

COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

June 24, 2025

The Town of Didsbury Council held a Regular Council Meeting on Tuesday, June 24, 2025 in Council Chambers.

High School Scholarship

Council was pleased to present the 2025 Didsbury High School Scholarship award to Brendan Fifield. Council wished him well in his upcoming post-secondary education.

CAO Report

The CAO Report included updates on the following:

- Development Permits Issued as of June 18, 2025
- Transit Campaign
- Economic Development Web Tool

The CAO report can be found in the Agenda Packaage.

Bylaw 2025-09 Amending Land Use Bylaw - C3: Commercial District - Core and Bylaw 2025-10 Amending Land Use Bylaw

Following two public hearings, Council granted the third and final readings to two bylaws that amended the Land Use Bylaw. One amendment changed the C3 Commercial Core District to add Secondary Suites (Internal/External) as a Discretionary Use, and allowed the twenty two existing properties in the C3 District the ability to rebuild their dwellings in the event of a fire or natural disaster. The other amendment rezoned a portion of property in Valarosa for the addition of a pathway.

Council also directed Administration to bring an amendment to the Land Use Bylaw to address the current challenges with the C3 Commercial Core District and bring the bylaw to the next Council Meeting.

Golf Course Irrigation License

The Didsbury Golf Club relies on the water wells near the Butte water reservoir to fill ponds and provide irrigation for fairways & greens at the golf course. Council approved \$23,000 for water well work required to update the water wells, with the project being funded from the Strategic Initiatives and Contingency Reserve Fund.

Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) Program

Currently, the Town has a service contractor that provides bi-weekly curbside recycling services to ratepayers at a cost to the municipality. The cost is charged to the ratepayers through the Solid Waste fees. Council approved participation in the Extended Producer Responsibility Program for Single Use Packaging and Paper Products that would reduce the solid waste fees to town residents by approximately \$5 per month per household. The program will be implemented October 2026.

2025 Council Calendar Amendment – July 8, 2025

Council approved an amended 2025 Council Calendar which would shorten the Council break, allowing for an additional Regular Council Meeting on <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>July 8</u>, <u>2025 at 6:00pm</u> to address timely items that need to be addressed prior to the August 26, 2025 Regular Council Meeting.