

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF WILTON NO. 472

Lone Rock - AGM

**Lone Rock Hall
October 20, 2025
7:00 p.m.**

Governance Facts

- ▶ The Organized Hamlet of Lone Rock is **part of the RM of Wilton**, not a separate municipality.
- ▶ Under *The Municipalities Act*, all legal and financial authority rests with **RM Council**.
- ▶ The Hamlet Board serves in an **advisory capacity only**—no independent authority.
- ▶ The RM manages all taxation, expenditures, and staff administration.

Financial Accountability

- ▶ Lone Rock finances are **administered and audited** as part of the RM's annual audit.
- ▶ The OHB cannot have its **own bank account**.
 - ▶ OHB may recommend spending priorities
- ▶ All use of finances are recorded in the RM's audited statements.
- ▶ The RM's actions have been consistently recognized by the **Saskatchewan Municipal Board (SMB) and Government Relations**.

Forensic Audit Overview

- ▶ As a part of the SMB dispute the RM **offered** a forensic audit to clear misinformation.
- ▶ The **Saskatchewan Municipal Board** approved the RM's request.
- ▶ **MNP LLP** was engaged for this audit.
- ▶ Audit covers 2018-2024 Hamlet Accounts: all transactions, budgets, and records.
 - ▶ The forensic audit provides **independent, evidence-based accounting**.
 - ▶ Will **replace speculation with verified fact**.
 - ▶ Results will be made public and become the **official record**.
 - ▶ Clarifies tax revenues, services funded, and any deficits or surpluses.

Legal and Procedural Facts

- ▶ Since 2017, OHB members have initiated **10+ court actions and multiple complaints**.
- ▶ **None** have succeeded in overturning any RM decisions. There have been no successes by the former OHB members.
- ▶ **Courts and SMB** have repeatedly affirmed RM authority under law.
- ▶ Legal and administrative costs have been significant—borne by all RM ratepayers.
- ▶ The costs for the SMB disputes costs will be borne by Lone Rock Ratepayers.

Current Governance Status

- ▶ The former OHB **ceased to function** under the Act.
- ▶ The former Organized Hamlet Board of Lone Rock has repeatedly circulated false and misleading information.
 - ▶ Their statements, reports, and “budgets” are not based on verified municipal records or lawful authority.
 - ▶ Every claim made by the former Board has been disproven through audits, legal decisions, and official documentation.
 - ▶ These fabrications have caused unnecessary confusion and division among residents. Accordingly, none of the material produced by the former Board should be relied upon or treated as factual.
- ▶ RM has implemented a **resident advisory structure** for input on services.
- ▶ Any budgets or statements issued by former OHB members have **no legal or financial standing**.
- ▶ RM’s goal: restore **stability, accountability, and trust**.

Commitment to Ratepayers

- ▶ RM is committed to **full transparency to all ratepayers of the RM.**
- ▶ Lone Rock represent 2% of the population of the municipality.
- ▶ The **October 20, 2025 AGM** was held to provide verified updates
- ▶ Focus moving forward:
 - ▶ Accurate financial reporting
 - ▶ Service delivery
 - ▶ Rebuilding community trust
- ▶ Forensic Audit findings will be shared at its conclusion

Former Organized Hamlet Board Minutes 2018-2025

False Claim #1

Independent Government

- ▶ **Former OHB Claim:** The Hamlet Board was an independent level of government not under RM authority.
- ▶ **Fact:** Under *The Municipalities Act*, an organized hamlet is **not a separate government**. The Hamlet Board only acts in an **advisory capacity**; all legal power remains with the RM Council.

False Claim #2

OHB Controls the Budget

- ▶ **Former OHB Claim:** Only the OHB budget is valid and must be followed.
- ▶ **Fact:** Only the RM Council can adopt budgets for all hamlets. The Former OHB may recommend spending priorities, but has **no authority to approve or manage funds.**

False Claim #3

OHB Automatic Wins under Section 77/392

- ▶ **Former OHB Claim:** If the RM disagrees but doesn't appeal under Sections 77 or 392, the OHB automatically "wins."
- ▶ **Fact:** There is **no automatic win** in law. The RM is the governing authority. The OHB has limited options to appeal decisions of the RM through the Saskatchewan Municipal Board (SMB).

False Claim #4

RM Council Invalid or Unconstitutional

- ▶ **Former OHB Claim:** The RM Council has been “unconstituted” or “invalid” since 2019.
- ▶ **Fact:** This is **completely false**. The RM of Wilton remains a **lawfully elected and constituted** municipal council under provincial legislation.

False Claim #5

Public Investigations by Multiple Agencies

- ▶ **Former OHB Claim:** The RM was under investigation by the RCMP, Ombudsman, Employment Insurance, and other Federal and Provincial agencies.
- ▶ **Fact:** There are **no criminal findings, no active inquiries, and no sanctions** against the RM of Wilton by any of these agencies. These misleading statements were fabricated by the former Hamlet Board to imply outside oversight where none existed.
 - ▶ There is no truth to the OHB statements.

False Claim #6

Missing Funds & Illegal Taxes

- ▶ **Former OHB Claim:** Thousands of dollars were missing or base taxes were illegally imposed.
- ▶ **Fact:** All Hamlet finances are included in the RM's **audited financial statements**. A **forensic audit (2018-2024)** by MNP LLP is verifying all records and will put an end to all financial OHB claims.

False Claim #7

OHB Controls Utilities

- ▶ **Former OHB Claim:** The Hamlet Board could manage or take over the water and sewer utility.
- ▶ **Fact:** The Hamlet is not a corporation and cannot operate or own a public utility. The RM, as the licensed utility owner, can operate or contract service providers.
 - ▶ The OHB has **no legal authority** to control any portion of the water, sewer, or infrastructure systems.

False Claim #8

Court or SMB Rulings in OHB's Favor

- ▶ **Former OHB Claim:** Courts and SMB rulings confirmed OHB successes and has confirmed authority and control.
- ▶ **Fact:** No court or SMB ruling supports these claims. The former OHB has had 0 successes in all actions against the RM. All decisions confirm that **the RM of Wilton retains full legal authority**

False Claim #9

OHB Can Demand or Authorize Payments

- ▶ **Former OHB Claim:** The Hamlet Board can demand payments from the RM and issue reimbursements to residents.
- ▶ **Fact:** The OHB has no legal or financial authority to demand payments, reimburse ratepayers, or issue compensation. All disbursements and reimbursements must be **approved by RM Council**. Any individual or group issuing payment directives outside of RM control is acting **illegally** and without authorization.
 - ▶ The RM will **not** be authorizing any payment directives from the former OHB minutes (2018-2025).

Conclusion

Former OHB Minutes 2018-2025

- ▶ **Treat all former OHB Minutes as Invalid and Misleading**
 - ▶ The former OHB acted **without legal authority**; its “resolutions” and “budgets” have **no force or effect** under *The Municipalities Act*.
 - ▶ **Do not rely on or circulate** any OHB minutes, budgets, or statements as factual RM records.
- ▶ **All official records** are those adopted by the RM of Wilton Council and verified through **audited financial statements** and the **forensic audit (2018-2024)** by MNP LLP.
- ▶ **Report** any false payment promises, directives, or “refunds” issued under the former OHB to the RM office immediately.

Lone Rock Financial Statement

As of December 31, 2024

Report Date
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Lone Rock Financial Statements
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
For the Period Ending December 31, 2024

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	CURRENT MONTH	YEAR TO DATE	BUDGET
REVENUES			
Lone Rock Levies & Discounts			
410-115-105 - Lone Rock Levy		9,190.80	
Grant Revenues			
450-120-100 - Unconditional - Organized Hamlet		9,517.00	
Utility Revenues			
440-200-100 - Sewer - LR Sewer Fees	2,016.00	7,718.40	
Total REVENUES:	2,016.00	26,426.20	0.00
EXPENDITURES			
Lone Rock - Maintenance			
530-500-403 - TS - Maint - Lone Rock - Roads/Streets		1,075.00	
530-500-501 - TS - Maint- Lone Rock-Utilities-St.Light	73.57	882.81	
540-200-125 - EH - Cont - Lone Rock Waste Collections	582.00	3,472.95	
Total Lone Rock - Maintenance:	655.57	5,430.76	0.00
Lone Rock - Sewer Services			
585-240-100 - UT - Sewer - Insurance - General		263.10	
585-300-120 - UT - Sewer - Lone Rock - Power/Gas	47.46	569.13	
585-600-289 - UT - Sewer - Amort - Bldgs/Improv (LR)		371.12	
585-600-689 - UT - Sewer - Amort - Infrastructure (LR)		867.12	
Total Lone Rock - Sewer Services:	47.46	2,070.47	0.00
Allowance for Uncollectible Accounts			
510-800-120 - GG - Allow. for Uncollect-LR- Hamlet	4,182.54	4,182.54	
Total Allowance for Uncollectible Accounts:	4,182.54	4,182.54	0.00
Total EXPENDITURES:	4,885.57	11,683.77	0.00
OPERATING SURPLUS/DEFICIT	(2,869.57)	14,742.43	0.00
ACCOUNT BALANCES	Current	Year to Date	Balance
310-110-100 - Reserve Deficit- Hamlet Lone Rock	14,742.43	16,758.43	(236,437.74)
110-410-050 - Lone Rock - Tax Title Property			(241,064.96)
Total ACCOUNT BALANCES:	14,742.43	16,758.43	(477,502.70)

Lone Rock Financial Statement

As of October 2025

Report Date
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Lone Rock Financial Statements STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES For the Period Ending October 31, 2025

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	Current Month	2025 YTD	2025 Budget
REVENUES			
Lone Rock Levies & Discounts			
410-115-105 - Lone Rock Levy		9,286.59	
Grant Revenues			
450-120-100 - Unconditional - Organized Hamlet		10,058.00	
Utility Revenues			
440-200-100 - Sewer - LR Sewer Fees	540.00	5,400.00	
Total REVENUES:	540.00	24,744.59	0.00
EXPENDITURES			
Lone Rock - Maintenance			
530-500-403 - TS - Maint - Lone Rock - Roads/Streets		215.00	
530-500-501 - TS - Maint- Lone Rock-Utilities-St.Light		655.64	
540-200-125 - EH - Cont - Lone Rock Waste Collections		2,934.74	
510-200-114 - GG- Cont - OHB Disputes, Legal, SMB	19,499.56	136,080.54	30,000.00
Total Lone Rock - Maintenance:	19,499.56	139,885.92	30,000.00
Lone Rock - Sewer Services			
585-240-100 - UT - Sewer - Insurance - General		257.12	
585-300-120 - UT - Sewer - Lone Rock - Power/Gas		423.60	
585-600-289 - UT - Sewer - Amort - Bldgs/Improv (LR)		371.12	
585-600-689 - UT - Sewer - Amort - Infrastructure (LR)		867.11	
Total Lone Rock - Sewer Services:	0.00	1,918.95	0.00
Total EXPENDITURES:	19,499.56	141,804.87	30,000.00
OPERATING SURPLUS/DEFICIT	(18,959.56)	(117,060.28)	(30,000.00)

Closing Message Rural Municipality of Wilton No. 472

- ▶ We remain dedicated to accountability, transparency, and good governance.
- ▶ Ratepayers with direct questions are encouraged to make an appointments to discuss:
 - ▶ contact the office to schedule.

The facts matter—and they will speak for themselves through the forensic audit.