MUNICIPALITY OF ACME
ORGANIZATIONAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Monday, October 26, 2026
6:00 p.m. Acme Village Office

COUNCIL PRESENT	Mayor	Jason Bates
	Deputy Mayor	Rhonda Laking
	Councillor	Bruce McLeod
	Councillor	David Simmons
	Councillor	Doreen Ternowetsky
COUNCIL ABSENT	None	
STAFF PRESENT	Administrative Advisor	Mike Haugen
	Deputy CAO	Colleen Herrera

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1. CALL TO ORDER CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM AND DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Advisor Mike Haugen called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

No conflicts of interest were declared.

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

RESOLUTION: 209-2026

MOVED By Councillor Ternowetsky

That the agenda be approved as presented:

Additions:
None

Deletions:
None

CARRIED

3. REVIEW OF MAYOR AND DEPUTY MAYOR ELECTION PROCEDURES

3.1 Review of Election Procedures

Council acknowledged the election procedures to be used for the election of Mayor and Deputy Mayor.

4. ELECTION OF MAYOR

The Advisor called for nominations for the position of Mayor for the Village of Acme for the 2026-2027 term for the first time.

Councillor Laking nominated Councillor Bates for the position of Mayor. Councillor Bates accepted the nomination.

The Advisor called for nominations for the position of Mayor a second time.

No nominations were received.

The Advisor called for nominations for the position of Mayor a third time.

No nominations were received.

Councillor Bates was declared Mayor for the Village of Acme for the 2026-2027 term by acclamation.

5. OATH OF OFFICE FOR MAYOR

Colleen Herrera administered the Official Oath of Office to Councillor Bates for the office of Mayor.

The role of Chairperson for the meeting was assumed by Mayor Bates.

6. ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR

Mayor Bates called for nominations for the position of Deputy Mayor for the Village of Acme for the 2026-2027 term for the first time.

Councillor Ternowetsky nominated Councillor Laking for the position of Deputy Mayor. Councillor Laking accepted the nomination.

Mayor Bates called for nominations for the position of Deputy Mayor a second time.

No nominations were received.

Mayor Bates called for nominations for the position of Deputy Mayor a third time.

No nominations were received.

Councillor Laking was declared Deputy Mayor for the Village of Acme for the 2026-2027 term by acclamation.

7. OATH OF OFFICE FOR DEPUTY MAYOR

Colleen Herrera administered the Official Oath of Office to Councillor Laking for the office of Deputy Mayor.

8. SIGNING AUTHORITY

RESOLUTION: 210-2026

MOVED By Councillor Simmons

That signing authority for the Village of Acme be any two of the following: Mayor Bates, Deputy Mayor Laking, Councillor McLeod, the Chief Administrative Officer, or Finance Manager Colleen Herrera for the purposes of signing on the account held at the Bank of Montreal in Acme and all other official documents requiring two signatures, effective October 26, 2026.

CARRIED

9. COUNCIL MEETING DATES

RESOLUTION: 211-2026

MOVED By Councillor McLeod

Regular Council Meetings be held at the Village of Acme Office on the second and fourth Monday of each month at 6:00 p.m., excepting December 28th, 2026, and the months of July and August in which the Regular Council Meetings shall be held on July 5th, 2027, and August 30th, 2027. And further, that should a scheduled Monday fall on a Statutory Holiday (or day in lieu) the meeting will be held on the following Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. at the Village of Acme Office.

CARRIED

10. COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

RESOLUTION: 212-2026

MOVED By Deputy Mayor Laking

That the following committee appointments be made until the next Organizational Meeting:

2026/2027 Village of Acme Committee Appointments October 26, 2026				
	COMMITTEE	**COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE**	**ALERNATIVE REPRESENTATIVE**	**MEMBERS AT LARGE**
	Committee of the Whole	All of Council		
Bylaw	**Acme Municipal Library Board - Council**	David Simmons		
	Acme Municipal Library Board - Members at Large			Colleen Herrera (1 year) Heather Berreth (1 year) Daniel Leronowich (1 year) Annette Peacock (2 years) Lanesha Dobson (2 years) Jaelyn Dobson (2 years) Teresa Moss (3 years) Dana Christiansen (3 years) Rhonda Laking (3 years)
	Municipal Planning Commission	David Simmons Doreen Ternowetsky Jason Bates		
Local	**Acme Hall Board**	Bruce McLeod	David Simmons	
	Acme Parent/School Council (PAC)	Doreen Ternowetsky	Rhonda Laking	
	Agricultural Society	Doreen Ternowetsky	Jason Bates	
	Asset Management Committee	Bruce McLeod	David Simmons	
	Sports Day Committee	Bruce McLeod	Doreen Ternowetsky	
Regional	**Aqua 7 Regional Water Commission**	Bruce McLeod	All	
	Community Futures Wild Rose	Rhonda Laking	Doreen Ternowetsky	
	Drumheller District Solid Waste	Bruce McLeod	Rhonda Laking	
	FCSS	Rhonda Laking	David Simmons	
	Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework	Jason Bates Bruce McLeod	David Simmons	
	Intermunicipal Development Plan	Jason Bates Bruce McLeod	David Simmons	

	Joint Regional Assessment Review Board	David Simmons	Rhonda Laking	
	Kneehill Housing Corporation	Doreen Ternowetsky	David Simmons	
	Kneehill Regional Partnership	Jason Bates	Bruce McLeod	
	Marigold Library		Rhonda Laking	Daniel Leronowich
	Medical Clinic Stabilization Committee	Jason Bates		
	Medical Recruitment and Retention Task Force	Doreen Ternowetsky	Bruce McLeod	
	Palliser Economic Partnership	Bruce McLeod	Jason Bates	
	Palliser Regional Municipal Services	Jason Bates	Bruce McLeod	
	Red Deer River Municipal User Group	Rhonda Laking	David Simmons	
	Regional Emergency Management Advisory Committee	David Simmons	Doreen Ternowetsky	
	Subdivision Development Appeal Board	Rhonda Laking		
Appointment	**Director of Emergency Management**	Brian Fradgley		
	Deputy Director of Emergency Management	Deb Grosfield		

CARRIED

LIBRARY APPOINTMENT

RESOLUTION: 212-2026

MOVED By Councillor McLeod

That the Council of the Village of Acme appoint Daniel Leronowich as the representative to Marigold Library System and Rhonda Laking as the alternate.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

RESOLUTION: 213-2026

MOVED By Mayor Bates

That Council adjourn the Organizational meeting at 6:34 p.m.

CARRIED

Meeting Adjourned at 5:34 p.m.

MAYOR
Jason Bates

DEPUTY CAO
Colleen Herrera