



Township of North Stormont

Agenda

Regular Meeting

Tuesday, June 23, 2026 6:00 PM

Council Chambers

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1. CALL TO ORDER	
1.1. https://www.youtube.com/@TownshipofNorthStormont	
BE it resolved that this regular meeting now open at ____ p.m.	
2. OPENING REMARKS	
3. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AMENDMENT(S) ADDITION(S) OR DELETION(S)	
3.1. BE it resolved that the agenda be approved as presented.	
4. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND NATURE THEREOF	
5. PUBLIC MEETING	
6. DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS	
6.1. Finch Heights Apartments Project - Saleem Dar & Muneer Dar Council Handout - North Stormont	6 - 7
7. ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING	
7.1. BE it resolved that the Regular Meeting minutes of Council from June 9, 2026 be approved as presented. Regular Meeting - 09 Jun 2026 - Minutes - Pdf	8 - 12
8. MINUTES OF COMMITTEES AND LOCAL BOARDS	
8.1. SNC Board of Directors - May 14 Meeting Minutes RCCA Board of Directors - May 7 Meeting Minutes	13 - 24
9. RECEIVING OF MONTHLY STAFF REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS	
9.1. 2026 Annual Development Allocation Report THAT Council of the Township of North Stormont receives Report PW 08-2026 and approves the 2026 Annual Development Allocation recommendations for the Finch, Crysler, and Moose Creek municipal water and wastewater systems as outlined in this report. PW-08-2026 - 2026 Annual Development Allocation Report - Pdf	25 - 27

- 9.2. **Sale of Surplus Lands** 28 - 29
 THAT the Council of the Township of North Stormont approves the sale of surplus land, roll number 0411 016 00034000.0000 to D. Bender in the amount of \$1,000 plus all transfer costs;
- AND FURTHER directs Administration to execute all necessary documents to complete the sale.
[FIN-13-2026 - Sale of Surplus Lands - Pdf](#)
- 9.3. **Avonmore Communal Wastewater Service** 30 - 32
 THAT the Council of the Township of North Stormont accepts report FIN-14-2026 regarding Avonmore Communal Wastewater Service;
- AND FURTHER acknowledges a formal fee increase will be brought forward by By-law.
[FIN-14-2026 - Avonmore Communal Wastewater Service - Pdf](#)
- 9.4. **Repeal By-Law 45-2016 Respiratory Protection Program** 33 - 35
 That Council of the Township of North Stormont approve the repeal of By-law No. 45-2016, being the Respiratory Protection Program Policy, as the Township has transitioned to a Standard Operating Procedure (SOP)-based framework for respiratory protection and related operational requirements within North Stormont Fire Services.
[FIRE-04-2026 - Repeal By-Law 45-2016 Respiratory Protection Program - Pdf](#)
- 9.5. **Amalgamated Recreation Agreement** 36 - 47
 That the Council of Township of North Stormont adopt the Amalgamated Recreation Agreement (2026), repealing and replacing By-law No. 73-2020;
- AND FURTHER that Council authorize staff to implement and administer the provisions of the Agreement as outlined.
[REC-05-2026 - Amalgamated Recreation Agreement - Pdf](#)
- 9.6. **Water Usage and Conservation By-Law** 48 - 50
 THAT the Council of the Township of North Stormont accept the report for the Water Usage and Conservation By-law, repealing and replacing By-law No. 64-2021, and authorize its implementation, including education-first enforcement and the use of Provincial Offences Act set fines where required.
[BLW-01-2026 - Water Usage and Conservation By-Law - Pdf](#)
- 9.7. **Animal Control – Regulate Care and Control of Animals** 51 - 70
 That Council of the Township of North Stormont receive the Draft Animal Control By-Law for information purposes and direct staff to bring forward the finalized Animal Care and Control By-law for consideration at the July 21st, 2026 Council meeting.

10. MUNICIPAL BY-LAWS

- 10.1. **By-Law 38-2026 - Agreement - OCWA Service Contract** 71 - 76
BE it resolved that By-Law No. 38-2026, being a By-law to sign a Service Contract with OCWA, be read and passed in open council this 23rd day of June 2026.
[38-2026 - Agreement - OCWA Service Agreement By-Law OCWA Renewal Proposal to North Stormont_revised](#)
- 10.2. **By-Law No. 31-2026 - Water-Wastewater - Water Usage and Conservation By-Law** 77 - 82
THAT the Council of the Township of North Stormont approve By-Law No. 31-2026 to regulate and conserve the consumption of water from municipal waterworks, and to repeal By-Law No. 64-2021.
[31-2026 - Water-Wastewater - Water Usage and Conservation By-Law](#)
- 10.3. **By-Law No. 39-2026 - Fire Protection - Repeal By-law No. 45-2016 - Respiratory Protection Program Policy** 83
THAT the Council of the Township of North Stormont approve the repeal of By-law No. 45-2016, being the Respiratory Protection Program Policy By-law.
[39-2026 - Fire Protection - Repeal Respiratory Protection Program Policy - By-law No. 45-2016](#)
- 10.4. **By-Law No. 40-2026 - Water-Wastewater - Avonmore Communal Sewage Services - Repeal and Replace 23-1987 Township of Roxborough** 84 - 85
BE it resolved that By-Law No. 40-2026, being a By-law to impose fees or charges for the supply of water and sewer services for the Avonmore Communal System, be read and passed in open council this 23rd day of June 2026.
[40-2026 - Water-Wastewater - Avonmore Communal Sewage Services - Repeal and Replace 23-1987 Township of Roxborough](#)
- 10.5. **By-Law No. 41-2026 - Agreement - Amalgamated Recreation Agreement - Repeal and Replace 73-2020** 86 - 93
Be it resolved that By-Law No. 41-2026, being a By-Law to repeal and replace By-Law No. 73-2020 to authorize an agreement with the Amalgamated Recreation Committee, be read and passed in Open Council, this 23 day of June, 2026.
[41-2026 - Agreement - Amalgamated Recreation Agreement](#)

11. CORRESPONDENCE

- 11.1. BE it resolved that the correspondence as listed as Items 11.2 to 11.9 on the agenda be received.

11.2.	Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus Newsletter - EOWC June 2026	94 - 107
11.3.	SDG Library Library Board Newsletter - May Edition	108
11.4.	Township of South Stormont Resolution - Food Insecurity Crisis	109
11.5.	Township of Southgate Support Resolution - Canada Post Rate Reduction for Libraries Support Resolution - Opposing Proposed Changes to the Freedom of Information and Protection of P	110 - 116
11.6.	Town of Iroquois Falls Request for Support - Ontario Firefighter Certification Requirements Resolution - 2026-129 - May 25, 2026	117 - 118
11.7.	City of Guelph Letter - Request to Extend the Deadline for Notices of Intention to Designate Listed Heritage Properties	119 - 120
11.8.	Town of Halton Hills Resolution - Modernizing Ontario's Invasive Plants Rules to Protect Taxpayers, Municipal Lands, Agriculture, Natural Heritage and Local Gardens	121 - 124
11.9.	Municipality of South Huron Support Resolution - Heritage Helping Housing Building Grant Letter - Heritage Helping Housing Building Grant	125 - 128
12.	MOTIONS AND NOTICES OF MOTIONS	
13.	PETITIONS	
14.	UNFINISHED BUSINESS	
15.	NEW BUSINESS	
15.1.	Municipal Council Resolution - Support of the EOWC Call to Return to Property Tax Reassessment Cycle BE it resolved that the Council of the Township of North Stormont support the Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus resolution 2026-03: Ontario Most Outdated Property Reassessment in Canada: A Call to Return to Property Tax Reassessment Cycle, as presented.	129 - 130

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this resolution be circulated to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario; the Honourable Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance; EOWC Members of Provincial Parliament; the Association of Municipalities of Ontario; the Rural Ontario Municipal Association; the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation; the Ontario Big City Mayors; the Western Ontario Wardens 'Caucus; the Mayors and Regional Chairs of Ontario; the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities; and all EOWC municipalities."

[EOWC Resolution 2026-03 - Ontario Most Outdated Property Reassessment in Canada A Call to Return to Property Tax Reassessment Cycle - May 8, 2026](#)

16. SCHEDULING OF MEETINGS

16.1. **Next meeting of Council:** Tuesday, July 21st 2026

17. COMING EVENTS

18. CLOSING REMARKS OR COUNCIL COMMENTS

19. CLOSED SESSION

19.1. BE it resolved that this meeting adjourn to a closed session at _____ p.m. for the following reasons:

A municipal or local board meeting, or part of a meeting, may be closed to the public if the subject of the meeting falls within one of the exceptions set out in s. 239 of the Act.

(j) a trade secret or scientific, technical, commercial or financial information that belongs to the municipality or local board and has monetary value or potential monetary value;

BE it resolved that this regular meeting of council re-open at _____ p.m.

20. RATIFICATION/CONFIRMING BY-LAW

20.1. BE it resolved that By-Law No. 42-2026, being a By-law to adopt, confirm and ratify Council's actions at its regular meeting of Council, be read and passed in Open Council this 23rd day of June, 2026.

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[42-2026 - Ratification - Regular Meeting - June 23, 2026](#)

21. ADJOURNMENT

21.1. BE it resolved that this regular meeting adjourn at ____ p.m.

Project: Adaptive Reuse Residential Development – Finch (Former School Property)

Address: 4 Front Street, Finch, ON K0C 1K0

Submitted by: Saleem Dar / Muneer Dar

PROJECT SUMMARY

This proposal outlines the adaptive reuse of a former school building into a purpose-built apartment-style residential development in Finch.

The existing structure is sound and has already benefited from substantial private investment and renovation. This project presents a rare and strategic opportunity to:

- Introduce the first apartment-style residential building in Finch
- Revitalize an underutilized institutional property
- Support long-term residential growth along the County Road corridor
- Contribute to the efficient use of existing built infrastructure

KEY REQUESTS FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

1. Capital Charges

The building's existing layout includes multiple washrooms and extensive plumbing infrastructure due to its prior institutional use.

Request:

- Consider a reduction in capital charges to reflect the conversion from institutional to residential use; or
- Provide an option to defer or amortize capital charges (e.g., partial reduction with payment post-occupancy)

2. Water & Servicing Fees

The property has incurred water-related charges during periods when services were not actively in use, including reactivation fees and ongoing billing without occupancy.

Request:

- Review these charges and consider appropriate adjustments or relief

3. Grandfathering / Flexibility for Existing Structure

The building was previously approved and operated as a school and remains structurally compliant.

Request:

- Consider flexibility in applying certain modern requirements where appropriate, while maintaining safety and compliance standards

4. Financial Carrying Costs

The property has incurred ongoing costs, including property taxes and water charges, despite the absence of occupancy or full service utilization.

Request:

- Review these financial burdens and consider potential relief mechanisms during the redevelopment phase

5. Municipal & Program Support

This project aligns with broader housing and sustainability goals.

Request:

- Guidance on available municipal, regional, provincial, or federal programs that support:
 - Housing development initiatives
 - Adaptive reuse of existing buildings
 - Sustainable and efficient development practices
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COMMUNITY BENEFIT

This development will deliver meaningful value to the Finch community by:

- Increasing local housing supply
 - Activating a currently vacant institutional property
 - Supporting future economic and commercial growth along County Road
 - Encouraging reinvestment into additional local development projects
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CLOSING

We are committed to working collaboratively with Township staff and Council to advance this project in a manner that is both economically viable and beneficial to the community.

We respectfully request Council's consideration, guidance, and support in identifying a practical and achievable path forward.

Contact:

Saleem Dar	Muneer Dar
613-791-1843	613-790-0520



**Township of North Stormont
MINUTES
Regular Meeting
Tuesday, June 9, 2026
Council Chambers
6:00 PM**

COUNCIL PRESENT: François Landry, Mayor
Steve Densham, Deputy Mayor
Alison McDonald, Councillor
Charles Shane, Councillor

COUNCIL ABSENT: Adrian Bugelli, Councillor

STAFF PRESENT: Chad Brownlee, CAO/Clerk
Aiden Cleary, Deputy Clerk
Blake Henderson, Public Works Superintendent
Pierre Thibault, Director of Parks, Recreation and Facilities
Nancy-Ann Gauthier, Fire Chief/By-Law Officer
Laura Crites, Intermediate Planner (SDG)

1. CALL TO ORDER

<https://www.youtube.com/@TownshipofNorthStormont>

RES-135-2026 Moved by Councillor Shane, Seconded by Councillor McDonald BE it resolved that this regular meeting now open at 6:00 p.m.

CARRIED.

2. OPENING REMARKS

3. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA amendment(s) addition(s) or deletion(s)

RES-136-2026 Moved by Deputy Mayor Densham, Seconded by Councillor Shane BE it resolved that the agenda be approved as presented.

CARRIED.

4. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND NATURE THEREOF

5. PUBLIC MEETING

6. DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

7. ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

RES-137-2026 Moved by Councillor McDonald, Seconded by Deputy Mayor Densham BE it resolved that the following May 26, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes be approved as presented.

CARRIED.

8. ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF COMMITTEES AND LOCAL BOARDS

9. RECEIVING OF MONTHLY STAFF REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

RES-138-2026 Moved by Councillor Shane, Seconded by Deputy Mayor Densham BE it resolved that staff department monthly information reports be received.

CARRIED.

Open Air By-Law

- Council requested additional educational information be published on our website and social media relating to safe burning practices in North Stormont.

RES-139-2026 Moved by Deputy Mayor Densham, Seconded by Councillor McDonald That the Council of the Township of North Stormont receive report FIRE-02-2026 from the Fire Chief regarding proposed changes to the Open Air Burning By-Law.

CARRIED.

2026 Regular Council Meetings

RES-140-2026 Moved by Councillor McDonald, Seconded by Deputy Mayor Densham THAT the Council of the Township of North Stormont receive and approve the amended schedule for 2026 Regular Council Meetings.

CARRIED.

Eastview Subdivision - Draft Plan Approval Extension

- 6:30 PM - Laura Crites, Intermediate Planner (SDG) left the meeting.

RES-141-2026 Moved by Deputy Mayor Densham, Seconded by Councillor Shane THAT the Council of the Township of North Stormont hereby supports and recommends an extension of the draft plan approval for the Eastview Subdivision (SDG File: 01-NS-S-2022) to the Director of Planning and Economic Development Services at the United Counties of SDG.

CARRIED.

2025 Audited Financial Statements

- Auditors Management Letter will be brought forward to Council at the next Closed meeting of Council on June 23rd, 2026, when the Treasurer can attend. Council noted that the standard timing / order of operations for submission of these documents should otherwise be upheld in future years.

RES-142-2026 Moved by Councillor Shane, Seconded by Councillor McDonald That the Council of the Township of North Stormont approves the 2025 draft financial statements as presented from the external auditors, Welch LLP and further authorizes Administration to sign and execute all necessary documents to finalize the 2025 Financial Statements for the Township of North Stormont.

CARRIED.

10. MUNICIPAL BY-LAWS

By-Law No. 36-2026 - Fire Protection - Open Air Burning By-law - Repeal & Replace By-Law 52-2025

RES-143-2026 Moved by Deputy Mayor Densham, Seconded by Councillor Shane THAT the Council of the Township of North Stormont approve By-Law No. 36-2026, being a By-Law to repeal and replace By-Law No. 52-2025 for regulating the setting of Open-Air fires and to institute precautions to be taken with Open-Air fires, including the times during which Open-Air fires may be set.

CARRIED.

11. CORRESPONDENCE

RES-144-2026 Moved by Councillor McDonald, Seconded by Deputy Mayor Densham BE it resolved that the correspondence as listed as Items 11.2 to 11.10 on the agenda be received.

CARRIED.

Raisin Region Conservation Authority

Township of North Glengarry

- Council requested staff bring forward a Resolution of Support for returning to the property tax reassessment cycle or suitable alternative.

United Counties of Leeds and Grenville

Township of Puslinch

Township of Baldwin

Municipality of Calvin

**Town of Orangeville
Municipality of Chatham-Kent
Township of Machar**

12. MOTIONS AND NOTICES OF MOTIONS

13. PETITIONS

14. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

15. NEW BUSINESS

16. SCHEDULING OF MEETINGS

Next meeting of Council: Tuesday, June 23, 2026

17. COMING EVENTS

Recreation Coming Events

18. CLOSING REMARKS OR COUNCIL COMMENTS

19. RATIFICATION/CONFIRMING BY-LAW

RES-145-2026 Moved by Councillor Shane, Seconded by Councillor McDonald BE it resolved that By-Law No. 37-2026, being a By-law to adopt, confirm and ratify Council's actions at its regular meeting of Council, be read and passed in Open Council this 9th day of June, 2026.

CARRIED.

20. ADJOURNMENT

RES-146-2026 Moved by Councillor McDonald, Seconded by Deputy Mayor Densham BE it resolved that this regular meeting adjourn at 6:49 p.m.

CARRIED.

Mayor

CAO/CLERK



BOARD OF DIRECTORS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Meeting No. 04/26
Thursday, May 14th, 2026 – 9:00 a.m.

Watershed Room, SNC



Directors Present:

Genevieve Lajoie, Prescott Russell (*electronic participation*)
Matthew Luloff, City of Ottawa (*electronic participation*)
Linda Payant, City of Ottawa
Isabelle Skalski, City of Ottawa
Bill Smirle, Stormont Dundas Glengarry
Tom Smyth, Stormont Dundas Glengarry
François St. Amour, Prescott Russell
Mike Tarnowski, Prescott Russell
Deb Wilson, Leeds Grenville
Adrian Wynands, Leeds Grenville, Chair

Regrets:

Steve Densham, Stormont Dundas Glengarry, Second Vice Chair
Catherine Kitts, City of Ottawa, Vice Chair

Staff Present:

Carl Bickerdike, Chief Administrative Officer
Johanna Barkley, Director of Finance
Ronda Boutz, Secretary-Treasurer
Jennifer Boyer, Managing Director, Approvals
Michelle Cavanagh, Team Lead, Special Projects
James Holland, Senior Planner
Hannah Jackson, Accounting and Human Resources Specialist
Sandra Mancini, Managing Director, Natural Hazards and Infrastructure
John Mesman, Managing Director, Property, Conservation Lands and Community Outreach
Eric McGill, Corporate Counsel
Arielle Noonan, Stewardship Assistant
Gregory Payne, Permitting Officer
Pat Piitz, Team Lead, Property



TRADITIONAL LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

John Mesman, Managing Director, Property, Conservation Lands, and Community Outreach, read an Indigenous land acknowledgement.

CHAIRS REMARKS

Adrian Wynands, Chair, called the Board of Directors meeting of May 14th, 2026 to order at 9:00 a.m.

APPROVAL OF SNC BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING AND SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA

RESOLUTION NO. BD-068/26

Moved by: Bill Smirle
Seconded by: Mike Tarnowski

RESOLVED THAT:

The Members approve the May 14th, 2026 Board of Directors main and supplemental agendas with the following amendment:

- i. Supplemental agenda item #1c be moved to precede main agenda item #7a.

CARRIED

DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None

SNC PROJECT UPDATE – POWERPOINT PRESENTATION

Staff presented the members with a PowerPoint presentation on project updates.

Isabelle Skalski joined the meeting at 9:05 a.m.

APPROVAL OF:

A. BOARD OF DIRECTORS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES OF APRIL 9TH, 2026

RESOLUTION NO. BD-069/26

Moved by: Linda Payant
Seconded by: Isabelle Skalski

RESOLVED THAT:

The Members approve the Board of Directors Meeting Minutes of April 9th, 2026 as presented.

CARRIED



COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

B. REQUEST FOR APPROVAL: SNC COMMITTEES MEETING HIGHLIGHTS AND MINUTES OF:

RESOLUTION NO. BD 070-/26

Moved by: Bill Smirle
Seconded by: Deb Wilson

RESOLVED THAT:

The Board of Directors approve the actions and recommendations of the following Committee meeting:

- i. Joint Occupational Health and Safety meeting minutes of April 8th, 2026.

CARRIED

BILL 97 AND THE AMALGAMATION OF CONSERVATION AUTHORITIES

RESOLUTION NO. BD-071/26

Moved by: Mike Tarnowski
Seconded by: Tom Smyth

RESOLVED THAT:

The Board of Directors receive and file the report regarding Bill 97 and changes to the Conservation Authorities Act resulting in the amalgamation of existing authorities; and

FURTHER THAT:

The Board request that the report be circulated to member municipalities as a memo from the Board of Directors.

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS
TRANSITION COMMITTEE – EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

RESOLUTION NO. BD-072/26

Moved by: François St. Amour
Seconded by: Mike Tarnowski

RESOLVED THAT:

The Board of Directors receive and file the report regarding Transition Committees; and

FURHTER THAT:

Any Board member interested in being appointed to the Transition Committee may express their interest verbally, or by email to the Board of Directors prior to the June 2026 Board meeting.

CARRIED



REQUEST FOR APPROVAL: CASSELMAN DAM REPAIRS

RESOLUTION NO. BD-073/26

Moved by: Mike Tarnowski
 Seconded by: Deb Wilson

RESOLVED THAT:

The Board of Directors approve undertaking repairs to the Casselman Dam in three phases at a total approximate cost of \$1,552,900, subject to approval by the chief executive officer of the Ontario Provincial Conservation Agency; and

FURTHER THAT:

The Board of Director approve retaining Consultant A to complete the three phases on concrete repairs at the Casselman Dam at an approximate cost of \$1,421,035 plus HST; and

FURTHER THAT:

The Board of Directors approve establishing a Casselman Dam Reserve to be funding as follows:

Reserve Transfer From	Amount
Land Acquisition Reserve for Phase 1	\$250,000
Capital Reserve for Phase 1	\$133,624
Capital Reserve for Phase 2	\$65,135
Capital Reserve for Phase 3	\$65,135
Casselman Dam Reserve Balance	\$513,894

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Casselman Dam Reserve be closed at a project completion and any remaining funds be transferred to the Land Acquisition and/or Capital Reserves.

CARRIED

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL: DISBUREMENTS FOR 2026 PARTNERSHIP PROGRAMS

RESOLUTION NO. BD-074/26

Moved by: Mike Tarnowski
 Seconded by: François St. Amour

RESOLVED THAT:

The Board of Directors approves undertaking and disbursement of funds for the following Partnership Programs in 2026:



Program	2026 Funds
1. City of Ottawa Special Levy Programs	
a. Ottawa Tree Replacement Program	\$200,000
b. Ottawa Rural Clean Water Program	\$200,000
c. Eastern Ontario Water Resources Program	\$50,000
d. Ottawa Baseline Monitoring Program	\$47,000
Total	\$497,000

CARRIED

**The Board of Directors break recessed for a break at 10:15 am
The Board of Directors reconvened from break at 10:30 a.m.**

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL: 2026 SNC EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS PLAN

RESOLUTION NO. BD-075/26

Moved by: Mike Tarnowski
Seconded by: Deb Wilson

RESOLVED THAT:

The Board of Directors approve the following 2026 South Nation Conservation Emergency Preparedness Plans:

- i. Crisis Communications Kit for Landslides;
- ii. Forest Fire Emergency Plan; and
- iii. Low Water Response Plan.

CARRIED

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL: MONIES RECEIVED AND DISBURSEMENT REGISTER FOR APRIL 2026

RESOLUTION NO. BD-076/26

Moved by: Mike Tarnowski
Seconded by: Isabelle Skalski

RESOLVED THAT:

The Board of Directors receive and file the monies received report for April 2026; and

FURTHER THAT:

The Board approve the Disbursement Register of \$771,342.32 for April 2026.

CARRIED



MONTHLY UPDATES:

- i. **PLANNING ACTIVITY**
- ii. **ENGINEERING TECHNICAL REVIEWS**
- iii. **SECTION 28.1 PERMITS ISSUED**
- iv. **ENFORCEMENT OF PARTS VI AND VII OF THE ACT**
- v. **ON-SITE SEWAGE PERMITS RECEIVED**

RESOLUTION NO. BD-077/26

Moved by: Linda Payant
Seconded by: Tom Smyth

RESOLVED THAT:

The Board of Directors receive and file the Planning Activity update for April 2026:

- i. Planning Activity;
- ii. Engineering Technical Reviews;
- iii. Permits issued under Section 28.1 of the *Conservation Authorities Act*;
- iv. Reported *Conservation Authorities Act* regulation concerns received; and
- v. On-site sewage permits received.

CARRIED

SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA

UPDATE: ESTIMATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS FOR APRIL 30th, 2026

RESOLUTION NO. BD-078/26

Moved by: Deb Wilson
Seconded by: François St. Amour

RESOLVED THAT:

The Board of Directors receive and file the Estimated Statement of Operations for the year ending December 31st, 2026, as of April 30th, 2026 update.

CARRIED

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL: FUNDING SUBMISSION

RESOLUTION NO. BD-079/26

Moved by: Bill Smirle
Seconded by: François St. Amour

RESOLVED THAT:

The Board of Directors approve a funding submission to the Green Municipal Fund for the Adaptation in Action grant, in partnership with the Municipality of Casselman, requesting up to \$1,000,000 to support the Casselman Dam Concrete Rehabilitation project.

CARRIED



UPDATE: NATURAL HAZARDS – UNSTABLE SOILS

Sandra Mancini, Managing Director, Natural Hazards and Infrastructure, and Kenneth Omenogor, Geotechnical Engineer, presented the members with a PowerPoint presentation update on Natural Hazards – Unstable Soils.

CLOSED SESSION

RESOLUTION NO. BD-080/26

Moved by: Tom Smyth
Seconded by: Genevieve Lajoie

RESOLVED THAT:

The Board of Directors move into Closed Session for the following:
i. Request for Approval: Land Acquisition

CARRIED

The Board of Directors convened Closed Session at 11:04 a.m.

OPEN SESSION

RESOLUTION NO. BD-081/26

Moved by: Bill Smirle
Seconded by: Mike Tarnowski

RESOLVED THAT:

The Board of Directors move into Open Session.

CARRIED

The Board of Directors reconvened Open Session at 11:10 a.m.

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL: LAND ACQUISITION

RESOLUTION NO. BD-082/26

Moved by: Mike Tarnowski
Seconded by: Tom Smyth

RESOLVED THAT:

The Board of Directors approve the acquisition of 2026-SST-01 [South Stormont], as discussed in the report, subject to approval by the chief executive officer of the Ontario Provincial Conservation Agency.

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE.

- a. Minister's Direction under section 1.14 of the *Conservation Authorities Act* (re: temporary restrictions)



DATES OF UCOMING MEETINGS, SECOND THURSDAY, AT 9:00 A.M. UNLESS INDICATED OTHERWISE:

- June 11th, 2026
- July – no scheduled meeting
- August 13th, 2026 (AMO Conference Aug. 16th-19th)
- September 10th, 2026 (OEMC Conference Sept. 9th-11th)
- October 15th, 2026 (Note: third Thursday)

FUTURE MOTIONS OF THE BOARD AND/OR DISCUSSION OF SNC ISSUES

Carl Bickerdike, CAO, updated the Board of Directors on Hawkesbury Creek floodplain mapping concerns raised at a Township of Hawkesbury open house. SNC, at the request of the United Counties of Prescott and Russell, met with Hawkesbury staff to clarify the floodplain mapping products.

ADJOURNMENT

RESOLUTION NO. BD-083/26

Moved by: Bill Smirle
Seconded by: Isabelle Skalski

RESOLVED THAT:

The Board of Directors Meeting of May 14th, 2026
be adjourned at 11:29 a.m.

CARRIED

Adrian Wynands,
Chair.

Carl Bickerdike,
Chief Administrative Officer.

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RAISIN REGION CONSERVATION AUTHORITY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MAY 7, 2026 MEETING
MINUTES
RRCA ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 18045 COUNTY RD. 2, CORNWALL, ON

PRESENT: Jacques Massie, North Glengarry, Chair
Andrew Guindon, South Stormont, Vice-Chair
Bryan McGillis, South Stormont
Carilyne Hebert, City of Cornwall
Martin Lang, South Glengarry
Adrian Bugelli, North Stormont
Lachlan McDonald, South Glengarry

STAFF: Alison McDonald, General Manager / Secretary-Treasurer
Josianne Sabourin, Executive Assistant
Sandy Crites, Finance Officer
Phil Barnes, Team Lead, Watershed Management
Scott Braithwaite, Stewardship and Planning Coordinator
Laura Grant, Project Manager
Claudia Munafo, Public Information Coordinator
Vincent Pilon, Communications Specialist
Pete Sabourin, Team Lead, Field Operations
Lisa Van De Ligt, Team Lead, Communications & Stewardship

REGRETS: Claude McIntosh, City of Cornwall

GUEST: Jamie Pollock, MNP

CALL TO ORDER

Jacques Massie, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:00 am

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

RESOLUTION #38/26:

Moved by: Andrew Guindon

Seconded by: Bryan McGillis

THAT the agenda be approved as amended to include the Summary of Temporary Restrictions.

CARRIED

DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None

DELEGATIONS / PRESENTATIONS

Staff presented Project Updates through a PowerPoint presentation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

RESOLUTION #39/26:

Moved by: Andrew Guindon
Seconded by: Bryan McGillis

THAT the minutes of April 2, 2026, meeting of the Raisin Region Conservation Authority be approved.

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

2025 AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Jamie Pollock from MNP presented the 2025 Audited Financial Statement.

RESOLUTION #40/26:

Moved by: Carilyne Hebert
Seconded by: Lachlan McDonald

THAT the Board of Directors approve the 2025 Financial Statements,

AND FURTHER THAT the Board of Directors approve allocation of the year-end net surplus, authorizing a transfer of \$72,329 to Operating Reserves and \$27,013 to Special Benefitting Reserves.

CARRIED

Martin Lang excused himself from the meeting at 9:40 am due to a prior commitment.

QUARTERLY VARIANCE REPORT

RESOLUTION #41/26:

Moved by: Carilyne Hebert
Seconded by: Lachlan McDonald

THAT the Board of Directors receives the Quarterly Capital and Operating Variance Reports as of March 31, 2026.

CARRIED

SUMMARY OF TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS

RESOLUTION #42/26:

Moved by: Carilyne Hebert
Seconded by: Lachlan McDonald

THAT the Board of Directors receives the Summary of Temporary Restrictions.

CARRIED

TRANSITION WORKING GROUP UPDATE

RESOLUTION #43/26:

Moved by: Carilyne Hebert
Seconded by: Lachlan McDonald

THAT the Board of Directors receives the Transition Working Group Update.

CARRIED

2025 RRCA ANNUAL REPORT

RESOLUTION #44/26:

Moved by: Bryan McGillis
Seconded by: Andrew Guindon

THAT the Board of Directors approve the 2025 RRCA Annual Report

CARRIED

CONSERVATION AREAS UPDATE

RESOLUTION #45/26:

Moved by: Bryan McGillis
Seconded by: Andrew Guindon

THAT the Board of Directors receives the Conservation Areas Update.

CARRIED

GRANT SUBMISSIONS

RESOLUTION #46/26:

Moved by: Andrew Guindon
Seconded by: Lachlan McDonald

THAT the Board of Directors retroactively approve requesting:

- \$29,900 from the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources for an engineering assessment of the Fly Creek Flood Control, and
- \$10,000 from the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources for upgrades to the remote monitoring system at Fly Creek Flood Control

AND FURTHER THAT the Board of Directors approve entering into an agreement with funders, as required.

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE

Staff provided statistics from this year's Raisin River Canoe Race.

FUTURE MEETINGS

RRCA Board of Directors starting at 9:00 am – Jun 4 (Cooper Marsh), Sep 3, Oct 1

CLOSED SESSION

RESOLUTION #47/26:

Moved by: Carilyne Hebert
Seconded by: Lachlan McDonald

THAT the Board of Directors Meeting move into Closed Session to discuss the following items;

- a) For Discussion: Negotiations, Charlottenburgh Park
- b) Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including staff of the Authority

CARRIED

RESOLUTION #48/26:

Moved by: Lachlan McDonald
Seconded by: Carilyne Hebert

THAT the Board of Directors Meeting move to Open Session.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION #49/26:

Moved by: Adrian Bugelli
Seconded by: Lachlan McDonald

THAT the Board of Directors approves entering into a lease agreement renewal at Charlottenburgh Park for the 2026 season.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

RESOLUTION #50/26:


Moved by: Lachlan McDonald
Seconded by: Andrew Guindon


THAT the Board of Directors meeting of May 7, 2026, be adjourned.

CARRIED



Jacques Massie,
Chair


Alison McDonald,
General Manager / Secretary-Treasurer

	The Corporation of the Township of NORTH STORMONT	Report No. PW-08-2026
	Agenda Date: June 23, 2026	Subject: 2026 Annual Development Allocation Report
Attachments:		

1.0 RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council of the Township of North Stormont receives Report PW 08-2026 and approves the 2026 Annual Development Allocation for the Finch, Crysler, and Moose Creek municipal water and wastewater systems as outlined in this report.

2.0 LEGAL DESCRIPTION

N/A

3.0 BACKGROUND

The Water and Wastewater Capacity Allocation By-law (By-law No. 97-2024) requires the Township to annually assess available water and wastewater capacity and establish an Annual Development Allocation. As part of this process, the Ontario Clean Water Agency (OCWA) completed a detailed review of each municipal water and wastewater system and provided the operational and capacity data used to develop the annual allocation recommendations contained in this report.

4.0 POLICY CONSIDERATION

Section 4.3.3.4 of the SDG Official Plan requires that development within Settlement Areas and Service Limits only proceed where sufficient reserve water and wastewater servicing capacity is available. The Official Plan further recognizes the authority of local municipalities to manage and allocate servicing capacity to support orderly growth.

The Township's Water and Wastewater Capacity Allocation By-law (By-law No. 97-2024) implements these policies by requiring an annual review of available system capacity and the establishment of Annual Development Allocations

based on the available reserve capacity within the Finch, Chrysler, and Moose Creek municipal water and wastewater systems.

5.0 ANALYSIS

Based on OCWA's review of the municipal systems, the following reserve capacity information has been identified for Council's consideration in determining the 2026 Annual Development Allocation:

	Population (Est. Units*2)	# Connections	# Unconnected Approved Lots	# Units Reserve Capacity
Crysler Water	1072	536	111	338
Crysler Lagoon (Incl. Finch)	1570	785	164	535
Crysler SPS #1	1306	653	53	566
Crysler SPS #2	264	132	111	3559
Finch Water	564	282	54	26
Finch Pumping Station	518	259	53	71
Moose Creek Water	626	313	12	107
Moose Creek Lagoon	546	273	12	47
Moose Creek Pumping Station	546	273	12	25

6.0 ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS

N/A

7.0 RECOMMENDED CONDITIONS

THAT Council of the Township of North Stormont receives Report PW 08-2026 and approves the 2026 Annual Development Allocation for the Finch, Chrysler, and Moose Creek municipal water and wastewater systems as outlined in this report.

8.0 ALTERNATIVES

Council may establish different annual development allocations for the Finch, Chrysler, and Moose Creek municipal water and wastewater systems based on its review of the available servicing capacity information.

FINANCIAL/STAFFING IMPLICATIONS

This item has been approved in the current budget: Yes No N/A
This item is within the approved budgeted amount: Yes No N/A
This item is mandated by the Provincial/Federal Government: Yes No N/A

Prepared By:

**Reviewed and submitted
by:**

**Submitted for Council
consideration by:**




**Bethany MacDonald
Public Works
Administrative
Assistant**



**Blake Henderson
Public Works
Superintendent**



**Chad Brownlee
CAO/Clerk**

		The Corporation of the Township of NORTH STORMONT	Report No. FIN-13-2026
Agenda Date:	June 23, 2026		
Subject:	Sale of Surplus Lands		
Attachments:			

1.0 RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Council of the Township of North Stormont approves the sale of surplus land, roll number 0411 016 00034000.0000 to D. Bender in the amount of \$1,000 plus all transfer costs;

AND FURTHER directs Administration to execute all necessary documents to complete the sale.

2.0 LEGAL DESCRIPTION

Roll number 0411 016 00034000.0000 Con 1 Pt Lot 7

3.0 BACKGROUND

A report was brought to Council on March 24, 2026 to approve the sale of the surplus land noted above, and to obtain a value of the property through an Appraiser.

On May 12, 2026 another report was brought to Council as the cost of the appraisal was going to be expensive as significant searching would have to be done to find comparable properties. This property is small, not buildable and has a drain running through it. Council then directed Administration to sell the property through soliciting an offer to the Clerk.

The property was then advertised with a closing date of June 9, 2026. One bid was submitted to the Township in the amount of \$1,000 plus all applicable transfer costs.

4.0 POLICY CONSIDERATION

By-Law 19-2017 being a By-law to regulate the disposition of Municipal Real Property and Assets.

5.0 ANALYSIS

Since this property is no longer required by the Township and there is an interested buyer, Administration is recommending the sale to the sole bidder.

6.0 ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS

N/A

7.0 RECOMMENDED CONDITIONS

That Council approve the sale of surplus land, noted as roll number 0411 016 0034000.0000.

8.0 ALTERNATIVES

As Council deems appropriate.

FINANCIAL/STAFFING IMPLICATIONS

This item has been approved in the current budget: Yes No N/A
This item is within the approved budgeted amount: Yes No N/A
This item is mandated by the Provincial/Federal Government: Yes No N/A

Prepared By:

Reviewed and submitted by:


Submitted for Council consideration by:



Kimberley Goyette
Treasurer

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Chad Brownlee
CAO/Clerk

		The Corporation of the Township of NORTH STORMONT	Report No. FIN-14-2026
Agenda Date:	June 23, 2026		
Subject:	Avonmore Communal Wastewater Service		
Attachments:			

1.0 RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Council of the Township of North Stormont accepts report FIN-14-2026 regarding Avonmore Communal Wastewater Service;

AND FURTHER acknowledges a formal fee increase will be brought forward by By-law.

2.0 LEGAL DESCRIPTION

N/A

3.0 BACKGROUND

A report was brought forward to Council on May 12, 2026 recommending a fee increase to the wastewater rates on the Avonmore Communal Wastewater system as there had been no increases since the original By-Law Number 23/87 was passed on October 5th, 1987 and the current amount collected does not cover operational and maintenance costs.

Council indicated during that meeting that they would like notice to be given to the residents affected and also a phased in approach to an increase rather than a large increase hitting all at once.

Letters were sent to each resident on the system indicating the changes of rates for the years 2026, 2027, 2028 and the fact that they would be invoiced rather than having the amounts simply added to their tax roll. It was to inform them of upcoming changes and noted to contact the Township should they have any questions or concerns. To date, nothing has been received.

As a reference, the current 2026 flat rate fee for wastewater is \$524 annually. The highest suggested new rate in the Avonmore Communal Wastewater System By-

law are: \$285 for 2026; \$380 for 2027; and \$475 for 2028.



4.0 POLICY CONSIDERATION

N/A

5.0 ANALYSIS

N/A

6.0 ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS

N/A

7.0 RECOMMENDED CONDITIONS

Council approve report FIN-14-2026 and subsequently review and pass a new By-Law.

8.0 ALTERNATIVES

As Council deems appropriate.

FINANCIAL/STAFFING IMPLICATIONS

This item has been approved in the current budget: Yes No N/A
This item is within the approved budgeted amount: Yes No N/A
This item is mandated by the Provincial/Federal Government: Yes No N/A

Prepared By:



Kimberley Goyette
Treasurer

Reviewed and submitted by:




Kimberley Goyette
Treasurer

Submitted for Council consideration by:



Chad Brownlee
CAO/Clerk

		The Corporation of the Township of NORTH STORMONT	Report No. FIRE-04- 2026
Agenda Date:	June 23, 2026		
Subject:	Repeal By-Law 45-2016 Respiratory Protection Program		
Attachments:			

1.0 RECOMMENDATION

That Council of the Township of North Stormont approve the repeal of By-law No. 45-2016, being the Respiratory Protection Program Policy, as the Township has transitioned to a Standard Operating Procedure (SOP)-based framework for respiratory protection and related operational requirements within North Stormont Fire Services.

2.0 LEGAL DESCRIPTION

N/A

3.0 BACKGROUND

By-law No. 45-2016, being the Respiratory Protection Program Policy, was adopted to formally implement a respiratory protection program to ensure firefighter health and safety, including the proper use, maintenance, and training associated with respiratory equipment.

Since its adoption, North Stormont Fire Services has transitioned toward a modernized Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) framework to manage operational programs and requirements. As outlined in Report FIRE 03-2026, presented to the Fire Services Committee on June 11, 2026, the Department has updated its approach to respiratory protection through comprehensive SOPs that reflect current legislation, standards, and best practices.

The transition to an SOP-based system allows for greater flexibility in updating procedures, ensures alignment with Section 21 Guidance Notes, the Occupational Health and Safety Act, and applicable NFPA, CSA, and ULC standards, and supports ongoing operational improvements without the need for formal by-law amendments.

4.0 POLICY CONSIDERATION

The repeal of By-law No. 45-2016 reflects the Township's ongoing shift toward an operational governance model based on Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) rather than prescriptive by-laws. This approach supports a more responsive and adaptable framework for managing fire service programs. Maintaining respiratory protection requirements within SOPs enables timely updates to reflect changes in legislation, standards, and best practices, without requiring formal by-law amendments. This enhances the Department's ability to remain compliant with the Occupational Health and Safety Act, Section 21 Guidance Notes, and applicable NFPA, CSA, and ULC standards.

The proposed repeal aligns with broader administrative and policy modernization efforts and does not reduce or eliminate any existing safety requirements, as all applicable measures remain in effect through established SOPs.

5.0 ANALYSIS

The repeal of By-law No. 45-2016 is administrative in nature and reflects the evolution of fire service governance within North Stormont Fire Services. The original intent of the by-law—to ensure a structured respiratory protection program—continues to be fully achieved through the Department's current Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs).

Transitioning program requirements from a by-law to SOPs improves operational efficiency by allowing updates to be implemented in a timely manner as standards, equipment, and best practices evolve. This approach reduces administrative burden while ensuring ongoing compliance with applicable health and safety legislation and recognized industry standards.

There is no anticipated negative impact on firefighter safety, service delivery, or regulatory compliance as a result of the repeal. Instead, the change supports a more responsive and sustainable framework for maintaining critical life safety programs.

6.0 ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS

N/A

7.0 RECOMMENDED CONDITIONS

That Council of the Township of North Stormont approve the repeal of By-law No. 45-2016, being the Respiratory Protection Program Policy, as

recommended by the Fire Services Committee and supported by the Fire Chief.

8.0 ALTERNATIVES

As Council deems appropriate.

FINANCIAL/STAFFING IMPLICATIONS

This item has been approved in the current budget: Yes No N/A
This item is within the approved budgeted amount: Yes No N/A
This item is mandated by the Provincial/Federal Government: Yes No N/A

Prepared By:



Nancy Ann Gauthier
Fire Chief

Reviewed and submitted by:



Nancy Ann Gauthier
Fire Chief

Submitted for Council consideration by:



Chad Brownlee
CAO/Clerk

		The Corporation of the Township of NORTH STORMONT	Report No. REC-05- 2026
Agenda Date:	June 23, 2026		
Subject:	Amalgamated Recreation Agreement		
Attachments:	<input type="checkbox"/> Amalgamated Recreation Agreement 2026		

1.0 **RECOMMENDATION**

That the Council of Township of North Stormont adopt the Amalgamated Recreation Agreement (2026), repealing and replacing By-law No. 73-2020;

AND FURTHER that Council authorize staff to implement and administer the provisions of the Agreement as outlined.

2.0 **LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

N/A

3.0 **BACKGROUND**

The Township currently operates under By-law 73-2020 and By-law 74-2017, which governs the roles, responsibilities, and financial structures between the Township and recreation associations.

Since their adoption, significant operational changes have occurred, including:

- Increased facility inventory and infrastructure responsibilities
- Expansion of grant funding programs and compliance requirements
- Evolving insurance, health and safety, and regulatory obligations
- Increased administrative and financial accountability requirements

As a result, a comprehensive review and consolidation of both by-laws was undertaken to ensure clarity, consistency, and alignment with current municipal practices.

To support this work, Township administration held several meetings and a workshop with the Amalgamated Recreation Committee (ARC). These sessions provided an opportunity to review existing provisions, identify operational gaps, and collaboratively develop an updated and unified framework that reflects current needs and practices.

The proposed Agreement was endorsed by the Amalgamated Recreation Committee at its meeting on May 14, 2026, and is now being presented to Council for formal adoption.

4.0 POLICY CONSIDERATION

The Amalgamated Recreation Agreement aligns with the Township's obligations under the *Municipal Act*, the *Occupational Health and Safety Act*, the *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act*, and applicable procurement and asset management policies. The consolidated by-law replaces By-law 73-2020, eliminating conflicting provisions and establishing a unified governance framework. Adoption of this Agreement reinforces the Township's commitment to sound financial stewardship, risk management, and transparent accountability in recreational services delivery.

5.0 ANALYSIS

The updated Agreement establishes a unified framework for all recreation committees under the Amalgamated Recreation Committee (ARC), covering:

1. Governance and Structure
2. Operating Responsibilities
3. Capital Planning and Asset Management
4. Grant Management (Director-Led Model)
5. Financial Administration
6. Facility Operations and Rentals
7. Contractors and Staffing
8. Health, Safety, and Regulatory Compliance
9. Parks and Playground Management
10. Administrative Improvements

6.0 ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS

N/A

7.0 RECOMMENDED CONDITIONS

That Council review By-Law 74-2017 at the beginning of the next term of Council.

8.0 ALTERNATIVES

That Council defer adoption of the proposed agreement and continue operating

under By-law 73-2020 pending further review.

FINANCIAL/STAFFING IMPLICATIONS

This item has been approved in the current budget: Yes No N/A
This item is within the approved budgeted amount: Yes No N/A
This item is mandated by the Provincial/Federal Government: Yes No N/A

Prepared By:



**Pierre Thibault
Director of Parks
Recreation & Facilities**

**Reviewed and
submitted by:**



**Pierre Thibault
Director of Parks,
Recreation & Facilities**

**Submitted for Council
consideration by:**



**Chad Brownlee
CAO/Clerk**

Amalgamated Recreation Agreement

“ARA 2026”

THIS AGREEMENT made on this _____ day of _____ 2026.

BETWEEN:

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NORTH STORMONT

hereinafter called the “Township”

AND:

Avonmore Athletic Association

Berwick Recreation

Crysler Community Association

Finch Recreation

Monkland Recreation

Moose Creek Recreation

hereinafter as a group called the “Recreation Committees or Recreation Associations”

1. OPERATING

The Township of North Stormont will cover annual utility costs for all six (6) recreation committees' facilities when run in accordance with facility procedures. Utilities are defined as:

- Heating
- Hydro / electricity
- Snow removal
- Internet

Coverage applies to main halls and primary structures only.

All capital expenses must receive Council approval prior to the start of any construction. All infrastructure work must be reviewed and approved by:

- A professional engineer (where required)
- The Township Chief Building Official (CBO)
- Council

Recreation Committee Responsibilities

Each recreation committee is responsible for all other operating costs, defined as daily, weekly, or annual services, repairs, maintenance, inspections, including but not limited to:

- Plumbing: routine operational maintenance and service calls
- Electrical: minor changes, fixtures, and service calls
- Buildings & Structures: general repairs and maintenance, including inspection costs for:
 - Fire alarm systems
 - Fire suppression systems
 - Fire extinguishers
 - Yearly Park inspection

- Playground structure repairs at a rate of 50%
- Heating & Cooling (HVAC): regular maintenance including filter changes, biannual servicing, minor repairs, and service calls. Township to schedule maintenance service.
- Alarm Monitoring: annual alarm monitoring. Township to schedule inspections
- Fire suppression system inspection, hood cleaning service, and fire extinguisher annual inspection. Township to schedule maintenance and inspection services
- Park annual inspection: annual park inspection fees by third party. Any deficiencies will be repaired by Township staff, volunteers, or third-party contractors at a rate of 50% Township and 50% recreation for all park structure repairs

Township staff will provide the monthly fire extinguisher inspections for all facilities and keep a record. Recreation committees are to continue the monthly inspection of the Automated External Defibrillator (AED) and complete the electronic report. The Township will assist with the annual AED inspections and EOHU inspections.

Procurement and Joint Tenders

Upon request, the Township will assist recreation committees in advertising and issuing joint tenders for operational suppliers.

Utility Chargebacks

Additional utility costs associated with revenue-generating activities will be charged back to the benefiting recreation committee. This includes, but is not limited to:

- Baseball Diamond Lighting
- Volleyball courts
- Summer camp air conditioning at TBO Place

Shared-Use Facilities – Cost Allocation

- Avonmore (North Stormont Place): 40% Recreation / 60% Township
- Monkland: 40% Recreation / 60% Township
- Crysler Library (kitchen side): 20% Recreation / 80% Township
- Moose Creek: Rental side has its own HVAC

Invoicing Procedure

All invoices will be sent to the President (or their designate) of each recreation committee for approval.

Township Administration will invoice recreation committees quarterly, including detailed statements and copies of invoices.

Invoices are due 30 days from the date of the initial email. Late payments will be subject to interest charges.

New Administrative Process

Dedicated email for arena-related matters:

arena@northstormont.ca

Recreation treasurers are requested to reference invoice numbers using the format:

AR – [Facility Code] – Invoice Numbers
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The following identifies the six (6) individual recreation associations that make up the Amalgamated Recreation Committee, the facilities and properties each is responsible for, and the Township's general ledger (GL) category code to which it corresponds:

- Berwick (7030): Baseball diamond / canteen

- Monkland (7050): Community hall / playground / ball diamond / clubhouse
- Avonmore (7060): North Stormont Place / playground / pool / baseball diamond
- Moose Creek (7070): Community center / rink / pool / baseball diamonds / playground
- Crysler (7080): Community Center / TBO Place / dome / gazebo / baseball diamond / storage shed / John Crysler Park / playground / docks
- Finch (7090): Community hall / baseball diamond / playground / corner park / canteen / Vollrath Park

Should the Township acquire a new facility and/or property, this entity will be assumed under the applicable recreation association and assigned to its respective GL code. New facilities acquired by the Township will be documented in an annually updated appendix, with GL code assignments confirmed therein.

2. HALL RENTALS, EVENTS, AND ACTIVITIES

Recreation committees must follow AGCO and Township regulations. A volunteer must be present during all rentals. Committees are responsible for ensuring renters follow all policies and regulations. The Township will assist with advertising where information is provided on time. Conflicting events should be avoided. Recreation Committees remain responsible for providing liability insurance for all rentals from the FUG insurance portfolio.

3. GRANTS – DIRECTOR-LED PROCESS

The Director of Parks, Recreation and Facilities is responsible for all Township grant applications. Recreation groups must submit written proposals and identify up to three (3) priority projects. Council approval is required where applicable. The Director oversees submissions, approvals, and project administration.

4. COMMUNITY FUND

At the discretion of Council, a community fund of \$30,000 may be divided among recreation committees.

5. FACILITY BOOKING SYSTEM

All recreation facilities shall be included in the Township booking system. Costs are allocated as follows:

- 50% Arena
- 50% shared among recreation groups (excluding Berwick)

6. CONTRACTORS & EMPLOYEES

All contractors must maintain \$5,000,000.00 liability insurance naming the Township. Independent contractors require agreements and \$2,000,000.00 coverage. There are no paid volunteers as per By-law #42-2017.

7. CAPITAL PROJECTS

Capital costs the responsibility of the Township, subject to Council approval. "Capital Costs" means costs associated with the acquisition, construction, replacement, expansion, or major renovation of land, buildings, or facilities, including any substantial work that materially extends the useful life, capacity, or value of such assets. Capital Costs do not include routine maintenance, coatings, minor repairs, or day-to-day operating expenses. All projects must meet procurement policies and include cost, lifespan, and funding information.

8. ARC GOVERNANCE, MEETINGS & FINANCIAL REPORTING

Recreation Committees will follow the most up-to-date Amalgamated Recreation Committee by-law. Generally, meetings are quarterly and public. Each recreation committee must submit financial reporting annually. All funds are considered public funds.

9. HEALTH & SAFETY

All committees must meet AODA, OHSA, AGCO, and EOHU requirements. Mandatory training must be completed.

10. SUMMER STUDENT GRANTS

The Township supports applications, payroll guidance, and training. Recreation committees are responsible for shortfalls and compliance.

11. PARKS & PLAYGROUNDS

Recreation committees are responsible for day-to-day monitoring and maintenance activities. The Township coordinates inspections. Repairs are cost shared as outlined.

12. FACILITY USE – SUSPENSION, CLOSURE, AND RENTAL RISK REVIEW

The Director may suspend or restrict land or facility use due to safety, compliance, or insurance concerns.

13. TERM

The Parties agree to review the terms of this Agreement on an annual basis, commencing on the anniversary date of this Agreement or at the first meeting of the ARC, and to discuss in good faith any amendments that may be required.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties have executed this agreement attested by the hands of their respective officers duly authorized on that behalf:

_____	_____
Authorized Signature on Behalf of the Township North Stormont	Name of Authorized Person (Print)

Date Signed	

_____	_____
Authorized Signature on Behalf of Avonmore Athletic Association	Name of Authorized Person (Print)

Date Signed	

_____	_____
Authorized Signature on Behalf of Berwick Recreation	Name of Authorized Person (Print)

Date Signed	

_____	_____
Authorized Signature on Behalf of Crysler Community Association	Name of Authorized Person (Print)


Date Signed	

_____	_____
Authorized Signature on Behalf of Finch Recreation	Name of Authorized Person (Print)

Date Signed	

_____ Authorized Signature on Behalf of Monkland Recreation	_____ Name of Authorized Person (Print)
_____ Date Signed	

_____ Authorized Signature on Behalf of Moose Creek Recreation	_____ Name of Authorized Person (Print)
_____ Date Signed	

	The Corporation of the Township of NORTH STORMONT	Report No. BLW-01- 2026
	Agenda Date: June 23, 2026	Subject: Water Usage and Conservation By-Law
Attachments:		

1.0 RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Council of the Township of North Stormont accept the report for the Water Usage and Conservation By-law, repealing and replacing By-law No. 64-2021, and authorize its implementation, including education-first enforcement and the use of Provincial Offences Act set fines where required.

2.0 LEGAL DESCRIPTION

N/A

3.0 BACKGROUND

By-law No. 64-2021 was enacted to regulate outdoor water use and protect the Township’s municipal water supply during the summer months. The by-law established watering restrictions, exemptions, emergency provisions, and offence clauses under the *Provincial Offences Act (POA)*.

While enforcement authority existed under By-law No. 64-2021, the by-law did not include a comprehensive POA set fine schedule for general water usage offences, and enforcement was not routinely undertaken. Compliance was primarily achieved through public education, voluntary cooperation, and informal follow-up.

Given increasing pressure on municipal infrastructure, the need for clarity during emergency conditions, and alignment with enforcement practices in surrounding municipalities, staff have reviewed and updated the by-law.

4.0 POLICY CONSIDERATION

The proposed Water Usage and Conservation By-law reflect a modernization of the Township’s regulatory framework to better align with current municipal

practices, operational realities, and public expectations.

The existing Water Usage By-law No. 64-2021 provided a foundation for regulating outdoor water use; however, it lacked a structured, staged approach, clear offence descriptions, and consistency with contemporary by-law drafting standards. The updated by-law improves clarity, organization, and flexibility by introducing defined water conservation stages, modernized language, and clearer authority for responding to changing water supply conditions and emergency events.

From a policy perspective, the revised by-law emphasizes proactive water stewardship, infrastructure protection, and transparency, ensuring residents understand expectations and restrictions before enforcement is required. This modernization supports consistent communication, easier administration, and improved compliance through education and clarity.

While enforcement authority existed under the former by-law, the proposed by-law introduces limited formal enforcement tools, including a set fine framework, to support compliance where voluntary measures are insufficient. Enforcement is intended to be supportive and corrective, not punitive, and will be applied progressively and only when required to address repeated or serious non-compliance.

Overall, the updated by-law represents a shift toward a clearer, more adaptable, and modern regulatory approach, providing the Township with appropriate tools to manage water use responsibly while continuing to prioritize education and cooperation.

5.0 ANALYSIS

The proposed Water Usage and Conservation By-law modernizes the Township's existing regulatory framework to better align with current municipal practices, operational needs, and the Township of North Stormont Strategic Plan 2024–2028.

The former By-law No. 64-2021 established basic watering restrictions but relied on a static structure that did not clearly address varying levels of water system stress. The updated by-law introduces a clearer, staged approach to water conservation, improving transparency, flexibility, and public understanding.

This meets the Strategic Plan priority of modernizing service delivery by creating a clearer, more structured, and more user-friendly regulatory framework that is easier for residents to understand and for staff to administer.

While enforcement authority existed under the previous by-law, it was not routinely exercised. The updated by-law introduces limited enforcement tools to support compliance where education and voluntary cooperation are insufficient, ensuring the Township has appropriate, modern tools available to protect its water system.

6.0 ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS

N/A

7.0 RECOMMENDED CONDITIONS

THAT Council approve the Water Usage and Conservation By-law, repealing and replacing By-law No. 64-2021, and authorize its implementation, including education-first enforcement and the use of *Provincial Offences Act* set fines where required.

8.0 ALTERNATIVES

- 1. That Council Amends or denies the request.
- 2. Other.

FINANCIAL/STAFFING IMPLICATIONS

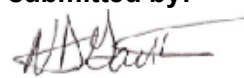
This item has been approved in the current budget: Yes No N/A
This item is within the approved budgeted amount: Yes No N/A
This item is mandated by the Provincial/Federal Government: Yes No N/A

Prepared By:




**Nancy Ann Gauthier
Municipal Law
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		The Corporation of the Township of NORTH STORMONT	Report No. BLW-02- 2026
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Subject:	Animal Control – Regulate Care and Control of Animals		
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1.0 RECOMMENDATION

That Council of the Township of North Stormont receive the Draft Animal Control By-Law for information purposes and direct staff to bring forward the finalized Animal Care and Control By-law for consideration at the July 21st, 2026 Council meeting.

2.0 LEGAL DESCRIPTION

The proposed by-law is enacted under the authority of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, which authorizes municipalities to regulate animals, including licensing, control, and enforcement provisions.

3.0 BACKGROUND

The Township’s current Animal Care and Control By-law (By-law No. 062-04) is outdated and does not fully reflect current practices, enforcement requirements, or animal welfare expectations.

Staff have undertaken a comprehensive review and modernization of the by-law to:

- Improve clarity and enforceability;
- Align with current legislative authority under the Municipal Act;
- Reflect current operational practices; and
- Address emerging issues related to animal control, public safety, and nuisance mitigation.

The attached draft by-law represents a working document for Council review and feedback prior to formal adoption.

4.0 POLICY CONSIDERATION

The proposed by-law aligns with:

- The authority provided under the *Municipal Act, 2001* respecting the regulation, licensing, and control of animals;
- The *Provincial Animal Welfare Services (PAWS) Act*, which establishes standards for animal care and enforcement of animal welfare in Ontario;
- The *Dog Owners' Liability Act*, which governs liability and responsibilities of dog owners in relation to biting and aggressive behaviour;
- Applicable *Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNR)* requirements respecting the licensing and regulation of wildlife where applicable;
- Existing Township enforcement practices; and
- Township Zoning By-law provisions respecting permitted land use for kennels and related animal uses.

5.0 ANALYSIS

The draft Animal Care and Control By-law represents a comprehensive update to the Township's existing regulatory framework and is intended to improve clarity, enforceability, and alignment with current legislation and operational practices. The proposed by-law modernizes key definitions and establishes clearer expectations for animal ownership, including requirements respecting animals being under control, not running at large, and being maintained in a manner that does not create a nuisance or public safety concern.

Enhanced provisions for licensing and the regulation of kennels, dog day care operations, and related animal uses are included to support consistent enforcement and oversight. The by-law also formalizes the authority of the Municipal Law Enforcement Officer to administer licensing, impose conditions, and address non-compliance.

In addition, the draft introduces clear minimum standards of care, including requirements for adequate food, water, shelter, sanitary conditions, and proper disposal of animal waste, which support both animal welfare and community standards.

This report is being brought forward at this stage to provide Council with the opportunity to review the draft by-law in its entirety, identify any areas requiring clarification or amendment, and provide direction prior to finalization. Staff will incorporate Council feedback and bring forward a finalized by-law for consideration at the July 21st, 2026 Council meeting.

6.0 ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS

There are no significant environmental impacts associated with this report. The proposed by-law supports environmental protection through provisions

requiring the proper disposal of animal waste and the maintenance of sanitary conditions, which assist in reducing potential impacts on land, water, and public spaces.

7.0 RECOMMENDED CONDITIONS

That Council of the Township of North Stormont review and provide feedback on the draft Animal Care and Control By-law, and direct staff to bring forward the finalized by-law for consideration at the July 21st, 2026 Council meeting.

8.0 ALTERNATIVES

What Council deems appropriate.

FINANCIAL/STAFFING IMPLICATIONS

This item has been approved in the current budget: Yes No N/A X
This item is within the approved budgeted amount: Yes No N/A X
This item is mandated by the Provincial/Federal Government: Yes No N/A X

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THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NORTH STORMONT

BY-LAW NO. XX-2026

Animal Control – Regulate Care and Control of Animals

BEING a by-law to regulate animal care and control in the Township of North Stormont.

WHEREAS the *Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25* provides that the powers of a municipal corporation are to be exercised by its council;

AND WHEREAS the *Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25* provides that the powers of every council are to be exercised by by-law;

AND WHEREAS sections 9, 10 and 11 of the *Municipal Act, 2001* authorize a lower-tier municipality to pass by-laws respecting animals;

AND WHEREAS section 9(3)(b) of the *Municipal Act, 2001* authorizes a municipality, in exercising its powers to regulate or prohibit respecting a matter, to provide for a system of licences, approvals or registrations and to impose conditions as a requirement of obtaining, continuing to hold or renewing them;

AND WHEREAS section 103 of the *Municipal Act, 2001* authorizes a municipality to provide for the seizure and impounding of animals being at large or trespassing and the sale of impounded animals under certain conditions;

AND WHEREAS section 105 of the *Municipal Act, 2001* requires the municipality to hold a hearing, upon request of a dog owner, to determine whether to exempt the owner in whole or in part from a muzzling requirement;

AND WHEREAS section 391 of the *Municipal Act, 2001* authorizes a municipality to impose fees or charges on any class of persons for services or activities provided or done by or on behalf of the municipality;

AND WHEREAS Council deems it desirable to regulate the keeping, care and control of animals in the Township of North Stormont in a manner that promotes public health and safety, responsible pet ownership, and consistency with applicable provincial legislation, including the *Provincial Animal Welfare Services Act, 2019*;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Township of North Stormont hereby enacts as follows:

Part I – Definitions

1. Definitions

1.1 For the purpose of this by-law, the following definitions shall apply:

“Animal” means any member of the animal kingdom, other than a human.

“Animal Control Officer” means a person or persons appointed or engaged by the Township for the purpose of this by-law and includes any employees thereof and the Township’s Municipal Law Enforcement Officer.

“Attack” means:

- a) an assault resulting in bleeding, bone breakage, sprains, scratches, or bruising; or
- b) aggressive behaviour resulting in physical contact and damage to clothing worn by the person or domestic animal;

and **“attacked”** or **“attacking”** have a corresponding meaning. **“Bite”** means a wound to the skin causing it to puncture or break.

“Boarding Kennel” means a building, premises or place where more than three (3) dogs over the age of twenty (20) weeks are boarded or trained, for remuneration, for any period that includes an overnight stay.

“Breeding Kennel” means a building, premises or place where more than three (3) dogs over the age of twenty (20) weeks are owned, bred and raised.

“Cat” means any *Felis catus* and includes both male and female of the species.

“Council” means the Council of the Corporation of the Township of North Stormont.

“Dangerous Dog” means any individual dog that:

- a) has killed a person or domestic animal, regardless of circumstances;
- b) has bitten or injured a person or domestic animal;
- c) has attacked or injured a person or domestic animal;
- d) has shown a disposition or tendency to be threatening or aggressive;
- e) is attack-trained, other than a dog used in law enforcement; or
- f) is kept for the purposes of security or protection, whether residential, commercial, or industrial, of a person’s property.

“Dog” means a quadruped of the species *Canis familiaris* and includes both male and female of the species.

“Doggy Day Care” means a type of kennel operation where dogs are received, kept, supervised or cared for, for remuneration, during daytime or short-term hours, and where dogs are not boarded overnight.

“Domestic Animal” means a cat or a dog.

“Dwelling Unit” means one or more rooms designed as a housekeeping unit, used or intended to be used as a domicile by one or more persons and in which separate cooking, eating, living, sleeping and sanitary facilities are provided for the exclusive use of the occupants, with a private entrance from outside the building or from a common hallway or stairway inside the building.

“Exotic Animal Entertainment Event” means any exhibit, public show, circus, carnival, performance, display, act of entertainment, or film or television production using one or more live exotic animals.

“Exotic Animal Rescue Establishment” means any establishment that exhibits, displays, or houses one or more live exotic animals for the purposes of rescue and education.

"Keep" means to have temporary or permanent control or possession of an animal, and the words "kept" or "keeping" have a similar meaning.

"Kennel" means a premises, including outdoor areas such as dog runs, where dogs are bred, raised, boarded, trained or housed for similar purposes, whether for profit or not for profit, and does not include the Township pound.

"Licence" means a licence issued under this by-law.

"Livestock" means any domestic fowl (including chickens, geese, ducks, turkeys, guinea fowl, etc.), horse, donkey, mule, bull, ox, cow, or other cattle, goat, swine, sheep, llama, mink, fox, emu, or ostrich, or the young thereof.

"Muzzle" means a humane fastening or covering device of adequate strength which, when placed over the mouth of a dog, prevents the dog from biting.

"Nuisance" means conduct by an animal that:

- a) persistently cries, howls, or barks;
- b) causes damage to municipal or private property;
- c) interferes with, dumps, or scatters garbage or refuse; or
- d) chases pedestrians using public or private paths or sidewalks adjacent to the property where the animal is kept or harboured.

"Owner" means a person who possesses or harbours an animal and, where the owner is a minor, the person responsible for the custody of the minor, and includes a person who is temporarily the keeper of, or has control over, the animal.

"Pet" means a domestic or tamed animal, usually a dog, cat or similar animal, kept primarily for companionship or pleasure.

"Pet Shop" means a shop or place where animals, small reptiles, fish, or birds for use as pets are sold, kept for sale, or groomed and where pet supplies and pet foods are sold but does not include a shop or place for breeding or overnight boarding of pets.

"Pound" means the premises of the Township of North Stormont, which is used for the temporary housing and care of animals that have been impounded pursuant to this by-law or Provincial Act.

"Premises" means the entire lot on which a single dwelling unit building, or multi-dwelling unit building is situated but does not include common areas adjacent to a multi-dwelling unit building unless those common areas are completely enclosed.

"Prohibited Animal" means the animals identified in Schedule "A."

"Recreational Kennel" means a building, premises or place where more than three (3) dogs over the age of twenty (20) weeks are owned and raised for non-commercial recreational purposes without remuneration and are not offered for sale, including for dog sledding or hunting purposes.

"Rooming House" means a building or part of a building in which individual rooms are rented or offered for rent for residential occupancy and in which kitchen or bathroom facilities may be shared.

“Service Animal” means an animal used by a person with a disability for reasons relating to the disability where it is readily apparent that the animal is used by the person for reasons relating to the disability, or where the person provides documentation from a regulated health professional confirming that the person requires the animal for reasons relating to the disability.

“Tenant” means an individual or business that occupies or uses land, a dwelling unit, building, or premises owned by another person, whether under a lease, rental agreement, licence of occupation, or other lawful occupancy arrangement.

“Township” means the Corporation of the Township of North Stormont.

“Under Control” means that when a dog is not on the property where it is usually kept, the dog is secured by a leash or other physical restraint and is held by a person who is physically capable of controlling the dog.

“Urban Settlement” means urban settlement areas identified by the United Counties Stormont, Dundas, and Glengarry Official Plan.

If more than one person owns, keeps, harbours or has care or control of an animal, each such person is jointly and severally responsible for compliance with this by-law.

Part II – By-Law Administration

2. By-Law Administration

2.1 In addition to the Animal Control Officer(s), the Municipal Law Enforcement Officer or designate is responsible for the administration of this by-law and is delegated the authority to receive applications and any fees established under this by-law. The Municipal Law Enforcement Officer or designate is also authorized to issue, refuse to issue or revoke any licences or tags, including imposing conditions thereto, in accordance with this by-law.

Part III – Kennels/Doggy Day Care

3. Kennels

3.1 No person shall own or operate a kennel or Doggy Day Care in the Township without first obtaining and maintaining a licence issued by the Township.

3.2 A kennel or Doggy Day Care shall only be permitted on premises where the use is permitted under the Township’s Zoning By-law, as amended.

3.3 Kennels and Doggy Day Care operations shall be managed and operated by the property owner on which the kennel or Doggy Day Care is located, and the operator/manager shall reside on the subject property. Where the subject property is tenanted, the kennel or Doggy Day Care shall only be permitted with the written consent of the property owner, and the operator/manager shall be the lawful tenant residing on the property.

3.4 Every person who owns or operates a kennel or Doggy Day Care shall comply with all applicable by-laws of the Township. No kennel or Doggy Day Care licence shall be issued, renewed or maintained unless the operation complies with this by-law, the Township’s Zoning By-law and all other applicable law. Where an owner or operator of a kennel or Doggy Day Care fails to comply with any applicable by-law or law, the licence may be suspended or revoked.

3.5 All applications for a new or renewed Boarding Kennel, Breeding Kennel, Recreational Kennel or Doggy Day Care licence in the Township of North Stormont shall be subject to inspection by the Township's Chief Building Official and Municipal Law Enforcement Officer to confirm compliance with this by-law and other applicable law. Any applicable inspection fee shall be paid in accordance with the Township's Fees and Charges By-law, as amended.

3.6 Every person applying for a kennel or Doggy Day Care licence shall submit the following to the Township and, if applicable, any changes to the site at renewal:

- a) A site plan drawn to scale showing the location of all buildings, structures, dog runs or facilities on the subject property, including the location of all buildings, structures, dog runs or facilities, or parts thereof, to be used as a kennel or Doggy Day Care. The site plan must also specify the distance which separates the kennel or Doggy Day Care from all property lines and all buildings, structures, dog runs or facilities;
- b) A list of all dogs to be kept at the subject property, noting verification of current rabies vaccination for each dog, except where they are under three (3) months of age;
- c) The applicable fees, as required by the Township of North Stormont's Fees and Charges By-law, as amended; and
- d) A declaration by the owner that they have never been convicted under section 446 of the *Criminal Code of Canada* pertaining to animal cruelty.

3.7 Every person renewing their kennel or Doggy Day Care licence shall, on or before the first day of April of each year, submit the following to the Township:

- a) A list of all dogs to be kept at the subject property, noting verification of current rabies vaccination for each dog, except where they are under three (3) months of age; and
- b) The applicable fees, as required by the Township of North Stormont's Fees and Charges By-law, as amended.

3.8 The Township may impose additional conditions with respect to the issuance or renewal of a kennel or Doggy Day Care licence, as deemed necessary to ensure the health, safety, and well-being of the public and/or animals.

3.9 After the issuance of a licence, the owner shall not change or otherwise alter a kennel or Doggy Day Care without first obtaining written permission from the Township.

3.10 Every person who owns or operates a kennel or Doggy Day Care shall renew the licence by April 1st each year and shall have their premises inspected every twenty-four (24) months.

3.11 A Doggy Day Care licence authorizes the daytime or short-term receipt, keeping, care and supervision of dogs for remuneration, but does not authorize overnight boarding unless the premises is also licensed as a Boarding Kennel under this by-law.

3.12 Doggy Day Care operations shall be limited to the hours of 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Monday to Saturday, and 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Sundays and statutory holidays, unless otherwise authorized by the Township.

3.13 A Doggy Day Care shall be limited to a maximum of twenty (20) dogs on the premises at any one time, unless otherwise authorized by the Township as a condition of licence.

3.14 All dogs kept at a Doggy Day Care shall be secured, supervised and under the control of the owner, operator or a competent attendant while on the premises.

3.15 Every person who owns or operates a kennel shall keep no more than a maximum of twenty (20) dogs over twenty (20) weeks of age.

3.16 Every person who owns or operates a kennel or Doggy Day Care shall comply with applicable animal care standards and shall have regard to the guidelines set out in the "Code of Practice of Canadian Kennel Operations" of the *Canadian Veterinary Medical Association*, where applicable to the care, housing, supervision and management of dogs.

3.17 Every person who owns or operates a kennel or Doggy Day Care shall undertake measures to ensure that residences on adjacent properties are not subject to persistent noise by dogs kept at the operation.

3.18 Where the Township receives a complaint concerning noise from a licensed kennel or Doggy Day Care, the Municipal Law Enforcement Officer shall investigate the complaint and may, in their discretion, take enforcement action against the owner or operator.

3.19 Every kennel and Doggy Day Care shall have an appropriate receptacle for the storage of dog waste. All kennel and Doggy Day Care owners and operators shall comply with applicable law with respect to waste management systems, including but not limited to the collection and disposal of waste, and shall maintain the premises in a sanitary condition so as not to create odour, nuisance or health hazards.

3.20 Any kennel or Doggy Day Care that was in lawful existence prior to the effective date of this by-law shall be deemed to comply with this by-law and may be maintained or repaired at the same location, capacity, height, and dimensions as previously existed.

Part IV – Regulations

4. Minimum Care Requirements

- 4.1 Every person who keeps a pet within the Township of North Stormont shall maintain the premises in a sanitary condition and shall provide the pet with adequate food, water, shelter and opportunity for exercise, as applicable.
 - a. A clean and sanitary environment free from an accumulation of fecal matter; and
 - b. Adequate and appropriate care, food, water, shelter, and opportunity for physical activity.
- 4.2 Every person who keeps a pet within the Township of North Stormont shall ensure that pet waste and deceased animals are disposed of in accordance with applicable law and in a manner that does not create a public nuisance or health hazard.

5. Maximum Number of Pets

5.1 No person shall keep more than three (3) dogs over twenty (20) weeks of age per premises.

5.2 Despite section 5.1, no person shall keep more than one (1) dog over twenty (20) weeks of age in a dwelling unit located within an apartment building, multi-dwelling unit building, or rooming house.

5.3 Sections 5.1 and 5.2 shall not apply to the following, provided the use is lawfully established, licensed where required, and operated in compliance with this by-law and all applicable law:

- a) A Boarding Kennel, Breeding Kennel, Recreational Kennel or Doggy Day Care that is licensed by the Township and permitted in accordance with the Township's Zoning By-law, as amended;
- b) A registered research facility pursuant to the *Animals for Research Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. A.22*;
- c) An accredited veterinary facility under the supervision of a veterinarian licensed pursuant to the *Veterinarians Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. V.3*, as amended; or
- d) A pet shop as permitted in the Township's Zoning By-law, as amended.

6. At Large / Under Control

6.1 No person shall allow or permit their dog to run at large in the Township of North Stormont. For the purposes of this by-law, a dog shall be deemed to be running at large if it is found not under control of a person by means of a leash unless the dog is on the lands of its owners or a person who has consented to the dog being on its land.

6.2 A dog shall not be deemed running at large if the dog is at the time, being used for hunting, showing, training and the dog is under the supervision and voice control of the owner.

6.3 A dog shall not be deemed to be running at large if it is a working dog or a service animal. Every owner of a dog shall ensure that the dog is kept on a leash having a length of not more than 2.4 metres (8 feet) and under control of a capable person when the dog is on any land in the Township of North Stormont unless:

- a. The land is the premises of the owner of the dog; or
- b. The land is owned by a person who has given prior consent to the dog being off leash.

6.4 No owner shall permit their dog, whether leashed or unleashed, to enter onto private property without the consent of the owner or occupant of the property.

6.6 In an apartment building, multi-dwelling unit building, or rooming house, every owner shall ensure that any dog in a common hallway, corridor, lobby, stairwell, elevator, or other shared area is leashed and under control, and no dog shall be left unattended in any such common area.

7. Stoop and Scoop

- 7.1 Every pet owner shall immediately remove and dispose of, in a hygienic manner, all waste left by the pet on any property, other than the owner's property.
- 7.2 Section 7.1 does not apply to:
- a. An owner of a service animal, where the owner is unable to remove pet waste due to a physical disability or impediment; or
 - b. A blind or visually impaired owner of a service animal if the pet waste was left while the service animal was on property other than the owner's property.
- 7.3 Every pet owner shall remove from their property, in a timely manner, waste left by the pet, so as not to disturb the comfort of any person in the vicinity of the owner's property.

8. Nuisance

- 8.1 No person who owns or harbours a pet within the Township shall permit such pet to become a public nuisance. For greater certainty, without limiting section 8.1, a pet is a nuisance where it engages in conduct that meets the definition of "Nuisance" in Part I of this by-law.

9. Feeding Wild, Feral and Stray Animals

- 9.1 No person shall feed, or permit the feeding of, a wild, feral, or stray animal in a manner that creates a nuisance.
- 9.2 No person shall place any food or feeding device on any property in a manner that creates a nuisance.
- 9.3 Sections 9.1 and 9.2 do not apply in the following situations:
- a. The feeding of songbirds provided the seed is placed in a bird feeding device and is inaccessible to other animals.
 - b. Food that is placed as bait in a trap by a property owner to capture nuisance animals in accordance with the *Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act, 1997, S.O. 1997, c.41*.
 - c. Food that is placed as bait in a trap by a licensed trapper, a wildlife removal service, or a Municipal Law Enforcement Officer in accordance with the *Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act, 1997, S.O. 1997, c.41*.
 - d. The legal placement of deer mineral or other bait in an Agricultural or Rural Zone as defined in the Township of North Stormont Zoning By-Law; or
 - e. Food that is placed by an animal rescue organization as part of a Township approved Trap, Neuter, Release program as set out in Schedule "B."
- 9.4 For the purposes of sections 9.1 and 9.2, "nuisance" includes a situation that is likely to adversely affect an owner or occupant of property and includes a situation that:
- a. Results in a potential health or safety risk, including but not limited to accumulation of feces; or
 - b. Is likely to interfere with the normal use or enjoyment of property, for any reason, including odour or noise.
- 9.5 For greater certainty, without limiting the above, a situation which attracts large numbers of wild animals or wild birds is deemed to constitute a nuisance.

PART V – Enforcement

10. Notice to Muzzle

- 10.1 Where an owner is served with a Notice to Muzzle, the owner shall:
- a. While on the owner's property, ensure the dog is securely confined within an enclosure sufficient to prevent the dog from escaping and from coming into contact with persons or domestic animals, and ensure any gate to the enclosure is locked when the dog is in the enclosure; and
 - b. Whenever off the owner's property, ensure the dog is muzzled and leashed and is under the control of a competent person.

11. Dangerous Dogs

- 11.1 Every owner of a dog shall exercise reasonable precautions to prevent the dog from engaging in a dangerous act.
- 11.2 Without limiting anything in this by-law, an owner of a dog that engages in a dangerous act is liable to prosecution under the *Dog Owners' Liability Act, R.S.O. 1990, C.D. 16*, as amended.
- 11.3 Where the Municipal Law Enforcement Officer has reasonable grounds to believe that a dog has engaged in a dangerous act against a person or domestic animal, the Municipal Law Enforcement Officer shall, with respect to such a dog:
- a. Where the dangerous act is the first on record with the Township, serve the owner of the subject dog with a Notice to Muzzle.
 - b. Despite subsection 11.3(a), where the Animal Control Officer determines, on reasonable grounds, that the first dangerous act involved serious injury or a significant risk to public safety, the owner may be served with a Dangerous Dog Order.
 - c. Where the dangerous act occurred while the dog was subject of a Notice to Muzzle or a court order under the *Dog Owners' Liability Act*, serve the owner of the dog with a Dangerous Dog Order, requiring the subject dog to comply with the requirements for owners of a Dangerous Dog under section 12.4 of this by-law.
- 11.4 Where an owner is served with a Dangerous Dog Order, the owner shall, always when the dangerous dog is not in the owner's dwelling unit but otherwise within the boundaries of the owner's premises, ensure that:
- a. The dangerous dog is muzzled to prevent it from biting a person or domestic animal; and
 - b. The dangerous dog is securely confined within an enclosure sufficient to prevent escape and to prevent contact with persons or domestic animals, and any gate to the enclosure is locked when the dog is in the enclosure.
- 11.5 Every owner of a dangerous dog shall, always when the dangerous dog is not within the boundaries of the owner's lands,
- a. Keep the dangerous dog under control of a competent handler and under leash, such leash not to exceed two metres (2m) in length; and
 - b. Keep the dangerous dog muzzled.
- 11.6 Every owner of a dangerous dog shall notify the Township within two (2) working days of any change in ownership or residence of the dangerous dog and provide the Municipal Law Enforcement Officer with the new address and telephone number of the owner.

11.7 Every owner of a dangerous dog shall notify the Township within two (2) working days if the dangerous dog is deceased.

12. Review of Dangerous Dog Order or Notice to Muzzle

12.1 An owner who is served with a Notice to Muzzle or Dangerous Dog Order may request a hearing by delivering a written request to the Township within fifteen (15) calendar days after service of the notice or order.

12.2 The hearing shall be held by Council or by a hearing officer or other person duly authorized by the Township to hold hearings for the purposes of section 105 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*.

12.3 Until the hearing decision is issued, the owner shall comply with all terms of the Notice to Muzzle or Dangerous Dog Order.

12.4 The hearing officer or Council may confirm, rescind or vary the Notice to Muzzle or Dangerous Dog Order, in whole or in part, and may impose reasonable conditions.

12.5 A written decision shall be provided to the owner as soon as practicable after the hearing.

12.6 The written decision may be delivered personally, sent by registered mail, or sent by another method permitted by law to the address provided by the owner.

12.7 If no request for a hearing is delivered within the time required by this section, the Notice to Muzzle or Dangerous Dog Order is final.

13. Seizure and Impoundment

13.1 Subject to section 6.1 of this by-law, a Municipal Law Enforcement Officer may:

- a. Seize and impound any dog found running at large.
- b. Restore possession of the dog to the owner therefore, where:
 - i. The owner claims possession of the dog within seventy-two (72) hours (exclusive of statutory holidays and weekends) after the date of seizure; and
 - ii. The owner pays to the Municipal Law Enforcement Officer a pound fee for the dog seized and impounded, plus the cost of any damages, expenses, and veterinary care, which may be payable to the Township.

13.2 They shall make all reasonable efforts to identify and contact the owner of every stray dog received, whether the dog is living or deceased.

13.3 Where at the end of the seventy-two (72) hours, possession of the dog has not been restored to the owner under this section of the by-law, the Municipal Law Enforcement Officer may sell the dog.

13.4 Where the owner of the dog has not claimed the dog within seventy-two (72) hours and the dog has not been sold, the Municipal Law Enforcement Officer may cause the dog to be euthanized in a humane manner. No damages or compensation shall be recovered on account of its destruction or other disposition.

13.5 Where a dog seized under section 13.1 of this by-law is critically injured, the dog should be destroyed without delay:

- a. For humane reasons, the Municipal Law Enforcement Officer may authorize the dog to be euthanized in a humane manner as soon as

practicable after seizure, where a veterinarian approves, where possible, without permitting any person to reclaim the dog or without offering it for sale. No damages or compensation shall be recovered on account of the euthanization.

- b. For safety reasons relating to persons or animals, the Municipal Law Enforcement Officer may authorize the dog to be euthanized in a humane manner as soon as practicable after seizure without permitting any person to reclaim the dog or without offering it for sale. No damages or compensation shall be recovered on account of the euthanization.

13.6 Where a dog is seized or impounded under section 13.1, a Municipal Law Enforcement Officer may take enforcement action.

14. Prohibited Animals

14.1 No person shall keep in the Township, either on a temporary or permanent basis, any prohibited animal, as set out in Schedule "A."

14.2 No person shall keep livestock in any area of the Township unless the area is zoned for that purpose or is lawfully used for that purpose.

14.3 Despite section 14.1, a person who is keeping a prohibited animal on the date this by-law comes into force shall be permitted to keep such animal provided that:

- a) The animal is kept in an environment which is appropriate for the species.
- b) The owner has advised the Township in writing of the number of each species of each animal and its name, the approximate age with a clear identification or photograph of each animal.
- c) The owner shall provide his or her name, address, and phone number within ninety (90) days of the date that the by-law comes into force; and
- d) The burden of proving the exemption from section 14.1 is upon the person making the assertion, of which written notice to the Township as provided in section 14.3 shall be sufficient proof.

14.4 The exemption provided for in subsection 14.3 is for the life of the animal.

14.5 Sections 14.1 and 14.2 shall not apply to:

- a) The premises of an accredited veterinary facility under the supervision of a veterinarian licensed pursuant to the *Veterinarians Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter V.3*, as amended.
- b) The premises of any licensed zoo or exhibit permanently located in the Township;
- c) Premises or facilities accredited by the Canadian Association of Zoos and Aquaria (CAZA);
- d) The areas of the Township in which educational programs are being conducted with animals, provided that the animals are owned by institutions accredited by CAZA and only while the educational programs are conducted, provided that such programs are limited to three (3) days at any one location;

e) Premises registered as research facilities pursuant to the *Animals for Research Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. A.22*; or

f) This by-law.

15. Power of Entry, Inspections, Prohibitions

15.1 Where the Municipal Law Enforcement Officer is satisfied that a contravention of this by-law or a permit has occurred, such Municipal Law Enforcement Officer may make an order requiring that the person who caused or permitted such contravention, or the property owner of the land on which the contravention occurred, discontinue the contravening activity and/or do work to correct the contravention. Every person shall comply with such an order.

15.2 An order pursuant to section 15.1 shall set out the following:

- a) The municipal address and/or the legal description of the land or premises on which the contravention occurred;
- b) Reasonable particulars of the contravention;
- c) What is required of the person subject to the order;
- d) The date by which there must be compliance with the order and/or, if any work is ordered, the date by which any such work must be done;
- e) If any work is required to be done, a statement that if such work is not done in compliance with the order and within the specified time period, the Township will have the work done at the expense of the person directed or required to do it; and
- f) Information regarding the Township's contact person.

15.3 No person shall hinder, obstruct, or attempt to hinder or obstruct the Township, its employees, officers, or agents from carrying out any powers or duties under this by-law.

15.4 No person shall contravene any order or direction issued by the Township pursuant to this by-law or the *Municipal Act*.

16. Order

16.1 Wherever this by-law or an order issued under this by-law directs or requires any matter or thing to be done by any person within a specified time period, in default of it being done by the person directed or required to do it, the action may be taken under the direction of the Municipal Law Enforcement Officer at that person's expense and the Township may recover the costs incurred through a legal action or by recovering the costs in the same manner as taxes.

16.2 For the purposes of taking remedial action under section 16.1, the Township, its staff and/or its agents, and the Animal Control Officer may enter, at any reasonable time, upon any lands on which a default to conduct a required thing or matter occurred.

17. Remedial Action and Cost Recovery

17.1 Should a person default in complying with an order issued under this by-law, the matter or thing required to be done may be completed at the person's expense.

17.2 The Township may enter on land at any reasonable time for the purpose of carrying out any remedial action required under this by-law or an order issued under this by-law.

17.3 The power of entry under this section shall be exercised by the Municipal Law Enforcement Officer or designate. The person exercising the power of entry shall, on request, display or produce proper identification and may be accompanied by a person under their direction.

17.4 The Township may recover the costs of carrying out the remedial action from the person who was directed or required to do the matter or thing by action or by adding the costs to the tax roll and collecting them in the same manner as property taxes.

17.5 The costs recovered shall be in accordance with the Township of North Stormont's User Fees By-law, as amended.

Part VI – General

18. Offences and Penalties

18.1 Every person who contravenes any provision of this by-law is guilty of an offence and upon conviction is liable to a fine as provided for by section 61 of the *Provincial Offences Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.33*, as amended.

19. Validity and Severability

19.1 Notwithstanding any section, subsection, clause, paragraph or provision of this by-law, this by-law or parts thereof may be declared by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, unenforceable, illegal or beyond the powers of Council to enact, such section or sections or parts thereof shall be deemed to be severable and all other sections or parts of this by-law are separate and independent therefrom and enacted as such as a whole. Same shall not affect the validity or enforceability of any other provisions of this by-law or of the by-law as a whole.

19.2 Any reference to a statute, regulation, by-law or other legislation in this by-law shall include such statute, regulation, by-law or other legislation or provision thereof as amended, revised, re-enacted and/or consolidated from time to time and any successor legislation thereto.

19.3 Where there is any conflict between the provisions of this by-law and any other by-law or legislation, the provisions of this by-law shall prevail to the extent of the conflict.

20. Licence Fees

20.1 Upon applying for a licence, the owner or tenant shall pay the fee as set out in the Township of North Stormont’s User Fees By-law.

21. Administration

21.1 By-law No. XX-2026 and any other by-law inconsistent with the provisions of this by-law are hereby repealed.

READ A FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD TIME and passed in open Council, signed and sealed this 23rd day of June 2026.

François Landry, Mayor

Chad Brownlee, CAO/Clerk

SEAL

Schedule "A"
Prohibited Animals

1. All protected or endangered animals, being all animals, native or non-native, whose possession, sale or keeping is prohibited by any applicable international, federal or provincial law, regulation or agreement, unless the animal has been lawfully obtained and, if the animal is not otherwise identified in this Schedule, is kept in accordance with this by-law and the Township of North Stormont Zoning By-law, as amended.
2. All venomous or poisonous animals.
3. The animals listed in brackets below are provided as examples of common names within the stated order and do not limit the prohibition of all animals within the stated order.

CLASS	ORDER / GROUP	COMMON NAMES
Mammals	Artiodactyla	All species wholly or partly of the order Artiodactyla (even-toed ungulates), including cattle, goats, sheep, pigs, deer, elk and hippopotamuses. Except where the animals are kept as agricultural livestock in accordance with section 14.2 of this by-law.
	Carnivora	All species wholly or partly of the order Carnivora, including wolves, bears, seals, walruses, coyotes, foxes, wolf-dog hybrids, tigers, leopards, cougars, lions, lynx, hyenas, mink, skunks, weasels, badgers, mongooses, civets, genets, coatimundis, cacomistles, raccoons and non-domestic cats. Except domestic dogs, domestic cats, or where the animals are kept as agricultural livestock in accordance with section 14.2 of this by-law.
	Chiroptera	All species wholly or partly of the order Chiroptera (bats, including myotis and flying foxes).
	Xenarthra	All species wholly or partly of the superorder Xenarthra (anteaters, sloths, armadillos, etc.).
	Lagomorpha	All species wholly or partly of the order Lagomorpha (hares, pikas, etc.). Except domestic rabbits.

CLASS	ORDER / GROUP	COMMON NAMES
Mammals	Marsupials	All marsupial species, including koalas, kangaroos, opossums and wallabies.
	Perissodactyla	All species wholly or partly of the order Perissodactyla (odd-toed ungulates), including horses, donkeys, mules, zebras, ponies and rhinoceroses. Except where the animals are kept as agricultural livestock in accordance with section 14.2 of this by-law.
	Primates	All species wholly or partly of the order Primates, including chimpanzees, gorillas, monkeys and lemurs.
	Proboscidea	All species wholly or partly of the order Proboscidea (elephants, etc.).
	Rodentia	All species wholly or partly of the order Rodentia, including porcupines and prairie dogs. Except rodents that do not exceed 1,550 grams and are derived from self-sustaining captive populations.
Reptiles	Crocodylia	All species wholly or partly of the order Crocodylia, including alligators, crocodiles, gharials and caimans.
	Squamata	All venomous snakes. All snakes that reach an adult length greater than two (2) metres. All venomous lizards and all lizards that reach an adult length greater than two (2) metres, measured from snout to tail tip.
	Testudines	All snapping turtles and alligator snapping turtles.
Birds	Galliformes	All species wholly or partly of the order Galliformes, including pheasants, grouse, guinea fowl, turkeys, chickens and peafowl. Except where the animals are kept as agricultural livestock in accordance with section 14.2 of this by-law.

CLASS	ORDER / GROUP	COMMON NAMES
Birds	Struthioniformes and related ratites	All ratite species, including ostriches, rheas, cassowaries, emus and kiwis. Except where the animals are kept as agricultural livestock in accordance with section 14.2 of this by-law.
	Raptors and birds of prey	All raptors and birds of prey, including eagles, hawks, falcons and owls, except where such birds are lawfully kept by a person holding a valid falconry licence or other authorization issued under the <i>Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act, 1997</i> and its regulations, and are kept in compliance with all applicable provincial requirements.
Arachnids / Myriapods	Arachnida and Chilopoda	All venomous animals within the class Arachnida or class Chilopoda, including tarantulas, black widow spiders, scorpions and venomous centipedes.
Other		All poisonous insects, reptiles and amphibians.

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NORTH STORMONT

BY-LAW NO. 38-2026

Agreement - OCWA Service Contract

BEING a By-Law to amend By-Law No. 30-2021 to authorize a service agreement with the Ontario Clean Water Agency (OCWA).

WHEREAS the Municipal Act, 2001, c. 25 s. 5 (1) provides that the powers of a municipal corporation are to be exercised by its council;

AND WHEREAS the Municipal Act, 2001, c. 25 s. 5 (3) provides that the powers of every council are to be exercised by by-law;

AND WHEREAS the Township of North Stormont is the owner of water and wastewater treatment facilities in the villages of Crysler, Finch and Mosse Creek;

AND WHEREAS the Township of North Stormont wishes to contract with the Ontario Clean Water Agency (OCWA) for the operation and maintenance of these facilities as well as the small water systems contained through the municipality and enter into a service agreement for the provision of these services.

NOW THEREFORE Council of the Township of North Stormont hereby enacts as follows:

1. That the Clerk and Mayor are hereby authorized to sign and execute the services agreement between the Township and OCWA as per Schedule "A" attached to a forming part of this By-Law.
2. This agreement shall continue for a term of two (2) years ending June 30, 2028, and then may be renewed for successive 2 year terms upon agreement between the parties.

READ A FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD TIME, passed signed and sealed in open Council, signed and sealed this June 23, 2026.

Mayor

CAO / Clerk

SEAL

April 8, 2026

Chad Brownlee, CAO
Township of North Stormont
57A Cockburn Street
Berwick, ON K0C 1G0

Dear Mr. Brownlee,

On behalf of the Ontario Clean Water Agency (OCWA), we have enclosed our proposal for the renewal of our agreement for water and wastewater services. We value our partnership and we are proud of our long-standing commitment and service to the Township of North Stormont (the Township).

OCWA is dedicated to ensuring transparency and value in our service and pricing. We offer secure knowledge in the integrity of our operations and our comprehensive understanding of the environmental legislation. Along with best value, these are attributes that you can confidently bring to your constituents.

Please be assured that OCWA is committed to continuing our long-term partnership through active collaboration with the Township to provide sustainable environmental services for your community and to promote long-term system resiliency.

There are many benefits to continuing services with a trusted and reliable partner such as OCWA. Thank you for considering OCWA's services and we look forward to continuing a partnership that meets your needs.

Sincerely,



Aimée Hennessy
Business Development Manager

cc. Blake Henderson, Public Works Superintendent, Township of North Stormont
Dawn Crump, Senior Operations Manager, OCWA

Working Together with the Township of North Stormont

The Township of North Stormont (Township) and the Ontario Clean Water Agency (OCWA) have built a strong partnership over the decades. Throughout the many years, we have provided compliant, cost-effective operations while protecting the environment and your long-term interests. We have diligently worked to anticipate, meet, and respond to local and regulatory influences as the industry and the Township have undergone growth and change.

Renewing our agreement is an opportunity to review our partnership, reassess best practices, and commit to meeting future challenges together. Over the lifetime of this partnership, we have supported the Township through times of municipal growth and extreme weather-related emergencies and will continue to support the Township in meeting various challenges.

OCWA understands the long-term nature of the water and wastewater treatment business. We operate all of our clients' facilities with a view to protecting the value of the assets and ensuring their future efficient use. We will continue to operate the Township's facilities in full compliance with environmental regulations and in a responsible manner to maintain the integrity of the assets of the Township.

Agreement Term

Historically, the Township and OCWA operated on 5-year agreement terms. The current term expires on June 30, 2026. We propose to extend our partnership for another 2-year term.

OCWA's Financial Offer

OCWA's experience as a leading operating authority in Ontario and our knowledge gained from operating over 1,000 facilities, including those on behalf of the Township of North Stormont, ensures the price for the Township's water and wastewater systems to be an accurate reflection of the actual costs of operating. Operating costs were estimated based on a review and analysis of all activities involved in the treatment of water and wastewater.

For the period of July 1 to December 31, 2026, the price for services shall continue at the current rates. Effective January 1, 2027, the annual price for the first full year of operations and maintenance is \$730,837.

Facility	2027 Annual Price
Finch Water Treatment	\$137,551
Finch Wastewater Treatment	\$94,734
Crysler Water Treatment	\$115,526
Crysler Wastewater Treatment	\$147,879
Moose Creek Water Treatment	\$138,765
Moose Creek Wastewater Treatment	\$80,256
Municipal Office	\$16,126

Annual Adjustment

We have included in our proposal an annual price for the first full year of our services. The annual price is subject to an annual increase for the *Consumer Price Index, All items Ontario*. CPI shall be added to the Annual Price starting January 1, 2028 and every year thereafter on a cumulative basis.

Out of Scope Work and Ancillary Services

OCWA has based our proposal on providing the required operating and maintenance services within regular business hours. To address additional work or services that are not included in this proposal such as unscheduled maintenance, we include labour rates and service fees for all out-of-scope work. These labour rates will increase effective July 1st, 2026 as follows:

Position	Regular Business Hours	After hours and Statutory Holidays
Senior Operations Manager	\$ 100.00 per Hour	\$ 150.00 per Hour
Process & Compliance Technician	\$ 100.00 per Hour	\$ 150.00 per Hour
Operations Supervisor	\$ 85.00 per Hour	\$ 127.50 per Hour
Operator or Mechanic	\$ 75.00 per Hour	\$ 112.50 per Hour

Labour rates after hours and on weekends shall be billed with a minimum four-hour charge and labour rates on statutory holidays shall be billed with a minimum eight-hour charge.

Allowance for Hydroelectricity

The current agreement includes a reconcilable allowance for the costs of hydroelectricity. The total base year amount of \$68,500 has not changed, however, OCWA has redistributed the base amounts at each facility to more accurately reflect the current actual costs:

Facility	Base Year 2026
Finch Water Treatment	\$13,000
Finch Wastewater Treatment	\$9,500
Crysler Water Treatment	\$11,500
Crysler Wastewater Treatment	\$14,000
Moose Creek Water Treatment	\$12,500
Moose Creek Wastewater Treatment	\$8,000

Explanation of Cost Increases

For each system, the direct operating costs were estimated based on our history of operations and with a refreshed analysis of all activities involved in the production of drinking water and in the treatment of wastewater for the Township.

Salaries & Benefits

There have been some recent changes to compensation for our operations staff. As a result of recent government regulatory changes and the accompanying ripples from it, our unionized workforce approved a compensation increase which impacted the salaries and benefits budget. While the changes were retroactive to 2022, OCWA will not seek to address those costs for the previous years. Adjustments have been made for 2027 and going forward.

Additionally, we have increased the budget allotment of staff labour to account for additional work being performed in the distribution and collection systems. Growth in the Township's communities has resulted in an increase in locates and water turn on/off services being performed as well as an increase in maintenance on the ageing systems. Going forward, we have included an adjustment in our budget to include the appropriate labour hours to perform the services.

Chemicals

Over the past five of years, the water and wastewater industry has seen an increase in the costs of chemicals across the market. Post COVID, OCWA has seen an overall increase of approximately 80% in chemical prices due to higher transportation costs, raw materials, and supply chain issues. For the Township specifically, there has been an increase of approximately 18% in the costs of chemicals for the Chrysler water treatment facility.

Insurance

OCWA's operations and maintenance contract includes comprehensive property, boiler & machinery, commercial general liability, pollution liability, and fleet insurance. Since 2021, insurance premiums have steadily increased. Despite favourable loss experiences, market conditions and unexpected reinsurance costs suggest a minimal increase of about 5% for 2027, with an overall combined increase of 38% since 2021 for the Township.

Overall Cost Increases

OCWA has applied a 2% CPI increase over all other costs within the scope of work of our services agreement above the 2026 annual price to account for general market increases.

Renewing our Partnership

OCWA looks forward to renewing our partnership and finding ways to meet your changing needs in coming years. Through our renewed partnership, OCWA commits to the following:

- Optimizing staffing while increasing operational efficiencies
- Retaining, attracting, and training employees who support workforce flexibility and diverse skills
- Supporting the Township through the water and wastewater facility expansions
- Supporting the Township through effective asset management and maintenance

We will work to continue to earn the trust of the Township by demonstrating value for service through good governance, transparent processes and accountable decision-making. We look forward to continuing our dialogue, discussing your needs and supporting the Township as your water and wastewater treatment services provider.

Upon review of this document, we would welcome the opportunity to discuss our offer and at your request, present it to Council. Following acceptance, we will prepare a draft agreement for your review and consideration.

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NORTH STORMONT

BY-LAW NO. 31-2026

Water-Wastewater – Water Usage and Conservation By-Law

BEING a By-law to regulate and conserve the consumption of water from municipal waterworks, and to repeal By-law No. 64-2021.

WHEREAS Sections 8, 9 and 10 of the *Municipal Act, 2001* authorize a municipality to pass by-laws that are necessary or desirable for municipal purposes, including the economic, social and environmental well-being of the municipality, the health, safety and well-being of persons, and the protection of persons and property;

AND WHEREAS the Corporation of the Township of North Stormont deems it desirable to regulate and conserve water consumption in order to protect the municipal waterworks;

AND WHEREAS Council wishes to modernize water usage regulation while maintaining effective enforcement,

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Township of North Stormont enacts as follows:

PART 1 - SHORT TITLE

1. This By-law may be cited as the "Water Usage and Conservation By-law."

PART 2 – DEFINITIONS

2. In this By-law:

- a) "**Corporation**" means the Corporation of the Township of North Stormont;
- b) "**Council**" means the Council of the Corporation of the Township of North Stormont;
- c) "**Water & Sewer Operator**" means the Ontario Clean Water Agency or its successor;
- d) "**Municipal Clerk**" means the Municipal Clerk of the Corporation;
- e) "**Municipal Law Enforcement Officer**" means an officer appointed by Council;
- f) "**Township**" means the Township of North Stormont;
- g) "**Municipal Waterworks**" means the water distribution system operated by or on behalf of the Township;
- h) "**Water Conservation Stage**" means a stage declared pursuant to this By-law;

PART 3 – APPLICATION

3. This By-law applies only to lands and premises supplied by the municipal waterworks and does not apply to private wells.

3.1 No person shall use, or cause to be used, water from any municipal waterworks at any time between May 1 and September 30 of any year outside any building except as provided in this By-law.

PART 4 - WATER CONSERVATION STAGES

4. The Township may regulate water usage through the declaration of the following stages:

- Stage 1 – Water Conservation / Normal Use;
- Stage 2 – Water Restriction; and
- Stage 3 – Emergency Water Ban.

4.1 The Chief Administrative Officer, in consultation with the Water & Sewer Operator, may declare, amend, or rescind any Water Conservation Stage where conditions warrant, without further resolution of Council.

4.2 A contractor requiring water from a fire hydrant or other municipal waterworks access point shall obtain prior authorization from the Water & Sewer Operator.

PART 5 - STAGE 1 – WATER CONSERVATION / NORMAL USE

5. Stage 1 is the baseline Water Conservation / Normal Use stage. During Stage 1, outdoor watering is permitted only between 7:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m. Even-numbered municipal addresses may water on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, and odd-numbered municipal addresses on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. No outdoor watering is permitted on Sundays. Manual hand-watering is permitted.

PART 6 - STAGE 2 – WATER RESTRICTION

6. When Stage 2 is declared, hose or sprinkler-based lawn watering and all non-essential outdoor water use is prohibited, and all exemptions are suspended unless otherwise authorized in writing.

PART 7 - STAGE 3 – EMERGENCY WATER BAN

7. When Stage 3 is declared, all non-essential outdoor water use is prohibited, and all exemptions are suspended.

PART 8 - FIRE HYDRANT USE

8. No person shall open, operate, use, or interfere with any fire hydrant or other part of the municipal waterworks for the purpose of taking water except with the prior authorization of the Water & Sewer Operator, and in accordance with the Water Conservation Stage in effect at the time of use.

8.1 Any person authorized to take water from a fire hydrant shall do so strictly in accordance with the conditions imposed by the Township, including the approved location, time period, backflow prevention, operational requirements, and any restrictions applicable under Stage 1, Stage 2, or Stage 3.

8.2 During Stage 2 or Stage 3, the Township may refuse, suspend, or limit hydrant water use where necessary to protect the municipal waterworks, maintain adequate supply, or respond to operational conditions.

8.3 No person shall operate a fire hydrant without lawful authority, operate a fire hydrant during the winter season except for fire protection purposes, or operate a fire hydrant in a manner that causes damage or water waste.

8.4 Any person who causes damage to a fire hydrant or the municipal waterworks, or who causes water to be wasted through improper use or equipment in disrepair, shall be responsible for all costs incurred by the Township to investigate, repair, and remedy the damage or water loss.

8.5 The Township may recover all costs arising from unauthorized or improper hydrant use in addition to any other remedies available at law.

PART 9 – EXEMPTIONS TO THIS BY-LAW

9. Despite any other provision of this By-law, exemptions may be granted only where they are consistent with the Water Conservation Stage in effect at the time of the request.

9.1 Newly installed sod: A person may submit a written request to the Municipal Clerk for an exemption under Stage 1. If approved, newly installed sod may be watered between 7:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m. for a period of seven (7) days, subject to any conditions imposed by the Township.

9.2 During Stage 2 or Stage 3, the Township may refuse, limit, suspend, or revoke any exemption where necessary to protect the municipal waterworks, maintain adequate supply, or respond to operational conditions.

9.3 Any other request for exemption from this By-law shall be submitted to the Municipal Clerk in writing and shall be subject to the Water Conservation Stage in effect and any conditions imposed by the Township.

PART 10 – ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT

10. This By-law, including any Water Conservation Stage declared under this By-law and any restriction, exemption, suspension, condition, order, or direction issued in relation to a stage, shall be administered and enforced by a Municipal Law Enforcement Officer.

PART 11 – ENFORCEMENT

11.1 Every person who contravenes this By-law is guilty of an offence, including any person who contravenes any Water Conservation Stage declared under this By-law, any restriction, exemption, suspension, condition, order, or direction issued in relation to a stage, or who:

- a) willfully hinders or interrupts, or causes or procures another person to hinder or interrupt, the Corporation, or any of its officers, contractors, agents, servants, or workers, in the exercise of any powers conferred by the Public *Utilities Act*;
- b) willfully lets off or discharges water so that the water runs to waste or is otherwise wasted;
- c) being a tenant, occupant, or inmate of any house, building, or other place supplied with water from the waterworks, improperly wastes the water or, without the consent of the Corporation, lends, sells, disposes of, gives away, permits to be taken or carried away, or uses or applies the water for the benefit of another person or for any purpose other than the person's own authorized use;
- d) without lawful authority, willfully opens or closes any hydrant, or obstructs free access to any hydrant, stopcock, chamber, pipe, or hydrant chamber by placing building material, rubbish, or any other obstruction on it;
- e) throws or deposits any injurious, noxious, or offensive matter into the water or waterworks, or upon the ice if the water is frozen, or in any way fouls the water, causes willful damage or injury to the works, pipes, or water, or encourages the same to be done;
- f) willfully alters any meter placed upon any service pipe or connected therewith, within or without any building or other place, so as to lessen or alter the amount of water registered; or
- g) lays or causes to be laid any pipe or main to communicate with any pipe or main of the waterworks, or in any way obtains or uses water without the consent of the Corporation; or
- h) fails to comply with any declared Water Conservation Stage, including Stage 1, Stage 2, or Stage 3, or any

restriction, prohibition, exemption condition, suspension, order, or direction made under this By-law.

PART 12 – COST RECOVERY

12.1 Where a person contravenes this By-law, the Township may recover from that person all costs incurred by the Township related to the contravention, including but not limited to costs of investigation, administration, staff time, contractor services, equipment, testing, and any costs to repair damage, stop water loss, or restore the municipal waterworks.

12.2 Costs recovered under this Part may be invoiced to the person responsible and are due and payable within thirty (30) days of the invoice date, unless otherwise specified by the Township.

12.3 Where permitted by law, unpaid costs may be added to the tax roll for the property and collected in the same manner as municipal taxes.

12.4 Recovery of costs under this Part is in addition to, and does not limit, any other remedies available to the Township, including prosecution under the *Provincial Offences Act*.

PART 13 – OFFENCES AND PENALTIES

13.1 Every person who contravenes any provision of this By-law is guilty of an offence and, upon conviction, is liable to a fine as provided for by section 61 of the *Provincial Offences Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.33, as amended.

13.2 Every person who contravenes any order issued under this By-law is guilty of an offence.

13.3 Every person who is guilty of an offence under this By-law may, where permitted under the *Provincial Offences Act*, pay a set fine, and the Chief Judge of the Ontario Court of Justice may be requested to establish set fines.

13.4 Each day that an offence is committed or permitted to continue constitutes a separate offence and may be punishable as such.

ENACTMENT

14. This By-law shall come into force and take effect on the date of its passage.

READ and passed in open Council, signed and sealed this 23rd day of June 2026.

François Landry, Mayor

Chad Brownlee, CAO/Clerk

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NORTH STORMONT

BY-LAW NO. 39-2026

Fire Protection – Repeal Respiratory Protection Program Policy

BEING a By-law to repeal By-law No. 45-2016 in its entirety.

WHEREAS the *Municipal Act, 2001*, c. 25 s. 5 (1) provides that the powers of a municipal corporation are to be exercised by its council;

AND WHEREAS the *Municipal Act, 2001*, c. 25 s. 5 (3) provides that the powers of every council are to be exercised by by-law;

AND WHEREAS the *Municipal Act, 2001*, c. 25 s. 224 provides that Council may develop and evaluate policies and programs of the municipality;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Township of North Stormont is desirous of updating and standardizing its processes and policies as well as implementing best practices to reduce risk.

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Township of North Stormont enacts as follows:

1. That By-law No. 45-2016 is hereby repealed in its entirety and any other by-law inconsistent with this By-law is hereby repealed.
2. That standard operating procedures for respiratory protection and related operational requirements within North Stormont Fire Services be established.

READ A FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD TIME and passed in open Council, signed and sealed this 23rd day of June 2026.

François Landry, Mayor

Chad Brownlee, CAO/Clerk

SEAL

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NORTH STORMONT

BY-LAW NO. 40-2026

Water-Wastewater - Avonmore Communal System

BEING a By-law to repeal and replace By-Law No. 23-1987 by the Corporation of the Township of Roxborough, to establish fees and charges for the Avonmore Communal Wastewater municipal services.

WHEREAS the *Municipal Act, 2001*, c. 25 s. 5 (1) provides that the powers of a municipal corporation are to be exercised by its Council;

AND WHEREAS the *Municipal Act, 2001*, c. 25 s. 5 (3) provides that the powers of every Council are to be exercised by By-law;

AND WHEREAS the *Municipal Act, 2001*, c. 25, s. 391 authorizes the municipality to impose fees and charges on persons;

AND WHEREAS there is authorization to add fees and charges imposed by the municipality to the tax roll for which the owners are responsible for paying the fees and charges;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Township of North Stormont is desirous of establishing fees and charges for communal wastewater municipal services and deems it expedient to consolidate and regularly update the fees and charges as it seems fit from time to time;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Township of the North Stormont hereby enacts as follows:

1. Special wastewater service rates are hereby imposed upon the owners or occupants of land who use the wastewater works, to pay for operations, repairs and maintenance or a reserve fund for any such purpose of the wastewater works.
2. The wastewater rates shall be imposed in each year against special users in accordance with the roll numbers noted below.
3. The annual wastewater rates shall be billed annually and collected as part of the charge for sewer service. As such, accounts not paid by their due date shall be added to the tax roll and treated as such with penalties at 1.25% per month.
4. Fees for 2026 shall be as follows:

0411 016 005 80000	\$202.50
0411 016 005 73000	\$210.00
0411 016 005 81000	\$ 52.50
0411 016 005 86000	\$285.00

5. Fees for 2027 shall be as follows:

0411 016 005 80000	\$270.00
0411 016 005 73000	\$280.00
0411 016 005 81000	\$ 70.00
0411 016 005 86000	\$380.00

6. Fees for 2028 shall be as follows:

0411 016 005 80000	\$338.00
0411 016 005 73000	\$350.00
0411 016 005 81000	\$ 87.00
0411 016 005 86000	\$475.00

7. Fees for 2029 onward will be reviewed on an annual basis.

READ and passed in open Council, signed and sealed this 23rd day of June, 2026.

Francois Landry, Mayor

Chad Brownlee, CAO/Clerk

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NORTH STORMONT

BY-LAW NO. 41-2026

Agreements - Amalgamated Recreation Agreement

BEING a By-law to authorize an agreement with the North Stormont Recreation Committees / Associations, repealing and replacing By-Law 73-2020.

WHEREAS the *Municipal Act, 2001*, c.25 s.5 (1) provides that the powers of a municipal corporation are to be exercised by its council;

AND WHEREAS the *Municipal Act, 2001*, c.25 s.5 (3) provides that the powers of every council are to be exercised by By-law;

AND WHEREAS the *Municipal Act, 2001*, indicates that a municipality may enter into an agreement with one or more local bodies, for their joint benefit, any matter which all of them have the power to provide within their boundaries;

AND WHEREAS Council deems it desirable to enter into an agreement with the North Stormont Recreation Committees / Associations.

NOW THEREFORE Council of the Township of North Stormont enacts as follows:

1. THAT the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to execute the Agreement attached as Schedule "A" to this By-law.
2. THAT any By-law inconsistent with this By-Law is hereby repealed.

READ A FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD TIME, passed signed and sealed in open Council, signed and sealed this June 23, 2026.

Mayor

CAO / Clerk

SEAL

Amalgamated Recreation Agreement

“ARA 2026”

THIS AGREEMENT made on this _____ day of _____ 2026.

BETWEEN:

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NORTH STORMONT

hereinafter called the “Township”

AND:

Avonmore Athletic Association

Berwick Recreation

Crysler Community Association

Finch Recreation

Monkland Recreation

Moose Creek Recreation

hereinafter as a group called the “Recreation Committees or Recreation Associations”

1. OPERATING

The Township of North Stormont will cover annual utility costs for all six (6) recreation committees’ facilities when run in accordance with facility procedures. Utilities are defined as:

- Heating
- Hydro / electricity
- Snow removal
- Internet

Coverage applies to main halls and primary structures only.

All capital expenses must receive Council approval prior to the start of any construction. All infrastructure work must be reviewed and approved by:

- A professional engineer (where required)
- The Township Chief Building Official (CBO)
- Council

Recreation Committee Responsibilities

Each recreation committee is responsible for all other operating costs, defined as daily, weekly, or annual services, repairs, maintenance, inspections, including but not limited to:

- Plumbing: routine operational maintenance and service calls
- Electrical: minor changes, fixtures, and service calls
- Buildings & Structures: general repairs and maintenance, including inspection costs for:
 - Fire alarm systems
 - Fire suppression systems
 - Fire extinguishers
 - Yearly Park inspection
- Playground structure repairs at a rate of 50%
- Heating & Cooling (HVAC): regular maintenance including filter changes, biannual servicing, minor repairs, and service calls. Township to schedule maintenance service.
- Alarm Monitoring: annual alarm monitoring. Township to schedule inspections
- Fire suppression system inspection, hood cleaning service, and fire extinguisher annual inspection. Township to schedule maintenance and inspection services
- Park annual inspection: annual park inspection fees by third party. Any deficiencies will be repaired by Township staff, volunteers, or third-party contractors at a rate of 50% Township and 50% recreation for all park structure repairs

Township staff will provide the monthly fire extinguisher inspections for all facilities and keep a record. Recreation committees are to continue the monthly inspection of the Automated External Defibrillator (AED) and complete the electronic report. The Township will assist with the annual AED inspections and EOHU inspections.

Procurement and Joint Tenders

Upon request, the Township will assist recreation committees in advertising and issuing joint tenders for operational suppliers.

Utility Chargebacks

Additional utility costs associated with revenue-generating activities will be charged back to the benefiting recreation committee. This includes, but is not limited to:

- Baseball Diamond Lighting
- Volleyball courts
- Summer camp air conditioning at TBO Place

Shared-Use Facilities – Cost Allocation

- Avonmore (North Stormont Place): 40% Recreation / 60% Township
- Monkland: 40% Recreation / 60% Township
- Crysler Library (kitchen side): 20% Recreation / 80% Township
- Moose Creek: Rental side has its own HVAC

Invoicing Procedure

All invoices will be sent to the President (or their designate) of each recreation committee for approval.

Township Administration will invoice recreation committees quarterly, including detailed statements and copies of invoices.

Invoices are due 30 days from the date of the initial email. Late payments will be subject to interest charges.

New Administrative Process

Dedicated email for arena-related matters:

arena@northstormont.ca

Recreation treasurers are requested to reference invoice numbers using the format:

AR – [Facility Code] – Invoice Numbers
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The following identifies the six (6) individual recreation associations that make up the Amalgamated Recreation Committee, the facilities and properties each is responsible for, and the Township's general ledger (GL) category code to which it corresponds:

- Berwick (7030): Baseball diamond / canteen
- Monkland (7050): Community hall / playground / ball diamond / clubhouse
- Avonmore (7060): North Stormont Place / playground / pool / baseball diamond
- Moose Creek (7070): Community center / rink / pool / baseball diamonds / playground

- Chrysler (7080): Community Center / TBO Place / dome / gazebo / baseball diamond / storage shed / John Chrysler Park / playground / docks
- Finch (7090): Community hall / baseball diamond / playground / corner park / canteen / Vollrath Park

Should the Township acquire a new facility and/or property, this entity will be assumed under the applicable recreation association and assigned to its respective GL code. New facilities acquired by the Township will be documented in an annually updated appendix, with GL code assignments confirmed therein.

2. HALL RENTALS, EVENTS, AND ACTIVITIES

Recreation committees must follow AGCO and Township regulations. A volunteer must be present during all rentals. Committees are responsible for ensuring renters follow all policies and regulations. The Township will assist with advertising where information is provided on time. Conflicting events should be avoided. Recreation Committees remain responsible for providing liability insurance for all rentals from the FUG insurance portfolio.

3. GRANTS – DIRECTOR-LED PROCESS

The Director of Parks, Recreation and Facilities is responsible for all Township grant applications. Recreation groups must submit written proposals and identify up to three (3) priority projects. Council approval is required where applicable. The Director oversees submissions, approvals, and project administration.

4. COMMUNITY FUND

At the discretion of Council, a community fund of \$30,000 may be divided among recreation committees.

5. FACILITY BOOKING SYSTEM

All recreation facilities shall be included in the Township booking system. Costs are allocated as follows:

- 50% Arena
- 50% shared among recreation groups (excluding Berwick)

6. CONTRACTORS & EMPLOYEES

All contractors must maintain \$5,000,000.00 liability insurance naming the Township. Independent contractors require agreements and \$2,000,000.00 coverage. There are no paid volunteers as per By-law #42-2017.

7. CAPITAL PROJECTS

Capital costs the responsibility of the Township, subject to Council approval. "Capital Costs" means costs associated with the acquisition, construction, replacement, expansion, or major renovation of land, buildings, or facilities, including any substantial work that materially extends the useful life, capacity, or value of such assets. Capital Costs do not include routine maintenance, coatings, minor repairs, or day-to-day operating expenses. All projects must meet procurement policies and include cost, lifespan, and funding information.

8. ARC GOVERNANCE, MEETINGS & FINANCIAL REPORTING

Recreation Committees will follow the most up-to-date Amalgamated Recreation Committee by-law. Generally, meetings are quarterly and public. Each recreation committee must submit financial reporting annually. All funds are considered public funds.

9. HEALTH & SAFETY

All committees must meet AODA, OHSA, AGCO, and EOHU requirements. Mandatory training must be completed.

10. SUMMER STUDENT GRANTS

The Township supports applications, payroll guidance, and training. Recreation committees are responsible for shortfalls and compliance.

11. PARKS & PLAYGROUNDS

Recreation committees are responsible for day-to-day monitoring and maintenance activities. The Township coordinates inspections. Repairs are cost shared as outlined.

12. FACILITY USE – SUSPENSION, CLOSURE, AND RENTAL RISK REVIEW

The Director may suspend or restrict land or facility use due to safety, compliance, or insurance concerns.

13. TERM

The Parties agree to review the terms of this Agreement on an annual basis, commencing on the anniversary date of this Agreement or at the first meeting of the ARC, and to discuss in good faith any amendments that may be required.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties have executed this agreement attested by the hands of their respective officers duly authorized on that behalf:

_____	_____
Authorized Signature on Behalf of the Township North Stormont	Name of Authorized Person (Print)

Date Signed	

_____	_____
Authorized Signature on Behalf of Avonmore Athletic Association	Name of Authorized Person (Print)

Date Signed	

_____	_____
Authorized Signature on Behalf of Berwick Recreation	Name of Authorized Person (Print)

Date Signed	

_____	_____
Authorized Signature on Behalf of Crysler Community Association	Name of Authorized Person (Print)

Date Signed	

_____	_____
Authorized Signature on Behalf of Finch Recreation	Name of Authorized Person (Print)

Date Signed	

_____	_____
Authorized Signature on Behalf of Monkland Recreation	Name of Authorized Person (Print)

Date Signed	

_____	_____
Authorized Signature on Behalf of Moose Creek Recreation	Name of Authorized Person (Print)

Date Signed	

Newsletter

June 2026

EOWC Advocacy Update

The EOWC Holds 2026 Queen's Park Day



Left-to-right: Kurt Greaves, CAO, County of Lanark; Sheridan Graham, Secretary-Treasurer, EOWC; Eric McGoe, Vice-President of Corporate Affairs, Canadian Nuclear Laboratories; Jessica Uitvlugt, Administration and Communications Coordinator, EOWC; Richard Kidd, Warden, County of Lanark; Stephanie Silva, Strategic Advisor, Atlas Strategic Advisors; Bob Mullin, Warden, County of Hastings; Steve Clark, Member of Parliament, Leeds–Grenville–Thousand Islands and Rideau Lakes; Meredith Staveley-Watson, Executive Director, EOWC; Corinna Smith-Gatcke, Warden, United Counties of Leeds and Grenville; Francois Landry, Warden, United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry; Nathan Townend, Vice-Chair, EOWC; Darrell Searles, President, Anchor Concrete Products LTD.; Hon. Rob Flack, Minister, Municipal Affairs and Housing; Hon. Doug Ford, Premier, Ontario; Carlos Benia, Vice President, Anchor Concrete Products LTD.; Bonnie Clark, Chair, EOWC; Hon. Graydon Smith, Associate Minister, Municipal Affairs and Housing; Jennifer Murphy, Warden, County of Renfrew; Stéphane Parisien, CAO United Counties of Prescott and Russell; Mario Zanth, Warden, United Counties of Prescott and Russell; Craig Kelley, CAO, County of Renfrew; Bill Saunders, Warden, County of Frontenac; Ryan Moore, Chief Stakeholder Relations Officer, Miranda Water Technologies; Steve Ferguson, Mayor, Prince Edward County; Kevin Farrell, CAO, County of Frontenac; Lynn Saunders, COO, Plaintree Systems; Dr. Alan Batt, Paramedicine Lead, Queen's University; Laura Smith, Parliamentary Assistant, Municipal Affairs and Housing; Jamie Fawthrop, CAO, South Glengarry; Tegan Legge, General Manager, Haliburton Forest; Adam Goheen, CAO, Prince Edward County; Gary Dyke, CAO, County of Haliburton; Larissa Fenn, Vice President Corporate Affairs, HOPA Ports; Michael Slatter, Chief/ Director, Haliburton County Paramedic Services; Dan Borrowec, CAO, County of Northumberland; Al Horsman, CAO, United Counties of Leeds and Grenville; John Grech, Director of Marine Logistics and Commercial Development, Picton Terminals.

The EOWC hosted a successful Queen's Park Advocacy Day. The day included a reception with MPPs, Ministers, eastern Ontario local business representatives,

and port partners from the Hamilton Oshawa Port Authority and Picton Terminals.

Provincial insights were shared from provincial leaders, including:

- Premier Doug Ford
- Hon. Rob Flack
- Hon. Steve Clark
- MPP Stephen Blais
- MPP Mike Schreiner

Representing 103 municipalities from across the region, EOWC members participated in a full day of strategic meetings with provincial decision-makers, including 16 meetings with Ministers, Parliamentary Assistants, and Members of Provincial Parliament, reflecting the Province's continued engagement with eastern Ontario municipalities and the importance of the region's priorities.

These meetings included Minister Rob Flack (Municipal Affairs and Housing), Minister Lisa Thompson (Rural Affairs), Minister Prabmeet Sarkaria (Transportation), Minister Nolan Quinn (Colleges, Universities, Research Excellence and Security), Minister Michael Kerzner (Solicitor General), Minister David Piccini (Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Development), Associate Minister Graydon Smith (Municipal Affairs and Housing), House Leader Steve Clark, Parliamentary Assistant John Jordan (Health), Parliamentary Assistant Michelle Cooper (Finance), Parliamentary Assistant Dave Smith (Finance), Parliamentary Assistant Silvia Gualtieri (Solicitor General), MPP Ted Hsu, as well as staff from the Premier's Office, Ministry of Red Tape Reduction and the Ministry of Health.

Throughout the day, the EOWC advanced key priorities focused on strengthening municipal capacity, modernizing infrastructure investment, and supporting sustainable regional growth.

Key priorities included:

- Reinvesting the 1.76% non-refundable municipal HST portion directly back into municipal infrastructure;
- Establishing a province-wide standardized asset management system to support smarter infrastructure planning and investment decisions;
- Advancing the Eastern Ontario Transformation Action Plan to drive economic competitiveness, workforce development, and regional growth;
- Returning Ontario to a regular property tax reassessment cycle;
- Making community paramedicine funding permanent; and
- Supporting the establishment of a regulated paramedic college in Ontario.

[Read the EOWC's 2026 Queen's Park Advocacy Package](#)

The EOWC Attends the Ontario Government's \$8.8 billion Development Charge Reduction Program



The EOWC joined of the Government of Canada and Government of Ontario's announcement of the \$8.8 billion Development Charge Reduction Program.

Through this program, municipalities that reduce development charges by at least 30% and maintain that reduction for three years will be eligible to apply for funding to support housing-enabling infrastructure projects.

[Learn More](#)

The EOWC Attends the 2026 Grow Ontario Food Summit



Left-to-right: Bonnie Clark, Chair, EOWC; Hon. Trevor Jones, Minister, Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Agribusiness

The EOWC was happy to attend the 2026 Grow Ontario Food Summit, held in Guelph, ON.

The summit consisted of discussions centred around emerging opportunities, risks, and how Ontario's agriculture and food industry is a cornerstone for the economy, driving growth, supporting local jobs and sustaining communities.

The EOWC Attends the Unveiling of Ontario's Framework for Defence Industrial Strategy



The EOWC was pleased to attend Ontario's unveiling of their first-ever defence industrial strategy that aims to create 43,000 jobs and position Ontario as a key partner for allied defence and security.

The framework highlights Ontario's strengths and competitive advantage in research and development, critical minerals, nuclear energy, aeronautics, manufacturing and technology.

[Learn More](#)

The EOWC and OFA Sign MOU



Left-to-right: Ethan Wallace, Vice President, OFA; Drew Spoelstra, President, OFA; Bonnie Clark, Chair, EOWC; Nathan Townend, Vice-Chair, EOWC.

The EOWC has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Ontario Federation of Agriculture (OFA).

This MOU sets the framework for ongoing collaboration on shared priorities and reinforces the critical role agriculture plays across eastern Ontario.

The EOWC Attends the 2026 Great Lakes St. Lawrence Cities Initiative Conference



Left-to-right: Ryan Sorenson, Past Chair, Great Lakes St. Lawrence Cities Initiative; Bonnie Clark, Chair, EOWC; Earl Provost, Ontario Agent General, Chicago.

The EOWC was pleased to attend the 2026 Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Cities Initiative in Hamilton, ON.

This conference was a great opportunity to talk about water sovereignty, the importance of investment in critical water and waste water infrastructure, and how the Great Lakes and St Lawrence Seaway can drive economic growth.

The EOWC is proud to share that EOWC Chair and Warden of Peterborough County, Bonnie Clark, was awarded the Rob Ford Leadership Award.

The EOWC Attends the 2026 CAMA Conference



Left-to-right: Jessica Uitvlugt, Administration and Communication Coordinator, EOWC; Meredith Staveley-Watson, Executive Director, EOWC; Sheridan Graham, Secretary-Treasurer, EOWC; Jennifer Stover, Deputy CAO, Peterborough County.

The EOWC was happy to attend the 2026 Canadian Association of Municipal Administrators Conference in Whistler, BC.

At the conference, the EOWC celebrated the end of term of EOWC member, CAO Brenda Orchard from the County of Lennox and Addington as President of CAMA moving to the position of Past President on the CAMA Board of Directors. In addition, we celebrated the achievement of EOWC staff member Jessica Uitvlugt for receiving the CAMA Young Professional Scholarship.

In The Media

MPP Billy Denault Rural Ontario Week New Emergency Shelter Opens in Kawartha Lakes



Left-to-right: Bob Bailey, Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Rural Affairs; Laurier Scott, MPP, Haliburton—Kawartha Lakes—Brock; Billy Denault, MPP, Renfrew—Nipissing—Pembroke; John Jordan, MPP, Lanark—Frontenac—Kingston; Lisa Thompson, Minister, Ministry of Rural Affairs; Steve Pinsonneault, Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Rural Affairs.

[Ontario has officially designated the third week of September as Rural Ontario Week](#), recognizing the "vitality and importance" of rural communities across the province. The motion, introduced by MPP Billy Denault, received support from all parties in the legislature.

Denault, who represents Renfrew—Nipissing—Pembroke, spoke passionately, highlighting the innovation, industry, and strong sense of community found in rural regions.

By the numbers, rural Ontario is home to 2.5 million people, 268,000 businesses, and supports 1.2 million jobs. In 2024 alone, it contributed over \$116.5 billion to Ontario's GDP.

MPP Denault stated that the new designation aims to raise awareness, celebrate achievements, and strengthen connections between urban and rural communities.



New Emergency Shelter Opens in Kawartha Lakes

[A new emergency shelter and support hub has opened in Kawartha Lakes](#) with funding from the Ontario government's Homelessness Prevention Program. The new facility includes 12 beds and offers life skills, health, and drop-in programming aimed at helping individuals experiencing homelessness access stable support.



Kingston to Transition Injection Site into New HART Hub

[Ontario is converting Kingston's existing supervised consumption site into a new HART Hub beginning October 1, 2026.](#) Backed by \$6.3 million in annual provincial funding, the new model will focus on addiction treatment, mental health care, housing, and recovery services.

Eastern Ontario Municipalities Receive Gas Tax Funding to Support Transit Improvements

Several eastern Ontario municipalities are receiving provincial [Gas Tax funding in 2025–26 to strengthen and expand local public transit services.](#) The investments will support improved accessibility, expanded routes and service hours, and transit upgrades across the region.



Ontario Expands Nursing Tuition Support in Peterborough Area

The Ontario government [is expanding the Ontario Learn and Stay Grant to include nursing programs at Trent University and Sir Sandford Fleming College in the Peterborough area](#). The initiative will cover tuition, books, and other education costs for up to 1,500 students who commit to working in eastern Ontario after graduation, helping strengthen the local health-care workforce.



SMITHS FALLS RISE AT THE FALLS

Smiths Falls Opens New Broadview Nursing Home with 128 Long-Term Care Beds

A new [128-bed Broadview Nursing Home has officially opened in Smiths Falls](#). The modern facility is designed to improve quality of life for residents while supporting local health-care jobs and increasing access to long-term care services in the region.

Partner Updates



Association of
Municipalities
of Ontario

AMO's New Council Program: AMO's Local Leadership Foundations

AMO has modernized its post-election onboarding with [Local Leadership Foundations](#), developed with the Institute on Governance and delivered by experienced municipal governance experts.

Guided by consultations with municipal associations, staff groups, and AMO's Executive Committee, the program reflects what members need to lead with

confidence.



Retaining Rural Wealth: Lessons from Intergenerational Housing Transfers in Ontario

Rural Canada faces a major but often overlooked economic opportunity as massive housing-based intergenerational wealth transfers risk leaving these communities without deliberate policy and investment to retain them.

The Connecting the Dots initiative at the University of Guelph is pleased to share a research summary of this important work. The summary explores:

- The estimated scale of housing-based wealth transfers occurring in rural communities across Canada
- Why this wealth is at risk of leaving rural areas without targeted investment and policy responses
- What rural planners, foundations, economic developers, and policymakers can do to retain and redirect this wealth locally
- The implications for community development, rural viability, and long-term regional economic planning

For rural practitioners and organizations working on economic resilience and community investment, this research offers both a diagnostic and a call to action. It invites a deeper conversation about how rural communities can capture and reinvest the wealth generated within their own boundaries.

Learn more through a [brief](#) and a [video](#).

Regional Updates and News



Ontario Expanding Access to Family Doctors and Primary Care

[Ontario has signed a new 2024–28 Physician Services Agreement](#) aimed at improving access to family doctors and primary care across the province. The agreement includes increased compensation for physicians, incentives to take on new patients, expanded evening and weekend appointments, and targeted

recruitment efforts for rural and northern communities as part of the province's goal to connect every Ontarian to a primary care provider by 2029.

Ontario Expanding Workplace Injury Protections Across Care Sector

The [Ontario government is taking steps to extend mandatory WSIB coverage to 29,000 more frontline care workers](#) across the province. The proposed legislation aims to create consistent workplace protections for employees in privately operated care facilities, ensuring access to wage-loss benefits, medical coverage, and return-to-work support if they are injured on the job.

Province Proposes New Measures to Speed Up Projects and Boost Workforce Growth

[Ontario's proposed POWER Act would cut red tape for businesses](#) while introducing new supports for workers and job seekers. The legislation includes plans to streamline permits, improve workplace safety standards, support international medical graduates, and create a more investment-ready economy.

Ontario Moves to Deliver HST Relief on New Homes

The [Ontario government has introduced the HST Relief Implementation Act, 2026](#) to support the rollout of a plan to remove the 13 per cent HST on most eligible new homes. The measure, delivered in partnership with the federal government, would provide homebuyers with up to \$130,000 in relief and aims to stimulate housing construction, support jobs, and improve affordability across the province.

Ontario Invests \$1.5M to Support Great Lakes Protection and Local Innovation

Ontario is investing [\\$1.5 million in the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence River Cities Initiative's Local Blue Economy Growth Fund](#) to help municipalities and First Nations improve water quality and strengthen climate resilience. The program will support small-scale local projects focused on stormwater management, pollution reduction, and green infrastructure to protect communities across the Great Lakes region.

Province Adds Uber Canada to Ontario Corps to Support Emergency Response

Ontario is enhancing its emergency preparedness system by [welcoming Uber Canada into the Ontario Corps network](#). The partnership will support rapid transportation for evacuees and first responders, as well as the movement of food, hygiene products, and other essential supplies during emergencies.

Ontario Expands Postsecondary Training with \$1.7B Investment

[Ontario is investing \\$1.7 billion to create 70,000 new postsecondary seats](#) in high-demand fields such as health care, STEM, education, and skilled trades. The

initiative aims to strengthen the province's workforce, support economic growth, and help more students access training for in-demand careers, with the first new seats available in Fall 2026.

Upcoming Events



AMO Conference

The AMO 2026 Conference will take place from August 16 to August 19, 2026, in Ottawa.

Register

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About the EOWC

The EOWC is a regional non-profit organization representing 13 upper and single-tier municipalities across eastern Ontario. The EOWC supports and advocates on behalf of 103 municipalities and serves 1.1 million residents. The EOWC covers an area of approximately 50,000 square kilometers from Northumberland County to the Québec border.

The EOWC has gained support and momentum by speaking with a united voice to champion regional municipal priorities and work with government, business leaders, the media, and the public.

Visit the EOWC's website at eowc.org.

Connect with the EOWC

2026 Chair, Warden of Peterborough County, Bonnie Clark

2026 Vice-Chair, Warden of Lennox and Addington County, Nathan Townend

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SDG READS 2026 AUTHOR ANNOUNCED



From left to right: Rebecca Luck, Director of Library Services; Jason Broad, Mayor of South Dundas; Lachlan McDonald, Mayor of South Glengarry; Margaret MacDonald, Chair of the Library Board; Tony Fraser, Mayor of North Dundas; Emily Andrews (front), Community Librarian; François Landry, Warden/Mayor of North Stormont. Councillors Broad, McDonald, Fraser, and Landry are also members of the SDG Library Board.

The SDG Library was thrilled to announce Shari Lapena as the SDG Reads 2026 author at the May SDG County Council meeting (pictured above). SDG Reads is a “One Book, One Community” program that encourages all residents across SDG Counties to read the same title before coming together for an evening with the author. SDG Reads selects Canadian authors to highlight the diverse talent of our country.

Shari Lapena is the #1 internationally bestselling author of nine (9) suspense novels. Readers are invited to revisit Lapena’s breakout novel, *The Couple Next Door*, in its special 10th anniversary edition. This modern classic continues to captivate audiences with its tense, twist-filled narrative. The program will also highlight her recent release, *She Didn’t See It Coming*, along with her highly anticipated summer 2026 title, *Getting Away with Murder*. This is a collection that showcases her signature suspenseful storytelling. The SDG Reads 2026 author event will take place on Monday, October 5, 2026, at North Stormont Place in Avonmore, where attendees will have the opportunity to hear from Lapena about her work and writing process.

Stay up to date on SDG Reads at <https://www.sdglibrary.ca/sdg-reads/>

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Community outreach continues to be an important way the SDG Library connects with residents across the Counties. This summer we will be attending a wide range of community events showcasing Library services and resources. We are encouraging visitors to stop by, say hello and check out what is on offer at the Library.

Upcoming events include:

- June 6** Art On the Waterfront, Chesterville
- June 27** Maxville Fair
- July 11** It’s All About the River, Morrisburg
- July 12** Chrysler Community Fun Fair

CHRYSLER EXPANSION UPDATE

The Board reviewed a revised floor plan based on feedback from the community survey. An updated version will be presented at the September Board meeting, incorporating the Board’s input as well as insights gathered through consultations with external partners.

POLICY APPROVALS

The Board has approved **The Program Policy** which provides a framework for the planning, delivery, and evaluation of programs offered by the SDG Library, ensuring they align with the Library’s mission, strategic priorities, and commitment to equitable, inclusive, and accessible service.

All policies can be viewed on the SDG Library website: <https://www.sdglibrary.ca/library-policies/>



The Board has their own book club! Their latest book is **Once There Were Wolves** by Charlotte McConaghy.

Good day,

Please find below Resolution No. 115/2026, as passed by Council of the Township of South Stormont on May 27, 2026.

Resolution No.: 115/2026

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Andrew Guindon

Seconded by: Councillor Jennifer MacIsaac

Whereas food insecurity is defined as the inadequate or insecure access to food due to financial constraints, a marker of pervasive material deprivation (poverty), and posing a serious public health problem because of its association with higher rates of numerous diseases and chronic health conditions and a higher risk of early death; And whereas chronic stressors like disability, precarious work, and/or the cost-of-living crisis, and acute shocks like COVID-19, illness or eviction, make it more difficult to afford life's basic needs and live free from poverty;

And whereas current social assistance rates are woefully inadequate, making it impossible to afford a healthy diet; and

And whereas the Eastern Ontario Health Unit estimates that 1 in 4 households are food insecure;

And whereas over 36% of food bank visitors were children;

And whereas food banks are not funded by the Government of Canada and Government of Ontario;

And whereas Ontario non-profits, including food banks, are collectively experiencing stagnant and declining resources amidst climbing demand, and increased reserve use.

Now therefore be it resolved;

- 1. That Council declare food insecurity an emergency (crisis) in South Stormont; and**
- 2. That Council request the Provincial Government immediately raise social assistance rates to meet life's basic needs; and**
- 3. That Council request the Provincial and Federal Governments act to address the causes of food insecurity by establishing a Guaranteed Liveable Basic Income; and**
- 4. That Council request that the Provincial and Federal Governments include the reduction of food insecurity as a component of all appropriate government policies; and**
- 5. That Council develop a working relationship with Food Banks United and other local food programs to:**
 - o Communicate local needs and resources.**
 - o Advocate on behalf of people experiencing food insecurity at the local government level.**
 - o Strategize solutions to immediate food insecurity needs.**

Result: CARRIED

Kind regards,



Ashley Sloan, AMP

Manager of Information and Customer Services

Deputy Clerk

Marriage Officiant

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June 4, 2026

**Re: Support for the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan – Canada Post
Rate Reduction for Libraries**

Please be advised that at the June 3, 2026, regular Council meeting, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Southgate approved the following:

No. 2026-225

Moved By Councillor John

Seconded By Councillor Shipston

Be it resolved that Southgate Council receive the correspondence from the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan and the Township of Perry for information; and

That Council call on the Federal Government to maintain and protect reduced-rate postal distribution rates for library materials; and

That a copy of this and associated correspondence be forwarded to the Minister of Government Transformation, Public Services and Procurement, MP Alex Ruff, MPP Paul Vickers and all Ontario Municipalities.

If you have any questions, please contact our office at (519) 923-2110.

Sincerely,

Lindsey Green

Lindsey Green, Clerk
Township of Southgate

Encl: Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan – Canada Post Rate Reduction for Libraries

CC:

Honourable Joël Lightbound, Minister of Transformation, Public Services and Procurement

Alex Ruff, MP Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound

Paul Vickers, MPP Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound

Ontario Municipalities



**TOWNSHIP OF
BRUDENELL, LYNDOKH AND RAGLAN**

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May 6, 2026

RE: Canada Post Rate Reduction for Libraries

Please be advised that at the Regular Council Meeting on May 6th, 2026, Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan approved the following:

Resolution No: 2026-05-06-09
Moved by: Councillor Quade
Seconded by: Councillor Keller

“Be it resolved that the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan support the correspondence from the Township of Perry to maintain and protect reduced-rate postal distribution for library materials, and;

And further that this resolution be forwarded to the Township of Perry, Minister of Government Transportation, Public Services and Procurement, Renfrew Nipissing Pembroke MP and MPP and all Ontario Municipalities.”

CARRIED

Sincerely,

Tammy Thompson
Deputy Clerk
Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan



**The Corporation of the
Township of Perry**

Box 70 1695 Emsdale Road Emsdale, Ontario P0A 1J0

Date: February 18, 2026

Resolution No.: 2026-078

Moved By: Joe Lumley Seconded By: Paul Sowrey

Whereas public libraries play a vital role in ensuring equitable access to information, literacy, education, and culture for all residents;

And whereas interlibrary loan services are an essential component of public library operations, particularly for small and rural communities with limited local collections;

And whereas reduced postal rates for library materials have historically enabled libraries to share resources efficiently and affordably across Canada;

And whereas recent amendments to the Canada Post Corporation Act have removed the legislative requirement to provide reduced postal rates for library materials, creating uncertainty for the continued delivery of this essential service;

Now therefore be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Perry calls upon the Government of Canada to maintain and protect reduced-rate postal distribution for library materials through legislation;

And that Council requests that the Minister responsible for Canada Post ensure continued, affordable postal access for libraries and interlibrary loan services;

And that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to The Honourable Joel Lightbound, Minister of Government Transformation, Public Works and Procurement, Scott Aitchison, MP Parry Sound-Muskoka, Hon. Graydon Smith, MPP Parry Sound-Muskoka, and all Ontario municipalities for support.

Carried:

Defeated:


Norm Hofstetter, Mayor

RECORDED VOTE		
Council	For	Against
Councillors Jim Cushman		
Joe Lumley		
Margaret Ann MacPhail		
Paul Sowrey		
Mayor Norm Hofstetter		

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June 4, 2026

Re: Support for the Municipality of Wawa – Opposing Proposed Changes to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act

Please be advised that at the June 3, 2026, regular Council meeting, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Southgate approved the following:

No. 2026-226

Moved By Deputy Mayor Dobreen
Seconded By Councillor Shipston

Be it resolved that the Township of Southgate receive correspondence from the Municipality of Wawa and the Township of Stone Mills re: Proposed Changes to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA); and

That Southgate Council oppose the proposed changes to FIPPA; and

1. call on the Province to ensure records related to government business remain accessible to the public; and
2. urge the Province to consult with the Information and Privacy Commissioner of Ontario and the public before proceeding; and

Further, that this resolution and supporting documentation be circulated to Premier Doug Ford, the appropriate Minister, all MPPs and Ontario municipalities.

If you have any questions, please contact our office at (519) 923-2110.

Sincerely,

Lindsey Green

Lindsey Green, Clerk
Township of Southgate

Encl: Municipality of Wawa – Opposing Proposed Changes to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act

CC:

Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
All MPP's
All Ontario Municipalities



The Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

RESOLUTION

Tuesday, May 19, 2026

Resolution # RC26106	Meeting Order: 6
Moved by: <i>John Opato</i>	Seconded by: <i>Cathy Cannon</i>

WHEREAS the Township of Stone Mills passed Resolution No. 30-706-2026 opposing proposed changes to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA) that would exclude records of the Premier, Cabinet Ministers, and their staff from public access requests;

AND WHEREAS the Township of Stone Mills has expressed concerns that the proposed amendments may reduce transparency and accountability in government;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of The Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa hereby supports Resolution No. 30-706-2026 passed by the Township of Stone Mills regarding the proposed changes to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA);

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Township of Stone Mills, Premier Doug Ford, the appropriate Provincial Ministers, local Members of Provincial Parliament, and Ontario municipalities.

RESOLUTION RESULT	RECORDED VOTE	YES	NO
<input type="checkbox"/> CARRIED	MAYOR AND COUNCIL		
<input type="checkbox"/> DEFEATED	Mitch Hatfield		
<input type="checkbox"/> TABLED	Cathy Cannon		
<input type="checkbox"/> RECORDED VOTE (SEE RIGHT)	Melanie Pilon		
<input type="checkbox"/> PECUNIARY INTEREST DECLARED	Jim Hoffmann		
<input type="checkbox"/> WITHDRAWN	Joseph Opato		

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the general nature thereof.

Disclosed the pecuniary interest and general name thereof and abstained from the discussion, vote and influence.

Clerk: _____

DEPUTY MAYOR - MITCH HATFIELD	CLERK - MAURY O'NEILL
<i>Micheline Hatfield</i>	<i>Maury O'Neill</i>

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May 14, 2026

Sent Via Email Only

Hon. Doug Ford
Premier of Ontario
Legislative Building, Queen's Park
Toronto ON M7A 1A1

Dear Hon. Doug Ford,

Re: Township of Stone Mills opposition to the changes to Ontario's Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act

Please be advised that during the regular Council meeting of April 13, 2026, Township of Stone Mills Council passed the following motion,

Resolution 30-706-2026

Whereas the government of Ontario is proposing changes to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA) that would exclude records of the premier, cabinet ministers and their staff from public access requests;

AND Whereas these changes would apply retroactively and may limit access to records related to matters of public interest;

AND Whereas the Information and Privacy Commissioner for Ontario has warned that these changes would reduce transparency and accountability, Freedom of Information laws are an essential to the public trust and democratic accountability;

Therefore Be It Resolved That Stone Mills Township oppose the proposed changes to FIPPA;

1. Call on the Province to ensure records related to government business remain accessible to the public;
2. Urge the Province to consult with the Information and Privacy Commissioner of Ontario and the public before proceeding;
3. Direct that this motion be circulated to the Premier Doug Ford, appropriate minister, all MPP's and Ontario municipalities.

Moved By Councillor Woodcock
Seconded By Councillor Milligan
Carried

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

B Teeple

Brandi Teeple
Township Clerk
Township of Stone Mills
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cc. All Ontario Municipalities
All MPP's



June 4, 2026

Request for Support – Ontario Firefighter Certification Requirements

Dear Municipal Clerks,

The Town of Iroquois Falls is seeking support from neighboring municipalities regarding the implementation of Ontario Regulation 343/22 (Firefighter Certification), which requires firefighters performing certain suppression and extrication activities to obtain prescribed certifications by July 1, 2026.

While we support the importance of firefighter training and safety, The Town of Iroquois Falls has concerns about the impact these requirements may have on volunteer and composite fire departments, particularly in rural and northern communities.

Council recently passed a resolution requesting that the Office of the Fire Marshal revisit the mandatory certification program and consider greater flexibility while maintaining high standards of public and firefighter safety.

We respectfully ask that you share the attached resolution with your Fire Chief for review and consideration. If your municipality shares similar concerns, we welcome your support and advocacy on this matter.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Maureen Reeder, Clerk
The Town of Iroquois Falls

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THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF IROQUOIS FALLS

REGULAR MEETING

DATE: May 25, 2026

RESOLUTION NO.:2026-129

AGENDA ITEM NO.: 9. B) 3)

MOVED BY: *R. Charlebois*

SECONDED BY: *C. Tremblay*

THAT Council authorizes the Town of Iroquois Falls to engage and advocate with the Fire Marshall's Office to revisit the mandatory certification program in hopes of keeping training requirements consistent with how our local department currently delivers training and certification to ensure we can continue to meet and exceed our expectations towards emergency response and extrication.

AND THAT a copy of this motion be sent to municipalities and fire chiefs along the highway 11 corridor, CDSB and the provincial government.

DECLARED THE MOTION:

Dated at Iroquois Falls,
this 25th day of May 2026.

- CARRIED**
- DEFEATED**
- AMENDED**
- DEFERRED**


MAYOR (CHAIR)

RECORDED VOTE

NAME	FOR	AGAINST
Councillor (Jamy) Bernier	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councillor (Keval) Brahmhatt	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councillor (Richard) Charlebois	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councillor (Gilles) Giguere	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councillor (Ben) Lefebvre	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councillor (Claude) Tremblay	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mayor (Tory) Delaurier	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Choose an item.

DISCLOSED HIS/HER INTEREST(S)

VACATED HIS/HER SEAT

Abstained from discussion and did not vote on this item.



May 26, 2026

Dear The Honourable Greg McGregor and The Honourable Rob Flack,

RE: Council motion passed May 26, 2026

Please be advised that on May 26, 2026, during a City Council meeting, Guelph City Council passed the following resolution in regard to the Request to Extend the Deadline for Notices of Intention to Designate Listed Heritage Properties.

Moved By: Councillor Caron
Seconded By: Councillor Klassen

1. The Council of the City of Guelph respectfully requests that the Province of Ontario amend the Ontario Heritage Act to extend the January 1, 2027 deadline for issuing Notices of Intent to Designate for properties listed on municipal heritage registers; and
 2. The Province consider extending the deadline to January 1, 2030, or another reasonable timeframe that would provide municipalities with adequate time to complete heritage evaluations and make informed designation decisions; and
 3. This resolution be circulated to the Minister of Citizenship and Multiculturalism, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the local Member of Provincial Parliament, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Ontario Municipal Heritage Committee Association, and all Ontario municipalities for their information and consideration.
- Carried

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Citizenship and Multiculturalism
Hon. Rob Flack, Minister of Municipal
Affairs and Housing
Mike Schreiner, MPP for Guelph
Association of Municipalities of
Ontario
Ontario Municipal Heritage
Committee Association
All Ontario Municipalities

June 5, 2026

Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
Via Email

Re: Modernizing Ontario's Invasive Plants Rules to Protect Taxpayers, Municipal Lands, Agriculture, Natural Heritage and Local Gardens

Please be advised that Council of the Town of Halton Hills at its meeting of Monday June 1, 2026, adopted Resolution No. 2026-0107 regarding Modernizing Ontario's Invasive Plants Rules to Protect Taxpayers, Municipal Lands, Agriculture, Natural Heritage and Local Gardens.

Attached for your information is a copy of Resolution No. 2026-0107.

Respectfully,



Melissa Lawr, AMP, Dipl.M.A.
Deputy Clerk – Legislation

- cc. Ontario Minister of Natural Resources
Ontario Minister of Agriculture, Food and Agribusiness
Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Ontario Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks
Federal Minister of Environment and Climate Change
Federal Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food
Halton area MPs and MPPs
Region of Halton
HRFA
OFA
Conservation Halton
Credit Valley Conservation
Grand River Conservation Authority
AMO
ROMA
FCM
Ontario Invasive Plant Council
Landscape Ontario
Canadian Nursery Landscape Association
All Ontario municipalities



THE CORPORATION
OF
THE TOWN OF HALTON HILLS

Resolution No.: 2026-0107

Title: Modernizing Ontario's Invasive Plants Rules to Protect Taxpayers, Municipal Lands, Agriculture, Natural Heritage and Local Gardens

Date: June 1, 2026

Moved by: Councillor J. Brass

Seconded by: Councillor C. Garneau

Item No. 12.3

WHEREAS invasive plants, shrubs, vines, groundcovers, ornamental species, seeds and nursery stock can cause significant damage to municipal infrastructure, roadsides, stormwater systems, parks, trails, natural heritage areas, agricultural lands, woodlots, shorelines, private property and local biodiversity;

AND WHEREAS Ontario municipalities and conservation authorities are estimated to spend approximately \$50.8 million annually managing invasive species, and the average annual cost per Ontario municipality has been estimated at \$218,148, with approximately 80% of expenditures directed toward control and management rather than prevention; (Invasive Species Centre)

AND WHEREAS these costs are ultimately borne by local taxpayers, conservation authorities, property owners, farmers, volunteers and community groups who are often left to manage invasive species after they have already been introduced, sold, planted, escaped cultivation and spread;

AND WHEREAS the Province of Ontario, through the Invasive Species Act, 2015, which allows species to be listed as prohibited or restricted, and which can make it illegal to import, possess, transport, propagate, buy, sell, lease or trade listed invasive species; (Invasive Species Centre)

AND WHEREAS the concern is not with plants that are already clearly prohibited or restricted, but with invasive species and seeds and nursery stock that may

continue to be sold or distributed before modernized provincial rules, public guidance and retail practices have fully caught up with current science and local experience;

AND WHEREAS garden centres, nurseries, landscape suppliers, seed distributors, online retailers, landscapers and residents all have an important role to play in preventing the spread of invasive plants before they become a costly municipal and environmental problem;

AND WHEREAS the Ontario Invasive Plant Council's Grow Me Instead program promotes native and non-invasive alternatives for healthy, diverse and wildlife-friendly gardens, and its updated Southern Ontario guide includes additional invasive plants and alternatives to help residents, gardeners and landscapers make better choices; (Ontario Invasive Plant Council)

AND WHEREAS recent local reporting in Halton Hills has highlighted the importance of choosing native alternatives to invasive garden plants, including through Grow Native Halton and the Ontario Invasive Plant Council's Grow Me Instead resources;

AND WHEREAS the continued sale and distribution of invasive ornamental plants undermine the work of municipalities, conservation authorities, environmental organizations, horticultural societies, local volunteers and residents who are investing time and taxpayer dollars to remove and manage these same species;

AND WHEREAS prevention at the point of sale is more cost-effective, more practical and more respectful of taxpayers than asking municipalities and property owners to pay for removal after invasive species have spread across property lines and municipal boundaries;

AND WHEREAS invasive plants do not recognize municipal boundaries, and effective prevention requires coordinated action by the Province of Ontario, the Government of Canada, municipalities, conservation authorities, Indigenous communities, agricultural organizations, the nursery and landscape sector, retailers, landowners and residents;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Town of Halton Hills respectfully request that the Province of Ontario, in consultation with municipalities, AMO, ROMA, conservation authorities, the Ontario Invasive Plant Council, Indigenous communities, agricultural organizations, environmental organizations, horticultural societies, the nursery and landscape sector, garden centres and other relevant stakeholders, undertake a review and modernization of Ontario's invasive plant regulatory framework;

AND FURTHER THAT this review include consideration of expanding and regularly updating the list of prohibited and restricted invasive plant species, including invasive plants, shrubs, vines, groundcovers, ornamental species,

seeds and nursery stock that pose a risk to Ontario's natural heritage, agriculture, municipal infrastructure, parks, trails, roadsides, stormwater systems and private property;

AND FURTHER THAT the Province of Ontario be requested to prohibit the sale, distribution, propagation and trade of listed invasive plant species through garden centres, nurseries, landscaping suppliers, online retailers, seed distributors and other commercial pathways;

AND FURTHER THAT the Province of Ontario be requested to develop clear labelling, public education and retailer guidance requirements so that residents, gardeners, landscapers and retailers can easily identify invasive species and choose native or non-invasive alternatives;

AND FURTHER THAT the Province of Ontario be requested to work with the nursery, garden centre and landscape sectors on a practical transition plan that supports compliance, protects small businesses, promotes native and non-invasive alternatives, and prevents invasive plants from continuing to enter communities through ordinary consumer purchases;

AND FURTHER THAT the Government of Canada be requested to review and strengthen, where appropriate, federal import, border, labelling and online sales rules related to invasive plants, seeds and nursery stock entering Canada, so that provincial prevention efforts are not undermined by interprovincial or international trade;

AND FURTHER THAT the Province of Ontario and Government of Canada be requested to support municipalities, conservation authorities and community partners with stronger prevention tools, updated science-based lists, public education materials and funding programs that prioritize prevention over costly long-term control and removal;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, the Ontario Minister of Natural Resources, the Ontario Minister of Agriculture, Food and Agribusiness, the Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Ontario Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, the federal Minister of Environment and Climate Change, the federal Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food, Halton-area MPs and MPPs, the Region of Halton, HRFA, OFA, Conservation Halton, Credit Valley Conservation, Grand River Conservation Authority, AMO, ROMA, FCM, the Ontario Invasive Plant Council, Landscape Ontario, the Canadian Nursery Landscape Association, and all Ontario municipalities for their consideration and support.



Mayor Ann Lawlor



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June 9, 2026

Via email: doug.fordco@pc.ola.org

Premier's Office
Room 281
Main Legislative Building, Queen's Park
Toronto, ON M7A 1A5

Dear Hon. Doug Ford

Re: Heritage Helping Housing Building Grant

Please be advised that South Huron Council passed the following resolution at their June 1, 2026, Regular Council Meeting:

257-2026

Moved By: Aaron Neeb

Seconded by: Marissa Vaughan

That South Huron Council supports the May 21, 2026 correspondence of the City of Kitchener regarding the Heritage Helping Housing Building Grant; and

That this supporting resolution and the originating correspondence be circulated to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Minister of Finance, the Minister of Citizenship and Multiculturalism, the Ontario Heritage Trust, AMO and all Ontario municipalities.

Result: Carried

Please find attached the originating correspondence for your reference.

Respectfully,

Kendra Webster, Legislative & Licensing Coordinator
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Encl.

- cc: Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Hon. Rob Flack, rob.flack@pc.ola.org; Minister of Finance, Hon. Peter Bethlenfalvy, peter.bethlenfalvy@pc.ola.org, Minister of Citizenship and Multiculturalism, Hon. Graham McGregor, graham.mcgregor@pc.ola.org, Ontario Heritage Trust, john.ecker@heritagetrust.on.ca; AMO, resolutions@amo.on.ca; and all municipalities in Ontario.



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SENT VIA EMAIL

May 21, 2026

Honourable Doug Ford
Premier of Ontario
Legislative Building
Queen's Park
Toronto ON M7A 1A1

Dear Premier Ford:

This is to advise that City Council, at a meeting held on April 13, 2026, passed the following resolution regarding the Heritage Helping Housing Building Grant:

"That the City of Kitchener call on the Province of Ontario to implement a new housing-focused Heritage Helping Housing Building Grant of \$10 million per year to encourage the creation of additional housing units within heritage buildings; and further,

That staff be directed to forward a copy of this resolution to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, The Honourable Rob Flack, the Minister of Finance, the Honourable Peter Bethlenfalvy, the Minister of Citizenship and Multiculturalism, the Honourable Graham McGregor and John Ecker, Chair, Ontario Heritage Trust, AMO, all Ontario MPPs and to all municipalities across the province."

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'A. Fusco'.

A. Fusco
Director of Legislated Services & City Clerk

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Cc: Hon. Rob Flack, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Hon. Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance
Hon. Graham McGregor, Minister of Citizenship and Multiculturalism
John Ecker, Chair, Ontario Heritage Trust, AMO
Ontario MPP's
Ontario municipalities
Sloane Sweazey, Senior Policy Advisor, City of Kitchener

**Resolution 2026-03: Ontario Most Outdated Property Reassessment in
Canada: A Call to Return to Property Tax Reassessment Cycle**

Date: May 8, 2026

Moved by: Warden Jennifer Murphy, County of Renfrew

Seconded by: Warden Robert Mullin, County of Hastings

WHEREAS the Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus (EOWC) serves over 1.1 million residents across 13 upper-tier and single-tier municipalities, encompassing a total of 103 municipalities in Ontario;

AND WHEREAS municipalities in Ontario are currently required to calculate property taxes based on property valuations from 2016, over a decade ago;

AND WHEREAS all other provinces in Canada have continued regular reassessment cycles, resulting in properties being reassessed multiple times since 2016, making Ontario the most outdated in Canada;

AND WHEREAS the prolonged pause in the reassessment cycle has created significant distortions in assessed values, resulting in inequities among property classes; and

AND WHEREAS outdated assessments negatively impact investment decisions, economic competitiveness, municipal planning, and disproportionately affect independent small businesses; and

AND WHEREAS the continued pause on property tax reassessment in Ontario creates uncertainty for municipalities, property owners, and investors regarding future tax liabilities;

AND WHEREAS a current and predictable assessment system is essential to supporting strong communities, maintaining fairness in taxation, and encouraging economic investment consistent with the Ontario government's objective of being "Open for Business";

AND WHEREAS the lack of clarity regarding the timing of the next reassessment is contributing to delayed or deferred investment decisions, thereby impacting economic competitiveness across the province;

AND WHEREAS municipal governments, particularly in rural and small-urban communities, rely on a stable and updated assessment system to address financial pressures including inflation, rising labour costs, and increasing service demands;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the EOWC formally requests that the Government of Ontario commit to a clear and prompt return to the property tax reassessment cycle;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Province provide a defined timeline and transparent plan for implementing future reassessments on a regular and predictable basis;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Government of Ontario work in coordination with the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) to ensure properties are reassessed in an accurate and timely manner;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this resolution be circulated to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario; the Honourable Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance; EOWC Members of Provincial Parliament; the Association of Municipalities of Ontario; the Rural Ontario Municipal Association; the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation; the Ontario Big City Mayors; the Western Ontario Wardens' Caucus; the Mayors and Regional Chairs of Ontario; the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities; and all EOWC municipalities."

Carried

Signed by:



EOWC Chair Bonnie Clark

info@eowc.org

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NORTH STORMONT

BY-LAW NO. 42-2026

Ratification - Ratification By-Law

BEING a By-law to adopt, confirm and ratify matters dealt with by resolution.

WHEREAS the *Municipal Act, 2001*, c. 25 s. 5 (1) provides that the powers of a municipal corporation are to be exercised by its Council;

AND WHEREAS the *Municipal Act, 2001*, c. 25 s. 5 (3) provides that the powers of every council are to be exercised by By-law;

AND WHEREAS in many cases, action which is taken or authorized to be taken by the Township of North Stormont does not lend itself to the passage of an individual By-law.

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Township of the North Stormont hereby enacts as follows:

1. That the actions of Council, at its regular meeting held on June 23, 2026 in respect of which recommendations, each motion and resolution passed and taken by the Township of North Stormont is, except where the prior approval of the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal or other authority is required, hereby adopted, ratified and confirmed as if all such proceedings were expressly embodied in this By-law.
2. That where no individual By-law has been or is passed with respect to the taking of any action authorized in or by the above-mentioned minutes, then this By-law shall be deemed for all purposes to be the By-law required for approving and authorizing and taking of any action authorized therein and thereby required for the exercise of any powers therein by the Township of North Stormont.
3. That the Mayor and the appropriate officers of the Township of North Stormont are hereby authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to the actions of the Council of the Township of North Stormont, to obtain approvals where required and except as otherwise provided, the Mayor and CAO/Clerk are hereby directed to execute all documents necessary on behalf of the Corporation of the Township of North Stormont and to affix the corporate seal.

READ and passed in open Council, signed and sealed this 23rd day of June 2026.

François Landry, Mayor

Chad Brownlee, CAO/Clerk