



# COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL  
April 27, 2026

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## **Bylaw 2026-1110,**

A Public Hearing for Bylaw 2026-1110, to amend the land use Bylaw 1093, was held March 23 in conjunction with the regular meeting of Council. Bylaw 2026-1110 amends the definition of animal units and creates an additional Retreat definition under the Residential District uses. Further it amends Plan 1759 AE; Block X in the Town of Castor from Low Density Residential District to Residential Estates District.

The applicant indicated that they were no longer interested in proceeding with the application and Council refused second reading to Bylaw 2026-1110, a bylaw to amend the Town of Castor Land Use Bylaw No. 1093.

## **Financial**

Council accepted the cash statement ending March 31, 2026; budget updates ending February 28 and March 31, 2026, and the Gas and Water Reconciliations ending March 31, 2026.

The gas system is showing a 0.32% loss and the water system a loss of 20.47%.

## **Delegations**

Three delegations attended the Council meeting.

- Mr. J. Wezelman presented on Utilidors, an above ground method of providing services
- Mr. S. Peach presented a Castor Library Board report
- Mr. S. Peach brought forth a request from the Castor Elks for lawn maintenance supplies for the Castor Elks playground

## **Residential Tax Incentive Program**

Two requests were approved for participation in the Residential Tax Incentive Program. Plan 102 5348; Block 10; Lot 9 and Plan 092 3841; Block 9; Lot 5 will receive the incentive in the 2026, 2027 and 2028 tax years.

## **Plan 762 0431; Pt. of Lot 3**

Council relisted the commercial lot with a sale price of \$45,000.00

## Other

Tax penalty relief was not provided to Plan 4178RS; Lot B.

The Castor and District Family and Community Support Services requested to host a family fishing day at the Castor Fishpond. The request was granted and the family fishing day will be held in May.

Council received a request for adjustments to the spring rental rates at the arena and an addition of shinny or public skate be added to the schedule. No adjustments will be made to the current spring hockey schedule or rates.

Council reviewed a letter received from Emcon Services Inc. regarding maintenance on Highways 599 (50<sup>th</sup> Avenue) and 861 (45<sup>th</sup> Street North). Highway 599 and Highway 861 are included in the maintenance contract between Emcon and the Province; the Town of Castor will no longer be reimbursed for maintaining these roadways. Since the transition in maintenance provisions directly by Emcon, numerous complaints have been received from business owners and residents. A motion was moved and passed to send correspondence to Emcon and Alberta Transportation and Economic Corridors stating Council's dissatisfaction with the arrangement.

*This report provides an overview of the Regular Meeting of Council and may not include all discussion that took place.*