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A Standing Committee of Council Meeting for the Town of Blackfalds was held on Monday, June 15, 2026, at 5018 Waghorn Street in Council Chambers, commencing at 6:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor Laura Svab
Deputy Mayor Brenda Dennis
Councillor Jim Sands
Councillor Shane Hanson
Councillor Ryan Brown
Councillor Aaron J. Hoyte
Councillor Cory Twerdoclib

ATTENDING

Kim Isaak, Chief Administrative Officer
Rick Kreklewich, Director of Community Services
Jeff Heindel, Parks & Facilities Manager
Rick Yelland-Kewin, Public Works Manager
Jessica Robinson, Executive & Legislative Coordinator
Renan Bravo, IT Technician

REGRETS

None

OTHERS PRESENT

None

1. WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER

Deputy Mayor Dennis welcomed everyone to the Standing Committee of Council Meeting of June 15, 2026, and called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

A Land Acknowledgement was read to recognize that the Town of Blackfalds is on Treaty 6 territory.

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

050/26 Councillor Hanson moved That Standing Committee of Council adopt the Agenda for June 15, 2026, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

051/26 Councillor Sands moved That Standing Committee of Council adopt the Minutes for May 19, 2026, as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. DELEGATIONS

None

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6. BUSINESS**6.1 Request for Direction, Proposed Residential Solid Waste Rate Revisions for 2027**

Manager Yelland-Kewin, presented as requested by Council an analysis of solid waste reserves, potential cost savings, and the resulting impact on residential utility bills.

Councillor Twerdoclib moved That Standing Committee of Council recommend Council to reduce the residential monthly solid waste rates from \$30.91 to \$26.01.

Prior to a vote on the foregoing motion, the following amendment was introduced.

052/26 Mayor Svab moved That “\$26.01” be struck and replaced with “\$25.81”.

CARRIED

Opposed: Councillor Twerdoclib

The original motion, as amended, was then back on the floor.

053/26 Councillor Twerdoclib moved That Standing Committee of Council recommend Council to reduce the residential monthly solid waste rates from \$30.91 to \$25.81.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6.2 Request for Direction, Community Centre Parking Lot/Lighting Project

Manager Heindel presented an update on the Community Centre Parking Lot/Lighting project.

054/26 Councillor Hanson moved That Standing Committee of Council recommend to Council to postpone the Community Centre Parking Lot and Lighting Project and reconsider the project during the 2027 budget deliberations.

CARRIED

Opposed: Councillor Hoyte

6.3 Request for Direction, Silverback Lacrosse - Provincial Grant Request

Director Kreklewich brought forward the Silverback Lacrosse- Provincial Grant Request.

Councillor Sands moved That Standing Committee of Council recommend the Silverbacks Lacrosse application through the Community Initiatives Grant be brought forward to the June 23, 2026, Regular Council Meeting.

Prior to a vote on the foregoing motion, the following amendment was introduced.

055/26 Councillor Hanson moved That the motion be amended by striking “Community Initiative Grant” and replacing with “Public Donation Policy”.

DEFEATED

*In favour: Councillor Hoyte
and Councillor Hanson*

The original motion was then back on the floor.

056/26 Councillor Sands moved That Standing Committee of Council recommend the Silverbacks Lacrosse application through the Community Initiatives Grant be brought forward to the June 23, 2026, Regular Council Meeting.

CARRIED

Opposed: Councillor Hanson

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RECESS

Deputy Mayor Dennis called for a five-minute recess at 7:08 p.m.

STANDING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL MEETING RETURNED TO ORDER

Deputy Mayor Dennis called the Standing Committee of Council Meeting back to order at 7:14 p.m.

7. CONFIDENTIAL

7.1 Award Nominations – ATIA Sections: 20 – Disclosure harmful to personal privacy & 22 – Confidential Evaluations

- 057/26** Mayor Svab moved That Standing Committee of Council move to a closed session commencing at 7:15 p.m., in accordance with Section 197(2) of the *Municipal Government Act*, to discuss item 7.1 Award Nominations, as per Sections 20 and 22 of the *Access to Information Act*.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Closed Session Attendance: Mayor Laura Svab, Deputy Mayor Brenda Dennis, Councillor Jim Sands, Councillor Shane Hanson, Councillor Ryan Brown, Councillor Aaron J. Hoyte, Councillor Cory Twerdoclib, and CAO Kim Isaak.

- 058/26** Councillor Hoyte moved That Standing Committee of Council move to come out of the closed session at 7:26 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

STANDING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL MEETING RETURNED TO ORDER

Deputy Mayor Dennis called the Standing Committee of Council Meeting back to order at 7:27 p.m.

Standing Committee of Council Meeting Attendance: Mayor Laura Svab, Deputy Mayor Brenda Dennis, Councillor Jim Sands, Councillor Shane Hanson, Councillor Ryan Brown, Councillor Aaron J. Hoyte, Councillor Cory Twerdoclib, and CAO Kim Isaak.

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- 059/26** Councillor Hoyte moved That Standing Committee of Council proceed as discussed in closed session.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8. ADJOURNMENT

Deputy Mayor Dennis adjourned the Standing Committee of Council Meeting at 7:29 p.m.

- Original Signed-

Jim Sands, Deputy Mayor

-Original Signed-

Kim Isaak, Chief Administrative Officer