

REGULAR MEETING

APRIL 27, 2026

AGENDA

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2. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES
 - REGULAR – MARCH 30, 2026
 - SPECIAL – MARCH 31, 2026 and APRIL 16, 2026
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b. TIMBER PERMITS	i. OFFICE RAMP BIDS
c. POST OFFICE WATER	j. TRANSFER STATION
d. RICE LAKE CONTROL STRUCTURE	k. HONORARIUM RETROACTIVE PAY
e. VALLEY FIBER	l. WTP O & M
f. ONE TON TRUCK	m. PUBLIC WORKS ASSIST HIRING
g. MB HYDRO/CLEARING RESPONSE	n. 1911 Gold
4. BISSETT BEAUTIFICATION/REFURBISHMENT INITIATIVES
 - a. Legacy Board repair
5. FINANCIAL REPORTS AND ACCTS RECEIVABLE
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7. CORRESPONDENCE
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 - B. FIRE DEPARTMENT BYLAW REVIEW
 - C. OTHER:
 - Member Appointment
 - Purchase Requests
 - Meeting Lee Kembal/BWF Base Manager
10. RECREATION PROGRAM
11. NEW BUSINESS
 - a. NEW FISCAL YEAR REQUIREMENTS
 - b. HALL ROOF/LEAKING
 - c. PR 304 DUST CONTROL
 - d. NEXT REGULAR MEETING

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

APRIL 27, 2026

6:30PM

MEMBERS:

Carla Nicholson-Spence
Doug McPherson
James Baldwin
Caroline Baldwin

EXCUSED: Larry Johnson

1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA:

RESOLUTION #2 – 2026/27

WHEREAS: Adoption of the Agenda – April 27, 2026.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Agenda be adopted as presented.

M/S by Doug McPherson and Caroline Baldwin All in favour

2. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES:

RESOLUTION #3 – 2026/27

WHEREAS: Adoption of the Regular Meeting Minutes March 30, 2026.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Regular Meeting Minutes be adopted as presented.

M/S by Doug McPherson and James Baldwin 3 in favour/CB Abst.

RESOLUTION #4 – 2026/27

WHEREAS: Adoption of the Special Meeting March 31 and April 16, 2026.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Special Meeting Minutes be adopted as presented.

M/S by James Baldwin and Doug McPherson 3 in favour/CB abst

3. BUSINESS FROM THE MINUTES:

A. HALL/DECKING BEACH AREA: The department is actively working on a DRAFT tender for these projects. Council to follow up. CARRY

B. TIMBER PERMITS: CARRY

C. POST OFFICE/CLINIC WATER: CARRY

D. RICE LAKE CONTROL STRUCTURE: Special Meeting to be held April 30th.

E. VALLEY FIBER: Agreements remain in the hand of MNR/NA legal for review. CARRY

F. ONE TON TRUCK: Follow up with the department on potential equipment acquisition.

G. MB HYDRO RE: CLEARING: After visual inspection, the response received from the forestry side of MB Hydro indicated that clearing as requested and additional work will not be considered prior to the fall of 2026 due to timing and resource availability.

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3. BUSINESS FROM THE MINUTES...con't

H. COMMUNITY WILDFIRE PREPAREDNESS PLAN BRIEF (CWPP): The department has advised that funding confirmation for completion is pending. Council will be advised, if this and when, this potential funding becomes available.

I. OFFICE ACCESSIBILITY RAMP: CARRY

J. TRANSFER STATION: CARRY

K. HONORARIUM RETROACTIVE PAY: Council has decided not to consider retroactive pay for recent legislated Honorarium increase.

L. WTP O & M: Discussion on increase in wage request, Reece Kihn and rate of pay for Alan Leamy who will take on the role of Public Works Supervisor.

RESOLUTION #5 – 2026/27

WHEREAS: Wage increase request, Reece Kihn, WTP O & M.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: Three (3) month condition for additional experience on water/sewer ground operations and wage to be increased per request.

M/S by Doug McPherson and Caroline Baldwin All in favour

RESOLUTION #6 – 2026/27

WHEREAS: Wage increase Alan Leamy for PWS.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: Wage be increased.

M/S by Doug McPherson and Caroline Baldwin All in favour

M. PUBLIC WORKS ASSISTANT HIRING: Two (2) Resumes were received. Further review and discussion are required. CARRY

N. 1911 GOLD:

- Water Treatment Plant toured by Eric Vinet/COO and Cam Kwiatkowski/Environmental Superintendent.
- BVFD members, specifically; Dave Petznick, Rick Kacperski, Dee Halldorson and council representative, Doug McPherson will meet with 1911 Health and Safety reps on May 7th.
- Council will suggest another Public Meeting to be hosted by 1911 Gold.
- Council will meet with 1911 Gold on site, June 23rd.

4. BISSETT BEAUTIFICATION/REFURBISHMENT INITIATIVES

a. LEGACY BOARD REPAIR: CARRY

b. Comprehensive list to be put together for up coming summer/fall public works season and council to ensure materials are on site to carry out these projects.

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5. FINANCIAL REPORT and ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE:

NIL PENDING COMPLETION OF MARCH 31, 2026 FISCAL YEAR END

6. UNPAID BILLS AS AT MARCH 31, 2026 AND APRIL 27, 2026

RESOLUTION #7 – 2026/27

WHEREAS: Unpaid bills as at March 31, 2026

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Unpaid bills as at March 31, 2026 for a total payable of \$3207.55 be approved for payment.

M/S by James Baldwin and Doug McPherson

All in favour

BISSETT COMMUNITY COUNCIL

UNPAID BILLS AS AT MARCH 31, 2026

Name	Total	Description
DURACAN	77.18	Water testing
KEEWATIN TRUCK SERVICE	2,625.65	Fire Truck Safety/Repair
PETZNICK, Dave	143.63	Misc office supplies FD
WYNNE, Gail	361.09	App'd add'l Bissett Tshirts/Adaptor Starlink
Total outstanding:	<u>3,207.55</u>	

RESOLUTION #8 – 2026/27

WHEREAS: Unpaid bills as at April 27, 2026

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Unpaid bills as at April 27, 2026 for a total payable of \$11286.97 be approved for payment.

M/S by James Baldwin and Doug McPherson

All in favour

UNPAID BILLS AS AT APRIL 27, 2026

Name	Total	Description
ALCOM ELECTRONICS	286.72	Appr'd batteries BVFD
CLEARTECH INDUSTRIES INC	2,057.24	Chemicals
CONTEC PROJECTS (2017) LIMITED	2,744.00	Reservoir connection
CYR'S SEPTIC	1,050.00	Pump out
D & D Excavating & Hauling	1,277.03	Garbage bin hauling
DURACAN	75.60	Water Testing
GARDWINE NORTH	896.24	Freight
HALLDORSON, D.	107.25	Misc BVFD
LINDE CANADA INC	37.92	Acetylene
Powerview Auto Supplies Ltd.	224.09	PW misc 1/2 ton
*WYNNE, Gail	<u>2,530.88</u>	

*App'd cell phone for council includes \$2000 deposit for business phone to be credited to bill after 6 months
Starlink pmt Hall/Office

Total outstanding: 11,286.97

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7. CORRESPONDENCE:

A. Letter from Paul Doolan/Executive Director MNR/NAB advising that the Community Safety Officer Program will end effective April 30, 2026 due to significant changes introduced by MB Justice to the Police Services Act. Any funding held in trust will be reallocated to support other community safety initiatives developed with department support. Council to inquire as to what this means for the community who had funds in trust from the former CSO Program shared by Bissett, Manigotagan, Bissett and Agahming.

B. Council reached out to Kevin Popowich/Protective Services Consultant with questions in respect to CWPP – answer provided in 3; burning bylaw – currently being worked on; confirm departments role as ‘Community Liasson’ during an emergency is confirmed; roles and responsibilities of council, fire department and the EMO and OFC in the event of an emergency - Council and NAB will work together as local authority and responding to the OFC, EMO and stakeholders in the Province during an emergency with NAB working very closely with council; potential value protection training - NAB has recently purchased 2 value protection trailers that will be able to respond to and assist communities impacted by Wildfire. Follow up on training opportunities to be carried out.

C. Letter of Understanding – Road Maintenance – Grade and Gravel \$25,000.00.

RESOLUTION #9 – 2026/27

WHEREAS: Letter of Understanding – Road Maintenance – Grade and Gravel.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The LOU was reviewed and signed.

M/S by Doug McPherson and Caroline Baldwin

All in favour

D. Information on the Building Independence Program (BIP) was received.

E. A letter was received from Tyson Mac Gillivray/Chief Superintendent Frontier School Division advising that the Frontier School Division Board of Trustees have approved the reopening of the San Antonio School for the 2026-27 school year and are actively seeking a Teaching Principal.

F. Council requested a follow up to Shared Health who has proposed meeting dates to carry on previous discussions about re-establishing an Ambulance Service, potentially a shared structure in Manigotagan that had previously been proposed and tabled. A May meeting date is to be determined.

G. The 2026 Green Team application was approved. Posting for positions to be carried out in June.

RESOLUTION #10 – 2026/27

WHEREAS: 2026 Urban/Hometown Green Team Program 2026 Agreement.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Agreement has been reviewed and signed.

M/S by Doug McPherson and James Baldwin

All in favour

H. Written and verbal concerns received in respect to early spring road conditions proving a real challenge. Council acknowledges that the road conditions were in poor spring conditions after above normal snowfall this past winter, and our own equipment is not entirely suitable for this type of road maintenance. The council did reach out to Highways for grading during the worst of the conditions, and that was responded to at the earliest availability of highways however, understandably not as a priority. Council has been in early discussions with NAB to determine best equipment moving forward and the acquisition funding requirements to look at something more suitable.

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7. CORRESPONDENCE...con't

I. Nopiming Provincial Park, Whiteshell Provincial Park and Bissett Region – Orphaned and Abandoned Mines Remediation Program Update was received as information.

J. Wallace Lake Cottage Owners Association is holding their annual general meeting on May 5th and asked if council had any matters to be brought to their attention. The installation of Speed Signs will be advised.

K. In addition to verbal questions and concerns, two written letters were received about the Currie Drive Drill Program. Council has reached out to 1911 Gold and addressed these concerns with immediate and favourable response.

- 1) The Currie Drive drilling program WILL conclude no later than May 12th.**
- 2) Equipment will be removed prior to the May long weekend.**
- 3) The road will be monitored daily, as well, post program to ensure it is passable and brought back to initial standard or better.**
- 4) The site must be cleaned up when conditions allow and without delay.**
- 5) Drilling must not start prior to the stipulated time of 7am.**
- 6) Moving forward, the council will only consider in-community drill requests to be carried out between October 1 and to be completed by March 31st**

RESOLUTION #11 – 2026/27

WHEREAS: In-community drilling requests – 1911 Gold.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Bissett Community Council will only consider in-community drill requests for Consideration and approval that are carried out between October 1 and to be completed by March 31st.

M/S by Doug McPherson and James Baldwin

All in favour

One letter also requested information on when the tanker situated on Currie Drive will be removed. Working with the Fire Department for a permanent location, the Council have full intentions of having it removed as quickly as possible, and do acknowledge the delay in getting that done as we faced challenges with a permanent location and equipment to move it. Once it is situated in a permanent, out of sight location, the tanker would, moving forward, remain intact and utilized for water storage at that specific site.

L. A letter was received requesting detailed information on the 1911 Gold meeting held with council on March 10th and moving forward requested potential opportunity for public access to participate. Response to be made.

8. LAND USE: NIL

9. EMERGENCY SERVICES:

A. MONTHLY REPORT: NIL (March was reviewed on March 30th)

B. FIRE DEPARTMENT BY-LAW REVIEW: CARRY

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9. EMERGENCY SERVICES...con't

C. OTHER:

● **MEMBER APPOINTMENT:**

RESOLUTION #12 – 2026/27

WHEREAS: Bissett Volunteer Fire Department – Member Appointment.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Bissett Community Council appoint all members specified on the April 27th member list for the BVFP.

M/S by Doug McPherson and Caroline Baldwin All in favour

● **PURCHASE REQUESTS:**

RESOLUTION #13 – 2026/27

WHEREAS: Hose purchase – per NA funding.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: Required hoses be purchased from ABC Fire and Safety as per quote received in the amount of \$3136.00.

M/S by Caroline Baldwin and Doug McPherson All in favour

RESOLUTION #14 – 2026/27

WHEREAS: Purchase request – office supplies.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: Office supplies be approved for purchase for the fire department as Presented and in the amount of \$600.00 and applicable taxes.

M/S by James Baldwin and Caroline Baldwin All in favour

● **MEETING WITH LEE KEMBALL/BISSETT FIRE BASE MANAGER:** To be held May 12th.

● **SEWER PUMP FIRE HALL:**

RESOLUTION #15 – 2026/27

WHEREAS: Sewer pump replacement – fire hall.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: A sewer pump be purchased for the fire hall.

M/S by Doug McPherson and Caroline Baldwin All in favour

10. RECREATION PROGRAM: NIL

11. NEW BUSINESS:

A. NEW FISCAL YEAR REQUIREMENTS: MNR advised council can proceed without full council so not to delay these requirements for the 2026/27 Fiscal Year.

RESOLUTION #16 – 2026/27

WHEREAS: New Fiscal Year requirements.

WHEREAS: All new fiscal year requirements were presented and reviewed.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The new fiscal year requirements be approved and adopted as presented with increase to per diem for out of community meetings attended by council and to include the previously approved breakfast, lunch and supper increase to meals.

M/S by Doug McPherson and James Baldwin All in favour

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11. NEW BUSINESS...con't

B. HALL ROOF: Leaking has been detected and will require remediation. Doug McPherson to provide details and material list. CARRY

C. PR 304 DUST CONTROL: Council to contact highways to provide the time line for application of dust control on PR 304 and will ensure it is brought forward, each spring, on an annual basis.

D. NEXT REGULAR MEETING:

MONDAY, JUNE 1, 2026

6:30PM

*SUBJECT TO CHANGE

The meeting adjourned at 9:55pm

CARLA NICHOLSON-SPENCE/MAYOR

GAIL WYNNE/CAO

NOTE: THESE MINUTES HAVE NOT YET BEEN ADOPTED BY COUNCIL AND ARE SUBJECT TO AMENDMENT.

SPECIAL MEETING
APRIL 16, 2026
VIRTUAL

MEMBERS:

Carla Nicholson-Spence
Doug McPherson
James Baldwin (Linked in)

BISSETT VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Rick Kacperski/DFC
Dee Halldorson/FDM

RE: EMO WILDFIRE SEMINAR

Community leadership were invited to attend one of 3 seminars addressing the forecasted wildfire season.

Topics included:

- Forecasted Conditions with conditions in mid-summer being forecasted as dry
- Organizational Roles and Responsibilities and Local Authority Support
 - Manitoba Wildfire Services (MWS) and Office of the Fire Commissioner (OFC)
- Air Attack
- Roles and Responsibilities Indigenous Services Canada (ISC)
- Support for First Nations (Eastern) – Southeast Resource Development Council (SERDC)
- Evacuation Support – Families – Emergency Social Services (ESS)
- Response – Local authority support – EMO – Preparedness and Response

A very good presentation was made on AIR ATTACK and the conditions that can impact the support ie: smoke when aircraft are grounded due to these specific conditions. As well as DRONES that fly in the fly zone – aircraft is immediately turned back if drones are present. These can directly impact response and it is not for a lack of support.

Being prepared and taking steps now to ensure your property is “FIRE SMART” is a great resource to help residents understand their risks and take preventative measures.

FireSmart 101 <https://firesmartcanada.ca/programs/firesmart-101/>

Check out FireSmart’s website to get more information: www.firesmartcanada.ca

MB READY is Manitoba’s central source for emergency alerts and public safety. This can be accessed by simply searching **MB READY** with an app coming soon.

The meeting concluded at 3:50pm

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IN FOLLOW UP:

The Fire Department will be sending out an informational notice to the community including the links indicated and other pertinent information as we prepare, the best that we can, for the upcoming wildfire season.

BE IN THE KNOW AND BE PREPARED!

The meeting adjourned at 4:00pm.

CARLA NICHOLSON-SPENCE/MAYOR

GAIL WYNNE/CAO