

The minutes of the regular meeting of Dawson Township Council held on Wednesday April 1st 2026 at 7 pm in the Municipal Office.

- PRESENT** Mayor D Hartnell. Councillors: L Kempf, B Langner, C Larocque & B Sands. Clerk-Treasurer: P W Giles. Road Supt Randy Asselin. Visitor OPP Inspector Jim Mills and Sargent D McLean gave an overview of the 2025 policing statistics and answered various question of Council. Council also requested more police presence on rural roads to monitor vehicles not obeying traffic signs.
- MINUTES** **#26-16** LANGNER & KEMPF & CARRIED that the minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on March 4th 2026, be approved as printed.
- ACCOUNTS** **#26-17** SANDS & LAROCQUE & CARRIED that the accounts in the amount of \$102,673.66 and representing disbursements for the month of March 2026, be approved for payment.
- WAYSIDES** **#26-18** LANGNER & SANDS & CARRIED that Council endorses the resolution of the Township of Emo requesting the province provide accessible roadside rest area washrooms throughout northwestern Ontario.
- FIRE** **#26-19** LAROCQUE & LANGNER & CARRIED that Council receives the West Rainy River District Fire Committee 2026 capital and operating budget in the amount of \$180,555.00.
- OTHER** The Rd Supt reported on winter plowing, the plow truck transmission wire harness is not yet repaired, they are filling frost heaves at culverts, mulching and brushing, the 4-wheeler is being repaired and the graders are being serviced for spring grading. Various gravelling projects were discussed and a request for proposals will be sent to local contractors for crushed rock and or crushed quarry rock. The Clerk-Treasurer reported on the next fire board meeting, property taxes outstanding balances and only 5 of the 35 notices of tax sale have been paid, OCIF payment of \$125,000 was received. RRFDC is again being requested to provide maps of tiling projects within Dawson and the Clerk-Treasurer is to verify properties with tile drainage on the OMFA web page. The annual Council remuneration report was circulated to Council. The RRDSB 2026 budget was received with an increase of \$10548.44. The pothole grant of \$38,000 has been received and the annual report is now due. The annual road patrol will be on April 10th. Mayor Hartnell reported on recent NOMA and Municipal Association meetings and will attend the annual NOMA convention later April 22-24 2026 in Thunder Bay.
- ADJOURN** **#26-15** SANDS & LAROCQUE & CARRIED that the meeting be adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

_____ Mayor _____ Clerk