



Riverdale Community Development Corporation

MINUTES: Meeting November 17, 2025

A meeting of the Riverdale CDC was held at the Riverdale Municipality Office on November 17, 2025.

Present: Donna Morken, Dave Creighton, Kelvin Lamb, Roger Lepp, Lesley Creighton

Guests: Mayor Heather Lamb, Dr. Wayne Kelly, Dr. Ian Puppe, Awall Osabutey, and Dada Alamin

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Dave Creighton.

2. Adoption of the Agenda

D. Morken - K. Lamb: Moved that the agenda be adopted as presented.

3. Minutes from Previous Meetings – October 2025

D. Morken – R. Lepp: Moved that the minutes for October 2025 be adopted as presented.

4. Financial Reports – October 2025

K. Lamb - R. Lepp: Moved that the financial statement for October 2025 be adopted as presented.

5. Expenses payable

K. Lamb – R. Lepp: Moved the following payments be issued:

- Lesley Creighton - \$350.00 November

6. New Business

a) Guests: Dr. Wayne Kelly, Dr. Ian Puppe, and students Awall Osabutey and Dada Alamin attended our November meeting.

- Awall shared his winning Asset Mapping Poster that he presented at the 2025 Canadian Rural Revitalization Foundation (CRRF) conference.
- Discussions focused on cultural assets: Sekine Bicycle and CN history; potential future assets could include information plaques, bike paths, Sekine bike events, twinning project, museum exhibit, local ice cream parade, and news stories about murals.
- Dr. Ray Silvius will be heading to Japan, and the Twinning Project is one project he will be working on.
- Dr. Wayne Kelly is looking into funding options for research positions to continue the story of the Sekine history.
- Eric Forester from RMED is interested in the Sekine Twinning Project as well as youth input into community planning.
- Field to Fork: Saskatchewan Manitoba Agritourism Corridor project
- Dr. Ian Puppe – interested in talking to student about ecosystems, local species, relationship to land and animals, the crossroads for Indigenous peoples, and outdoor education; he feels that our municipality has a lot to offer and a lot to protect; there are opportunities for research and monitoring of changes along the trails.
- Build a partnership between municipality and Provincial Park
- Donna shared Rob Clark's plan for provincial park update
- Discussed how cultural and natural components connect
- Work together with Dr. Wayne Kelly to apply for From the Ground Up grant – funding should be announced at AMM later this month.
- Dr. Wayne Kelly and Awall will continue to work on Asset Mapping of Riverdale. Dr. Ian Puppe is available to work with the schools and students.

- Discussed playground opportunities – build items around heritage e.g. bike or train theme.
- b) Grants:
 - Received \$3000 grant from RACF – ordering picnic table for Wetland project.
 - Dave will ask for permission to use charitable number for BACF grant application.
 - Will apply to Westoba Inspire for next intake – maybe for possible project with RDI.
 - Fish and Wildlife Update – Donna sent an email saying we will wait until next year.
 - Green Municipal Fund – possible source of funds for expanding trail system.
- c) Conservation Trust Grant: Decision made to go ahead and order the pedestal picnic table to get the 2025 pricing. R. Lepp – D. Morken - Moved to have Lesley proceed with ordering the square pedestal picnic table from Blue Imp. in the colour green with a black frame for the cost of \$2507.68 (shipping quote subject to change).
- d) Business Front Beautification/Streetscaping – We have a quote for the Desert Planters. Lesley will put together information for Dave to present to council for approval.
- e) Wording for Redfern Hill Bench Plaque: Decided on "Provided by Riverdale CDC, Funding by RACF – Thomas Sill"
- f) Marketing/Tourism:
 - Logo – Dave spoke with Marci and we are okay to use the Riverdale logo and add Riverdale Community Development Corporation under it.
 - Brochure – Donna will check with HTFC about updating the map for Riverdale Municipality Tourism Brochure and get a quote on the cost.
- g) HTFC Trail Plan: Lesley will reach out to Laura for a copy of the existing trail plan that was created by HTFC.
- h) Nurse Practitioner Spot in Rivers: Dave and Heather will bring up concern at AMM and try to talk to Scott Philips. How can the CDC support getting another nurse practitioner in Rivers?

7. Board Member Reports

- a) Daycare Update: The daycare board attended the Foundation Granting Evening and shared what they are doing. After the October meeting, they had 9 volunteers join a steering committee and 3 volunteers joined fundraising. They are in the process of electing executives. They need an architectural plan and a name for the new facility.

Adjournment: D. Creighton – 10:02 pm

K. Lamb: Motion to adjourn the meeting.

Next Meeting Dates: Monday, December 15th @ 7:00 PM