Summer Village of Birchcliff
Meeting of the Whole Minutes
August 20, 2026

Minutes of a Meeting of the Whole for the Summer Village of Birchcliff, Province of Alberta, held August 20, 2026, in the Summer Villages on Sylvan Lake Administration Office at Sylvan Lake, Alberta.

IN ATTENDANCE

Mayor:	Roger Dufresne
Deputy Mayor:	Ann Zacharias
Councillor:	Jonathan Paulgaard
CAO:	Tanner Evans

CALL TO ORDER The Meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Mayor Dufresne.

AGENDA APPROVAL

BMW-26-001 MOVED by Deputy Mayor Zacharias that the agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

DISCUSSION ITEMS

The meeting addressed several key community concerns and initiatives:

1. **Parking and Safety**
   - Discussed issues surrounding parking in ditches, on main roads, and overflow at the church camp.
   - Proposed implementing parking passes for community pier members to designate parking areas in front of their piers, aiming to eliminate roadside and ditch parking to enhance safety.

2. **Crosswalk Locations**
   - Council reviewed potential crosswalk sites, including a likely lighted crosswalk at the north end of the church camp and a painted crosswalk near the new west-end path by RR15.

3. **FireSmart Program**
   - Evaluated the FireSmart program’s success with disposal bins and recommended running the program for two months, starting shortly after the bird sweep requirement period concludes in early summer.
   - Discussed exploring steps to achieve official "FireSmart Community" status.

4. **Financial Decisions**
   - Council expressed the intention to proceed with investing $700,000 in Guaranteed Investment Certificates (GICs) on a fixed-term basis.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Mayor Dufresne that being the agenda matters have been concluded, the meeting adjourned at 11:09 a.m.
CARRIED

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ROGER DUFRESNE, MAYOR

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TANNER EVANS, CAO