to meet as a Committee of the Whole at 1:22pm to discuss the following in-camera item(s):

Legal and Personnel. CARRIED.

RESUME REGULAR MEETING

RESOLUTION 8042-05-26

M. King, R. Henschell

Be It Resolved That Council of the Local Government District of Pinawa does hereby agree to move out of the Committee of the Whole and resume regular order of business, the time being 2:13 p.m. CARRIED.

Whiteshell Laboratories Site Restoration Plan

RESOLUTION 8043-05-26

M. King, S. Appleyard

Whereas the LGD of Pinawa is the host community and most directly affected by decisions respecting the future of the Whiteshell Laboratories site;
 And Whereas the Whiteshell Laboratories site has historically played a significant role in the regional economy, and decisions respecting the end state may influence future economic resilience within the region;
 And Whereas Council considers it important that the defined end state for the Whiteshell Laboratories site support long-term redevelopment potential and not unnecessarily constrain future economic use of the property, subject to all applicable regulatory requirements;
 And Whereas Canadian Nuclear Laboratories (CNL) is the holder of the decommissioning licence for the Whiteshell Laboratories site;
 And Whereas the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (CNSC) is the federal regulatory authority responsible for determining licence conditions and duration;
 And Whereas Council has reviewed the Whiteshell Laboratories Site Restoration Plan (WLSRP), including the proposed end state and Decision Units;
 And Whereas Council has had the opportunity to provide feedback respecting the WLSRP and acknowledges that CNL has responded to feedback received;
 And Whereas Council's position is formed based on information currently available at the time of this resolution;
 Therefore Be It Resolved That Council confirms its understanding of the proposed end state for the Whiteshell Laboratories site as described within the WLSRP documentation;

| Decision Unit | Supported as presented | Supported, provided concerns addressed | Can not support because of concerns |
|-----------------------|------------------------|--|-------------------------------------|
| Main Campus | | | x |
| WR-1 Reactor | | | x |
| Winnipeg River | | x | |
| Waste Management Area | | | x |
| Landfill | | | x |
| Lagoon | | | x |
| Remaining Site | | | x |

Concerns:

- The absence of a comparative assessment of alternative end states, including options for site activation and redevelopment;
- The proposed removal of infrastructure including, but not limited to: the hot cells, electrical infrastructure and water & wastewater infrastructure, roads, parking lots and any other infrastructure that may otherwise support future economic or industrial use;
- The proposed entombment of the WR-1 reactor and the extent to which such actions may constrain future redevelopment flexibility;
- The lack of a comprehensive business case evaluating the feasibility of transitioning the site from decommissioning toward long-term economic and energy-generating uses;

Be It Further Resolved That Council does not take a final position respecting the proposed

licence term at this time, pending the completion and presentation of further analysis respecting alternative end states and redevelopment scenarios;

Be It Further Resolved That Council is concerned that the proposed licence term may enable irreversible decommissioning activities prior to the evaluation of alternative, potentially higher-value future uses of the site;

Be It Further Resolved That Council formally requests that CNL undertake and present a comprehensive assessment of alternative end states for the Whiteshell Laboratories site, including the feasibility, costs, and benefits of transitioning from decommissioning toward long-term industrial, research, innovation, or energy-related uses of the site;

Be It Further Resolved That Council reserves the right to amend or revise its position should additional information become available or circumstances materially change.

CARRIED.

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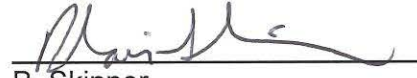
ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 2:18 p.m.

R. Henschell



D. Murray
Resident Administrator



B. Skinner
Mayor