

January 12, 2026

A meeting of the Committee of the L.U.D. of Warren was held at the Multi-purpose building on Monday, January 12, 2026 at 6:30 p.m. with the following present: Committee member D. Friesen, Committee member J. Olson, Committee member C. Martin, Councillor D. Sinclair and Recording Secretary Corlie Larsen.

Absent: none

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

Adopt Agenda

C. Martin/J. Olson

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

New Business

- Warren Collegiate Institute – Watershed Project

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Approval of Minutes

C. Martin/J. Olson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Minutes from the December 10, 2025 meeting be accepted as presented.

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Delegations

None

Committee Reports:

Finance

- December 2025 Financials - There may be a few more year end items to process before year end is complete.

RM Report – COTW and Council Meetings – Judy reported on attending the Council Committee Meeting on December 16, 2026 with the following items discussed pertaining to the L.U.D.

1. Public hearing held for variance request (8 Invicta) for reduced shed setback; opposition raised fire/insurance concerns. Council awaiting insurance assessment and Fire Chief input.
2. Hwy 227 detour may remain until July pending reconstruction and paving timelines.
3. Supplemental Tax draft policy reviewed with the revisions presented to the LUD by email; no concerns presented.
4. Proposal introduced for one-time \$25,000 RM investment toward Housing Co-op.
5. No qualified EDO applicants; strategic planning discussion deferred until CAO is available.
6. Capital projects: Awaiting Kotelko lights programming details.
7. Warren Hall automatic door installation proceeding as trial.

Maintenance Report

- Service Tracker – Report Received for December.
 - Missing request for snow clearing pathway railway to white bridge.
 - 304 Morton Drive pushing snow across street into ditch floods out properties. Request letter sent.
 - LUD Committee requests the grader to scrape the ice off the roads while the weather is warm. Foreperson has confirmed to have this starting tomorrow Tuesday morning.
- Equipment Charges – Received for December.
 - Noted that the RM loader is now clearing the Warren Cemetery instead of the LUD tool cat.

Accessibility – No new. Finance Manager confirmed that the Accessibility Plan has been sent to The Accessibility Compliance Secretariat by the Planning and Development Officer.

Pedestrian – None

LUD Committee Prep – Judy reported the committee met on January 5th to prepare for the Park Debrief meeting. Accomplishments and challenges were reviewed with the plan for joint discussions with the RM staff and consensus for the best plan forward.

Steering Committee Report – None

Committee in Bloom –

The Letter of Agreement between the RM and Communities in Bloom has been signed. An invoice for \$6,195 has been received for engineering services, including structural design, sealed drawings, and construction-phase support for the bridge project. Payment is scheduled for

January 9, 2026, with final plans and cost estimates expected to be presented to Council in February. Public Works Foreperson has provided verbal approval for potential winter construction of the north crossing to allow easier trail access from both ends.

Darrell asked about the height of the bridge for the Pedestrian Trail project and if there is concerns with being able to get machinery under for ditch cleaning. Admin will mention to the Foreperson if this will be problematic but no concerns have been raised by public works so far.

Old Business:

- Manness Road – no new
- Parks/Greenspace – Play Ground Equipment Resolutions

J. Olson/D. Friesen

WHEREAS the Lions Memorial Park is a community space owned by the Rural Municipality of Woodlands:

AND WHEREAS the existing playground in the Lions Memorial Park is aging and does not meet the Association of Manitoba Municipalities Public Playground Safety standards;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT with RM approval, the LUD apply for the 2026 Kal's RePlay grant to support the replacement of the existing playground surface with poured-in-place rubber.

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THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT with RM approval, the LUD apply for the 2026 provincial grant, From the Ground Up: Safe Communities for all Program to support the replacement of the existing playground with safe and accessible playground equipment and playground surface.

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- Kotelko Pedestrian Path Lighting – Solar lighting is still not coming on in the morning and is not set properly. In addition the angle and making sure the panel is clean should be checked.
- Hanlan Paving – On-line meeting is set to review the design, discuss tendering and estimates with Dillon Consulting on February 3rd.
- No Parking By-law –
 - The LUD Committee reviewed the roads added to the draft by-law and had no concerns.
 - Committee discussed the need to include signage costs in the budget.
 - Administration will send the no-parking trailer by-law to Warren Tire for information and to share with clients as needed.
 - Committee discussed how the absence of an RM By-law Officer impacts enforcement of LUD by-laws.
 - Administration will investigate rates for hiring Commissionaires for enforcement services.
- Waste Management RFP –
 - The Committee reviewed the new rates and discussed the proposed change to the garbage collection schedule.
 - The RFP was awarded to the current contractor, 4570732 Manitoba Ltd., with a slight decrease in LUD collection rates.
 - The contractor requested changing the pickup day from Wednesday to Thursday to improve operational efficiency due to a high workload on Wednesdays.

D. Friesen/J. Olson

WHEREAS the waste and recycling contractor, 4570732 Manitoba Ltd., has requested that the LUD waste collection date be changed from Wednesday to Thursday due to a stacked workload and to improve operational efficiency;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the L.U.D. of Warren Committee has no objection to changing the waste collection day to Thursday, with the potential implementation date of March 1.

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New Business:

- Utility Billing Monitoring Readings – Public Works will take reading on the first of each month to monitor. The recent reading and utility billing suggest that the excess water usage is from the outdoor rink flooding.
- LUD Committee Rates

C. Martin/J. Olson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the L.U.D. of Warren Committee approved to increase for 2026 the LUD Committee monthly indemnity, the monthly communication allowance, the hourly rate, the half day rate and the per day rate by 2.9% (Manitoba Consumer Price Index for September 2025);

AND THAT the mileage rate remains at 0.60 cents per kilometer.

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- Rules of Procedure Review

C. Martin/D. Friesen

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the LUD Committee approve the LUD of Warren Rules of Procedure with the following change:

Under the heading of REGULAR MEETINGS remove the portion “**If LUD members have had a working session in preparation for the meeting, minutes from any discussion will be presented to the Committee**” replace with “**If LUD members conduct a working session in preparation for a meeting, summary notes from the discussion will be presented to the Committee**”.

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- Budget – First meeting to be held Monday, January 26 at 6:30 pm at the RM Office.
 - The Committee discussed that, due to recent development changes, the LUD should consider setting aside funds for a potential new shop at a different location in the future.

- Warren Collegiate Institute – Watershed Project (item added)
 - The LUD Committee will draft a letter of support for student Mason Klassen regarding their project proposing the use of compostable waste bags, with dispensers to be installed at various locations within the LUD of Warren, including the Dog Park.

Public Forum

Blair –

- Asked if there were any updates regarding the daycare at the elementary school. Committee advised that funding has not yet been allocated.
- Commented that the track at the elementary school is in poor condition and requires weed control and grass cutting. Committee noted that the school does not spray for weeds.
- Inquired about the status of the grain elevator and expressed interest in seeing it removed stating it's a safety hazard. Committee advised this falls under RM jurisdiction, not the LUD.
- Asked about the status of the railway track and questioned why it has not been removed.
- Asked about the MacMillan development and that it is not within town boundaries. Committee noted that the developer wanted to stay rural.
- Requested consideration of signage at the south end of Hanlan to prevent vehicles from becoming stuck. Committee will add a checkerboard sign to the list.
- Noted that trees around the elementary school require trimming. Committee will consider sending a letter to the school in the spring.

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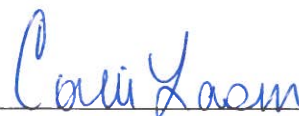
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D. Friesen

THAT we do now adjourn at 7:48 p.m. to meet again on Monday, February 9, 2026 at 6:30 p.m.



Chairperson
D. Friesen



Recording Secretary
C. Larsen