

May 19, 2026

## Delegations

### ATCO Electric

Travis Wowdzia & Richelle Bourget with ATCO Electric presented the annual franchise fee report for the Town of Vermilion. The report highlights up to date reliability statistics, system development, customer satisfaction, and contributions that ATCO makes to the community.

### Stuart Pauls & Margaret McCormack – Vermilion Public Library

Stuart Pauls & Margaret McCormack with the Vermilion Public Library presented the Vermilion Library Board's concerns regarding Bill 28 and asked for Council's advocacy support. The Town of Vermilion will provide a letter of support for the Library's position and will present the letter to the Library Board for review prior to circulation.

## Business Arising from Prior Meetings

### Sewer Charge Adjustment Applications

Council for the Town of Vermilion delegated the review, approval and/or rejection of all Sewer Charge Adjustment applications to Administration in accordance with the Sewer Charge Adjustment Policy No. 26-05. This Policy establishes criteria under which sanitary sewer charges may be adjusted or waived where Town supplied water is permanently and verifiably not discharged into the municipal sanitary sewer system.

## New Business

### 2026 Seniors' Week Proclamation

Council for the Town of Vermilion proclaimed June 01 – 07, 2026 as Seniors' Week in the Town of Vermilion. The Province of Alberta celebrates the 40th anniversary of Seniors' Week. Seniors' Week celebrates the contributions that seniors make to enhance the quality of life in Alberta. By declaring Seniors' Week, the Town of Vermilion is showing support for seniors and raising awareness of their important contributions across Alberta. The Town of Vermilion has booked the Vermilion Heritage Park to host an event on Tuesday June 2nd from 11:00am-1:00pm to host a BBQ luncheon and activities.

### 2026 Neighbour Day Proclamation

Council for the Town of Vermilion proclaimed June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2026 as Neighbour Day in the Town of Vermilion. Neighbour Day is an opportunity for residents to connect with one another, strengthen community relationships, and foster a sense of belonging and civic engagement. Municipalities across Alberta recognize Neighbour Day as a way to encourage residents to build stronger, safer, and more connected communities

through acts of kindness, neighbourhood gatherings, and volunteerism. VIBE is hosting a celebration at the new toddler playground on 52 Avenue and invites all members of the community to attend.

### **2026 National Public Works Week**

Council for the Town of Vermilion proclaimed May 17 – 23, 2026 as National Public Works Week in the Town of Vermilion. National Public Works Week is celebrated annually across Canada and North America to recognize the dedicated individuals who provide and maintain essential public infrastructure and municipal services. Public Works professionals play a vital role in ensuring the effective operation and maintenance of roads, water and wastewater systems, storm drainage, parks, municipal facilities, fleet operations, and other core municipal services.

### **Letter of Support in Principle – VIA Rail Prairie North Line Project**

Council for the Town of Vermilion moved to send a letter of support in principle to the City of Lloydminster regarding the VIA Rail Prairie North Line Project. The proposal would see VIA Rail service transition from the CN Main Line to the Prairie North Line through Humboldt, Saskatchewan, with the goal of improving rail accessibility, enhancing on-time performance, and strengthening regional connectivity for rural and Indigenous communities. At this stage, the request is intended to demonstrate regional interest and general support for the concept of improved passenger rail service and economic development opportunities associated with the project.

*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.*