

# Council Meeting Summary – April 8, 2026

## District of Lakeland No. 521

Time: 9:02 a.m. – 5:18 p.m.

The District of Lakeland No. 521 Council held its regular meeting on Wednesday, April 8, 2026, at the Municipal Office in Christopher Lake. The meeting included a public hearing, adoption of the 2026 budget, bylaw approvals, operational decisions, and regular financial and committee updates.

## Reports & Operations

- **Public Works – Jessica Georget:**
  - Council reaffirmed that overweight permits will not be issued during road bans.
  - Appointed Marcel Baynton as Weed Inspector and Pest Control Officer.
  - Approved amended Greenland Waste collection contracts.
  - Public Works Report received.
- **Development – Kerry Potter:**
  - Council received the Building/Development Report.

## Public Hearing

Council held a public hearing regarding a proposed amendment to the Zoning Bylaw to increase the maximum permitted height of accessory buildings from 5 metres to 6 metres.

No written or verbal submissions were received.

## Administration & Operations

- Confirmed that the District will not provide maintenance or winter services on the undeveloped road allowance at 131–135 McIntosh Street unless upgraded per the servicing agreement.
- Authorized preparation of a one-year extension to the Sunset Bay tax exemption agreement.
- Approved tax enforcement procedures for lands in arrears and authorized reminder notices.
- Authorized disposal of 2018 municipal records in accordance with policy.
- Administration Report received.

## Bylaws

Council gave second and third readings and adopted:

- **Bylaw 5-2026 – Zoning Bylaw Amendment (Accessory Building Height)**
- **Bylaw 6-2026 – Road Closure Bylaw (303–307 Derek Place)**

Council gave first reading to:

- **Bylaw 7-2026 – Trailer Licencing Fee Bylaw**

Council also approved:

- Suspension of issuing new permits for hydraulic jets while environmental impacts are assessed.

## **Administrative & Financial Decisions**

- Approved the March 4, 2026 meeting minutes.
- Received the Action/Motion Item Status Report.
- Approved payments totaling \$268,059.50, including payroll of \$46,352.48.
- Received financial statements for the period ending March 31, 2026.
- Adopted the 2026 Operating and Capital Budgets.

## **Council Division Reports**

Reeve and Councillors reported on recent activities including the SARM Convention, budget meetings, DPC and WSA discussions, environmental initiatives, and ongoing community engagement.

## **New Business**

- Approved a conditional contribution of up to \$25,000 toward the Christopher Lake Legion Restoration Campaign, based on fundraising milestones.
- Discussed planning for an Annual Information Meeting and Council remuneration policy.

## **Correspondence & Committees**

Council received correspondence from SARM and PARCS.

Committee updates were provided from Environmental Advisory Committee (EAC) and North Central Lakelands Planning District Committee (NCLPDC).

## **In-Camera Session**

Council met in-camera at 4:28 p.m. to discuss personnel matters, including salary grid and CAO contract discussions, and reconvened at 5:18 p.m.

## **Adjournment**

The meeting concluded at 5:18 p.m.