



**Agenda
Town of Faro Regular Council Meeting
March 18, 2025, at 7:00 p.m.
Council Chambers**

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA
 - 2.1 Council Meeting Agenda
3. DELEGATIONS & HEARINGS
 - 3.1 RCMP Reports (January & February)
4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM DELEGATIONS & HEARINGS
 - 4.1
5. ADOPTION OF MINUTES
 - 5.1 Minutes of the March 4, 2025, Regular Meeting of Council
 - 5.2 Minutes of the March 11, 2025, Regular Meeting of Council
6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES
7. FINANCIAL
 - 7.1 Finance Report
8. REPORTS
 - 8.1 Mayor's Report
 - 8.2 Council Reports
 - 8.3 Administration's Reports
 - 8.3.1. Chief Administrative Officer
 - 8.3.2. Operations Manager
 - 8.3.3. Manager of Recreation and Culture
9. BYLAWS
 - 9.1 Bylaw 2025-02 Property Tax Bylaw
 - 9.2 Bylaw 2025-03 Annual Operating Bylaw
 - 9.3 Bylaw 2025-04 Capital Budget Bylaw
 - 9.4 Bylaw 2025-05 2025 Business Grant Bylaw
10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
11. NEW BUSINESS
 - 11.1 LOA – Councillor Wendy Michell-Larocque
 - 11.2
12. CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION (OUT & IN)
 - 12.1
13. PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD
14. IN-CAMERA
15. ADJOURNMENT

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**MONTHLY
POLICING REPORT
JANUARY 2025**

Ross River/Faro RCMP

“M” Division Yukon



Members of the Ross River and Faro RCMP Detachment responded to a total of 78 calls for service during the month of January 2025. Ross River Members responded to 54 calls and Faro Members responded to 24 calls. There were 12 prisoners lodged and none were remanded into custody during the month.

A breakdown and year to date comparison of these calls for service for the two communities follows below:

FARO

OCCURRENCES	January 2025	Year to Date 2025	January 2024	Year End Total 2024
Assaults	2	2	1	24
Threats	2	2	0	12
Break and Enters	0	0	0	4
Thefts (all categories)	0	0	0	2
Drugs (all categories)	0	0	1	6
Liquor Act	2	2	2	17
Cause Disturbance / Mischief	3	3	1	16
Mischief – damage to property	0	0	0	5
Impaired Driving	0	0	0	6
Check Stops – Impaired Checkstops	0	0	0	2
Motor Vehicle Collisions	0	0	0	10
False Alarms	1	1	0	18
Mental Health Act	1	1	0	13
Assistance	3	3	3	27
Missing Persons/Wellbeing Check	0	0	0	17
Other Complaints*	10	10	2	47
Total Charges laid	2	2	0	31
Total Calls for Service	24	24	10	247

**Other January 2025 complaints include: Animal calls (1), Crime Prevention (1), Excise Act (1), Fail to comply (3), Lost items (1), Family Law Act (1), Traffic Violations (2)*

ROSS RIVER

OCCURRENCES	January 2025	Year to Date 2025	January 2024	Year End Total 2024
Assaults	4	4	10	76
Threats	3	3	0	8
Break and Enters	1	1	0	14
Thefts (all categories)	1	1	2	27
Drugs (all categories)	3	3	2	28
Liquor Act	1	1	1	12
Cause Disturbance / Mischief	13	13	11	145
Mischief – damage to property	1	1	2	20
Impaired Driving	1	1	1	29
Check Stops – Impaired roadblocks	1	1	0	2
Vehicle Collisions	1	1	1	13
False Alarms	1	1	3	19
Mental Health Act	3	3	0	19
Assistance	5	5	8	54
Missing Persons/Wellbeing Check	3	3	4	32
Other Complaints*	12	12	5	98
Total Charges laid	2	2	1	82
Total Calls for Service	54	54	50	518

**Other January 2025 complaints include: Aeronautics Act (1) Failure to comply (6), 911 Calls (2), Lost Items (3), Dog Act (1)*

Prisoners	January 2025	Year to Date 2025	January 2024	Year End Total 2024
Prisoners held locally	12	12	9	96
Prisoners remanded	0	0	0	9

Annual Performance Plan (A.P.P.'S) Community Priorities

Community approved priorities are:

- Substance Abuse – Ross River and Faro RCMP to work in collaboration to detect and charge impaired drivers
- Record and Advance dialogue with communities and leadership. Continue to build positive relationships.
- Youth Engagement – Building Relationships
- Traffic – Increase Traffic Enforcement
- Work in Consultation with Social Services

A. Police Activities Supporting the A.P.P. Priorities

1. Youth/Community Involvement:

Faro:

Cst. OUELLET, Cst ROCHEFORT, and Cpl. AUSTRING made a presence during Faro Old Timers hockey, which including interacting and encouraging youth players who joined us for the ice time.

Cst. Noah ROCHEFORT has generously volunteered his time to coach youth volleyball at the DVG school. Noah played high level competitive volleyball, and has previous coaching experience.



Cst. ROCHEFORT & Cst. OUELLET coaching Faro Youth volleyball.

Cst. ROCHEFORT made a (2) school visits in the month of January.

Cst. ROCHEFORT is engaging with local First Nations youth for the upcoming 2026 First Nations Youth Leadership Workshop at depot.

Ross River:

Cpl. AUSTRING frequents the Ross River School for school walks and check ins with staff and the principal. Members have continued to make a presence in the school and at the Hope Centre throughout the month. Cpl. AUSTRING has been leading music for the Sunday service and was pulpit supply for the Pastor in his absence.

Ross River RCMP completed (19) school visits this month.

Cpl. AUSTRING took 24 local children and youth tobogganing on the Ross Hill.

Cpl. AUSTRING opened the Ross River Arena for local Youth Skating.

Cst. OUELLET, Cst. BARLCAY, and Cpl. AUSTRING volunteer with the Yukon Quest by transporting straw bails, dog food, and signage.

Cst. OUELLET is spearheading the Wounded Warrior men's program in partnership with Margaret Thompson Centre Drug/Alcohol Counsellor.

2. Faro and Ross River Joint project:

Impaired Driving/Substance Abuse Issues:

Ross River and Faro RCMP continue to patrol the Robert Campbell for police presence and investigate unusually activities and motor vehicle infractions. This month RCMP Members have spent a total of **136 hours** (New record) patrolling the Robert Campbell Highway. **18 hours** spent on-duty snowmobile/UTV patrols.



Cst. OUELLET patrolling the North Canol Road by snowmachine.

The Ross River / Faro Detachment continues to partner with Yukon Safer Communities and Neighbourhoods (SCAN) regarding prolific private properties and Yukon Housing residences engaged in illegal activities. Efforts continue on this front. SCAN has assisted greatly in the efforts to disrupt drug trafficking and bootlegging in 2024.

For bootlegging and drug investigations, the RCMP relies heavily on community members with drug or bootlegging information to make timely reports. Please encourage community members to make reports to police.

B. Dialogue with Communities and Leadership

1. Faro:

Members maintain a good working relationship with partners and community Leadership. Cpl. AUSTRING maintains communications with community leadership on a regular basis.

Members continue to meet regularly with Faro Conservation Officer Sgt. Cody SCHMIDT.

2. Ross River:

Ross River Members attend or maintain correspondence with the School, Health Centre, Margaret Thompson Centre, the Hope Centre, Ross River Dena Council Building and General Store all in an effort to address any concerns and maintain a positive relationship with community leaders. Cpl. AUSTRING met with the RRDC Justice Coordinator, and Band leadership.



Cst. ROCHEFORT and Cpl. AUSTRING attended the Ross River Interagency Meeting and met with Ross River Dena Council, RRDC Executive Director, Head Nurse, Psychiatric Nurse, EMS Supervisor, Business Arms of RRDC, YG Mental Health and Wellness, RRDC alcohol and drugs counsellors, RRDC Justice, RRDC early years programmer, and RR School Principal.

Cpl. AUSTRING met with the Ross River Dena Executive Director frequently throughout the month.

Cpl. AUSTRING keeps in weekly contact with the Commander Officer's First Nations Advisory Committee advisor.

Members regularly meet with Ross River Conservation Officer Parker ANTAL. Cst. OUELLET and Cpl. AUSTRING joined CO ANTAL for a full patrol of the Dena Cho trail.

Members have been in frequent communication with the new Probation Officer regarding shared clients.

C. Other Significant Events:

The Ross River / Faro RCMP received an InReach SOS activation advising an ultra-light two seater Chinook aircraft had crashed Northwest of Faro close to Rose Mountain. Info through Garmin determined the pilot had critical injuries, and the passenger had serious injuries. The pair did not have first air or survival gear. Cst. ROCHEFORT, Cpl. AUSTRING, CO SCHMIDT, CO ANTAL, and PDS Cpl. Cam LONG deployed on sled/foot locating the crash site and injured. Simultaneously, JRCC requested help from the Americans. Anchorage, AK, US Air Force base deployed their Pararescue Jumpers on a HH60 Pave Hawk helicopter with a support C130 aircraft. HH60 hoist burned out during the PJs insertion and the joint rescue team had to transport the patient to a safe HVC; off the mountain side and onto a river clearing. Once on the helo, both occupants transported to Faro Airport as the HH60 took rotor damage from trees during the landing. EMS medevac'd patients to Whitehorse General Hospital. Information

passed on to Transport Canada.



HH60 Pavehawk & RCMP Cruiser at the Faro Airport.



CO Parker ANTAL and Cst. ROCHEFORT after the patients were air lifted.

Staffing updates:

Currently, Ross River and Faro are at 80% staffing levels.

- Ross River members: Cst. Martin OUELLET, Cst, Andrew BARCLAY, Cst. Noah ROCHEFORT, and Cpl. Bayden AUSTRING
- Faro members: Cst. Mark FLANAGAN (ODS), Cst. Kristin LARTON
- Cst. FLANAGAN is long term Off-duty Sick

Efforts by the Yukon RCMP Relief Unit to assist Faro are also in the works in Cst. FLANAGAN's absence.

Cst. Andrew BARCLAY will be transferring to Manitoba at the end of March.

Cst. Noah BEGLAW and his wife will be transferring from Whitehorse Detachment to Ross River Detachment also at the end of March.



Ross River / Faro RCMP team building event "Ice Fishing at Coffee Lake" no fish were harmed or eaten.

If you have, any concerns feel free to email or phone the Ross River or Faro detachments.

Kind regards,

Corporal Bayden Austring
Detachment Commander – Ross River - Tūlidlini / Faro - Tse Zūl RCMP
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"...but the question of justice has concerned me greatly as of lately. And I say to any creature that may be listening. There can be no justice so long as laws are absolute. Even life itself is an exercise in exceptions."

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**MONTHLY
POLICING REPORT
FEBRUARY 2025**

Ross River/Faro RCMP

“M” Division Yukon



Royal Canadian Mounted Police Gendarmerie royale du Canada

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Members of the Ross River and Faro RCMP Detachment responded to a total of 48 calls for service during the month of February 2025. Ross River Members responded to 33 calls and Faro Members responded to 15 calls. There were 13 prisoners lodged and none were remanded into custody during the month.

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Ross River RCMP completed (8) school visits this month.

Cpl. AUSTRING took local children and youth tobogganing on the Ross Hill.



North Pelly Mountains taken by Cst. ROCHEFORT while he hiked and snowboarded down the Ross Hill.

Cst. OUELLET and Cst. ROCHEFORT met with the youth who canoed the Ross River in Summer 2024.

Cst. OUELLET, Cst. BARLCAY, and Cpl. AUSTRING volunteered with the Yukon Quest by assisting with storage and transport of straw bails, dog food, and other race supplies.

Cst. OUELLET continues to spearhead the Wounded Warrior men's program in partnership with Margaret Thompson Centre Drug/Alcohol Counsellor.

Cst. ROCHEFORT is coordinating an RCMP recruiting booth at the upcoming Ross River Career Fair hosted by Yukon University.

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B. Dialogue with Communities and Leadership

1. Faro:



Faro Detachment (still under construction) nearing completion

Members maintain a good working relationship with partners and community Leadership. Cpl. AUSTRING maintains communications with community leadership on a regular basis.

Cst. OUELLET, Cst. ROCHEFORT, and Cpl. AUSTRING attended the Faro Town Council meeting

meeting and presented the Monthly Policing Report for November/December 2024 in addition to introducing Cst. ROCHEFORT to leadership.

Members continue to meet regularly with Faro Conservation Officer Sgt. Cody SCHMIDT.

2. Ross River:



Old Ross village where the Ross River flows into the Pelly River.

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Cpl. AUSTRING keeps in weekly contact with the Commander Officer's First Nations Advisory Committee advisor.

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C. Other Significant Events:



IMPORTANT NOTICE:

The Ross River / Faro RCMP will be deploying Body Worn Cameras on every LOCAL regular Member. We will be receiving training mid-April and implementing the new cameras immediately after. The public should be aware that every interaction with RCMP could potentially be audio/video recorded. More information is available online.



Cpl. AUSTRING had the opportunity to represent the RCMP in goal during the annual Guns n' Hoses charity Hockey game. The RCMP took the title this year with a 11-7 win over the Fire fighters.

RCMP MEDIA RELEASE – FIREARMS TRAFFICKING CHARGES:

Ross River RCMP investigators have recovered several stolen firearms and charged two adult males following separate and unrelated investigations.

On November 26, 2024, Ross River RCMP received a report of a break and enter at a residence where two rifles were stolen. Through the course of the investigation, police were able to recover the firearms and Robert Power, was arrested and charged with:

- Possession of a weapon obtained by crime;
- Unauthorized possession of a firearm;
- Weapons trafficking;
- Possession of property obtained by crime.

On November 30, 2024 police received a report of a rifle that was stolen. Police have since recovered this firearm and have charged Michael Bondarchuk with weapons trafficking and unauthorized possession of a firearm.

Mr. Bondarchuk and Mr. Power were arrested on February 19, 2025 and held in custody for court on February 20. They were both released on Release Orders with conditions including a court appearance for March 6, 2025 in Ross River.

Ross River RCMP request that anyone with information about these incidents to contact Ross River RCMP at 867-969-5555 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477).

Staffing updates:

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Efforts by the Yukon RCMP Relief Unit to assist Faro are also in the works in Cst. FLANAGAN's absence. Whitehorse RCMP Members supported the Faro detachments for a total of 12 shifts in the month of February.

Cst. Andrew BARCLAY will be transferring to Manitoba at the end of March. He will be greatly missed by the team here in Ross River and Faro. All the best Cst. BARCLAY, thank you for all your hard work, and please keep in touch.

Cst. Noah BEGLAW and his wife will be transferring from Whitehorse Detachment to Ross River Detachment also at the end of March. They are truly excited to join the community.



If you have, any concerns feel free to email or phone the Ross River or Faro detachments.

Kind regards,

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**Town of Faro
Regular Meeting Minutes
March 4, 2025, at 7:00 p.m.
Council Chambers**

PRESENT:

Mayor	Jack Bowers	Chief Adm Officer	Larry Baran
Councillors	Gary Jones	Ops Manager	Paul Medvid
	Michelle Vainio	Mgr Rec & Culture	Tina Freake
	Wendy Michell-Larocque	Executive Assistant	Tracy Sawicki
	Neil Yee		

Delegation Chris Potvin & Michel Lefebvre, Roman Catholic Diocese of Whitehorse

Public Present: 15 Public on Zoom: 1

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Bowers called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Resolution 25-051

Jones/Vainio

THAT the agenda for the March 4, 2025, Meeting of Council be adopted as presented.

Carried

3. DELEGATION

Resolution 25-052

Vainio/ Michell-Larocque

THAT Council do now move into Committee of the Whole to hear from the delegations.

Carried

Chris Potvin & Michel Lefebvre, Roman Catholic Diocese of Whitehorse, discussed plans to replace the Catholic church building in Faro.

Resolution 25-053

Yee/Jones

THAT Council do now move into Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM DELEGATION

Resolution 25-054

Jones/ Michell-Larocque

THAT Council propose a flat-rate of \$60,000 for the landfill tipping fees resulting from the demolition of replacement of the Catholic Church in Faro by the Roman Catholic Diocese of Whitehorse.

Carried

5. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Resolution 25-055

Jones/Michell-Larocque

THAT The minutes of the February 18, 2025, Regular Meeting of Council be adopted as presented.

Carried

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Nothing Presented.

7. FINANCIAL

Resolution 25-056

Michell-Larocque/Vainio

THAT Council receive for information the Finance Officer's report, including the Payment Register Summary and acknowledge the Cheque Register for the period February 13 – 26, 2025.

Carried

8. REPORTS

Mayor's Report

Mayor Bowers reported on the current status of the budget and CAO recruitment processes.

Council Reports

Councillor Jones complimented Town Public Works staff on their professionalism at a recent excavation, as well as his investigation of developing a local Chamber of Commerce.

Councillor Vainio reported on her attendance at the recent Chiefs & Mayors Forum in Whitehorse where four main topics were discussed: *Animal Protection Act*; Community Safety; Emergency Preparedness; Boundary Expansion.

Councillor Michell-Larocque thanked the Recreation Staff for their recent Ice Work Squirm event.

Councillor Yee asked if the next budget meeting would be open to the public. He noted his progress in forming a local Inter-Agency Group. He noted that he would like to discuss ideas for community events that would bring a wider range of people out.

Administration's Reports

Chief Administrative Officer

CAO Baran summarized his written Report and responded to questions by Council.

Operations Manager

Manager Medvid summarized his written Report and responded to questions by Council.

General Manager of Recreation and Culture

Manager Freake summarized her written Report and responded to questions by Council.

9. BYLAWS

9.1 Bylaw 2025-01 – Water & Sewer Bylaw

Resolution 25-057

Jones/Vainio

THAT Council provide Second Reading of **Bylaw 2025-01, Water & Sewer Bylaw.**

Councillor Jones reads the Bylaw.

Council to discuss.

Resolution 25-058

Jones/Yee

THAT Council do now move into Committee of the Whole for questions regarding Bylaw #2025-01.

Carried

Mayor Jack Bowers called for questions from the gallery and from ZOOM.

Resolution 25-059

Michell-Larocque/Jones

THAT Council do now revert to Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried

Vote called on Bylaw Resolution 25-057

Mayor Bowers declares Bylaw #2025-01 having been read a Second time this 4th day of March, 2025.

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Nothing Presented.

Carried

11. NEW BUSINESS

11.1 Special Request during Residential Lot Development

Resolution 25-060

Jones/Michell-Larocque

THAT Council approve a temporary annual permit for the developer of Lot 207 to place and reside in a travel trailer during the construction of a permanent residence, with the permit to be renewed annually up to a maximum of three (3) years.

Carried

12. CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION (OUT & IN)

Nothing Presented.

13. PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

Resolution 25-061

Vainio/Jones

THAT Council do now move into Committee of the Whole for public questions.

Carried

Council responded to questions from the gallery.

Resolution 25-062

Michell-Larocque/Jones

THAT Council do now revert into Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried

14. IN CAMERA

Resolution 25-063

Vainio/Michell-Larocque

THAT Council do now recess and reconvene *in-camera*.

Carried

In Camera discussion re: land, legal, & human resource matters

Resolution 25-064

Jones/Vainio

THAT Council do now revert into Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried

Resolution 25-065

Jones/Vainio

THAT, pending the announcement and award of the 2nd round of Housing Accelerator Fund (HAF) to the Town of Faro, that Council contract Elevator Yukon to provide

Management Services of the Town of Faro – Housing Accelerator Fund grant for the period of 2025 to 2028 as per the proposal reviewed on March 4, 2025.

Carried

At 9:48 p.m., Mayor Bowers noted the time but asked that Council discuss one more confidential matter, and he excused Senior Staff and Councillor Yee.

Resolution 25-066

Vainio/Michell-Larocque

THAT Council do now move *in-camera*.

Carried

In Camera discussion re: legal & human resource matters

As it appeared the conversation was going to extend past 10:00 p.m., and a Resolution was required to extend the meeting beyond 10:00 p.m., Mayor Bowers requested a resolution to return to open session to complete that resolution.

Resolution 25-067

Jones/Vainio

THAT Council do now revert into Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried

Resolution 25-068

Jones/Vainio

THAT Council extend the meeting for a maximum of one (1) hour.

Carried

Resolution 25-069

Vainio/Michell-Larocque

THAT Council move *in-camera*.

Carried

In Camera discussion re: legal & human resource matters

Resolution 25-070

Jones/Michell-Larocque

THAT Council do now revert into Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried

15. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution 25-071

Jones/Vainio

THAT the March 4, 2025, Regular Meeting of Council be adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

Carried

Approved at the Regular Meeting of
Council held on _____ by _____
Resolution # 24-____

Jack Bowers, Mayor

Larry Baran, CAO



**Town of Faro
Special (Budget) Meeting Minutes
March 11, 2025, at 7:00 p.m.
Council Chambers**

PRESENT:

Mayor	Jack Bowers	Chief Adm Officer	Larry Baran
Councillors	Gary Jones	GM, Finance	Lenka Kazda
	Michelle Vainio	Ops Manager	(excused)
	Wendy Michell-Larocque	Mgr Rec & Culture	Tina Freake
	Neil Yee	Executive Assistant	(excused)

Public Present: 1 Public on Zoom: 0

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Bowers called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Resolution 25-072

Jones/Michell-Larocque

THAT the agenda for the March 11, 2025, Meeting of Council be adopted as presented.

Carried

3. BUDGET DISCUSSIONS

3.1 Bylaw 2023-04 Fees & Charges Bylaw – Schedule “A” review

Resolution 25-073

Vainio/Jones

THAT Council adjust Schedule “A” of Bylaw 2023-04, the Fees & Charges Bylaw, as reviewed with Administration on March 11, 2025.

Defeated

Mayor Bowers noted that, as there was more research needed in various fees & charges, Administration should bring an updated Schedule “A” for review at the April 1, 2025 Regular Council Meeting.

3.2 Property Tax Mill Rate Review

Resolution 25-074

Vainio/Jones

THAT Council authorize a Zero Percent increase, over the 2024 property tax rate, for 2025 property taxes.

Carried

4. CORRESPONDENCE

4.1 Letter to Honorable Kate White, Leader of the Third Party

Resolution 25-075

Vainio/Jones

THAT Council approve and authorize a letter to be sent to the Honorable Kate White, Leader of the Third Party, regarding her suffering a recent incident of vandalism.

Carried

5. PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

Resolution 25-076

Jones/Michell-Larocque

THAT Council do now move into Committee of the Whole for public questions.

Carried

There were no questions from the Gallery.

Resolution 25-077

THAT Council do now revert into Regular Meeting of Council.

Jones/Yee

Carried

6. IN CAMERA

Resolution 25-078

THAT Council do now recess and reconvene *in-camera*.

Jones/Michell-Larocque

Carried

In camera discussion

Resolution 25-079

THAT Council do now revert into Regular Meeting of Council.

Jones/Michell-Larocque

Carried

7. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution 25-079

THAT the March 11, 2025, Special (Budget) Meeting of Council be adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

Michell-Larocque/Vainio

Carried

Approved at the Regular Meeting of
Council held on _____ by
Resolution # 24-____

Jack Bowers, Mayor

Larry Baran, CAO



**TOWN OF FARO
MEMORANDUM**

To: Mayor & Council, CAO
Date: March 12, 2025
From: Lenka Kazda, General Manager, Finance
Re: Report to Council Meeting March 18, 2025

Bank reconciliation for February 2025 was completed.

I am in the final stages of finalizing year-end for our annual audit. I am still waiting for some info from our managers, and I will be able to start working on the package for the auditor after I receive it. The audit will be done remotely.

Payroll:

03/05/2025	Town Employees	\$ 37,270.87	February 17 – March 2, 2025 Pay Period
03/05/2025	Council Indemnities	\$ 5,801.20	February 1 - 28, 2025 Pay Period

Payment Register Summary February 27 – March 12, 2025

Administration	3,907.25
Professional Fees & Remittance	54,419.14
PW and Gardening	8,794.3
Recreation and CRIC	6,561.59
Utilities	47,298.36
Total	120,980.68

Resolution: 25-____

THAT Council receive for information the Finance Manager's report, including the Payment Register Summary and acknowledge the Cheque Register for the period February 27 – March 12, 2025.

Moved: _____

Seconded: _____

Any discussion?

All in Favour?

Carried/Defeated



TOWN OF FARO MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor & Council

March 18, 2025

From: Larry Baran, CAO

Re: CAO's Report to Council

As Council reviews this Report, if you have any questions, I will be happy to provide more information. I apologize for being able to attend this meeting, but I thank Lenka Kazda for again assuming the Acting CAO role during my absence this week. None-the-less, I am providing a short report for Council and look forward to providing more information next meeting.

Budget Meetings

Before I get into this report, I want to compliment Council on your diligence in addressing all requirements in preparation for the 2025 Operating and Capital Budgets. For most of you, it was about seeking more information before you felt confident in making decisions. On behalf of all staff, I thank you for your thoughtful questions and discussions during all five budget meetings. Lenka has drafted the four necessary bylaws that will be considered this evening, and hopefully Council will complete 1st & 2nd readings on all of them. Then, with 3rd & Final Reading planned for the April 1st Regular Council Meeting, Faro will again meet the annual legislated requirements of having these bylaws in place by April 15th.

Development in Faro

I am pleased to note that a few of the YG residential lots on Ladue, which were offered by lottery, have sold and the Town Office is responding to inquiries about the development process. At the same time, there seems to be some interest in two properties that were recovered through the 2024 Tax Lien process. 2025 could potentially be a good year for development in Faro.

Civic Addressing

Tracy & I recently met with the lead on the YG Civic Addressing Project, and we are responding to a variety of questions that need clarification. It is quite possible that Faro's outstanding issues could be resolved by the end of April, making way for 9-1-1 implementation in the near future.

Community Emergency Management Plan –Tabletop Exercise

The next tabletop exercise is scheduled for Thursday, March 27th and Cody Goulin from Yukon EMO is scheduled to lead the exercise. It is anticipated that between 20 & 30 people will participate in the exercise. As mentioned in a previous CAO's Report, Ms Jacqueline Mills, Yukon Emergency Management Planner, has brought a variety of home & institutional air filtration systems that the Town can use in case of another heavy year of wildfire smoke. In the event of another heavy-smoke occurrence, the Recreation Centre will have a room set up where the air will be filtered, and the Town has been provided a few smaller home unit fans with a HEPA filter attached that can be used by people with breathing or respiratory issues.

BTW: All provinces and territories are preparing for another heavy year of wildfires. According to the Canadian Interagency Forest Fire Centre National Fire Summary, there were 5,686 fires

recorded nationally in 2024, burning a total of 5,378,075 hectares. Of that, an estimated 206,201.2 hectares burned in the Yukon. Usually a good indicator of the potential of a bad wildfire season, the March assessment of the Annual Yukon Snowpack Report is supposed to be released soon. At the recent AYC Board meeting, Minister Mostyn also noted that the wildfire fighter response season for 2025 will be extended from what they had in 2024.

Housing Accelerator Fund (HAF) – Second Round Announcements

I am pleased that CMHC has awarded Faro the HAF Grant of +\$165K. I am also pleased that Council has contracted the administration of these projects to Elevator Yukon. I had a meeting with Jordan Stackhouse and Ms Alex Hill last Thursday afternoon, to ensure that Faro can start working on the six incentives that the Town committed to accomplish over the next 4 years. Based on those discussions, Council should see several HAF projects moving forward as early as April. Alex has also confirmed that either she or Jordan will have regular progress reports for Council.

New Zoning Bylaw

I've had the initial meeting with Elevator Yukon regarding the new Zoning Bylaw, and a draft outline of the proposed process should be ready for presentation and review by Council at the April 1st Regular Council Meeting.

New Water & Sewer Bylaw

I will be bringing Bylaw 2025-01, the Water & Sewer Bylaw, to Council for 3rd & Final Reading at the April 1st Regular Council Meeting. *(April 1st looks to be a busy meeting)*

Phase 2 Infrastructure Work

At a recent meeting with YG Project, Paul & I had it confirmed that there is still no resolution with the Phase 2 Underground Services contractor. That means construction was halted in 2023, there was no progress in 2024, and there will be no progress in 2025. YG Project Management is currently looking at restructuring all of the proposed Phase 2 to Phase 5 project cycles, especially in light of the reality that construction costs have escalated so dramatically in the last few years.

The NEW Phase 3 work, which has yet to be fully defined (let alone engineered), will need to address the uncompleted work from the original Phase 2 work, and ONLY include the most important aspects of the original Phase 3 on Dawson Drive. This is expected to be a 2026 Infrastructure Project. I hope that Faro will take a stronger lead in the Phase 3 work.

Important: *Because the funds initially set aside for all 5 Phases of projects is now being reduced in purchasing power, due to the inflation experienced in the last 5 to 7 years, it will become needful to revisit ALL unfinished infrastructure work to create new priorities and new timelines.*

Focused on Faro

My apologies, but February slipped into March so quickly that we totally missed the March 2025 edition of the "Focused on Faro". Staff & I are working to get the April edition ready for circulation the last week in March. This will be especially important in preparation for the **2025 Crane & Sheep Festival**.

Recruiting of New CAO

I will ask Mayor Bowers to provide an update.

Anvil Range Arts Society (ARAS) – Regional Arts Centre Pre-Feasibility Study

A community open house & dinner is planned for Monday, March 24th to discuss more information about the proposed Regional Arts Centre. ARAS will be seeking input from members of the regional arts community, but the general public as well, on the proposal.

AYC Conference & AGM in April

As I will not be attending, I will ask Council to provide reports about these sessions at future Council Meetings.

Land: Faro Golf Club – Subdivision of Property

Nothing new to report

Land: Lot 42 (Murray Hampton Park)

I am following up on the request from the Town of Faro to acquire this land for recreational purposes has been sent from YG Energy, Mines, & Resources to YG Land Management. I have requested that they expedite the processing of this request so that it can be completed prior to the end of April.

Strategic Planning Session

Nothing new to report

Recreation Centre Kitchen Project

Nothing new to report

Regional Waste Management Agreement (RWMA)

Nothing new to report

Other Projects in 2025

While the following topics are still being monitored and considered active, Administration has nothing new to report at this time.

1. **Canada Community-Building Fund (CCBF)**
2. **Small Communities Fund (2016) – Landfill Projects**
3. **Faro Search & Rescue**
4. **New Industrial Subdivision (Mitchell Industrial Development)**
5. **New Country-Residential Subdivision for Faro**
6. **YG Land Leases – Arboretum**
7. **YG Land Leases – Ski Chalet**
8. **Bylaws - Property Maintenance Bylaw (2017-09)**
9. **Policies - New Council Purchasing Policy**
10. **Animal Shelter**
11. **Asset Management System (AMS)**
12. **Recovery of Properties**

CAO's Administration Calendar (*incl Mayor & Council meeting dates & times*)

- Mar 15 Community Ice Fishing Derby (*Fisheye Lake*)
- Mar 18 Regular Council Meeting
- Mar 24 ARAS Community Meeting re Regional Arts Centre Feasibility
- Mar 26 Council Workshop – Bylaw 2024-03 Review
- Mar 27 Community Emergency Management Plan Tabletop Exercise

- Apr 01 Regular Council Meeting
- Apr 15 Regular Council Meeting
(*NOTE: 2025 Budgets MUST be passed no later than this date*)
- Apr 17 Quarterly Housing Accelerator Fund (HAF) Review Date

- Apr 18 Good Friday – Office Closed
 - Apr 21 Easter Monday – Office Closed
 - Apr 25 & 26 AYC Conference (*Council – Haines Junction*)
 - Apr 27 AYC Board Meeting (*Council – Haines Junction*)
 - Apr 30 Circuit Court in Faro

 - May 01 First Review Date for Sale of Lot 258
 - May 02-04 Crane & Sheep Festival 2025 weekend
 - May 04-10 National Emergency Preparedness Week
 - May 06 Regular Council Meeting
 - May 15 Joint Health & Safety Committee Meeting
 - May 19 Victoria Day – Office Closed
 - May 20 Regular Council Meeting

 - Jun 03 AYC Executive – Site Visit to Faro
 - Jun 03 Regular Council Meeting
 - Jun 10-12 Faro Mine Remediation Project Regulatory Working Group
(*Effluent Quality Standards and the Remediation Plan Design*)
 - Jun 17 Regular Council Meeting
 - Jun 19 Joint Health & Safety Committee Meeting
 - Jun 21 National Indigenous Peoples Day (Saturday)
 - Jun 23 In Lieu of National Indigenous Peoples Day - Office Closed
 - Jun 25 Circuit Court in Faro

 - Jul 01 Canada Day - Office Closed
 - Jul 08 Regular Council Meeting
 - Jul 22 Regular Council Meeting

 - Aug 12 Regular Council Meeting
 - Aug 18 Discovery Day - Office Closed
 - Aug 20 Circuit Court in Faro

 - Sep 01 Labour Day - Office Closed
 - Sep 02 Regular Council Meeting
 - Sep 16 Regular Council Meeting
 - Sep 30 National Day for Truth and Reconciliation - Office Closed

 - Oct 07 Regular Council Meeting
 - Oct 13 Thanksgiving Day - Office Closed
 - Oct 15 Circuit Court in Faro
 - Oct 21 Regular Council Meeting

 - Nov 04 Regular Council Meeting
 - Nov 11 Remembrance Day - Office Closed
 - Nov 18 Regular Council Meeting

 - Dec 02 Regular Council Meeting
 - Dec 16 Regular Council Meeting
 - Dec 25 Christmas Day - Office Closed
 - Dec 26 Boxing Day - Office Closed
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**Town of Faro
MEMORANDUM**

To: Mayor & Council

Mar.13, 2025

From: Paul Medvid, Operations Manager

Re: PW report to Council for March 18, 2025

Landfill – Please do not put metals, E-waste, and Hazardous Waste into our Hyd-A-Way Bins around town. All these items are free to dispose of at our landfill. Items such as fluorescent bulbs, oil jugs with oil or oil residue, and any e-waste such as vacuums, old DVD players, or anything with electrical connection, is considered E-waste. Please stop in and talk with our friendly landfill operator (Francois) and he will be able to direct you to the proper locations for disposal. If he happens to be away fulfilling his bylaw role, metal goes in the metal pile, old oil goes into the white tank next to the Hazardous waste shack, oil filters, batteries, fluorescent lights, and anything hazardous can be put in the hazardous waste shack next to the Landfill Office. The new LED lighting has now been installed in the landfill office, along with rebuilt plumbing and minor electrical upgrades. The electronic gates are now installed and functioning properly which will allow the removal of the old steel gates in the spring.

Roads – Snow removal remains ongoing, and we would like to remind Council and the public to avoid parking on thoroughfares during snow events. As we have accumulated volume throughout the first half of winter, we will begin removing some of the piles that are staged in various areas. Sanding of travel zones will continue as well to ensure safe access & egress around town. We have also begun pulling ditches and tramming snow in an effort to reduce snow volume and this will occur once more before spring thaw hits. The street sweeper that the Town purchased last season will be arriving the first week of March and we look forward to utilizing this equipment.

Wells – Well 6 is functioning very well and is providing exceptional water quality and quantity. One final trench and cable run remain unfinished along with reinstatement of the protective fencing around Well House 1, but this work will be completed in the Spring. The well is protected via locked cage for the winter season, however once the earth works has settled out and been brought to final grade, the shack can be built. We are working closely with EHS to provide the highest quality of water to the residents.

Property Development – The Mitchell Rd industrial infrastructure work will begin in the spring after survey verification of Right of Way to build the road and begin service installation. We have recently shown a few properties and expect to finalize sales within the next few months.

Pumphouse 3 Backup Generator – The generator and ATS (auto transfer switch) have now arrived in Faro, along with all related contactors and hardware. We were able to incur substantial savings on the transportation costs as we were able to bring these units up on the same loads as the street sweeper. With Yukon Energy's assistance, we still need to step down the transformers to prevent over voltage issues in the future. Warmer temperatures and longer daylight hours will assist with the next phase which will include heating and hording the concrete pads in order to epoxy in the anchors.

FireSmart – Crews had completed the 2024 FireSmart program and it went very well. The trail upgrades are not only functional but vastly increase the safety of our community in the event of wildfire. We have recently learned that Faro was one of only a small number of communities that fully utilized the available funding, and that more funding is now available. This funding allows us to almost double the duration of this very beneficial program. Saturday, May 03, 2025 is Wildfire Community Preparedness Day and we plan to have a table set up at the Crane & Sheep Festival where we can discuss and further educate and inform people on wildfire safety. Administration was able to successfully apply for the 2025 Wildfire Community Preparedness Grant to make this possible.

Upcoming immediate projects not mentioned –

- We are continuing various internal safety and operational audits of our infrastructure and our process and will be looking at best management practices associated with the activities or tasks we complete. We have utilized CMP Engineering to assist us with building a new safety system. We have received the first draft for review and are very excited about this project and the benefits of having it place.
- As a group, we have increased focus on preventative maintenance and sourcing of critical spares as we proactively deal with an aging infrastructure.
- Brushing around our buildings and structures along with many of our walking trails is on-going.
- During our facilities audits, we recognized the need for energy efficient lighting and some retrofits to our facilities such as increased service intervals of furnaces, doors in need of replacement, or emergency lighting and new smoke detectors and have undertaken those projects as not only improved safety and compliance but asset protection.
- Crews are planning for the spring and have already completed much of the maintenance required on seasonal equipment such as mowers, trimmers, and gardening equipment. We have also began building items such as picnic tables and many other carpentry projects in an effort to continually improve our community. We have now placed our yearly flower order as well.
- As we approach spring, we are confirming our ability to screen, test and then make composted topsoil available for sale to the public in the spring.
- The build of a new wildland fire rescue truck that was long planned has begun in preparation for the upcoming season.
- In an effort to improve our safety protocols and procedures, the ToF ordered 50 temporary construction safety panels that can be utilized to secure any open excavations or unsafe work areas to further protect the public from hazards.
- After many years of discussion, we are very pleased to say that work on the Rec Centre emergency kitchen, planned to accommodate many people in the event of an emergency or natural disaster, has begun thanks to countless hours current and past administrative work in planning and securing the required funding
- The ToF has completed the applicable paperwork and can now assist Parsons in various ways in what will undoubtedly prove to be a mutually beneficial relationship. We have undertaken a pipe replacement dig and it is going well. It is expected that we will complete this project within the next week.



TOWN OF FARO BYLAW 2025-02

"A Bylaw to adopt the 2025 Property Tax Rates"

WHEREAS Section 220 of the *Municipal Act*, Chapter 154, Statutes of the Yukon, provides that Council may create bylaws; and

WHEREAS Section 55 (2) of the *Assessment and Taxation Act* ("*Taxation Act*"), being Chapter 13 of the Revised Statutes of the Yukon, 2002, states that each taxing authority other than the Commissioner in Executive Council shall, by bylaw made on or before April 15 in each year, levy taxes in accordance with this Act on all taxable real property that is in its jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS Section 55 (3) (c) of the *Taxation Act* states that a taxing authority may, in respect of taxes levied under this section, establish different classes of real property, and vary the tax rate according to the class of real property to be taxed; and

WHEREAS Sections 60 (1) of the *Taxation Act* states that except as provided by subsection (2), the minimum tax payable in any year under Section 55 is \$100 in respect of the total assessed value of any real property under subsection 13(7); and

WHEREAS Sections 60 (2) of the *Taxation Act* states that a municipality may by bylaw provide for a different amount for the minimum tax payable under subsection (1) in respect of real property located in the municipality, and it may establish a minimum amount of tax for land on which there is no improvements that is different from the minimum amount of tax for other real property;

NOW THEREFORE the Municipal Council of the Town of Faro in the Yukon Territory, in open meeting assembled, hereby ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1.0 Citation of Bylaw

1.1 This Bylaw may be cited as the "**2025 Property Tax Bylaw**".

2. Purpose and Application

2.1 The intent of this Bylaw is to establish the taxing regime for all properties within the administrative boundaries of the Town of Faro.

3. Definitions

3.1 In this Bylaw, the following terms or phrases shall be interpreted as follows:

3.1.1 "Residential" means all classes of real property used primarily for residential use, other than Country Residential, and are designated on the assessment roll as RS1, RS2, RCM, RMH, or RSM.

3.1.2 "Non-residential" means all classes of real property used primarily for commercial, industrial and public purposes and are designated on the assessment roll as CMC, CMH, CML, CMS, INS, MHI, MSI, OSP, PRC, or QRY.

3.1.3 "Country Residential" means all classes of real property designated on the assessment roll as REC or RSC.

3.1.4 "Unimproved" means all real property under any of the above designations on which there are no improvements assessed.

3.1.5 "Assessment Roll" means the current Town of Faro Assessment Roll.

3.1.6 "Total Assessment" means the combined total of the assessed value of land and improvements for real property as listed on the tax roll.

4. General Operation of the Bylaw

4.1 There shall be levied upon all taxable Residential real property in the Town of Faro, a general tax for 2025 at the rate of 1.68 percent of the total assessment.

4.2 There shall be levied upon all taxable Non-Residential real property within the Town of Faro a general tax for 2025 at the rate of 1.94 percent of the total assessment.

4.3 There shall be levied upon all taxable Country Residential real property in the Town of Faro a general tax for 2025 at the rate of 1.49 percent of the total assessment.

4.4 There shall be levied upon all taxable Unimproved real property within the Town of Faro a general tax for 2025 at the rate of 2.06 percent of the total assessment.

4.5 As provided for under Section 60(2) of the Act, a minimum tax shall be applied when the percent rate applicable under Sections 3, 4, or 5 results in an amount less than the minimum tax of:

4.5.1 three hundred eleven dollars (\$311) for all taxable Residential and Non-Residential real properties; or,

4.5.2 two hundred seven dollars (\$207) for all other taxable real properties.

4.6 If any section, sub-section, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Bylaw is for any reason held invalid, the validity of the remaining sections of the Bylaw shall not be affected by the decision.

5. Effective Date

5.1 Bylaw 2024-04 shall be rescinded.

5.2 This Bylaw shall come into effect upon Third and Final Reading.

READ A FIRST TIME this day of March 2025.

Town of Faro

READ A SECOND TIME this day of March, 2025.

READ A THIRD TIME and finally passed this day of April 2025.

Jack Bowers, Mayor

Larry Baran, CAO



TOWN OF FARO BYLAW 2025-03

"A Bylaw to adopt the 2025 Annual Operating Budget"

WHEREAS Section 220 of the *Municipal Act* ("the Act"), Chapter 154, Statutes of the Yukon, provides that Council may create bylaws; and

WHEREAS Section 238 (1) of *the Act*, provides that on or before April 15 in each year, Council shall cause to be prepared and adopted by bylaw an annual operating budget;

NOW THEREFORE the Municipal Council of the Town of Faro in the Yukon Territory, in open meeting assembled, hereby ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1.0 Citation of Bylaw

1.1 This bylaw may be cited as the "2025 Annual Operating Budget Bylaw".

2. Purpose and Application

2.1 The intent of this bylaw is to authorize the expenditure of funds for the normal maintenance and operations of the Town of Faro for fiscal year 2025 (January 1, 2025 to December 31, 2025).

3. General Operation of the Bylaw

3.1 The 2025 Annual Operating Budget attached hereto as Schedule "A" and forming part of this bylaw, is hereby adopted.

3.2 The expenditures referred to in Schedule "A" shall not be amended, altered, or varied in such a manner which increases the total expenditure, except by Bylaw.

3.3 A bank account with a minimum balance of \$10,000 shall be maintained separately from the Town's general investments to cover monies held in trust by the Town for the year.

3.4 Notwithstanding Clause 3.2, Council may by a unanimous resolution, rededicate, reallocate, or otherwise reassign funding within the budget provided that the total expenditures authorized by this bylaw are not exceeded.

4. Effective Date

4.1 Bylaw 2024-05 shall be rescinded.

4.2 This Bylaw shall come into effect upon Third and Final Reading.

READ A FIRST TIME this day of March, 2025.

READ A SECOND TIME this day of March, 2025.

READ A THIRD TIME and finally passed this day of April, 2025.

Jack Bowers, Mayor

Larry Baran, CAO

Ordinary Income/Expense**Income**

0301 · Council/Legislative	1,300.00
0302 · Administrative	3,730,231.00
0333r · Protective Service	34,256.00
0338r · Public Works r	83,800.00
0345r · Environmental Use & Protection	450,300.00
0355r · Economic Development	6,000.00
0362r · Recreation and Culture	75,669.00
4950000 · Amortization not Funded	1,200,000.00
4999999 · Transfer from Gen. Surpl. Oper.	97,986.00

Total Income	<u>5,679,542.00</u>
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Gross Profit	5,679,542.00
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Expense

0333e · Protective Services e	159,307.00
0338e · Public Works e	1,460,867.00
0345e · Environmental Use and Protectio	591,370.00
0355e · Economic Development e	43,110.00
0362e · Recreation & Culture	785,731.00
0370 · Council / Legislative	147,141.00
0375 · Administrative e	1,292,016.00
5670000 · Amortization	1,200,000.00

Total Expense	<u>5,679,542.00</u>
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Net Ordinary Income	0.00
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Other Income/Expense**Other Income**

7000000 · Capital Funding	732,297.00
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Total Other Income	<u>732,297.00</u>
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Other Expense

8000000 · Capital Expenditures	732,297.00
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Total Other Expense	<u>732,297.00</u>
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Net Other Income	0.00
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Net Income	<u><u>0.00</u></u>
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TOWN OF FARO BYLAW 2025-04

"A Bylaw to adopt the 2025 to 2028 Capital Budget and Expenditures Program"

WHEREAS Section 220 of the *Municipal Act* ("the Act"), Chapter 154, Statutes of the Yukon, provides that Council may create bylaws; and

WHEREAS Section 238 (2) of *the Act* provides that on or before April 15 in each year, the Council shall cause to be prepared the annual capital budget for the current year and the capital expenditure program for the next three financial years and shall by bylaw adopt these budgets;

NOW THEREFORE the Municipal Council of the Town of Faro in the Yukon Territory, in open meeting assembled, hereby ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1.0 Citation of Bylaw

1.1 This bylaw may be cited as the "2025 to 2028 Capital Budget and Expenditures Program Bylaw".

2. Purpose and Application

2.1 The purpose of this Bylaw is to authorize the expenditure of funds for the acquisition of assets in accordance Schedule A of this bylaw.

3. General Operation of the Bylaw

3.1 The 2025 Capital Budget and 2026 to 2028 Capital Expenditures Program, attached hereto as Schedule "A" and forming part of this bylaw, is hereby adopted.

3.2 The expenditures referred to in Schedule "A" shall not be amended, altered, or varied in such a manner which increases the total expenditure, except by Bylaw.

4. Effective Date

4.1 Bylaw 2024-06 shall be rescinded.

4.2 This Bylaw shall come into effect upon Third and Final Reading.

READ A FIRST TIME this day of March, 2025.

READ A SECOND TIME this day of March, 2025.

READ A THIRD TIME and finally passed this day of April, 2025.

Jack Bowers, Mayor

Larry Baran, CAO

Town of Faro
Capital Budget 2025
and 2026 to 2028 Capital Expenditures Program
2025

Bylaw # 2025-04
Schedule "A"

Fire Rescue Truck Upgrades	40,000
Firefighters' Gear - 4 sets	12,000
Weight Room Equipment	85,000
Computers -Rec Centre	7,000
Computers - Admin & PW	11,500
Computers - back-up server	18,000
Audio -Visual System for Rec Centre - Sportsman's Lounge	6,000
Town Office Energy Upgrades - complete project	7,500
Rec Centre - Security Upgrades	15,000
CDF Recreation Renovations (Kitchen & other space)	50,000
Street Sweeper - Freight	6,450
Solid Waste Improvements	40,224
Distribution Backup Generator - complete project	186,000
Animal Shelter	80,000
Underground Oil Tanks Replacement (phase 1)	25,000
SCADA - new electronic equipment update and relocation - complete the project	10,000
Rec Kitchen RFP Detailed Design - complete project	32,623
Well# 6 Installation - complete project	50,000
WWT1 Electrical AHF & Power Condenser in Water Treatment Bldg	50,000
Total	732,297

2026

Underground Fuel Tanks Replacement (Phase 2)	75,000
Recreation Centre Renovation Phase 2	650,000
Skid Steer (c/w forks, bucket, brusher head, snow bucket, blade)	140,000
Fire Truck	700,000
PWFH 2 Post Heavy Vehicle Lift	50,000
Two Golf Carts for Gardening Dept	20,000
4x4 Backhoe Loader - New	245,000
Bobcat Jack-hammer attachment	15,000
Refinish Siding - Town Office	60,000
Refinish Siding - CRIC	80,000
Pool Slide	30,000
VanGorda Trail Bridge Replacement	100,000
Rec Centre Elevator	100,000
Total	2,265,000

CONTRIBUTED CAPITAL ASSETS

Completion of Phase 2	10,975,000
Arena Ice plant	1,500,000
Total	12,475,000

2027

Underground Fuel Tanks Replacement (Phase 3)	75,000
Recreation Centre Renovation Phase 3	100,000
Recreation Centre Renovations (Roof, Flooring)	1,500,000
Total	1,675,000

2028

CONTRIBUTED CAPITAL ASSETS

Underground Infrastructure Replacement Phase3	8,700,000
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TOWN OF FARO

TOWN OF FARO BYLAW 2025-05

“A Bylaw to provide an Economic Development Grant to Local Businesses”

WHEREAS Section 220 of the *Municipal Act* (“*the Act*”), Chapter 154, Statutes of the Yukon provides that Council may create bylaws; and

WHEREAS Section 245 of *the Act* enables Council by bylaw to provide grants, including grants for property taxes, as Council considers expedient, to any person, institution, association, group, government, or body of any kind;

NOW THEREFORE the Municipal Council of the Town of Faro in the Yukon Territory, in open meeting assembled, hereby ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. Citation of Bylaw

1.1 This Bylaw may be cited as the “**2025 Business Grant Bylaw**”.

2. Purpose and Application

2.1 The intent of this Bylaw is to encourage economic development activities within the Town and to lessen the burden on local businesses as a result of property tax increases for properties zoned commercial and industrial.

3. Definitions

3.1 In this Bylaw, the following terms or phrases shall be interpreted as follows:

3.1.1 “Non-residential real property” means all classes of real property used primarily for commercial and industrial purposes and are designated on the Assessment Roll as CMC, CMH, CML, CMS, MHI, or MSI.

3.1.2 “Improved” means all real property under any of the above designations on which there are improvements with an assessed value greater than \$0.00 (zero), such that the Total Assessment is greater than the assessed value of the land alone.

3.1.3 “Assessment Roll” means the current Town of Faro Assessment Roll.

3.1.4 “Total Assessment” means the combined total of the assessed value of land and improvements for real property as listed on the tax roll.

3.1.5 “Eligible Owner” means a person, persons, association, group, corporation, or partnership holding title to an Eligible Property, and a Town of Faro Resident Business License issued under the Town of Faro Business Licensing Bylaw.

3.1.6 “Eligible Property” means an Improved, Non-residential real property listed as Class 001 on the Assessment Roll that is titled to an Eligible Owner.

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4. General Operation of the Bylaw

4.1 The Eligible Owner of an Eligible Property shall receive a grant equivalent to 0.3% of the Total Assessment of the property provided that:

4.1.1 The property tax levied on the Eligible Property for 2025 has been paid in full on or before the due date;

4.1.2 The Eligible Owner has continuously held title to the Eligible Property between the beginning of the calendar year and as of the date the grant becomes payable; and,

4.1.3 The Eligible Owner has no past due amounts owing to the Town, including but not limited to: property taxes, penalties, fines, or utility fees for the Eligible Property or related to any other real property within the Town as of the date the grant becomes payable.

4.2 Grants shall become payable on September 1, 2025, and the Town will endeavor to issue payment to the Eligible Owners within the subsequent thirty (30) calendar days, having verified that the conditions under Section 3 have been met.

4.3 The Town shall budget for an expense equivalent to the total of all grants that may become payable under this Bylaw for the current year.

4.4 If any section, sub-section, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Bylaw is for any reason held invalid, the validity of the remaining sections of the Bylaw shall not be affected by the decision.

5. Effective Date

5.1 Bylaw 2024-07 shall be rescinded.

5.2 This Bylaw shall come into effect upon Third and Final passing thereof and remain in force until December 31, 2025.

READ A FIRST TIME this day of March 2025.

READ A SECOND TIME this day of April 2025.

READ A THIRD TIME and finally passed this day of April 2025.

Jack Bowers, Mayor

Larry Baran, CAO

