

October 9, 2025

A meeting of the Committee of the L.U.D. of Warren was held at the LUD Meeting Room on Thursday, October 9, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. with the following present: Committee member D. Friesen, Committee member J. Olson, Committee member C. Martin, Councillor D. Sinclair, Chief Administrative Officer Kaitlyn Griffith and Recording Secretary Corlie Larsen.

Absent: none

Diana Friesen called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Adopt Agenda

J. Olson/C. Martin

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda for the meeting be approved with the following additions:

New Business

- Parking By-law
- Capital Planning Meeting

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Approval of Minutes

C. Martin/J. Olson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Minutes from the September 15, 2025 meeting be accepted as presented.

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Carried

Delegations

None

Committee Reports:

Finance

- The Committee inquired about the absence of fuel charges and noted that the expenditures are significantly under budget. Administration will look into and provide clarification.

C. Martin/J. Olson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the L.U.D. of Warren Committee accept the Financial Statements for September 2025 as presented.

4 For
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Carried

RM Report – COTW and Council Meetings – Cal reported on attending the Council Committee Meeting on September 16, 2025 with the following items discussed pertaining to the L.U.D.

Planning

- Proposal for a Development Plan amendment to redesignate Part of NW 15-13-1 W from Agricultural Area to Rural Residential Area.
- Discussed taking a proactive vs. reactive approach to short-term rentals such as Air BnBs. To be brought forward to the LUD for discussion.

Economic Development Services & Land Use

- Invicta Street road encroachment survey has not yet been received.

Recreation and Cultural Services

- RM to donate funds towards the Warren Collegiate track revival project.
- Park 150 request for \$50,000 operating loan.

Financial & Legislative

- MB Growth, Renewal, and Opportunities Program – RM to proceed with application for the High Volume Well.

Protective Services

- Council in agreement with enforcing cleanup of unsightly business property in Warren. Discussed that the LUD will recommend properties within Warren and Council will decide if unsightly.

Building

- Discussed governance and implementing a Service Agreement with the Warren Hall.

LUD of Warren

- Council had no concerns with the proposed changes to the Internal Equipment Sharing Agreement.
- Supplemental Taxes allocation was discussed as per request from the LUD Committee. Council to review again at year-end.

Maintenance Report

- Service Tracker – Report Received for September.
 - Items Discussed:
 - The park slide is currently installed at an angle of 32.5°. To meet the recommended guideline of a 30° angle, the slide would require a height adjustment of 7 inches. This

adjustment is not possible, leaving the slide's landing over 12 inches high. Options include: purchasing a longer slide (estimated cost: \$777.28) or taking down the play structure entirely. Darrell mentioned that he has a slide available that might be suitable as an alternative.

- SR 2093 replace broken and missing rails at Lion's Park. Darrell confirmed he has posts but not rails. Administration to ask Foreperson if we have room to store these posts at the LUD Shop.
- Still waiting for the Kotelko lighting shipment to arrive.
- No update from Public Works on the Dog Park or Lions Park light repairs.
- SR 2012 culvert markers missing at Poplarwood & Silverbridge still outstanding from April 22nd.
- Trees on private property branches on municipal road allowances. Letter was sent to home owner for approval. Public Works was instructed to call arborist to make sure no damage to trees.
- Stop Sign at Coolidge needs to be moved 2ft, vehicles have to pull out to see.
- SR 2086 listing of road signs required. Item says complete but the signs are not installed.
- SR 2111 Kotelko lighting update says complete but its still outstanding. CAO noted that the item was marked completed as to the update was provided.

- Equipment Charges – none

Accessibility – Judy reported that a meeting is scheduled for October 21 to finalize the draft 2026/2027 Accessibility Plan for Council approval and submission to the Accessibility Compliance Secretariat. Accessible washroom signs have been installed on the Multipurpose Building washroom doors, though the one with paper “women” will need a proper sign or both washrooms may be designated as unisex; existing RM washrooms meet the code at the time of construction, so upgrades are not required unless renovations occur. Chad has suggested minor accessibility improvements, which the committee will review and may include in the Plan. An action is proposed to install an accessible trailhead sign for the Invicta Walkway in 2026, which could also acknowledge grant support.

D. Friesen/C. Martin

BE IT RESOLVED THAT LUD Committee Member Judy Olson be authorized to attend the series of Manitoba Accessibility webinars on January 20, 2026;

AND THAT the hours spent be paid;

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Carried

Pedestrian – Diana read the minutes from the meeting held on October 1, 2025.

LUD Committee Prep – Judy reported that the committee met on September 23rd with Murray Scott (CiB Chair) to discuss next steps for the Invicta Trail project. The group agreed that clarification of RM expectations is the priority. CAO was ask to confirm RM requirement, and an agreement document is pending.

Steering Committee Report – No new.

Committee in Bloom – Judy reported that the committee received nearly \$80,000 from the Province's *From the Ground Up* grant for the Invicta Pedestrian Trail Project and awaits the RM agreement document. Public Works feedback is requested prior to Council's review of the agreement. A detailed quote will be shared with RM administration, Council, and the Pedestrian Committee, noting any budget adjustments.

The committee accepted an invitation to appoint a representative to the Pedestrian Committee.

Final 2025 expenses totaled \$1,055.87 of the \$1,200 budget. Three members attended the October 4 Provincial Conference in Gimli, which covered climate mitigation, Lake Winnipeg research, conservation, and wetland initiatives. Warren received a *Four Bloom* rating with special mention of the Welcome to Warren Triangle.

D. Friesen/C. Martin

WHEREAS the final expenses have been paid for Communities in Bloom;

AND WHEREAS the final budget came in under budget;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT LUD Committee Member Judy Olson be authorized to purchase two planters, using the remaining funds from the Communities in Bloom budget, for the landscaping at the Multipurpose Building.

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Old Business:

- Manness Road – no updates
- Parks/Greenspace – Heritage (Lion's) Park Maintenance
 - The committee reviewed the gardener's park safety inspection reports. LUD requested that a section be added to indicate the resolution of identified issues, as the current reports only list outstanding tasks for Public Works to address which are carried forward until completed. While some issues are minor (e.g.,

loose bolts), the LUD wishes to remain informed. It was noted that these reports were originally intended as an internal maintenance and planning tool rather than part of the LUD reporting process. Administration will consult with the Foreperson for input on how best to include this information.

- The Scotts will be getting at the Red Barn and Water Tower repairs shortly.
- After LUD concerns that the sprinkler lines were not properly winterized by Green Lawn due to an existing leak, the Foreperson located and repaired the leak. He then met with Lee from Greenlawn, a long-time technician familiar with the system, who re-inspected and re-blew out the lines. They reported that all valves, sprinkler heads, and water spouts are functioning properly, and the system is confirmed to be winterized. Lee noted that the HDPE piping is expected to last for decades, though minor leaks may occur over time due to aging clamps, line placement, or foot traffic. Systems using well water are more prone to leaks than those on treated town water. Optional upgrades, such as longer-range heads and a Wi-Fi-compatible control board, were discussed but are not necessary. Replacing the full system would cost about \$15,000 and is not recommended. The LUD is considering replacing the sprinkler heads next year, pending a cost quote.
- Kotelko Pedestrian Path Lighting – Committee expressed concern that the installation may not get completed this year. Public Works has received the template from Eecol Electric and now working on getting the anchor bolts. Once they get those they will install the concrete piles as soon as possible.
- Industrial Park Signage – Quotes received for the construction of the Industrial Park sign were significantly higher than the LUD's budget, ranging from \$20,000 to \$30,000. The LUD would like to remain within a \$5,000 to \$10,000 max budget range. The Committee will revisit design and material options before proceeding with the project.
- Hanlan Paving – Dillon Consulting is currently working on the project design.
 - Still awaiting a response from VLS regarding the railway crossing. If no response is received, the consultant will proceed with a design that does not include paving over the tracks.
 - The pedestal located in the ditch will need to be relocated at the company's expense.
 - A sidewalk will be included in the design; however, its cost will be itemized separately in case the full project cannot be completed at once.
- Unsightly Properties – Out of the four properties previously brought forward, only one remains outstanding. Council has requested to have final approval before any unsightly property orders are issued. As a result, LUD referred properties will go back to the Council Committee for review prior to consideration.

- Supplemental Taxes – Council discussed the issue at length. The LUD still has time to submit a proposal regarding the allocation. CAO recommends that the 2025 surplus be placed into an at-large reserve and in the future consider separating between the LUD and Rural.

New Business:

- Short-Term Rentals:
This item came to Council regarding issues other RMs have experienced with short-term rentals (e.g., Airbnb). Some municipalities have implemented regulations to manage these rentals. Council considered the possibility of implementing measures proactively, before any such rentals begin operating locally. While Council does not consider it an immediate concern, they would like input from the LUD. The LUD expressed interest in hearing Planning's perspective and exploring the matter further.
- Hydro, Natural Gas and Utility Billing (MP Building):
Administration working on updating the percentage split of the Hydro and Natural Gas billings between the different offices within the Multipurpose Bldg.
- Parking By-law:
The LUD expressed interest in establishing a No Parking By-law for specific areas and times. Administration will review sample by-laws, and the LUD will identify potential problem areas for consideration.
- Capital Planning Meeting:
The LUD will schedule a Capital Planning Meeting in the near future. Projects valued under \$50,000 will be scored based on criteria of safety, repairs, and alignment with the vision workshop priorities.

Public Forum

Judy Hogg – Inquired about who the contact was to deal with barking dogs. CAO advised it would be the RM Office.

In Camera

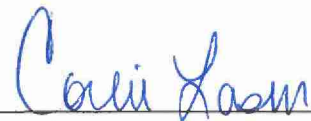
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D. Friesen

THAT we do now adjourn at 8:15 p.m. to meet again on Monday, November 10, 2025 at 6:30 p.m.



Chairperson
D. Friesen



Recording Secretary
C. Larsen