

January 20, 2026

## Delegations

### **Vermilion RCMP Detachment Commander Sergeant Ken Shamblaw**

Sgt. Shamblaw formally introduced himself to Council and outlined his key areas of focus as he transitions into his new role. He requested that Council identify and discuss their top three (3) policing priorities in the coming weeks. Sgt. Shamblaw also shared his enthusiasm for organizing a local emergency preparedness tabletop exercise and expressed his eagerness to serve and reside in the Town of Vermilion.

## New Business

### **Snow Removal and Ice Control Policy No. 25-24 RFD**

Council for the Town of Vermilion approved the revised Schedule A for the Snow Removal and Ice Control Policy No. 25-24 following a lengthy presentation by the Town's operations manager. The revision includes changes to priority classifications on Schedule A. Administration advised Council that because Bylaw 7-2014 has not historically been available on the Town's website, a communication campaign has been launched to inform residents of their responsibilities. The focus of the campaign is on street parking during snow removal operations and sidewalk maintenance adjacent to residential and commercial properties. The goal is to educate the community this season so that they understand the requirements before stricter enforcement measures, such as ticketing and towing, begin next season.

### **Vermilion Public Library Board Appointments**

Council for the Town of Vermilion appointed Carolyn Martin and Margaret McCormack to the Vermilion Public Library Board for a two-year period ending January 19, 2028. Council also approved Alva Anderson to sit on the Vermilion Public Library Board for a third consecutive term of two years ending January 19, 2028.

### **Escribe Meeting Management Software Outage**

Council for the Town of Vermilion approved the use of Escribe Meeting Management Software during the 2026 budget deliberations, including the live-streaming video service. Unfortunately however, the use of the livestreaming function, in conjunction with the zoom platform, has been causing technical difficulties when running concurrently. As such, the Escribe Meeting Management Software has crashed during the last two Council meetings and Council has had to recess for a brief time to restart the program. Administration has contacted our service providers for an immediate solution to the ongoing issue. As we are contractually bound to the Escribe Meeting Management Software, we are dedicating our resources to resolving the issue with this service provider and will not be seeking alternative methods for posting the live streams in the interim. We are hopeful that this can be resolved expediently and we thank you for your understanding.

*These Highlights of Council are an informative summary only, as official minutes of the meeting will be approved at the next regular meeting of council.*