



# Township of North Stormont

## Agenda

### Regular Meeting

Tuesday, June 9, 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

#### 7. ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

7.1. BE it resolved that the following May 26, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes be approved as presented.

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#### 8. ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF COMMITTEES AND LOCAL BOARDS

#### 9. RECEIVING OF MONTHLY STAFF REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

9.1. BE it resolved that staff department monthly information reports be received.

[MONTHLY REPORT - MLEO - May 2026](#)

[MONTHLY REPORT - BUILDING - May 2026](#)

[MONTHLY REPORT - RECREATION - May 2026](#)

[MONTHLY REPORT - FIRE - May 2026](#)

[MONTHLY REPORT - PUBLIC WORKS - May 2026](#)

[MONTHLY REPORT - CAO - May 2026](#)

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#### 9.2. Open Air By-Law

That the Council of the Township of North Stormont receive report FIRE-02-2026 from the Fire Chief regarding proposed changes to the Open

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Air Burning By-Law.

[FIRE-02-2026 - Open Air By-Law - Pdf](#)

9.3. **2026 Regular Council Meetings** 24 - 26

THAT the Council of the Township of North Stormont receive and approve the amended schedule for 2026 Regular Council Meetings as outlined below.

[ADMIN-05-2026 - 2026 Regular Council Meetings - Pdf](#)

9.4. **Eastview Subdivision - Draft Plan Approval Extension** 27 - 30

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.

[PD-02-2026 - Eastview Subdivision - Draft Plan Approval Extension - Pdf](#)

9.5. **2025 Audited Financial Statements** 31 - 56

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.

[FIN-12-2026 - 2025 Audited Financial Statements - Pdf](#)

**10. MUNICIPAL BY-LAWS**

10.1. By-Law No. 36-2026 - Fire Protection - Open Air Burning By-law - Repeal & Replace By-Law 52-2025 57 - 68

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.

[36-2026 - Fire Protection - Open Air Burning By-law - Repeal & Replace By-Law 52-2025](#)

**11. CORRESPONDENCE**

11.1. BE it resolved that the correspondence as listed as Items 11.2 to 11.10 on the agenda be received.

11.2. **Raisin Region Conservation Authority** 69 - 70

[Memorandum - RRCA Board Meeting Highlights \(May 7, 2026\)](#)

11.3. **Township of North Glengarry** 71 - 76

[Resolution of Support - EOWC - A Call to Return to Property Tax Reassessment Cycle](#)

- 11.4. **United Counties of Leeds and Grenville** 77 - 78  
[Resolution - Support for MEA - Road Construction Standards](#)
- 11.5. **Township of Puslinch** 79 - 83  
[Support Resolution - Finlay's Law on Emergency Room Reform](#)
- 11.6. **Township of Baldwin** 84 - 85  
[Resolution - Calling upon the Province of Ontario to conduct review of the OPP Municipal Policing Billing Model](#)
- 11.7. **Municipality of Calvin** 86 - 91  
[Resolution - Request for Provincial Review of CVA](#)
- 11.8. **Town of Orangeville** 92 - 94  
[Resolution - Extend Deadline for Notices of Intention of Designate Listed Heritage Properties](#)
- 11.9. **Municipality of Chatham-Kent** 95 - 99  
[Letter - Bill 97 FIPPA](#)  
[Supporting Resolution - Appendix B Prince Edward County re Bill 97](#)  
[Supporting Resolution - Appendix A Town of Bruce Mines Bill 97](#)
- 11.10. **Township of Machar** 100 - 101  
[Resolution - End Opposition to change to FIPPA](#)
12. **MOTIONS AND NOTICES OF MOTIONS**
13. **PETITIONS**
14. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**
15. **NEW BUSINESS**
16. **SCHEDULING OF MEETINGS**  
16.1. **Next meeting of Council:** Tuesday, June 23, 2026
17. **COMING EVENTS**  
17.1. **Recreation Coming Events** 102 - 103  
[Coming Events - Recreation June 2026](#)
18. **CLOSING REMARKS OR COUNCIL COMMENTS**
19. **RATIFICATION/CONFIRMING BY-LAW**

19.1. 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.

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[37-2026 - Ratification - Regular Meeting - June 9, 2026](#)

**20. ADJOURNMENT**

20.1. BE it resolved that this regular meeting adjourn at \_\_\_\_ p.m.



**Township of North Stormont  
MINUTES  
Regular Meeting  
Tuesday, May 26, 2026  
Council Chambers  
6:00 PM**

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

**COUNCIL ABSENT:**

**STAFF PRESENT:** Chad Brownlee, CAO/Clerk  
Aiden Cleary, Deputy Clerk  
Kimberley Goyette, Treasurer  
Pierre Thibault, Director of Parks, Recreation and Facilities  
Nancy-Ann Gauthier, Fire Chief/By-Law Officer  
Christina Morgan - (Municipal Auditor Welch LLP)

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

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*RES-126-2026 Moved by Councillor McDonald, Seconded by Deputy Mayor Densham 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-127-2026 Moved by Deputy Mayor Densham, Seconded by Councillor McDonald 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**

**Welch LLP - Chartered Professional Accountants - Financial Auditors  
Christina Morgan - CPA, CA - Partner**

**7. ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

*RES-128-2026 Moved by Councillor McDonald, Seconded by Deputy Mayor Densham BE it resolved that the following minutes be approved as presented:  
Regular Meeting - 28 Apr 2026 - Minutes  
Regular Meeting - 12 May 2026 - Minutes*

CARRIED.

**8. ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF COMMITTEES AND LOCAL BOARDS**

**9. RECEIVING OF MONTHLY STAFF REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**  
**Revision of Tax Collection Policy**

*RES-129-2026 Moved by Deputy Mayor Densham, Seconded by Councillor McDonald THAT the Council of the Township of North Stormont receives report FIN-11-2026 and approves the revised Tax Collection Policy number FIN-001-2026 to be formally approved by by-law.*

CARRIED.

**Lighting Retrofit Program**

*Council requested a follow-up report be presented to Council in the coming years referring back to this decision to showcase the payback period and costs savings relating to this expenditure.*

*RES-130-2026 Moved by Councillor McDonald, Seconded by Deputy Mayor Densham THAT Council of the Township of North Stormont accepts Report REC-04-2026 from the Director of Parks, Recreation and Facilities and approves the installation of new LED lighting at Avonmore NSP (including the library and doctor's office), Moose Creek Pool Building, Finch Arena (lobby, hall and library), and Crysler Hall, Library, Dome and TBO Place at a total cost of \$43,198.44 (including a \$5000 contingency) funded from the Deferred Revenue Community Benefit Fund. (G/L 1-2-9956-000)*

*THAT the work be completed by awarding the installation contract to JD Electric in the amount of \$15,870.00 and the supply of lighting fixtures to Futech Supplies in the amount of \$22,328.44.*

CARRIED.

**10. MUNICIPAL BY-LAWS**

**By-Law No. 33-2026 - Policy - Property Tax Collection By-Law**

*RES-131-2026 Moved by Councillor Shane, Seconded by Councillor Bugelli BE it resolved that By-Law No. 33-2026, being a by-law to repeal and replace By-Law No. 38-2024 to adopt a Property Tax Collection Policy for the Township of North Stormont, be passed this 26th day of May 2026.*

CARRIED.

**11. CORRESPONDENCE**

*RES-132-2026 Moved by Councillor Bugelli, Seconded by Councillor Shane BE it resolved that the correspondence as listed as Items 11.2 to 11.11 on the agenda be received.*

CARRIED.

**Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus (EOWC)**

**South Nation Conservation**

**Municipality of North Grenville**

**Township of Woolwich**

**City of Stratford**

**Township of Matachewan**

**Town of Bruce Mines**

**Township of Stone Mills**

**County of Perth**

**County of Prince Edward**

**12. MOTIONS AND NOTICES OF MOTIONS**

**13. PETITIONS**

**14. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**15. NEW BUSINESS**

**16. SCHEDULING OF MEETINGS**

**June 5, 2026 - Committee of Adjustment - 8:30 a.m.**

**June 9, 2026 - Regular Meeting - 6:00 p.m.**

*Staff noted that a Committee of the Whole meeting is now scheduled to take place June 3rd, 2026, at 4:00 PM.*

**17. COMING EVENTS**

**Recreation Coming Events**

**18. CLOSING REMARKS OR COUNCIL COMMENTS**

**19. CLOSED SESSION**

**20. RATIFICATION/CONFIRMING BY-LAW**

*RES-133-2026 Moved by Councillor Shane, Seconded by Councillor Bugelli BE it resolved that By-Law No. 34-2026, 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 26th day of May 2026.*

CARRIED.

**21. ADJOURNMENT**

*RES-134-2026 Moved by Councillor Bugelli, Seconded by Councillor Shane BE it resolved that this regular meeting adjourn at 6:40 p.m.*

CARRIED.

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Mayor

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CAO/CLERK



## **Monthly Activity Summary**

### **Municipal Law Enforcement Department**

May 2026

#### **Bylaws Under Review – Target Council Deadline: June 2026**

The following bylaws are currently under review and being prepared for presentation to Council by **May-June 2026**:

- **Animal Care and Control Bylaw**

Review of regulations related to responsible pet ownership, licensing, enforcement provisions, and public safety measures.

- **Water Usage Bylaw**

Review of water conservation measures, usage restrictions, compliance standards, and enforcement mechanisms. Currently under review with Public Works.

**Open Air Permits issued to date 131.**

Nancy-Ann Gauthier,  
Municipal Law Enforcement Officer

**Department Occurrence Count Summary**

Department	Occurrence Type	Occ Opened	Permit	Court	POT	Impounded	Licence	Warning	Tag	Ticket	Complaint	Occ Closed
Bylaw Department	Animal Control - Poop & Scoop	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Bylaw Department	Barking	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Bylaw Department	By Law Issues	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bylaw Department	C-Container	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bylaw Department	Clean Yard	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Bylaw Department	Dogs Off Leash/Loose	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Bylaw Department	Farm Animal Loose	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bylaw Department	Fence	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bylaw Department	Garbage	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Bylaw Department	Inquiry	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
Bylaw Department	Noise	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Bylaw Department	Open Air Fire	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Bylaw Department	Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Bylaw Department	Property Standards Unkempt Property Report	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bylaw Department	Rodents	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bylaw Department	Signs	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bylaw Department	Tree line	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Bylaw Department	Trees and Brush	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Bylaw Department	Trespassing	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bylaw Department	Zoning	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
<b>Total Counts</b>		<b>30</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>33</b>
Department	Occurrence Type	Occ Opened	Permit	Court	POT	Impounded	Licence	Warning	Tag	Ticket	Complaint	Occ Closed
Public Works Department	Broken or uneven sidewalk	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Public Works Department	Damaged Mailbox	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Public Works Department	Dead animal on road	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Public Works Department	Drainage	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Public Works Department	Fiber Optic	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2
Public Works Department	Garbage	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Public Works Department	General	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2
Public Works Department	Hazardous Trees	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1
Public Works Department	Landscaping	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2
Public Works Department	Parks, Recreation and Facilities	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Public Works Department	Road Issue	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	4
Public Works Department	Road Signs	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1
Public Works Department	Sinkhole/pothole in road	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	5
Public Works Department	Snow or ice on road	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Public Works Department	Snow or ice on sidewalk	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Public Works Department	Speed	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Public Works Department	Street Lights	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Public Works Department	Water-Wastewater Infrastructure	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
Public Works Department	Winter Operations	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
<b>Total Counts</b>		<b>22</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>34</b>
Department	Occurrence Type	Occ Opened	Permit	Court	POT	Impounded	Licence	Warning	Tag	Ticket	Complaint	Occ Closed
Buildings/Planning Department	Building - Water	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total Counts</b>		<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

**Department Occurrence Count Summary**

Department	Occurrence Type	Occ Opened	Permit	Court	POT	Impounded	Licence	Warning	Tag	Ticket	Complaint	Occ Closed
Bylaw Department	Animal Control	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	2
Bylaw Department	Animal Control - Poop & Scoop	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Bylaw Department	Barking	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Bylaw Department	Business	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Bylaw Department	By Law Issues	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bylaw Department	C-Container	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bylaw Department	Clean Yard	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8
Bylaw Department	Dogs Off Leash/Loose	25	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	34
Bylaw Department	Farm Animal Loose	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Bylaw Department	Fence	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Bylaw Department	Fire Hydrant	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Bylaw Department	Garbage	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Bylaw Department	Illegal Dumping	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Bylaw Department	Information	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Bylaw Department	Inquiry	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	15
Bylaw Department	Noise	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	5
Bylaw Department	Open Air Fire	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12
Bylaw Department	Other	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Bylaw Department	Parking	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
Bylaw Department	Property Standards Unkempt Property Report	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bylaw Department	Road Grading Report	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bylaw Department	Rodents	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bylaw Department	Septic System	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Bylaw Department	Signage Missing/Broken	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bylaw Department	Signs	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bylaw Department	Tree line	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Bylaw Department	Trees and Brush	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Bylaw Department	Trespassing	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Bylaw Department	Wild Animal	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Bylaw Department	Winter Parking	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
Bylaw Department	Zoning	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	10
<b>Total Counts</b>		<b>112</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>126</b>
Department	Occurrence Type	Occ Opened	Permit	Court	POT	Impounded	Licence	Warning	Tag	Ticket	Complaint	Occ Closed
Public Works Department	Broken or uneven sidewalk	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Public Works Department	Damaged Mailbox	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Public Works Department	Dead animal on road	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Public Works Department	Drainage	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Public Works Department	Fiber Optic	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2
Public Works Department	Garbage	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Public Works Department	General	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2
Public Works Department	Hazardous Trees	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1
Public Works Department	Landscaping	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2
Public Works Department	Parks, Recreation and Facilities	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Public Works Department	Road Issue	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	4
Public Works Department	Road Signs	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1
Public Works Department	Sinkhole/pothole in road	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	5
Public Works Department	Snow or ice on road	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Public Works Department	Snow or ice on sidewalk	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Public Works Department	Speed	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Public Works Department	Street Lights	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Public Works Department	Water-Wastewater Infrastructure	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
Public Works Department	Winter Operations	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
<b>Total Counts</b>		<b>89</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>82</b>
Department	Occurrence Type	Occ Opened	Permit	Court	POT	Impounded	Licence	Warning	Tag	Ticket	Complaint	Occ Closed
Buildings/Planning Department	Building - Water	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total Counts</b>		<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>



## BUILDING PERMIT REPORT 2026

BUILDING PERMIT REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF MAY 2026					BUILDING PERMIT YEAR				
TYPE OF BUILDING	TOTAL PERMIT	TOTAL UNITS	CONSTRUCTION VALUE	PERMIT VALUE	TOTAL PERMITS	TOTAL UNITS	CONSTRUCTION VALUE	PERMIT VALUE	PERMIT REVENUE RECEIVED
2025 BUILDING PERMIT REVENUE RECEIVED IN 2026									361.00
Single Family Dwelling	7	0	2,100,000.00	18,611.77	16	17	7,323,250.00	47,086.24	32,807.57
Model Home	0	0	-	-	3	4	900,000.00	10,301.83	10,301.83
Semi-Detached Dwelling	0	0	-	-	0	0	-	-	-
Duplex, Triplex, Quadruplex	0	0	-	-	1	4	1,200,000.00	9,869.40	9,869.40
Addition to Single Family Dwelling	2	0	160,000.00	2,480.85	5	0	280,000.00	3,388.00	1,611.20
Addition to Accessory Storage	0	0	-	-	0	0	-	-	-
Addition to Commercial	0	0	-	-	0	0	-	-	-
Accessory Storage Building	4	0	275,000.00	1,932.56	6	0	438,000.00	4,130.16	2,759.36
Alteration/Renovation SFD	0	0	-	-	5	0	66,000.00	1,134.00	1,134.00
Alteration/Renovation ASB	0	0	-	-	0	0	-	-	-
Alteration/Renovation COM	0	0	-	-	2	0	200,000.00	1,291.15	1,291.15
Farm Building	5	0	3,230,000.00	21,125.07	7	0	3,325,000.00	22,449.07	2,974.16
Commercial	0	0	-	-	0	0	-	-	-
Industrial	0	0	-	-	0	0	-	-	-
Institutional	0	0	-	-	2	0	84,980.00	366.00	366.00
Waste Disposal	1	0	12,200,000.00	3,821.21	1	0	12,200,000.00	3,821.21	-
Telecommunication Tower	0	0	-	-	0	0	-	-	-
Demolition Permit	2	0	-	243.00	6	0	-	854.00	1,096.00
Swimming Pool & Deck	2	0	23,000.00	487.00	4	0	63,000.00	974.00	487.00
North Stormont Township	0	0	-	-	2	0	60,000.00	-	-
Temporary Permit	1	0	-	183.00	1	0	-	183.00	-
Change of Use	0	0	-	-	0	0	-	-	-
Wood Stove	0	0	-	-	0	0	-	-	-
Transfer of Permit	0	0	-	-	0	0	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>17,988,000.00</b>	<b>48,884.46</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26,140,230.00</b>	<b>105,848.06</b>	<b>65,058.67</b>

40 Inspections were conducted by the CBO  
 0 Inspections were conducted by the inspector

Andre Brisson  
 Chief Building Official



## Monthly Activity Report Recreation Department May 2026

### Amalgamated Recreation

#### 1. Arc workshop

Meeting held on May 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm

Election of chairperson: Corey Boisvert elected chairperson

Final draft completed, will be presented to Council in June for approval

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#### 2. Grant Applications Update:

Should have answer on Senior Community grant by end of June. This application was to host several events for seniors through all of North Stormont facilities.

#### 3. Professional Development & Sector Engagement

N/A

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#### 4. Active Project

##### 1. Facility Evaluations

Crysler will be getting a full-building assessment. Contract is signed for the services of Lascelle Engineering .

- Ongoing work orders for:

Electrical lights in halls:

- As per council approval, supplier and contractor have been advised. Scheduling work orders per facility based on availability of facilities and inventory from supplier. In progress
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- Others:
  - Building contents inventory (ongoing)
  - Work on the Fire Alarm system nearly completed, stage 4 of 5
  - Chrysler docks are installed with an additional solar streetlight installed near the boat dock. Will be coordinating and official opening of the dock in June

## **2: Park Master Plan,**

Next step: General online survey for residents including items such as playgrounds, sports field, Recreation Centre, programs etc. **No Update**

## **5. Arena Update**

### **1. Facility Usage & Revenue**

- May 2025: 218 rental hours for a revenue of \$ 38,617.75
- March 2026: 221.50 rental hours for a revenue of \$44,088.98

**Update:** Increase of 3.5 hours in rental hours for May

Even with only 3.5 hours of additional rental, our additional income for May is \$5,471.23



### **Pierre Thibault**

Director of Parks, Recreation, and Facilities  
Directeur des parcs, loisirs et installations



# Monthly Activity Summary

## Fire Department

May 2026

WORK COMPLETED or in Progress - Fire Chief

- Scheduling with NFPA Coordinator and an Officer Classe with confirm dates in August 2026. Possibly another Instructor course in December.
- Completed Station-level assessments to verify staff accreditation in compliance with O. Reg 343/22 (Firefighter Certification)
- Collaborative Project with South Glengarry, North and South Dundas:
  - The recruits are demonstrating strong engagement with the training program. Hands-on experience with various tools and equipment is contributing to increased technical knowledge and adaptability.
  - Last Training June 6-7 Weekend in North Dundas
  - Exam days, June 20-21, 2021.

Nancy-Ann Gauthier,  
Fire Chief



# Monthly Activity Summary

## Fire Department

January 1 to May 31, 2026, NSFS total calls 59.  
 May saw 9 calls.

INCIDENTS	Current Month	Year to Date Calls	Total Dollars Loss if applicable
Ambulance Assist (medical)	3	12	
Ditch Fire			
False Alarm		6	
Fireworks			
Non-Structure Fire		1	\$2,000
Chimney Fire		1	
Open Air			
Open Air Control	2	9	
Other	1	3	
Smoke & CO alarm activation		1	
Structure Fires	1	4	\$1,200,000
Comm./Industrial			
Vehicle Fire	1	3	
Vehicle Accident		16	
Gas Leak			
Testing System calls		1	Internal Dispatch
Mutual Aid			
False Calls (passerby)		1	
Power Lines – Hydro	1	2	
I-Phone Crash			
<b>TOTAL CALLS &amp; LOSS</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>59</b>	

Nancy-Ann Gauthier,  
 Fire Chief



**Monthly Activity Report**  
Public Works Department  
May 2026

**WORK COMPLETED**

Procurement and Contracts

- Quotation for culverts awarded to Armtec

Roads and Infrastructure

- Gravel resurfacing completed from May 4 - 14
- Completed mailbox repairs and replacements from winter damage
- Installed new road signs at various locations
- Swept excess gravel from Farley Rd and Concession 10-11 Rd

Buildings and Grounds

- Cleaned blocked floor drain in Avonmore Ambulance Bay
- No parking signs installed at Moose Creek Community Centre

Parks and Recreation

- Completed cleanup of Moose Creek and Monkland recreation properties following winter operations
- Chrysler boat ramp installed
- Delivered wood chips to Avonmore Park

Environmental Services

- Spring Yard Waste Pickup completed from May 19 - 22

Training and Staffing

- Completed interviews for PW Mechanic position
- Completed interviews for PW Operator position



## **WORK IN PROGRESS**

### Roads and Infrastructure

- Application of dust suppressant on gravel roads
- Replacing standard checkerboard warning signs with oversized signage
- Planning and utility locates for road reconstruction of Gravel Hill Road
- Planning and utility locates for storm sewer and road reconstruction of Chrysler George Street
- Planning and utility locates for culvert replacement on Finch-Roxborough Boundary Road

### Operations and Fleet

- General equipment servicing and repairs

### Parks and Recreation

- Ongoing cleanup of recreational properties following winter operations, including gravel removal from lawns and sod restoration
- Constructing a gravel road for Zamboni entrance at Moose Creek ODR

### Training and Staffing

- Posting for PW Mechanic position



## **Monthly Activity Report**

Water and Wastewater

May 2026

### Maintenance Activities

- Repaired broken sewer cleanout cap on Calco Crescent
- Repaired hydrant valve cap on Pleasant Street
- Repaired broken shut-off valve on Villeneuve Street

### OCWA Report

- All treated and distribution samples collected in North Stormont's Drinking Water Systems tested negative for total coliform and E. Coli.
- Approval was received from MECP to place Moose Creek's new Well 3R into service.
- Spring flushing was completed in Crysler, Finch and Moose Creek's distribution systems.

## **CAO – MONTHLY SUMMARY**

**May 2026**

### **Strategic Project Updates:**


- **Moose Creek Wastewater Project**

We continue to meet bi-weekly to review the project and ensure issues are addressed and we stay on schedule for completion by March 2027

- CIMA is currently finalizing the design package that will be part of the contractor tender which will be posted by OCWA the first week in June.
- The Environmental Compliance Approval (i.e. permit for the lagoon site) amendment application request for priority review has been submitted and been granted.

### **CAO ENGAGEMENT**

- Successfully completed Module 5 of the OMAA Leadership Course and received their certification.
- In collaboration with planning, initiated bi-weekly multi-department Design Review Team meetings (DRT) to review projects and subdivision developments across the municipality.
- Attended a Regional CAO/Clerks workshop hosted by the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing
- Attended the SDG Counties CAO meeting
- Participated in the St. Lawrence Regional Electricity Planning Municipal Meeting
- Attended the Community Promotion & Welcome Working Group and Recruitment Working Group meetings.
- The search for a Mechanic continues but we were able to interview and secure a Public Works Operator who will begin Monday June 8<sup>th</sup>.

		<b>The Corporation of the Township of</b> <b>NORTH STORMONT</b>	<b>Report No.</b> FIRE-02- 2026
<b>Agenda Date:</b>	June 09, 2026		
<b>Subject:</b>	Open Air By-Law		
<b>Attachments:</b>			

**1.0 RECOMMENDATION**

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.

**2.0 LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

Geographic boundaries of the Township of North Stormont

**3.0 BACKGROUND**

The purpose of this report is to present the minor changes to the proposed Open Air Burning By-law. The current by-law does not address tenancy requirements or flame height restrictions for recreational fires. The update also removes fees and forms from the by-law, with applicable fees being transferred to the Fees & Charges By-law.

Over the last year, the Department has received a number of inquiries from landlords regarding whether permission should be granted to tenants for recreational fires. Another challenge has been the height of flames associated with recreational fires, with the Department responding to incidents involving fires significantly larger than what would be considered reasonable recreational fires, including instances where 6 to 8 skids were stacked on top of one another, causing concern among neighbouring residents.

**4.0 POLICY CONSIDERATION**

N/A

**5.0 ANALYSIS**

The proposed amendments include adding a definition for “tenant” within the by-law and requiring written authorization from the property owner as part of the permit application process when the owner is not the applicant.

In addition, by restricting the permitted flame height for recreational fires, the Department’s resources and response time can be better utilized while also helping to reduce the risk of fires becoming uncontrolled. Over the last year, the Department has responded to concerns regarding excessively large recreational fires, including instances where 6 to 8 skids were stacked on top of one another, causing concern among neighbouring residents.

The amendments also include transferring the applicable fees to the Township’s User Fee By-law and removing the application form as a schedule to the by-law. These minor administrative changes will allow staff to amend fees and update application forms without requiring amendments to the Open Air Burning By-law for minor fee or form changes.

**6.0 ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS**

Environmental considerations associated with the proposed amendments include reducing the risk of uncontrolled fires that may damage natural areas, vegetation, and wildlife habitat; limiting excessive smoke and air pollution caused by oversized recreational fires; improving public safety and environmental protection through clearer regulations on flame height and permitted burning practices; and encouraging responsible burning practices that minimize nuisance smoke impacts on neighbouring properties and surrounding communities.

**7.0 RECOMMENDED CONDITIONS**

That Council accepts this report and, following the by-law portion of the meeting, approves the Open Air Burning By-Law as presented.

**8.0 ALTERNATIVES**

As deemed appropriate by Council.

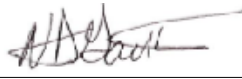
**FINANCIAL/STAFFING IMPLICATIONS**

This item has been approved in the current budget:	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
This item is within the approved budgeted amount:	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
This item is mandated by the Provincial/Federal Government:	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

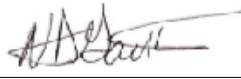
**Prepared By:**

**Reviewed and submitted by:**

**Submitted for Council consideration by:**




**Nancy Ann Gauthier**  
**Fire Chief**



**Nancy Ann Gauthier**  
**Fire Chief**



**Chad Brownlee**  
**CAO/Clerk**

	<b>The Corporation of the Township of</b> <b>NORTH STORMONT</b>	<b>Report No.</b> ADMIN-05- 2026
	<b>Agenda Date:</b> June 09, 2026	<b>Subject:</b> 2026 Regular Council Meetings

**1.0 RECOMMENDATION**

THAT the Council of the Township of North Stormont receive and approve the amended schedule for 2026 Regular Council Meetings as outlined below.

**2.0 LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

N/A

**3.0 BACKGROUND**

By-Law No. 83-2024 governing the proceedings of council and its committees indicates that regular meetings of Council shall be held on the second (2nd) and fourth (4th) Tuesday of each month unless otherwise determined by Council. Furthermore, the by-law indicates for the months of February, July, August and December, there will be only one regularly scheduled meeting, the third Tuesday of the month, and will be confirmed when the schedule of meetings is produced every December for Council approval. The by-law further outlines that the Inaugural Meeting of Council, following a regular election, shall be held on the first (1st) Tuesday in December at 6:30 p.m. in the Township of North Stormont Council Chambers.

The schedule of meetings approved by council for 2026 includes the following dates.

- Tuesday October 27
- November 10th
- November 24th
- December 1 "Inaugural Meeting"

**4.0 POLICY CONSIDERATION**

[Municipal Elections Act, 1996](#)

[By-Law No. 83-2024](#) - Procedural - Govern the Proceedings of Council and its Committees

## **5.0 ANALYSIS**

With the municipal election scheduled for Monday October 26th, and the regular council meeting scheduled for the following day Tuesday, October 27th, it would be justifiable to consider cancelling the October 27th meeting.

Also, considering the Municipal Elections Act stipulates that the term of new council commences on November 15th of an election year and currently the second meeting in November is scheduled for November 27th, after the new council assumes responsibility and the Inaugural meeting is scheduled for December 1st. with the agenda restricted to the following and no other meetings are schedule in December, council business would be on hold from November 13th until the first regular meeting in January 2027.

### **Inaugural Meeting Agenda**

1. Call to Order
2. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest
3. Declaration of Office
4. Presentations
5. Comments by Council Members
6. Mayor's Inaugural Address
7. Adjournment

As a result, the amended Council meeting schedule is being proposed to ensure a successful transition to the new council with continuity in Township business being maintained.

### **Amended Schedule**

October 27th – Regular – Cancel due to election October 26th  
November 10th – Regular (Final meeting for the 22'-26' Council)  
November 24 – Regular – Inaugural Meeting  
December 1 – Councillor Orientation Day – 9:00-3:00 pm  
December 8 –Regular Meeting

## **6.0 ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS**

N/A

**7.0 RECOMMENDED CONDITIONS**

THAT the Council of the Township of North Stormont support the amended Council Meeting schedule.

**8.0 ALTERNATIVES**

THAT the Council of the Township of North Stormont support the cancellation of the October 27th meeting but leave the remainder of the meeting schedule unchanged.

THAT the Council of the Township of North Stormont not support the request to amend the 2026 council meeting schedule.

**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:**




**Chad Brownlee  
CAO/Clerk**



**Aiden Cleary  
Deputy-Clerk**



**Chad Brownlee  
CAO/Clerk**

		<b>The Corporation of the Township of</b> <b>NORTH STORMONT</b>	<b>Report No.</b> PD-02-2026
<b>Agenda Date:</b>	June 09, 2026		
<b>Subject:</b>	Eastview Subdivision - Draft Plan Approval Extension		
<b>Attachments:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <a href="#">Schedule A</a>		

**1.0 RECOMMENDATION**

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.

**2.0 LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

Part of Lot 18, Concession 7, Township of Roxborough (in the hamlet of Moose Creek), County of Stormont

**3.0 BACKGROUND**

The draft plan of subdivision approval for the Eastview Subdivision was originally issued on July 28, 2023, and is set to lapse on July 28, 2026. Considering the current progress of the works, the subdivision will be unable to obtain final approval prior to this date, and the developer has requested an extension to the draft plan subdivision approval to ensure it does not lapse.

**4.0 POLICY CONSIDERATION**

Section 51 of the *Planning Act* outlines the legislative framework and regulations for plan of subdivision approvals in Ontario. Section 51(32) of the Act states that approval for a plan of subdivision shall lapse at the expiration of the time period specified by the approval authority, being not less than three years from the date of approval.

Notwithstanding this, Section 51(33) allows the approval authority to extend the approval at their discretion beyond the original specified time period; however, no extension is permissible if the approval lapses before the extension is given.

The requested extension is permissible under the *Planning Act*.

**5.0 ANALYSIS**

The United Counties of SDG have delegated approval authority for plans of subdivision within the Township of North Stormont. In order for the Director of Planning and Economic Development Services of the United Counties of SDG to extend the draft approval, a formal request and fee for the extension are required to be submitted by the applicant to the County, as well as a resolution in support of the extension from the Council of the local municipality.

If an extension is not granted prior to the lapse of the approval on July 28, 2026, the subdivision approval will lapse and a new application for a plan of subdivision must be submitted and approved to allow development to continue.

Staff have concerns that a lapse of the subdivision approval would greatly impact the ability for the development to proceed and be completed within a reasonable timeframe; therefore it is recommended that Council recommend and support the proposed extension of two (2) years to allow development to continue.

**6.0 ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS**

N/A

**7.0 RECOMMENDED CONDITIONS**

N/A

**8.0 ALTERNATIVES**

1. Support the requested extension of the draft plan approval for the Eastview Subdivision for two (2) years.
2. Support the requested extension of the draft plan approval for the Eastview Subdivision for less than two (2) years.
3. Refuse to support the requested extension of the draft plan approval for the Eastview Subdivision.

**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 for Council**

**submitted by:**


**consideration by:**

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**Laura Crites  
Intermediate Planner**

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**Laura Crites  
Intermediate Planner**




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**Chad Brownlee  
CAO/Clerk**

**Schedule "A" – Subject Property**



Eastview Subdivision (File: 01-NS-S-2022)  
Part of Lot 18, Concession 7, Township of Roxborough (in the hamlet of Moose Creek),  
County of Stormont

	<b>The Corporation of the Township of</b> <b>NORTH STORMONT</b>	<b>Report No.</b> FIN-12-2026
	<b>Agenda Date:</b> June 09, 2026	
<b>Subject:</b> 2025 Audited Financial Statements		
<b>Attachments:</b> <a href="#">□ TOWNSHIP OF NORTH STORMONT - DRAFT FS 2025</a>		

**1.0 RECOMMENDATION**

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.

**2.0 LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

N/A

**3.0 BACKGROUND**

A delegation was made by the external auditors, Welch LLP on May 26, 2026 to present the draft audited financial statements for 2025. This request is to approve and finalize the audited statements.

**4.0 POLICY CONSIDERATION**

N/A

**5.0 ANALYSIS**

N/A

**6.0 ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS**

N/A

**7.0 RECOMMENDED CONDITIONS**

Approve the audited financial statements and authorize Administration to sign and execute all necessary documents to finalize them.

**8.0 ALTERNATIVES**

N/A

**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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Treasurer

**Chad Brownlee**  
CAO/Clerk

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
For the  
**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NORTH STORMONT**  
For year ended  
**DECEMBER 31, 2025**

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**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NORTH STORMONT**

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**DECEMBER 31, 2025**

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### **Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements**

The accompanying financial statements of the **The Corporation of the Township of North Stormont** are the responsibility of management and have been approved by Council.

The financial statements have been prepared by management in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards prescribed for governments as recommended by the Public Sector Accounting Board of the Chartered Professional Accountants of Canada and as such include amounts that are the best estimates and judgments of management.

Management is responsible for the integrity and objectivity of these statements and for implementing and maintaining a system of internal controls to provide reasonable assurance that reliable financial information is produced.

The Council is responsible for ensuring that management fulfills its responsibilities for financial reporting and internal control and is ultimately responsible for reviewing and approving the financial statements.

The Council meets periodically with management, as well as the external auditors, to discuss internal controls over the financial reporting process, auditing matters and financial reporting issues, to satisfy themselves that each party is properly discharging their responsibilities, and to review the financial statements and the external auditor's report.

The external auditors, Welch LLP, conduct an independent examination, in accordance with Canadian auditing standards, and express their opinion on the financial statements. The external auditors have full and free access to financial management of the The Corporation of the Township of North Stormont and meet when required.

On behalf of the The Corporation of the Township of North Stormont:

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**Chad Brownlee**  
Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk

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**Kim Goyette**  
Treasurer

**Berwick, Ontario**  
**May 26, 2026**

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of Council of the:

### **THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NORTH STORMONT**

#### *Qualified Opinion*

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of **The Corporation of the Township of North Stormont** (the Township), which comprise the statement of financial position as at December 31, 2025 and the statements of operations, changes in net financial assets and cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, excepts for the effects of the matter described in the Basis for Qualified Opinion paragraph, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Township as at December 31, 2025 and the results of its operations, changes in its net financial assets and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards.

#### *Basis for Qualified Opinion*

Under Public Sector Accounting Standards as of the year ended December 31, 2023, the Township was required to adopt PS 3280 Asset Retirement Obligations. Asset retirement obligations are legal obligations associated with the eventual retirement of tangible capital assets. The Township was required to identify all legal obligations associated with the retirement of its assets, and record, and estimate the future costs of remediation for these obligations to determine their valuation. Legal liabilities may exist, including the costs for the removal and disposal of asbestos within the Township buildings that will undergo renovations or demolition, as well as decommissioning or removal costs associated with arena infrastructure, underground storage tanks, site restoration for salt storage facilities, lagoons site restoration, landfill site restoration and costs association with the removal of sewage infrastructure. The Township did not complete its analysis as described in note 1(j), and thus liabilities arising from legal obligations associated with the retirement of certain tangible capital assets and their related disclosures were not recorded in the financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2025.

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report. We are independent of the Township in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Canada, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our qualified audit opinion.

#### *Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements*

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Township's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Township or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Township's financial reporting process.

*Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements*

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud and error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Township's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Township's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Township to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during the audit.

**Cornwall, Ontario  
May 26, 2026**

**CHARTERED PROFESSIONAL ACCOUNTANTS  
LICENSED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS**

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NORTH STORMONT**

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**

**DECEMBER 31, 2025**

	<b><u>2025</u></b>	<b><u>2024</u></b>
<b>Financial assets</b>		
Cash (note 2)	\$ 6,447,203	\$ 5,259,481
Taxes receivable	1,153,313	849,557
Accounts receivable (note 3)	2,896,162	2,878,064
Long-term receivables	<u>38,048</u>	<u>47,110</u>
	<u>10,534,726</u>	<u>9,034,212</u>
<b>Financial liabilities</b>		
Temporary borrowings (note 4)	-	1,000,000
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	1,594,511	1,613,473
Employee benefits payable (note 5)	77,091	86,404
Deferred revenue - obligatory reserve funds (note 6)	7,299	3,156
Deferred revenue - other	2,325,181	1,481,615
Municipal debt (note 8)	<u>4,817,132</u>	<u>3,783,348</u>
	<u>8,821,214</u>	<u>7,967,996</u>
<b>Net financial assets</b>	<u>1,713,512</u>	<u>1,066,216</u>
<b>Non-financial assets</b>		
Tangible capital assets (note 9)	40,547,886	39,869,961
Tangible capital assets under construction	802,161	282,069
Inventories	101,484	133,836
Prepaid expenses	<u>59,750</u>	<u>22,202</u>
	<u>41,511,281</u>	<u>40,308,068</u>
<b>Accumulated surplus (note 10)</b>	<b><u>\$ 43,224,793</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 41,374,284</u></b>
<b>Contingencies (note 13)</b>		

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

(See accompanying notes)

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NORTH STORMONT**

**STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS**

**YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025**

	<b><u>2025</u></b> <b><u>Budget</u></b> <small>(Note 15)</small>	<b><u>2025</u></b> <b><u>Actual</u></b>	<b><u>2024</u></b> <b><u>Actual</u></b>
<b>Operating revenues</b>			
Municipal taxation	\$ 3,869,633	\$ 3,913,359	\$ 3,677,891
User charges	4,369,810	4,409,589	3,975,273
Government transfers - operating	1,480,399	1,347,783	1,572,658
Investment income	120,000	195,994	234,445
Interest and penalties on taxes	<u>120,500</u>	<u>152,750</u>	<u>149,795</u>
	<u>9,960,342</u>	<u>10,019,475</u>	<u>9,610,062</u>
<b>Operating expenditures</b>			
General government	1,404,895	1,562,699	1,395,048
Protection to persons and property	1,395,653	1,353,761	1,276,302
Transportation services	3,463,850	3,328,788	3,262,168
Environmental services	421,369	726,292	806,079
Water and sewer services	882,128	998,124	1,157,588
Health services	19,750	12,541	19,125
Recreational and cultural services	1,354,841	1,483,687	1,313,345
Planning and development	<u>357,390</u>	<u>309,640</u>	<u>254,381</u>
	<u>9,299,876</u>	<u>9,775,532</u>	<u>9,484,036</u>
<b>Net operating income</b>	<u>660,466</u>	<u>243,943</u>	<u>126,026</u>
<b>Other income related to capital</b>			
Government transfers - capital	2,084,047	775,855	917,193
Other transfers - capital	643,066	584,557	1,349,794
Donations	40,000	4,094	44,750
Gain on disposal of tangible capital assets	<u>510,000</u>	<u>242,060</u>	<u>97,505</u>
	<u>3,277,113</u>	<u>1,606,566</u>	<u>2,409,242</u>
<b>Annual surplus</b>	3,937,579	1,850,509	2,535,268
<b>Accumulated surplus at beginning of year</b>	<u>41,374,284</u>	<u>41,374,284</u>	<u>38,839,016</u>
<b>Accumulated surplus at end of year</b>	<b><u>\$45,311,863</u></b>	<b><u>\$43,224,793</u></b>	<b><u>\$41,374,284</u></b>

(See accompanying notes)

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NORTH STORMONT**

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET FINANCIAL ASSETS**

**YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025**

	<b><u>2025</u> <u>Budget</u> (Note 15)</b>	<b><u>2025</u> <u>Actual</u></b>	<b><u>2024</u> <u>Actual</u></b>
<b>Annual surplus</b>	\$ 3,937,579	\$ 1,850,509	\$ 2,535,268
Amortization of tangible capital assets	1,690,145	1,690,144	1,618,767
Acquisition of tangible capital assets and assets under construction	(6,922,081)	(3,184,103)	(3,925,327)
Gain on disposal of tangible capital assets	-	(242,060)	(97,505)
Proceeds on sale of tangible capital assets	-	537,999	97,505
Change in inventory	-	32,352	(33,553)
Change in prepaid expenses	<u>-</u>	<u>(37,545)</u>	<u>36,346</u>
<b>Increase (decrease) in net financial assets</b>	(1,294,357)	647,296	231,501
<b>Net financial assets at beginning of year</b>	<u>1,066,216</u>	<u>1,066,216</u>	<u>834,715</u>
<b>Net financial assets at end of year</b>	<b><u>\$ (228,141)</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 1,713,512</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 1,066,216</u></b>

(See accompanying notes)

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NORTH STORMONT**

**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**  
**YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025**

	<b><u>2025</u></b>	<b><u>2024</u></b>
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>		
Annual surplus	\$ 1,850,509	\$ 2,535,268
Items not affecting cash:		
Amortization	1,690,144	1,618,767
Gain on disposal of tangible capital assets	<u>(242,060)</u>	<u>(97,505)</u>
	3,298,593	4,056,530
Net changes in non-cash working capital items:		
Taxes receivable	(303,756)	28,667
Accounts receivable	(18,098)	(1,265,508)
Inventories	32,352	(33,553)
Prepaid expenses	(37,548)	36,346
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(18,962)	694,637
Employee benefits payable	(9,313)	17,004
Deferred revenue	<u>847,709</u>	<u>(981,149)</u>
	<u>3,790,977</u>	<u>2,552,974</u>
<b>Cash flows from capital activities</b>		
Acquisition of tangible capital assets	(3,184,103)	(3,925,327)
Proceeds on disposal of tangible capital assets	<u>537,999</u>	<u>97,505</u>
	<u>(2,646,104)</u>	<u>(3,827,822)</u>
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>		
Advances (repayment) of long-term receivable	<u>9,062</u>	<u>(7,378)</u>
<b>Cash flows from financing activities</b>		
Temporary borrowings	(1,000,000)	1,000,000
Municipal debt repaid	(366,213)	(331,506)
Proceeds from long-term debt	<u>1,400,000</u>	<u>526,477</u>
	<u>33,787</u>	<u>1,194,971</u>
<b>Decrease in cash</b>	1,187,722	(87,255)
<b>Cash at beginning of year</b>	<u>5,259,481</u>	<u>5,346,736</u>
<b>Cash at end of year</b>	<b><u>\$ 6,447,203</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 5,259,481</u></b>

(See accompanying notes)

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NORTH STORMONT**

**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025**

**NATURE OF OPERATIONS**

The Corporation of the Township of North Stormont (the "Township") was incorporated on January 1, 1998 and is a lower tier municipality in the Province of Ontario. The Township is responsible for providing a variety of municipal services to its residents. The Township conducts its operations under the direction of its elected Council, guided by the provisions of provincial statutes such as the Municipal Act, 2001, Municipal Affairs Act and related legislation.

**1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The financial statements of the Township are prepared by management in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting policies for local governments as recommended by the Public Sector Accounting Board (PSAB) of the Chartered Professional Accountants of Canada. These financial statements include the following significant accounting policies:

a) *Reporting entity*

These financial statements reflect the assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses and accumulated surplus of the reporting entity. The reporting entity is comprised of all municipal organizations, committees, and local boards accountable to the Township, and which are owned or controlled by the Township.

b) *Accounting for United Counties and School Board transactions*

The assets, liabilities, revenues, and expenditures with respect to the operations of the school boards and the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry are not reflected in these financial statements.

c) *Basis of accounting*

These financial statements are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. The accrual basis of accounting recognizes revenues as they are earned and measurable. Expenses are recognized as they are incurred and measurable based upon cost of goods or services acquired.

d) *Inventories*

Inventories held for consumption are recorded at the lower of cost or replacement cost on an individual basis.

e) *Investments*

Investment income earned on current funds (other than obligatory reserve funds) is reported as revenue in the period earned. Investment income earned on externally restricted funds is added to the fund balance and forms part of the respective deferred revenue balance.

f) *Deferred revenue*

The Township receives contributions under the authority of federal and provincial legislation and funding agencies. These funds, by their nature, are restricted in their use, and until applied to applicable projects, are recorded as deferred revenue. Amounts applied to projects are recorded as revenue in the fiscal period in which they are expended.

g) *Reserve and reserve funds*

Certain amounts, as approved by Council, are set aside in reserves and reserve funds for future operating and capital expenditures. Transfers to and from reserves and reserve funds are recorded as an adjustment to the respective fund when approved.

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NORTH STORMONT**

**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025**

**1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)**

h) *Government transfers*

Government transfers are recognized as revenues or expenditures in the period in which the events giving rise to the transfer occurred, provided the transfers are authorized, any eligibility criteria have been met by the recipient, and a reasonable estimates of the amounts can be made.

i) *Taxation and related revenues*

Property tax billings are prepared by the Township based on assessment rolls issued by the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation ("MPAC"). Tax rates are established annually by Council incorporating amounts to be raised for local services and amounts the Township is required to collect on behalf of the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry and the Province of Ontario in respect of education taxes. Realty taxes are billed based on the assessment rolls provided by MPAC. Taxation revenues are recorded at the time tax billings are issued.

A normal part of the assessment process is the issue of supplementary assessment rolls that provide updated information with respect to changes in property assessment. Once a supplementary assessment roll is received, the Township determines the taxes applicable and renders supplementary tax billings. Assessments and the related property taxes are subject to appeal. Any supplementary billing adjustments made necessary by the determination of such changes will be recognized in the period they are determined and the effect shared with the school boards as appropriate.

j) *Asset Retirement Obligations ("ARO")*

Public Sector Accounting Standard PS 3280 - Asset Retirement Obligations came into effect on April 1, 2022. This new standard provides guidance on the reporting of legal obligations associated with the retirement of tangible capital assets. An ARO is recognized when, as at the financial reporting date, all of the following criteria are met:

- There is a legal obligation to incur retirement costs in relation to a tangible capital asset;
- The past transaction or event giving rise to the liability has occurred;
- It is expected that future economic benefits will be given up; and
- A reasonable estimate of the amount can be made.

The estimate of a liability would include costs directly attributable to asset retirement activities. Costs would include post-retirement operation, maintenance and monitoring that are an integral part of the retirement of the tangible capital asset. The estimate would include costs of tangible capital assets acquired as part of asset retirement activities to the extent those assets have no alternative use.

The Township is currently in the process of completing its assessment on the impact of PS 3280's implementation on the assets described above.

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NORTH STORMONT**

**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025**

**1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)**

k) *Use of Estimates*

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with Canadian public sector accounting standards requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. These estimates are reviewed periodically and adjustments are made as appropriate in the year they become known. Management makes accounting estimates when determining the estimated useful life of the Township's tangible capital assets, its allowance for doubtful accounts, and the accrued liability for employee benefits. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

l) *Tangible capital assets*

Tangible capital assets are recorded at cost, which includes all amounts that are directly attributable to acquisition, construction, development or betterment of the asset. The cost, less residual value, of the tangible capital assets is amortized on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful life as follows:

Buildings	15 to 40 years
Land improvements	2 to 50 years
Vehicles	10 to 25 years
Machinery and equipment	15 to 25 years
Transportation:	
- roads	10 to 90 years
- bridges and structures	5 to 100 years
- sidewalks	50 years
- illumination	50 years
Water and waste plants and networks:	
- underground networks	50 to 100 years
- sewage treatment plants	50 to 100 years
- water pumping stations and reservoirs	50 to 100 years
- flood stations and other infrastructure	50 to 100 years

Assets under construction are not amortized until the asset is available for productive use, at which time they are capitalized.

Tangible capital assets received as contributions are recorded at their fair value at the date of receipt and also are recorded as revenue. Similarly, transfer of assets to third parties are recorded as an expense equal to the net book value of the assets as of the date of transfer.

Leases are classified as capital or operating leases. Leases which transfer substantially all of the benefits and risks incidental to ownership of property are accounted for as capital leases. All other leases are accounted for as operating leases and the related lease payments are charged to expenses as incurred.

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NORTH STORMONT**

**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025**

**2. CASH**

Cash consists of the following:

	<b><u>2025</u></b>	<b><u>2024</u></b>
Unappropriated cash	\$ 4,509,898	\$ 3,883,137
Restricted under the Canada Community-Building Fund	7,299	3,156
Restricted for water and sewer reserves	1,445,742	1,054,596
Restricted for other reserves	309,851	318,592
Restricted for Nationrise Wind Farm project	<u>174,413</u>	<u>-</u>
	<b><u>\$ 6,447,203</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 5,259,481</u></b>

**3. ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE**

Accounts receivable consists of the following:

	<b><u>2025</u></b>	<b><u>2024</u></b>
Water and sewer user fees receivables	\$ 414,362	\$ 367,878
Excise tax rebates receivable	104,101	113,646
Municipal drains charges receivable	156,122	165,303
Accounts receivable - other	<u>2,221,577</u>	<u>2,231,237</u>
	<b><u>\$2,896,162</u></b>	<b><u>\$2,878,064</u></b>

**4. CREDIT FACILITY**

The Township has a revolving operating credit facility of up to \$2,800,000 with its main financial institution to finance current expenditures pending receipt of property taxes. The credit facility bears interest at prime and at December 31, 2025 the Township had drawn \$nil (2024 - \$1,000,000) on the credit facility.

**5. EMPLOYEE BENEFITS PAYABLE**

Vacation pay and banked time liabilities have been estimated based on pay rates in effect at December 31, 2025 and are expected to be paid out over the next fiscal year.

Employee benefits payable is comprised of:

	<b><u>2025</u></b>	<b><u>2024</u></b>
Vacation pay	\$ 68,286	\$ 80,168
Banked time	<u>8,805</u>	<u>6,236</u>
	<b><u>\$ 77,091</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 86,404</u></b>

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NORTH STORMONT**

**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

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**6. DEFERRED REVENUE - OBLIGATORY RESERVE FUNDS**

A requirement of Canadian public sector accounting standards is that obligatory reserve funds be reported as deferred revenue. This requirement is in place as legislation restricts how these funds may be used and under certain circumstances these funds may possibly be refunded. The balance held under the Canada Community-Building Fund program is summarized as follows:

	<b><u>2025</u></b>	<b><u>2024</u></b>
Balance at beginning of year	\$ <u>3,156</u>	\$ <u>55,604</u>
Transactions in year:		
Grants received in year	239,338	233,160
Interest earned and other	3,212	11,418
Transferred to revenue	<u>(238,407)</u>	<u>(297,026)</u>
	<u>4,143</u>	<u>(52,448)</u>
Balance at end of year	<b><u>\$ 7,299</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 3,156</u></b>

**7. OPERATION OF SCHOOL BOARDS AND THE UNITED COUNTIES**

The following taxation revenues were raised and remitted to school boards and the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry:

	<b><u>2025</u></b>	<b><u>2024</u></b>
School boards	<b><u>\$ 1,865,939</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 1,802,792</u></b>
United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry	<b><u>\$ 6,504,696</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 6,104,864</u></b>

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NORTH STORMONT**

**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025**

**8. MUNICIPAL DEBT**

Municipal debt consists of the following:

	<b><u>2025</u></b>	<b><u>2024</u></b>
<b><u>Ontario Infrastructure and Lands Corporation:</u></b>		
Debenture loan - 3.24% repayable in blended semi-annual payments of \$51,246, due November, 2034	\$ 794,578	\$ 869,500
Debenture loan - 3.30% repayable in blended semi-annual payments of \$15,629, due August, 2038	328,262	348,193
Debenture loan - 3.81% repayable in blended semi-annual payments of \$36,002 due September, 2027	137,401	202,308
Debenture loans - 2.38% repayable in blended semi-annual payments of \$35,991, due July, 2025	-	70,717
Debenture loan - 2.39% repayable in blended semi-annual payments of \$23,310, due December, 2026	45,798	90,520
Debenture loan - 4.53% repayable in blended semi-annual payments of \$48,610, due July, 2044	1,229,861	1,270,000
Debenture loan - 4.53% repayable in blended semi-annual payments of \$33,874, due July, 2044	857,029	885,000
<b><u>Bank of Montreal:</u></b>		
Debenture loan - 4.88% repayable in blended monthly payments of \$9,165, due August, 2035	<u>1,386,155</u>	<u>-</u>
	3,392,929	3,736,238
<b><u>Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs (OMAFRA):</u></b>		
Tile drainage debenture loans - 6% repayable over a ten year period in blended annual payments ranging between \$2,461 and \$6,793, maturity dates ranging from 2026 to 2034	<u>38,048</u>	<u>47,110</u>
	<b><u>\$4,817,132</u></b>	<b><u>\$3,783,348</u></b>

The Township has offsetting tile drain loans receivable from property owners with the same terms and maturity dates as the OMAFRA tile drain loans above. These loans receivable have been included in long-term receivables on the statement of financial position.

Principal repayments on municipal debt are estimated to be as follows:

2026	\$ 405,072
2027	224,282
2028	233,473
2029	243,053
2030	235,311
2031 and subsequent	<u>3,475,941</u>
	<b><u>\$4,817,132</u></b>

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NORTH STORMONT**  
**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025**

**9. TANGIBLE CAPITAL ASSETS**

Tangible capital assets consists of the following:

<b><u>Cost</u></b>	<b><u>Balance December 31, 2024</u></b>	<b><u>Additions</u></b>	<b><u>Disposals</u></b>	<b><u>Balance December 31, 2025</u></b>
Land	\$ 776,978	\$ 66,110	\$ -	\$ 843,088
Buildings	16,958,694	416,563	(75,832)	17,299,425
Vehicles	5,287,249	-	(329,994)	4,957,255
Equipment	4,301,541	530,582	(6,093)	4,826,030
Roads	12,638,866	1,473,834	-	14,112,700
Bridges	4,476,733	72,622	(27,157)	4,522,198
Water and sewer	<u>22,658,157</u>	<u>104,300</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>22,762,457</u>
	<b><u>\$67,098,218</u></b>	<b><u>\$2,664,011</u></b>	<b><u>\$ (439,076)</u></b>	<b><u>\$69,323,153</u></b>

<b><u>Accumulated Amortization</u></b>	<b><u>Balance December 31, 2024</u></b>	<b><u>Amortization Expense</u></b>	<b><u>Disposals</u></b>	<b><u>Balance December 31, 2025</u></b>
Land	\$ 121,556	\$ 42,366	\$ -	\$ 163,922
Buildings	5,837,376	427,240	(30,443)	6,234,173
Vehicles	3,055,183	216,396	(90,748)	3,180,831
Equipment	2,022,553	218,760	(745)	2,240,568
Roads	6,338,393	451,847	-	6,790,240
Bridges	2,047,800	54,165	(21,198)	2,080,767
Water and sewer	<u>7,805,396</u>	<u>279,370</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>8,084,766</u>
	<b><u>\$27,228,257</u></b>	<b><u>\$1,690,144</u></b>	<b><u>\$ (143,134)</u></b>	<b><u>\$28,775,267</u></b>

<b><u>Net book value</u></b>	<b><u>December 31, 2024</u></b>	<b><u>December 31, 2025</u></b>
Land	\$ 655,422	\$ 679,166
Buildings	11,121,318	11,065,252
Vehicles	2,232,066	1,776,424
Equipment	2,278,988	2,585,462
Roads	6,300,473	7,322,460
Bridges	2,428,933	2,441,431
Water and sewer	<u>14,852,761</u>	<u>14,677,691</u>
	<b><u>\$39,869,961</u></b>	<b><u>\$40,547,886</u></b>

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NORTH STORMONT**

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**10. ACCUMULATED SURPLUS**

Accumulated surplus consists of restricted and unrestricted amounts and equity in tangible capital assets as follows:

	<b><u>2025</u></b>	<b><u>2024</u></b>
Reserves:		
Working capital	\$ 1,955,590	\$ 2,321,280
Transportation	294,252	396,977
Modernization funding	-	-
Building permit fees	297,925	223,580
Elections	21,371	11,265
Fire	326,919	242,107
Water and sewer	3,274,235	2,151,409
Capital	182,001	181,258
Landfill	21,165	20,952
Infrastructure	158,561	156,018
Other	253,707	396,513
Less funded by reserve funds	<u>(1,755,593)</u>	<u>(1,373,188)</u>
	<u>5,030,133</u>	<u>4,728,171</u>
Reserve funds:		
General reserve funds	309,851	318,592
Water and sewer reserve funds	<u>1,445,742</u>	<u>1,054,596</u>
	<u>1,755,593</u>	<u>1,373,188</u>
Reserves and reserve funds - total	<u>6,785,726</u>	<u>6,101,359</u>
Invested in tangible capital assets:		
Equity in tangible capital assets	41,350,047	40,152,030
	<u>(4,779,084)</u>	<u>(4,736,238)</u>
	<u>36,570,963</u>	<u>35,415,792</u>
Amounts to be recovered from future revenues:		
Accrued interest	(54,805)	(56,463)
Future employee benefits	<u>(77,091)</u>	<u>(86,404)</u>
	<u>(131,896)</u>	<u>(142,867)</u>
	<b><u>\$ 43,224,793</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 41,374,284</u></b>

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NORTH STORMONT**

**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

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**11. SEGMENTED INFORMATION**

The Township is a diversified municipal government that provides a wide range of services to its citizens. The services are provided by departments and their activities are reported in the statement of operations. Departments have been separately disclosed in the segmented information. For each reported segment, revenues and expenditures represent both amounts that are directly attributable to the segment and amounts that are allocated on a reasonable basis. Therefore certain allocation methodologies are employed in the preparation of segmented financial information. The accounting policies used in these segments are consistent with those in the preparation of the financial statements as disclosed in note 1. The nature of the Township's segments and the activities they encompass are as follows:

**General Government**

General government includes corporate services and governance of the Township. Administration as a segment includes operating and maintaining municipal owned buildings, human resource management, legal, communications, information systems and technology, support to Council for policy development in compliance with the Municipal Act, tax billing and collection responsibilities, financial management reporting and overall budget status as well as frontline reception and customer service.

**Protection to Persons and Property**

Protection services includes fire protection, conservation authority, protective inspection and control, and emergency measures. Fire protection includes inspection, extinguishing and suppression services, emergency first response, and prevention education and training programs. Inspection and control includes building inspection, by-law enforcement and dog control services.

**Transportation Services**

Transportation services includes administration and operation of traffic and parking services for the Township. In addition, services are provided for the winter and summer road maintenance along with the repair and construction of the municipal roads system including bridges and culverts, as well as operation and maintenance of a fleet of vehicles and equipment for use in providing services to the Township.

**Environmental Services**

Environmental services includes waste collection, disposal and recycling services.

**Water and Sewer Services**

Water and sewer services includes the operation of water and waste water facilities and infrastructure for the collection and distribution of both water and sewer services within the Township.

**Health Services**

Health services includes health and safety programs, cemetery maintenance and costs related to medical centres.

**Recreation and Cultural Services**

Recreation and cultural services includes services that contribute to the Township's development and sustainability through the provision of recreation and leisure programs including community halls, libraries, parks, recreation fields and arenas.

**Planning and Development**

Planning and development manages development for business interest, environmental concerns, heritage matters, local neighbourhoods and community development. It also facilitates economic development by providing services for the approval of all land development plans and the application and enforcement of the zoning by-law and official plan.

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**11. SEGMENTED INFORMATION (continued)**

	<u>General Government</u>	<u>Protection</u>	<u>Transportation</u>	<u>Environment</u>	<u>Water and Sewer</u>	<u>Health</u>	<u>Recreation and Cultural</u>	<u>Planning and Development</u>	<u>2025 Totals</u>	<u>2024 Totals</u>
<b>Revenues</b>										
Municipal taxation	\$ 341,900	\$ 590,488	\$2,046,751	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,478	\$ 709,554	\$ 221,188	\$ 3,913,359	\$ 3,677,891
User charges	82,334	349,922	28,994	1,621,184	1,891,300	15,157	383,998	36,700	4,409,589	3,975,273
Government transfers	64,310	262,194	905,023	8,235	-	-	58,206	49,815	1,347,783	1,572,658
- operating										
Government transfers	76,540	-	476,195	-	219,379	-	3,741	-	775,855	917,193
- capital										
Other	<u>897,135</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>268,363</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,863</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,094</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,179,455</u>	<u>1,876,289</u>
	<u>1,462,219</u>	<u>1,202,604</u>	<u>3,725,326</u>	<u>1,629,419</u>	<u>2,120,542</u>	<u>18,635</u>	<u>1,159,593</u>	<u>307,703</u>	<u>11,626,041</u>	<u>12,019,304</u>
<b>Expenditures</b>										
Wages and benefits	982,216	628,769	1,162,293	28,842	-	-	418,842	54,436	3,275,398	3,088,015
Interest municipal debt	63,972	50,531	952	9,358	-	-	83,515	2,827	211,155	160,676
Materials and services	410,839	299,120	1,187,113	145,431	175,857	8,027	427,712	107,309	2,761,408	3,083,151
Contracted services	13,940	57,596	112,702	447,781	617,238	-	-	145,068	1,394,325	1,131,977
Insurance and	33,280	48,629	92,387	-	19,388	4,514	87,543	-	285,741	291,236
financial costs										
Third party transfers	-	61,637	-	-	-	-	95,722	-	157,359	108,630
Amortization	<u>58,452</u>	<u>207,479</u>	<u>773,341</u>	<u>94,880</u>	<u>185,641</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>370,353</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,690,146</u>	<u>1,620,351</u>
	<u>1,562,699</u>	<u>1,353,761</u>	<u>3,328,788</u>	<u>726,292</u>	<u>998,124</u>	<u>12,541</u>	<u>1,483,687</u>	<u>309,640</u>	<u>9,775,532</u>	<u>9,484,036</u>
<b>Net surplus (deficit)</b>	<b>\$ (100,480)</b>	<b>\$ (151,157)</b>	<b>\$ 396,538</b>	<b>\$ 903,127</b>	<b>\$ 1,122,418</b>	<b>\$ 6,094</b>	<b>\$ (324,094)</b>	<b>\$ (1,937)</b>	<b>\$ 1,850,509</b>	<b>\$ 2,535,268</b>

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**12. PENSION AGREEMENTS**

The Township makes contributions to the Ontario Municipal Employees Retirement System (OMERS), which is a multi-employer plan, on behalf of its employees. The plan is a defined benefit plan which specifies the amount of the retirement benefit to be received by the employees, based on length of service and rates of pay. OMERS provides pension services to approximately 1,000 employers and 600,000 plan members.

Each year an independent actuary determines the funding status of the OMERS pension plan (the Plan) by comparing the actuarial value of the invested assets to the estimated present value of all pension benefits that members have earned to date. The most recent actuarial valuation of the Plan was conducted at December 31, 2025. The results of this valuation disclosed total actuarial liabilities of \$151,365 million in respect of defined benefit obligations with actuarial assets of \$150,043 million indicating an actuarial deficit of \$1,322 million. Because OMERS is a multi-employer plan, any pension plan surpluses or deficits are a joint responsibility of employers and plan members participating in the Plan. The Township has adopted defined contribution plan accounting principles for this plan because insufficient information is available to apply defined benefit plan accounting principles. As a result, the Township does not recognize any share of the OMERS pension deficit.

The amount contributed to OMERS for 2025 was \$245,558 (2024 - \$194,990) for current service and is included as an expenditure on the statement of operations.

**13. CONTINGENCIES**

In 2014, the Government of Ontario expanded regulations to include six additional cancers presumed to be work related for firefighters under the Workplace Safety and Insurance Act. This change is retroactive to January 1, 1960. The Workplace Safety and Insurance Board (WSIB) has determined a potential liability for all Schedule 2 employers based on the total number of firefighters employed across the province. As the WSIB potential liability has been based on assumptions and general allocations and no specific claims have been filed with the Township, no provision for potential claims has been recorded in these financial statements.

The nature of municipal activities is such that there may be litigation pending or in prospect at any time. With respect to claims at December 31, 2025, management believes that the Township has valid defences and appropriate insurance coverage's in place. In the event any claims are successful, the amount of any potential liability is not determinable, therefore, no amount has been accrued in these financial statements.

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**14. EXPENSES BY OBJECT**

Operating expenditures by object is summarized as follows:

	<b><u>2025</u></b>	<b><u>2024</u></b>
Wages and benefits	\$3,275,398	\$3,088,015
Interest on municipal debt	211,155	160,676
Materials and services	2,761,408	3,083,151
Contracted services	1,394,325	1,131,977
Insurance and financial costs	285,741	291,236
Third party transfers	157,359	108,630
Amortization	<u>1,690,146</u>	<u>1,620,351</u>
	<b><u>\$9,775,532</u></b>	<b><u>\$9,484,036</u></b>

**15. BUDGETED FIGURES**

The budgeted figures are presented for comparison purposes as prepared and approved by the Township's Council. The budget figures have been adjusted from the cash basis of accounting as originally prepared and have been restated as follows to conform with Canadian public sector accounting standards:

	<b><u>2025</u></b>
Annual surplus as budgeted	\$ -
Add:	
Capital expenditures expensed	6,922,081
Principal repayment of municipal debt expensed	385,008
Transfers to reserves expensed	531,388
Less:	
Loan proceeds included as income	(1,725,000)
Transfers from reserves included as income	(485,753)
Amortization of tangible capital assets not recorded	<u>(1,690,145)</u>
Annual budgeted surplus as presented on the statement of operations	<b><u>\$ 3,937,579</u></b>

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**16. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS**

Transactions in financial instruments may result in an entity assuming or transferring to another party one or more of the financial risks described below. The following disclosures provide information to assist users of the financial statements in assessing the extent of risk related to the Township's financial instruments:

*Credit risk*

The Township is exposed to credit risk resulting from the possibility that parties may default on their financial obligations. The Township's maximum exposure to credit risk represents the sum of the carrying value of its cash and accounts receivable. The Township's cash is with a Canadian chartered bank and as a result management believes the risk of loss on this item to be remote.

Management believes that the Township's credit risk with respect to accounts receivable is limited. The Township manages its credit risk by reviewing accounts receivable aging and following up on outstanding amounts.

*Interest rate risk*

Interest rate risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates. The Township's long-term debt bear interest at fixed interest rates, consequently, the Township's exposure to interest rate risk is negligible.

*Liquidity risk*

Liquidity risk refers to the adverse consequence that the Township will encounter difficulty in meeting obligations associated with financial liabilities, which are comprised of accounts payable, accrued liabilities, and long term liabilities.

The Township manages liquidity risk by monitoring its cash flow requirements on a regular basis. The Township considers its liquidity risk to be minimal as it finances large capital expenditures using debt, receives emergency funding from senior governments when needed, and maintains reserves for other obligations as they come due.

*Changes in risk*

There have been no significant changes in the Corporation's risk exposures from the prior year.

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**17. FUTURE ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS**

Standards effective beginning on or after April 1, 2026:  
PS 1202 – Financial Statement Presentation

In October 2023, PSAB issued *PS 1202 Financial Statement Presentation*. PS 1202 was issued to replace PS 1201 and sets out the new requirements for presenting financial statements in the public sector. Major changes include:

- Relocation of the net debt indicator to its own statement called the statement of net financial assets/liabilities, with the calculation of net debt refined to ensure its original meaning is retained.
- Separating liabilities into financial liabilities and non-financial liabilities.
- Restructuring the statement of financial position to present total assets followed by total liabilities.
- Changes to common terminology used in the financial statements, including re-naming accumulated surplus (deficit) to net assets (liabilities).
- Removal of the statement of remeasurement gains (losses) with the information instead included on a new statement called the statement of changes in net assets (liabilities). This new statement will present the changes in each component of net assets (liabilities), including a new component called “accumulated other”.
- A new provision whereby an entity can use an amended budget in certain circumstances.
- In the statement of cash flows, a subtotal of cash flows before financing activities is presented to isolate financing transactions.
- Inclusion of disclosures related to risks and uncertainties that could affect the entity’s financial position.
- PS 1202 is effective fiscal years beginning on or after April 1, 2026 to coincide with the adoption of the revised conceptual framework. Early adoption will be permitted if PSAB’s new conceptual framework is adopted simultaneously.

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**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NORTH STORMONT**

**SCHEDULE 1 - FIVE YEAR FINANCIAL REVIEW (unaudited)**

**DECEMBER 31, 2025**

	<b><u>2025</u></b>	<b><u>2024</u></b>	<b><u>2023</u></b>	<b><u>2022</u></b>	<b><u>2021</u></b>
<b>Population</b>	7,900	7,800	7,700	7,600	7,500
<b>Number of Households</b>	3,120	3,070	3,019	3,019	2,998
<b>Taxable Assessment (000's)</b>					
Residential and farm	\$ 1,403,021	\$ 1,392,063	\$ 1,380,692	\$ 1,363,386	\$ 1,342,529
Commercial and industrial	55,339	53,410	51,284	52,127	43,785
Exempt	<u>37,176</u>	<u>36,301</u>	<u>26,445</u>	<u>26,231</u>	<u>26,159</u>
Total	<b><u>\$ 1,495,536</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 1,481,774</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 1,458,421</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 1,441,744</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 1,412,473</u></b>
<b>Property Taxes Billed (000's)</b>					
Own purpose	\$ 3,913	\$ 3,678	\$ 3,477	\$ 3,304	\$ 3,182
Upper-Tier Municipality	6,505	6,105	5,727	5,501	5,283
School Boards	<u>1,866</u>	<u>1,803</u>	<u>1,788</u>	<u>1,783</u>	<u>1,729</u>
Total	<b><u>\$ 12,284</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 11,586</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 10,992</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 10,588</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 10,194</u></b>
<b>Tax Arrears</b>					
% of own levy	29 %	23 %	25 %	29 %	32 %
% of total levy	9 %	7 %	8 %	9 %	10 %
<b>Municipal Debt (000's)</b>					
Municipal debt	\$ 4,817	\$ 3,783	\$ 3,588	\$ 4,202	\$ 2,258
Annual debt charges	\$ 357	\$ 307	\$ 351	\$ 373	\$ 347
<b>Municipal Equity (000's)</b>					
Surplus and reserves	\$ 6,786	\$ 6,101	\$ 5,420	\$ 4,003	\$ 4,003
Invested in tangible capital assets	\$ 36,571	\$ 35,416	\$ 31,548	\$ 30,467	\$ 30,467
Reserves as % of operating expenses	69.42 %	64.33 %	67.27 %	56.19 %	56.19 %
<b>Financial Indicators:</b>					
<b>Sustainability:</b>					
Financial assets to liabilities	1.19 %	1.13 %	1.12 %	1.13 %	1.41 %
Municipal debt to tangible capital assets	11.88 %	9.49 %	9.48 %	12.66 %	7.03 %
<b>Flexibility:</b>					
Debt charges to total operating revenue	3.56 %	3.19 %	4.16 %	4.75 %	5.02 %
Total operating revenue to taxable assessment	0.67 %	0.65 %	0.58 %	0.54 %	0.49 %
<b>Vulnerability:</b>					
Operating government transfers to operating revenues	13.45 %	16.36 %	17.09 %	18.60 %	15.15 %
Total government transfers to total revenues	21.20 %	25.91 %	27.70 %	35.09 %	23.51 %

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NORTH STORMONT**

**BY-LAW NO. 36-2026**

*Fire Protection - Open Air Burning By-Law*

**BEING** a By-Law to repeal and replace By-Law No.'s 52-2025 and 62-2019 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.

**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. 11* allows the municipality to regulate matters related to the health, safety and well being of the inhabitants of the municipality;

**AND WHEREAS** the *Municipal Act, 2001, c. 25, s. 128* provides that a municipality may prohibit and regulate with respect to public nuisances, including matters that, in the opinion of Council, are or could become or cause public nuisances;

**AND WHEREAS** Section 7.1(1)(b) of the *Fire Protection and Prevention Act, 1997, S.O. 1997, c.4*, as amended, provides that a Council of a municipality may pass By-Laws regulating the setting of open-air fires, including establishing the times during which Open-Air fires may be set;

**AND WHEREAS** Council deems it necessary to regulate open-air fires as it is important for the health, safety and well-being of persons and property.

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

**PART 1 - DEFINITIONS**

In this By-Law:

**"Adverse Effect"** means an effect which does, or is likely to, impair the safety of any person and/or which does, or is likely to cause damage to property.

**"Barbecue"** means a portable or fixed device designed and intended solely for the cooking of food in the open-air supplied by propane, natural gas or electricity with a fuel shut off, but does not include recreational fire or outdoor fireplaces.

**"Burn Barrel"** means an open-air fire set and maintained in an open top steel barrel that does not exceed 1.5 meters in diameter and 1.5 meters in height and where the open-air fire is set and maintained for the purposes of burning.

**"Brush "** means chopped-off tree branches.

**"Campground"** means an area of land owned and operated by a person and/or organisation that contains campsites for the purpose of overnight accommodations for tents, trailers and motorhomes in exchange for monetary payment.

**"Cooking Fire"** means an Open-Air fire used for the purpose of cooking food on a grill but does not include a manufactured barbeque.

**"Corporation"** means the Corporation of the Township of North Stormont.

**"Eligible Farmers"** means farmers who are members in good standing of the Ontario Federation of Agriculture, the National Farmers Union, the Christian Farmers Association.

**"Farm Buildings"** means all or part of a building, in accordance with the *2012 Ontario Building Code* definitions:

- a. That does not contain any area used for *residential occupancy*,
- b. That is associated with and located on land devoted to the practice of farming, and
- c. That is used essentially for the housing of livestock equipment or the production and storage of agricultural and horticultural produce or feeds.

**"Fire Chief"** means the Person appointed by Council of the Corporation of the Township of North Stormont as defined in the *Fire Protection and Prevention Act, 1997* or designate.

**"Fully Extinguished"** means the fire has no more visible flame, smoke or other signs of combustion.

**"Firefighter"** means the Fire Chief, and any other Person employed in, or appointed to the North Stormont's Fire Service Division of the Corporation of the Township of North Stormont and assigned to undertake fire protection services.

**"Grass Cuttings"** means the lawn waste resulting from mowing.

**"Ground Cover"** includes but is not limited to leaves, grasses, weeds, tree needles or wood chips on the ground.

**"Municipal Law Enforcement Officer"** means the Municipal Law Enforcement Officer appointed by the Council of the Corporation of the Township of North Stormont.

**"Normal Farm Practices"** means and is defined under the *Farming and Food Protection Act, 1998, Chapter 1*, and operates with a Farm Business Number:

- a. makes use of innovative technology in a manner consistent with proper advanced farm management practices.

**"Noxious Materials"** includes tires, plastics, rubber products, petroleum products, drywall, demolition waste, construction waste, paint, animal organic waste, vegetable waste, food waste, biomedical

waste, tar, asphalt products, battery boxes, pressure-treated wood, creosote-treated wood, painted wood and other similar materials.

**"Nuisance"** means excessive smoke, smell, airborne sparks or embers that is likely to disturb others, or that is likely to reduce visibility on roads in the vicinity of the Open-Air Burning.

**"Officer"** means a Municipal Law Enforcement Officer or a Fire Chief.

**"Open-Air"** means any open place, yard, field or construction area which is not enclosed by a building or structure.

**"Open-Air Burning"** means a fire set in the Open-Air.

**"Outdoor Fireplace"** means a manufactured non-combustible enclosed container designed to hold a small fire for decorative purposes and the size of which is not larger than 1 meter in any direction, and may include, but is not limited to, chimneys, metal tubs, fire pits, and outdoor brick fireplaces.

**"Owner"** means the registered owner or any Person, firm or corporation having control over, or possession, of any portion of the building or property under consideration and includes the Persons in the building or property.

**"Permit"** means a permit issued by the Township of North Stormont to set a fire in the Open-Air for a specified time period.

**"Person"** means an individual, business, a partnership, or a corporation.

**"Receptacle"** means anything used to contain or hold something else which is made of non-combustible materials and is not greater than 1 square meter.

**"Recreational Fire"** means a small, controlled and contained fire solely for the purposes of cooking food, providing warmth and recreational enjoyment. Burning must be contained within a non-combustible container of fire pit.

**"Residential occupancy"** means an occupancy in which sleeping accommodation is provided to residents who are not harboured for the purpose of receiving special care or treatment and are not involuntary detained.

**"Settlement areas"** means urban areas and rural settlement areas within municipalities (such as cities, towns, villages and hamlets) that are:

- a. built up areas where development is concentrated, and which have a mix of land uses;
- b. lands which have been designated in an official plan for development over the long-term planning;
- c. land designated as settlement area in the municipal official plan.

**"Smog Alert"** means an alert issued by the Ministry of Environment with respect to air quality.

**“Tenant”** means an individual or business that occupies or uses land, a house, or an office space owned by another person.

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

**“Woodwaste”** means waste, as per the Regulations of the *Environmental Act*:

- a. that is wood or a wood product, including tree trunks, tree branches, leaves and Brush,
- b. that is not contaminated with chromated copper arsenate, ammoniacal copper arsenate, pentachlorophenol or creosote, and
- c. from which easily removable hardware, fittings and attachments, unless they are predominantly wood or cellulose, have been removed.

## **PART 2 - GENERAL REQUIREMENTS**

- 2.1 Except for a Recreational Fire, no Person shall set or permit a fire in the Open-Air to be set, within the Settlement Area boundaries as indicated in the Township of North Stormont Zoning By-Law No. 08-2014.
  - a. Exemption – The Fire Chief, Municipal Law Enforcement Officer, or designate, is delegated the authority to grant an exemption, and issue a permit for an application for an open-air fire in any location currently located within the prohibited settlement areas subject to the following conditions:
    - i. A permit granted under exemption under this Section is subject to review and revocation by the Fire Chief, Municipal Law Enforcement Officer, or designate for any action that may pose a risk to public health and safety and to the public interest.
    - ii. The Fire Chief, Municipal Law Enforcement Officer, or designate may impose such additional conditions with respect to the issuance of an open-air fire permit, as he or she deems necessary to ensure public safety.
    - iii. A Burn Plan will have to be filed by the applicant with the exemption request.
    - iv. All permits issued under the authority of this exemption Section will be restricted to November 1 to March 31 inclusive
- 2.2 No Person shall set or permit fire in the Open-Air to be set, when the wind velocity is greater than 15 kilometers an hour.
- 2.3 No Person shall burn during a burn ban period, as designated by the Fire Chief or the Ministry of Natural Resources.
- 2.4 No Person shall burn Noxious Materials that will cause excessive smoke or noxious fumes.
- 2.5 No Person shall burn machinery.

- 2.6 This By-Law does not apply to barbeques used for the purpose of cooking food.
- 2.7 No Person shall burn on any road allowance, unopened road allowance or in a location that would interfere with traffic.
- 2.8 No Person shall leave the site of a fire set outdoors without fully extinguishing the said fire.
- 2.9 No Person shall permit a fire to have an Adverse Effect.
- 2.10 No Person shall burn household garbage.
- 2.11 No Person shall set an Open-Air fire in a commercial, industrial or wrecking yard zoned property.
  - a. Exemption – The Fire Chief, Municipal Law Enforcement Officer, or designate, is delegated the authority to grant an exemption, and issue a permit for an application for an open-air fire in any location currently located within a commercial or industrial zones subject to the following conditions:
    - i. A permit granted under exemption under this Section is subject to review and revocation by the Fire Chief, Municipal Law Enforcement Officer, or designate for any action that may pose a risk to public health and safety and to the public interest.
    - ii. The Fire Chief, Municipal Law Enforcement Officer, or designate may impose such additional conditions with respect to the issuance of an open-air fire permit, as he or she deems necessary to ensure public safety.
    - iii. A Burn Plan will have to be filed by the applicant with the exemption request.
    - iv. All permits issued under the authority of this exemption Section will be restricted to November 1 to March 31 inclusive.

### **PART 3 - OPEN-AIR FIRE PERMITS**

- 3.1 The Permit holder (Owner) is responsible to ensure that the conditions outlined in this By-Law are always adhered to.
- 3.2 Except for Recreational Fires, fires in Receptacles and fires in a Burn Barrel, no Person shall set or permit a fire in the open to be set without first obtaining a fire Permit as provided in this By-Law.
- 3.3 No Person shall be deemed to have been issued a Permit until the Municipal Law Enforcement Officer, Fire Chief or designate has issued the Permit. An application for a Permit does not constitute a Permit.
- 3.4 Every Person shall meet all conditions of the Permit.
- 3.5 An application for a Permit shall be made in the prescribed form, in paper or electronic format, as established and

amended by the Township from time to time. Where the applicant is not the registered owner of the property, the application shall include written authorization from the property owner, completed on the prescribed form.

- 3.6 Any Permit in effect during a dry period such as a burn ban as designated by the Fire Chief, the Ministry of Natural Resources, or a Smog Alert issued by the Ministry of Environment, that Permit will be voided for the remainder of the dry period or burn ban. No refunds will be issued for permits.
- a. Open-air burning is prohibited when the Air Quality Health Index (AQHI) exceeds 4 (Moderate Risk or higher).
  - b. Burning is not permitted during wildfire smoke advisories, smog alerts, or when PM<sub>2.5</sub> levels exceed 25 ug/m<sup>3</sup> (micrometer).
- 3.7 No Permit holder shall:
- a. fail or refuse to produce the Permit upon demand;
  - b. fail to supervise the fire continuously;
  - c. fail to comply with any conditions on the fire Permit; and/or
  - d. burn any material other than those for which a Permit was issued.

#### **PART 4 - LAND CLEARING AGRICULTURAL**

- 4.1 No Person shall set or permit to be set a fire in the Open-Air without first obtaining a fire Permit as provided in this By-Law. No more than five (5) properties can be registered on one permit.
- 4.2 Where the Municipal Law Enforcement Officer, the Fire Chief or designate considers it safe to do so, a Permit may be issued for burning in the Open-Air for cut and piled brush, grass and other organic materials resulting from the clearing of land and for the destruction of agricultural waste material originating on that property and no Person shall set such a fire without proper authorization.
- a. Every Person who starts a fire under the provision of this subsection shall cause a watch to be kept on such fire until it is fully extinguished and shall provide sufficient personnel, appliances and equipment to prevent the fire from becoming dangerous to life or property.
  - b. The Owner must ensure that Normal Farm Practices are being followed.
- 4.3 No Owner shall burn within 75 meters of any buildings, structures, standing timber or any other flammable or combustible material.
- 4.4 No Person shall exceed the 10 meters in diameter or 10 meters in height for pile of burning material.

- 4.5 No Person shall burn more than the maximum number of 3 piles.
- 4.6 No Person shall set fire with less than 9 meters between burn piles.
- 4.7 No Person shall burn materials in windrows.
- 4.8 No Person shall start a fire within 200 meters adjacent to any residence not owned by the applicant.
- 4.9 No Person shall set or permit fire to be set between one half hour before sunset and one-half hour after sunrise.
- 4.10 No Person shall be issued a Permit or burn wood unless the wood being burned has been cut and dried for a period not less than 365 days. Eligible farmers may burn wood cut within 365 days from November 1<sup>st</sup> to March 31<sup>st</sup>.

#### **PART 5 - DEMOLITION OF FARM BUILDINGS**

- 5.1 No Person shall set fire or permit for fire to be set to a Farm Building in the Open-Air without first obtaining and complying with the following:
  - a. A Municipal Law Enforcement Officer, the Fire Chief or Designate, must issue approval prior to the setting of the fire;
  - b. Prior to setting fire to the Farm Building, the Owner will disassemble or collapse the Farm Building;
  - c. The Owner shall place the Woodwaste in piles, as outlined in Part 4 of this By-Law;
  - d. The Owner must meet all other requirements outlined in this By-Law; and
  - e. The Owner must ensure that Normal Farm Practices are being followed.
- 5.2 For the purpose of clarity: If the Corporation is made aware, or finds out on its own endeavor, of incidents where waste other than clean non-contaminated wood is burned as a waste management practice, the Corporation reserves the right to contact the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change for further prosecution. For further clarity, this section applies to, but is not limited to, the practice of burning:
  - a. Sheds;
  - b. Collapsed houses,
  - c. Any other waste or Woodwaste; and
  - d. Where the proper separation and handling as described in this By-Law, the *Environmental Act and Environmental Regulations* is not observed.

#### **PART 6 - RURAL PROPERTY (Excluding Designated Settlement and Agricultural Areas)**

- 6.1 No Person shall set or permit fire to be set without first obtaining a fire Permit as provided in this By-Law.

- 6.2 Every Person shall ensure that the fire is at a minimum distance of 50 meters from the nearest dwelling.
- 6.3 Every Person shall ensure that the fire is a minimum distance of 10 meters from the property line.
- 6.4 Every Person shall ensure that the fire is at a minimum distance of 25 meters from a forest, woodland or building.
- 6.5 No Person shall set or permit fire to be set between one half hour before sunset and one-half hour after sunrise.
- 6.6 No Person shall burn materials other than Brush.
- 6.7 No Person shall burn materials that exceed 2 meters square and 2 meters in height.
- 6.8 No Person shall burn piles without the minimum distance of 5 meters between piles.
- 6.9 No Person shall burn more than 3 piles.

#### **PART 7 - BURN BARREL AND RECEPTACLE**

- 7.1 No Person shall set or permit a fire in the Open-Air to be set, within the Settlement Area boundaries as indicated in the Zoning By-Law No. 08-2014.
- 7.2 Persons are strongly encouraged to obtain a fire permit, at no cost, prior to setting or permitting any fire, to ensure compliance with the Open-Air By-Law.
- 7.3 No Person shall burn in more than one Burn Barrel or one Receptacle at a time.
- 7.4 No Person shall set or permit fire to be set between one half hour before sunset and one-half hour after sunrise.
- 7.5 No Person shall burn materials other than Brush, leaves or grass cuttings.
- 7.6 Every Person shall ensure that the fire is at a minimum of 50 meters from the nearest dwelling and 5 meters from the property line, any structure, building, tree, hedge, fence, roadway, deck, overhead wire or any other combustible materials.

#### **PART 8 - RECREATIONAL FIRES**

- 8.1 Persons are strongly encouraged to obtain a fire permit, at no cost, prior to setting or permitting any fire, to ensure compliance with the Open-Air By-Law.
- 8.2 Every Person who has a Recreational Fire shall comply with all of the following requirements:
  - a. Recreational Fire must be for the purpose of cooking, warmth or personal enjoyment;

- b. Recreational fires must not exceed 1 m in diameter
- c. Recreational Fire flames must not exceed 2 feet in height.
- d. Recreational Fire must be located not less than 5 meters from any structure, building, property line, tree, hedge, fence, roadway, deck, overhead wire or any other combustible material;
- e. Recreational Fire must not create a Nuisance to other properties;
- f. Recreational Fire must be located on a non-combustible surface beyond the unit to a dimension equal to the height of the unit;
- g. Outdoor fireplaces must be completely covered by a spark guard with openings no larger than 12 millimeters in diameter; and
- h. Only dry clean wood or charcoal shall be burned in a Recreational Fire.

8.3 A campground owner is responsible for:

- a. No Person shall set or permit fire to be set without first obtaining a fire Permit as provided in this By-Law.
- b. All violations of the By-Law which occurs on property owner by the campground owner and is liable for recovery of any fees for the response to or extinguishment of any open-air burn or any fires cause by an open-air burn.
- c. All recreational fires within the campground must meet all requirements contained in Part 2, 3 and Section 8.1 and 8.2.
- d. An inspection will be conducted by the authority having jurisdiction upon completion of the permit application and prior to approval.

## **PART 9 - ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT**

9.1 The Municipal Law Enforcement Officer, Fire Chief or designate are authorized to:

- a. Issue Permits as provided in this By-Law;
- b. Sign all Permits on behalf of the Corporation;
- c. Limit the time for which a Permit is issued; and/or
- d. Undertake any technical investigation or inspection for the purpose of administrating this By-Law.

9.2 The Municipal Law Enforcement Officer, Fire Chief or designate may:

- a. Demand the fire Permit for inspection from any Permit holder;
- b. Inspect any premises for which a fire Permit has been issued; and/or
- c. Enter at any time onto land to determine whether the provisions of this By-Law are obeyed and to enforce or carry into effect this By-Law.

9.3 The Municipal Law Enforcement Officer, Fire Chief or designate may:

- a. Exempt any persons serving as part of the North Stormont Fire Department and Emergency Services, or as their agent or employee from the provisions of this By-Law with respect to Open-Air fires provided any fire is set for the purposes of training, educating individuals in fire safety, or for research purposes.
- b. Exempt professional fire prevention and suppression trainers from the provisions of this By-Law with respect to Open-Air fires set for the purposes of fire safety training.

9.4 It remains the sole responsibility of the property owner to ensure full compliance with all provisions of this By-Law. Failure to obtain permit approval shall not be accepted as a defense for any non-compliance.

#### **PART 10 - ORDERS**

10.1 Despite any other provisions of this By-Law, if upon inspection of a fire, the Municipal Law Enforcement Officer, the Fire Chief or designate is satisfied the fire poses a danger to the health or safety of any Person or property, the Municipal Law Enforcement Officer, Fire Chief or designate shall cancel or suspend the fire Permit and order the fire extinguished.

10.2 The area of burning must be restricted to enable the Permit holder to extinguish the fire immediately, if necessary, due to a change in weather or other conditions or, if so, ordered by the Municipal Law Enforcement Officer, Fire Chief or designate.

#### **PART 11 - ENFORCEMENT**

11.1 Obstruction

No Person shall:

- a. Hinder or obstruct, or attempt to hinder or obstruct a Municipal Law Enforcement Officer or Fire Chief or designate in the lawful performance of his duties;
- b. Fail to comply with an order to extinguish;
- c. Fail to identify themselves to the Officer or designate upon request; and/or
- d. Give false or incorrect information for the purposes of obtaining a fire Permit.

#### **PART 12 – OFFENCES AND PENALTIES**

12.1 Penalties

- a. 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 s. 61 of the *Provincial Offences Act*, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter P.33.
- b. Every Person who contravenes any provision of this By-Law including an order issued under this By-Law, is guilty of an offence.
- c. Every Person who is guilty of an offence under this By-Law may, if Permitted under the *Province Offences Act*,

- pay a set fine, and the Chief Judge of the Ontario Court, Provincial Division, shall be requested to establish set fine.
- d. Each day that such offence is committed, or permitted to continue, shall constitute a separate offence and may be punishable as such.

### **PART 13 - COST RECOVERY**

- 13.1 Should a Person default in complying with an order, the fire may be extinguished at the Person's expense.
- 13.2 The Corporation may enter on land at any reasonable time for the purpose of extinguishing a fire under Part 9 of this By-Law.
- 13.3 The power of entry under this Part shall be exercised by the Fire Chief, Firefighter, or a Municipal Law Enforcement Officer. The Person exercising the power of entry must on request display or produce proper identification. The Person exercising the power of entry may be accompanied by a Person under his or her direction.
- 13.4 The Corporation may recover the costs of extinguishing the fire from the Person having started the fire by action or by adding the costs to the tax roll and collecting them in the same manner as property taxes. The costs include interest calculated at a rate of fifteen percent (15%), calculated for the period commencing on the day the municipality incurs the costs and ending on the day the costs, including interest are paid in full. The amount of the costs, including interest, constitutes a lien on the land upon the registration of a notice of lien in the Land Registry Office.
- 13.5 The costs recovered shall be in accordance with set out in the Township of North Stormont's User Fee By-Law

### **PART 14 - VALIDITY & SEVERABILITY**

- 14.1 Notwithstanding any section, subsections, 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 that 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.
- 14.2 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.

14.3 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.

**PART 15 - PERMIT FEES**

15.1 Upon submitting an application for a Permit, the owner or tenant shall pay the fee as set out in the Township of North Stormont's User Fee By-Law.

**PART 16 - ADMINISTRATION**

16.1 By-Law No.'s 52-2025 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 9<sup>th</sup> day of June 2026.

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François Landry, Mayor

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Chad Brownlee, CAO/Clerk

SEAL



**MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Township of North Stormont Council, CAO, and Clerk  
**From:** Lisa Van De Ligt, Team Lead, Communications and Stewardship  
**Date:** May 21, 2026  
**Subject:** RRCA Board of Directors meeting highlights (May 7, 2026) and Conservation Authority Consolidation Update

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The Raisin Region Conservation Authority (RRCA) Board of Directors consists of eight representatives from the RRCA's five member municipalities: City of Cornwall and Townships of North Glengarry, South Glengarry, South Stormont and North Stormont.

Following every Board meeting, councils, CAOs and clerks of the RRCA's five member municipalities are sent meeting highlights and the date of the next meeting. The RRCA Board meets monthly (except for July, August, and December, unless a special meeting is called).

**May 7, 2026 RRCA Board of Directors Meeting Highlights:**

- Approved minutes from the April 2, 2026 meeting can be found at <http://www.rrca.on.ca/Governance>.
- Board approved the 2025 RRCA Financial Statements.
- Board approved the 2025 RRCA Annual Report, which will be circulated to RRCA's member municipalities and other partners.
- Board received an update on RRCA Conservation Areas, including the re-opening of seasonal amenities:
  - Cooper Marsh Visitors Centre: May 1 – August 28
  - Gray's Creek Marina: May 4 – September 27
  - Charlottenburgh Park Campground: May 15 – October 12
- Board received an update on the 53<sup>rd</sup> Raisin River Canoe Race, which hosted 505 paddlers on April 11.
- Board approved the submission of funding applications for Fly Creek Flood Control enhancements and studies.



**Conservation Authority Consolidation Update:**

- Following provincial public consultation, proposed amendments to the *Conservation Authorities Act* received Royal Assent in April 2026 to consolidate Ontario's 36 conservation authorities (CAs) into nine regional authorities.
- The RRCA will be consolidated with three other conservation authorities to form the St. Lawrence River Regional Conservation Authority (SLRRCA), bringing together the RRCA, South Nation Conservation, the Rideau Valley Conservation Authority, and the Mississippi Valley Conservation Authority.
- The transition to the regional CA model is scheduled for February 1, 2027 or a later date prescribed by regulation.
- Regional Transition Committees, guided by the Ontario Provincial Conservation Agency (OPCA), will lead the merger, with members appointed by the existing CA Board of Directors.
- The RRCA has established a Working Group formed of Board and staff members to: review governance requirements; provide input to communication plans; review levy and cost-sharing arrangements; identify opportunities for beneficial regional service delivery; and liaise with the province on transition planning.
- The new Regional CAs will replace the existing CAs as legal entities to avoid disruption to current municipal agreements, partnerships, and operations and will become the employer of existing CA staff.
- Regional CAs will continue to be municipally governed organizations, with Board members appointed by the upper-tier and single-tier municipalities and will continue to rely on the deep local expertise, knowledge and relationships CAs have built through the establishment of Watershed Councils.
- The RRCA would be pleased to meet with your municipality to discuss further. Please connect with Alison McDonald, RRCA General Manager, at (613) 938-3611 ext. 222 or [Alison.McDonald@rrca.on.ca](mailto:Alison.McDonald@rrca.on.ca).

**Next RRCA Board meeting date: June 4, 2026 at 9:00 a.m.**

**CORPORATION OF THE  
TOWNSHIP OF NORTH GLENGARRY  
Council Meeting**

**Resolution # 10**

**Date:** Monday May 25, 2026

**Moved by:** Jamie MacDonald

**Seconded by:** Carma Williams

**THAT** the Council of the Township of North Glengarry 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.

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** a copy of this resolution be circulated to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario; the Honourable peter Bethlenfalry, 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**  
*[Signature]*

**DEFEATED**

**DEFERRED**

**MAYOR / DEPUTY MAYOR**

**Deputy Mayor:** Carma Williams

**Councillor:** Jacques Massie

**Councillor:** Brian Caddell

**Councillor:** Jeff Manley

**Councillor:** Michael Madden

**Councillor:** Gary Martin

**Mayor:** Jamie MacDonald

**YEA**

**NEA**

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**Resolution 2026-03: Ontario Most Outdated Property Reassessment in  
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**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;

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**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;

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**Carried**

Signed by:

EOWC Chair Bonnie Clark

[info@eowc.org](mailto:info@eowc.org)

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**CARRIED**  
*[Signature]*

**DEFEATED**

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**Carried**

Signed by:



EOWC Chair Bonnie Clark

[info@eowc.org](mailto:info@eowc.org)

**The Council of the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville**

**Resolution No. CC-098-2026**

**Date:** May 21, 2026

Moved by Arle Hoogenboom  
Seconded by Michael Cameron

**WHEREAS** municipalities are responsible for the planning, construction, operation, rehabilitation, and replacement of critical public infrastructure; and

**WHEREAS** municipal engineers play a key role in supporting safe, reliable, and cost-effective infrastructure systems for residents and businesses; and

**WHEREAS** the Municipal Engineers Association has raised concerns and recommendations regarding the Province's proposed harmonization of municipal road construction standards, which have implications for municipal operations, long-term asset management, and financial sustainability; and

**WHEREAS** the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville supports advocacy that promotes effective infrastructure planning, responsible funding frameworks, and realistic implementation requirements for municipalities;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville supports the Municipal Engineers Association's position regarding the Province's proposed harmonization of municipal road construction standards, particularly the concerns about the exemption approval process, mandatory annual reporting, lack of clarity around governance/co-stewardship, and the need for meaningful municipal consultation before implementation proceeds; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** Council urges the Province of Ontario to engage with municipalities and the Municipal Engineers Association to implement practical solutions that reflect municipal capacity, infrastructure needs, and local government realities; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** a copy of this resolution be circulated to the Minister of Transportation, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Minister of

Item# 9.4

Infrastructure, the local Member of Provincial Parliament (MPP), the Municipal Engineers Association (MEA), the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA), and Ontario municipalities.

Carried  Defeated  Deferred

  
Corinna Smith-Gatcke, Warden



Honourable Doug Ford,  
Premier of Ontario  
Via Email:  
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Honourable Sylvia Jones  
Deputy Premier of Ontario  
and Minister of Health  
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May 25, 2026

Honourable Marjorie  
Michel, Minister of Health  
Via Email:  
hcminister.ministresc@hc-  
sc.gc.ca

The Ontario Medical  
Association  
Via Email: info@oma.org

RE: Township of Puslinch Support Resolution No.2026-128, Regarding Consent item 6.8  
Western Ontario Wardens' Caucus Finlay's Law on Emergency Room Reform

Please be advised that Township of Puslinch Council, at its meeting held on May 6, 2025  
considered the aforementioned topic and subsequent to discussion, the following was resolved:

**Resolution No. 2026-128:**

Moved by Councillor Bailey and  
Seconded by Councillor Sepulis

**That the Consent Agenda item 6.8 be received; and**

**Whereas Council supports the WOWC resolution that Council direct staff to send a  
support resolution accordingly.**

**CARRIED**



As per the above resolution, please accept a copy of this correspondence for your information and consideration.

Sincerely,

Justine Brotherston  
Municipal Clerk

CC:  
The Ontario Hospital Association (OHA)  
The Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)  
Ontario Big City Mayors  
Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus



Monday, April 20, 2026

Premier of Ontario  
Hon. Doug Ford  
Legislative Building, Queen's Park  
Toronto ON M7A 1A1  
Sent via email: premier@ontario.ca

**Re: Support of Finlay's Law on Emergency Room Reform**

At its regular meeting on April 10, 2026, the Western Ontario Wardens' Caucus adopted the following motion in support of Finlay's Law on Emergency Room Reform:

**#11 Moved by D. Bailey seconded by B. Clark:**

**WHEREAS** growing pressures across the Ontario healthcare system are increasing patient volumes in emergency rooms (ER), requiring more complex care, and contributing to longer patient wait times in ERs for residents in Ontario's largest municipalities; and

**WHEREAS** Health Quality Ontario data from October 2025 reports that patients needing admission to the hospital waited an average of 19-20 hours, with high-urgency patients waiting close to 5 hours on average to be seen by a physician; and

**WHEREAS** in December 2023, the Auditor General of Ontario reported that significant hospital staffing shortages were reducing access to timely emergency care; and

**WHEREAS** the Financial Accountability Office of Ontario reported in March 2023 that ER wait times were increasing significantly with the longest wait times recorded in over 15 years and that provincial funding was \$21.3 billion short to maintain current health programs through 2028; and

**WHEREAS** according to the Ontario Hospital Association (OHA), Ontario has had the lowest per capita hospital expenditure in Canada since 2018; and

**WHEREAS** according to the OHA, approximately 4,200 alternate level care (ALC) patients remain in acute beds (40% awaiting long term care), worsening ER delays; and

**WHEREAS** Canadian ER researchers have highlighted that between 8,000 and 15,000 Canadians die prematurely as a result of ER overcrowding; and

**WHEREAS** reports of patients dying in crowded ERs across Canada are increasing, such as 16-year-old Finlay van der Werken who waited over 8 hours in an Oakville ER without being seen by a physician and tragically passed away on February 9, 2024 from pneumonia that developed into sepsis; and

**WHEREAS** ER delays are contributing to excessive ambulance offload times, adding undue strain on response capacity of municipal paramedic services across Ontario; and

**WHEREAS** the Provincial Government has taken important steps to improve health care in Ontario, however additional funding and staffing resources for hospitals to reduce ER wait times and increase capacity to provide timely access to care for all patients in ER's remains critical; and

**WHEREAS** despite growing concerns regarding staffing shortages in and closures of ERs across Ontario, as well as failure to meet federal standards such as the Canadian Triage and Acuity Scale, the Provincial Government continues to receive full contributions of Canada Health Transfers from the federal government.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Western Ontario Wardens Caucus calls on the Provincial Ministry of Health to take immediate action to reduce ER wait times with consideration for the importance of enhanced ER triage protocols and increased funding to strengthen emergency readiness;

**AND THAT** the Western Ontario Wardens Caucus calls on the Provincial Ministry of Health to introduce Finlay's Law to ensure that no child in Ontario is left without timely emergency medical care in hospitals by:

- Setting legal maximum ER wait times for children under 18 (e.g., physician assessment within 2 hours, admission within 8 hours).
- Mandating safe pediatric nurse-to-patient and physician-to-patient ratios in emergency settings.
- Establish independent oversight to audit hospitals, investigate pediatric ER deaths, and enforce compliance.
- Mandate public, independent, and timely (within 1 year) inquiry by the Chief Coroner of Ontario of every pediatric death in an ER waiting area.
- Fund better pediatric emergency readiness, including staffing, training and infrastructure

**AND THAT** the Western Ontario Wardens Caucus calls on the Federal Ministry of Health to enforce the principles and requirements of the Canada Health Act through its spending power of Canada Health Transfers to Ontario by:

- monitoring compliance to national health standards, such as Canadian Triage and Acuity Scale (CTAS) in ERs;
- and establishing and ensuring compliance with a new sepsis care

**AND THAT** a copy of this resolution be sent to the Premier of Ontario, the Ontario Minister of Health, the Federal Minister of Health, the Ontario Medical Association (OMA), the Ontario Hospital Association (OHA), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO).

**Carried.**

Please contact the office if you require any further information.

Yours sincerely,



Marcus Ryan  
Chair, Western Ontario Wardens' Caucus

cc.  
Hon. Marjorie Michel, Federal Minister of Health  
Hon. Sylvia Jones, Ontario Minister of Health  
Ontario Medical Association  
Ontario Hospital Association  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario  
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MOVED BY:

- Jason Cote
- Marc Lepine
- Ray Maltais
- Bert McDowell

SECONDED BY:

- Jason Cote
- Marc Lepine
- Ray Maltais
- Bert McDowell

RESOLUTION # 26-061

Date: April 13, 2026

**WHEREAS** the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) provide policing services to both organized municipalities and unorganized territories across the Province of Ontario;

**AND WHEREAS** organized municipalities receiving OPP policing services are billed under the OPP Municipal Policing Billing Model, which includes a base service cost and additional costs related to calls for service;

**AND WHEREAS** unorganized townships and territories contribute to policing costs through provincial taxation mechanisms and pay only a base rate while receiving OPP policing services;

**AND WHEREAS** residents of unorganized territories receive comparable OPP policing services to those provided in organized municipalities;

**AND WHEREAS** recent increases in OPP policing costs have placed a growing and disproportionate financial burden on organized municipalities and their taxpayers;

**AND WHEREAS** municipalities have limited revenue tools and must rely primarily on property taxation to fund essential services such as policing;

**AND WHEREAS** the current funding structure creates an inequitable situation in which organized municipalities are required to subsidize a larger share of policing costs while similar services are provided in unorganized territories at a significantly lower contribution level;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Baldwin calls upon the Province of Ontario to conduct an immediate review of the OPP Municipal Policing Billing Model and the policing funding structure for unorganized territories



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**AND FURTHER THAT** the Province be requested to implement a fair and equitable funding model that ensures all communities receiving OPP policing services contribute appropriately to the cost of those services;

**AND FURTHER THAT** the Province be requested to consult with municipalities, particularly those in Northern Ontario, regarding the financial impacts of OPP policing costs and the current inequities in the system;

**AND FURTHER THAT** a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Minister of the Solicitor General, the local Member of Provincial Parliament, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM), the Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association (NOMA), and neighbouring municipalities for their support.

CERTIFIED TRUE COPY

  
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CAO/Clerk – Administrator/Treasurer  
Holly Zahorodny

I DECLARE THIS RESOLUTION

- Carried  
 Defeated  
 Deferred

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

RECORDED VOTE		
	For	Against
V. Gorham	—	—
J. Cote	—	—
M. Lepine	—	—
R. Maltais	—	—
B. McDowell	—	—



# Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin Council Resolution

Date: May 27, 2026

## Request for Provincial Review of CVA-Based Apportionment for Shared Municipal and Provincially Mandated Services

Resolution Number: 2026-173

Moved By: Mayor Gould

Seconded By: Councillor Manson

WHEREAS many provincially mandated services, shared municipal services, and board-imposed levies are apportioned among municipalities using Current Value Assessment (CVA) or weighted assessment formulas; and

WHEREAS CVA-based apportionment formulas are intended to reflect municipal assessment capacity, but often do not adequately account for population, service access, geographic isolation, infrastructure constraints, or the differing realities of small and rural municipalities; and

WHEREAS municipalities with significant industrial assessment, utility corridors, resource infrastructure, protected lands, seasonal properties, or large geographic areas may experience disproportionately high per-resident levy impacts despite limited local services and lower resident incomes; and

WHEREAS some municipalities contribute substantially toward regional services such as long-term care, policing, conservation authorities, social services, and other provincially mandated boards and agencies, while residents may have limited local access to those services due to geography, travel distance, or service availability; and

WHEREAS increasing levy pressures are creating significant financial strain for small and rural municipalities and their residents;

NOW THEREFOR BE IT RESOLVED THAT The Council of the Municipality of Calvin requests that the Province of Ontario, including the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing and the Minister of Finance, undertake a review of policies, legislation, and regulations governing the use of Current Value Assessment (CVA) and weighted assessment as the basis for apportioning provincially-mandated levies and shared municipal service costs;

AND THAT the Province consider developing fairer and more balanced apportionment models which may include:

- hybrid formulas incorporating both CVA and population;
- consideration of service access and service availability;
- household count or permanent population metrics;
- ability-to-pay considerations for small and rural municipalities;
- rurality and geographic isolation factors; and
- measures to limit disproportionate per-resident levy impacts on smaller municipalities; and


AND THAT the Province work with the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA), rural municipalities, municipal service boards, and regional service providers to develop best practices and model apportionment frameworks for shared municipal services and provincially mandated boards;

AND THAT this resolution with the mayor's report attached, be circulated to:


- the Premier of Ontario;
- the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing;
- the Minister of Finance;
- The Minister of Rural Affairs
- the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO);
- the Rural Ontario Municipal Association
- local Member of Provincial Parliament;
- all Ontario municipalities;
- and relevant municipal service boards and associations for consideration and support.

**Result: Carried**

CERTIFIED to be a true copy of  
Resolution No. 2026-173 passed by the Council of  
The Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin  
on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2026.



Trish Araujo  
Deputy Clerk



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Report to Council by: Mayor Richard Gould Date: May 26, 2026

Subject: Request for Provincial Review of, and Change to CVA-Based Apportionment

The purpose of this report is to provide background information and supporting rationale for the attached resolution requesting that the Province of Ontario review the use of Current Value Assessment (CVA) and weighted assessment formulas as the basis for apportioning costs for provincially-mandated services, regional boards, and shared municipal services.

The report focuses on the growing financial impacts that CVA-based apportionment can have on small and rural municipalities, particularly where assessment values do not accurately reflect resident income levels, service access, or local municipal capacity.

Many shared municipal services and provincially-mandated boards in Ontario allocate costs among participating municipalities using Current Value Assessment (CVA) or weighted assessment formulas.

Examples include: Long-Term Care facilities; District Social Services Administration Boards (DSSAB); policing costs; conservation authorities; health and social service boards; and School boards and other regional service arrangements.

Under these formulas, municipalities with higher assessment values contribute a larger percentage of overall costs.

The intent of the current CVA-based apportionment is only a reflection of the municipalities "ability to pay." However, in many rural municipalities, assessment values do not accurately represent:

- or the actual level of services available within the municipality
- resident income levels;
- local economic strength;
- access to services;
- population density;
- transportation challenges.

As a result, some rural municipalities experience disproportionately high levy impacts on a per-household or per-resident basis.

#### Rural and Northern Municipal Realities

Small rural municipalities often differ significantly from urban centres in both geography and service availability.

In many cases:

- residents must travel substantial distances to access healthcare and government services;
- municipalities may lack public transit;
- municipalities may not have local hospitals, long-term care homes, or other major services;
- populations may be older and more geographically dispersed;
- infrastructure costs may be high due to large geographic areas and low population density.

At the same time, rural municipalities may contain:

- pipelines;
- hydro corridors;
- industrial infrastructure;

- protected lands;
- provincial parks;
- seasonal properties;
- or large acreages.

These features can substantially increase municipal assessment values while providing little indication of the financial capacity of local residents. This creates a disconnect between the assessed property value; and actual household ability to absorb increasing levy costs.

The Municipality of Calvin is a small rural municipality with approximately 230 households.

A significant portion of municipal assessment is influenced by industrial infrastructure, including a major pipeline corridor. The municipality also contains multiple provincial parks and large acreages, much of which limits future residential or commercial development opportunities.

Many residents live on inherited rural properties and have fixed or modest incomes. While assessment values may appear significant on paper, they do not necessarily reflect disposable household income or enhanced municipal service levels.

The Township has no hospital, no long-term care facility, no public transit, and limited local health and social service infrastructure.

Despite these limitations, the Township contributes toward many regional services through CVA-based apportionment formulas.

#### Cassellholme Capital Cost Example

The attached Appendix "A" illustrates the distribution of Cassellholme redevelopment capital costs among participating municipalities using:

- the current CVA formula;
- a household-based formula; and
- a hybrid formula combining CVA and household count.

The analysis demonstrates substantial differences in per-household impacts between municipalities.

Under the current CVA model:

- Calvin households contribute approximately \$393.89 per household;
- South Algonquin contributes approximately \$377.48 per household;
- Mattawan contributes approximately \$283.74 per household.

By comparison:

- Mattawa contributes approximately \$94.50 per household;
- Chisholm contributes approximately \$193.18 per household;
- North Bay contributes approximately \$203.56 per household.

Under a purely household-based model, the contribution would be approximately \$209.09 per household across all municipalities.

The analysis suggests that CVA-based formulas can create substantial disparities in per-household costs between municipalities, particularly in smaller rural communities where industrial or resource-based assessment inflates municipal valuation figures.

### Hybrid and Alternative Models

The report recommends that the province review whether the current reliance on CVA alone remains the most equitable method of apportionment in all circumstances.

Alternative approaches could include:

- hybrid formulas combining CVA and household count;
- formulas incorporating permanent population;
- service availability considerations;
- rurality and geographic isolation factors;
- ability-to-pay considerations;
- or mechanisms to limit disproportionate impacts on smaller municipalities.

The attached example demonstrates that even a partial hybrid approach can reduce extreme disparities while still recognizing assessment capacity.

### Broader Provincial Relevance

This issue extends beyond the Municipality of Calvin.

Many rural Ontario municipalities face similar circumstances where; industrial assessment; utility corridors, hydro infrastructure, pipelines, resource lands, or protected lands, increase municipal assessment values without proportionally increasing local service access or household financial capacity.

As provincial and regional levy pressures continue to rise, concerns regarding the fairness and sustainability of existing apportionment models are likely to become increasingly significant for rural municipalities across Ontario.

### Conclusion

The current use of CVA and weighted assessment formulas was developed to reflect municipal assessment capacity. However, the growing divergence between assessment values and the realities facing many rural municipalities suggests that a provincial review is warranted.

The Municipality of Calvin is requesting that the Province of Ontario review the use of CVA-based apportionment for provincially-mandated and shared municipal services and consider more balanced approaches that better reflect:

- household impacts;
- rural realities;
- service access;
- and municipal capacity.
- The attached resolution seeks to initiate that broader provincial discussion.
- Recommendation:

That Council adopt the attached resolution requesting a provincial review of Current Value Assessment (CVA)-based apportionment formulas for shared municipal and provincially-mandated services.

Appendix A:

Distribution of Capital cost for Cassellholme construction:

This chart shows the distribution of costs based on current CVA, Per Household, and a Hybrid of 75% per household and 25% CVA.

Municipality	Households	Current CVA		Per Household			Hybrid 75/25			
		Current CVA Pct	Current CVA Annual	Per household	Household based PCT	Household Based Annual	by household only	Hybrid PCT	Hybrid Annual	hybrid by household
North Bay	23470	79.187%	\$4,777,615.40	\$203.56	81.34%	4,907,375.69	209.09	80.8000%	4,874,935.62	207.71
East Ferris	1890	7.742%	\$467,100.64	\$247.14	6.55%	395,182.79	209.09	6.8480%	413,162.25	218.60
South Algonquin	530	3.316%	\$200,065.32	\$377.48	1.84%	110,818.45	209.09	2.2066%	133,130.17	251.19
Bonfield	890	3.237%	\$195,298.99	\$219.44	3.08%	186,091.37	209.09	3.1225%	188,393.27	211.68
Papineau-Cameron	405	1.726%	\$104,135.33	\$257.12	1.40%	84,682.03	209.09	1.4842%	89,545.35	221.10
Chisholm	510	1.633%	\$98,524.33	\$193.18	1.77%	106,636.63	209.09	1.7338%	104,608.55	205.11
Calvin	227	1.482%	\$89,414.00	\$393.89	0.79%	47,463.75	209.09	0.9605%	57,951.31	255.29
Mattawa	860	1.347%	\$81,269.00	\$94.50	2.98%	179,818.62	209.09	2.5721%	155,181.22	180.44
Mattawan	70	0.329%	\$19,861.73	\$283.74	0.24%	\$14,636.40	209.09	0.2642%	15,942.73	227.75
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>28852</b>		<b>\$6,033,284.73</b>		<b>99.99%</b>	<b>\$6,032,705.73</b>	<b>209.09</b>	<b>1.00</b>	<b>6,032,850.48</b>	

Totals      65693                      \$6,033,284                      \$6,033,333                      \$6,033,333

Total Capital rebuild cost is an estimate of \$121,000,000 plus \$110,000,000 interest, minus the \$50,000,000 arranged by the province to be divided in each of the first years of the loan. This is a Total of \$181,000,000. Divided over the next 30 years this equals \$6,033,333 per year.



May 28, 2026

Hon. Graham McGregor  
Minister of Citizenship and Multiculturalism  
14<sup>th</sup> Floor, 56 Wellesley St W  
Toronto, ON M7A 2E7

Sent via email to: [graham.mcgregor@ontario.ca](mailto:graham.mcgregor@ontario.ca)

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**Subject: Town of Orangeville resolution re: Request to the Province to Extend the Deadline for Notices of Intention to Designate Listed Heritage Properties**

Dear Minister McGregor,

The Council of the Corporation of the Town of Orangeville requests your consideration and support for the following resolution that was passed at the May 25, 2026 meeting of the Council of the Town of Orangeville.

**Resolution Number: 2026-193**

**Moved by** Councillor Sherwood

**Seconded by** Councillor Macintosh

**Whereas** amendments to the Ontario Heritage Act under the *More Homes Built Faster Act, 2022* introduced timelines requiring municipalities to issue Notices of Intention to Designate for properties listed on municipal heritage registers as of December 31, 2022, originally requiring action by January 1, 2025; and

**Whereas** the Province subsequently amended the legislation through the *Home-owner Protection Act, 2024* to extend the deadline to January 1, 2027 in response to concerns raised by municipalities and heritage stakeholders; and

**Whereas** municipalities require sufficient time and resources to undertake research, documentation, consultation, and evaluation to determine whether listed properties warrant designation under the Ontario Heritage Act; and

**Whereas** the removal of listed properties from municipal heritage registers if the prescribed timelines are not met may place cultural heritage resources at increased risk of demolition or irreversible alteration before municipalities have the opportunity to properly evaluate their cultural heritage value or interest; and

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**Whereas** the Heritage Orangeville Committee comprises of a handful of dedicated volunteers who are not able to review the current non-designated register containing 454 properties on or before the deadline of January 1, 2027; and

**Whereas** many municipalities, including the Town of Orangeville, do not have dedicated heritage planning staff and must rely on volunteer Heritage committee members or external heritage consultants to undertake the evaluations, which can result in additional financial and administrative pressures; and

**Whereas** Heritage Orangeville Committee, heritage consultants or staff members would need to review the municipal heritage register, research the heritage value and interest of listed non-designated properties, contact owners of such properties, determine which properties should potentially be designated in accordance with the provisions of Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, and take all required steps to designate such properties; and

**Whereas** the above noted work involving 454 listed properties in the Town of Orangeville is extremely time-consuming and cannot be completed by January 1, 2027 with the current resources available given other competing interests including reviewing and supporting new housing development proposals; and

Whereas municipalities across Ontario are facing significant workloads associated with evaluating listed properties; and

**Whereas** the Heritage Orangeville Committee, at its meeting of March 19, 2026, discussed and supported advocating to the Province of Ontario for a further extension to the current deadline;

**Now therefore be it resolved that** The Council of the Town of Orangeville respectfully request that the Province of Ontario further amend the Ontario Heritage Act to extend the January 1, 2027 deadline to January 1, 2030, or another reasonable timeframe for issuing Notices of Intention to Designate for properties listed on the municipal heritage non-designated register; and

**That** the Town Clerk be directed to send a copy of this motion 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, Municipal Councils across the province, and the Ontario Municipal Heritage Committee Association.

Carried

If you have any questions, please contact [clerk@orangeville.ca](mailto:clerk@orangeville.ca).

Sincerely,  
Ishita Soneji  
Council Co-ordinator/Assistant Clerk  
Corporate Services  
Town of Orangeville

cc: Hon. Rob Flack, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, via email  
Hon. Syliva Jones, Members of Provincial Parliament, via email  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), via email  
Community Heritage Ontario, via email  
All Ontario Municipalities, via email

June 1, 2026

The Honourable Doug Ford  
Premier of Ontario  
Via Email: [premier@ontario.ca](mailto:premier@ontario.ca)

**Re: Changes to Ontario's Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act**

Please be advised the Council of the Municipality of Chatham-Kent, at its regular meeting held on May 25, 2026 supported the attached resolution from the Town of Bruce Mines (Appendix A) and the County of Prince Edward (Appendix B) regarding the above noted matter.

Sincerely,

Judy Shantz, CMO  
Director Municipal Governance/Clerk

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Attorney General  
Information and Privacy Commissioner of Ontario  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO),  
Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM)  
Local MPPs  
Ontario Municipalities



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May 18, 2026

Please be advised that during the regular Council meeting of May 12, 2026 the following resolution regarding reinstating the requirements for compliance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act was carried.

**RESOLUTION NO.** 2026-208

**DATE:** **May 12, 2026**

**MOVED BY:** **Councillor MacNaughton**

**SECONDED BY:** **Councillor Branderhorst**

**WHEREAS** all residents of Ontario have the right to fair, open and democratic government; and,

**WHEREAS** all elected representatives, municipal and provincial alike, in Ontario have a duty to faithfully execute the powers and trust placed in them and willingly swear an oath to this effect and are subject to fair public scrutiny; and,

**WHEREAS** the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA) and the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (MFIPPA) are essential tools to protect Ontarians against privacy breaches, and abuses of power; and,

**WHEREAS** the Province of Ontario enacted Bill 97, the Plan to Protect Ontario Act (Budget Measures), 2026, which received Royal Assent on April 24, 2026, and introduced significant amendments to both FIPPA and MFIPPA to alter statutory timelines and privacy governance frameworks;

**WHEREAS** the amendments introduced via Bill 97 have created a jurisdictional imbalance by excluding records held by provincial Ministers, their offices, and staff from the application of FIPPA, while maintaining the statutory responsibilities and administrative burdens for municipal elected officials and staff under MFIPPA, thereby establishing higher standards for transparency and personal record accountability for municipal governments;

**WHEREAS** excluding members of the highest offices and their staff from reasonable public access requests and records retention creates security concerns, reinforces the appearance of self-dealing and is contrary to the public interest,

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Prince Edward County Council call on the Province to reinstate requirements for compliance with FIPPA to ensure that the Premier, Ministers, and their staff are subject to proper and fair public scrutiny like all other elected representatives in Ontario; and



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**THAT** the Government of Ontario implement recommendations of the Information and Privacy Commissioner of Ontario to increase and ensure proper security, record keeping and democratic accountability; and

**THAT** this resolution be circulated to Premier Doug Ford, Minister of Finance Bethlenfalvy, Bay of Quinte MPP Tyler Allsopp, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) and the 444 municipalities of Ontario.

**CARRIED**

Yours truly,

Catalina Blumenberg, **CLERK**

cc: Mayor Steve Ferguson, Councillor MacNaughton, Councillor Branderhorst





# *The Corporation of the Town of Bruce Mines* Item 4b

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MAYOR: LORY PATERI  
MUNICIPAL CLERK: JUDY DAVIS

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May 14, 2026

Sent by email: [Doug.fordco@pc.ola.org](mailto:Doug.fordco@pc.ola.org)

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

Dear Honourable Doug Ford,

Re: Bill 97, Plan to Protect Ontario Act (Budget Measures), 2026 – Schedule 7

At its Regular Meeting held on May 4, 2026, the Council of the Town of Bruce Mines reviewed the changes introduced through Schedule 7 of Bill 97, which amends the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA).

At that meeting, Council adopted a resolution expressing concern regarding these amendments and their impact on transparency and public access to information.

Enclosed is a copy of the resolution supported by Bruce Mines Council.

Sincerely,

Tarra Lapensee  
Deputy Clerk  
[info@brucemines.ca](mailto:info@brucemines.ca)  
705-785-3493

cc:

The Honourable Doug Downey, Attorney General of Ontario  
The Honourable Bill Rosenberg, Member of Provincial Parliament  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)  
Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM)  
Information and Privacy Commissioner of Ontario, Patricia Kosseim  
All Ontario Municipalities

**WHEREAS THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION AND PROTECTION OF PRIVACY ACT (FIPPA) RECEIVED ROYAL ASSENT IN 1987, COMING INTO FORCE ON JANUARY 1, 1988; AND**

**WHEREAS THE MUNICIPAL FREEDOM OF INFORMATION AND PROTECTION OF PRIVACY ACT (MFIPPA) RECEIVED ROYAL ASSENT IN 1990, COMING INTO FORCE ON JANUARY 1, 1991; AND**

**WHEREAS BOTH ACTS PROVIDE THE PUBLIC WITH A LEGAL RIGHT OF ACCESS TO GOVERNMENT-HELD INFORMATION, REFLECTING THE PRINCIPLE THAT SUCH INFORMATION BELONGS TO THE PUBLIC UNLESS THERE IS A VALID REASON TO WITHHOLD IT; AND**

**WHEREAS THE INFORMATION AND PRIVACY COMMISSIONER OF ONTARIO HAS REINFORCED THAT ACCESS TO INFORMATION IS “ESSENTIAL TO THE HEALTHY FUNCTIONING OF A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY” AND TO TRANSPARENT GOVERNANCE; AND**

**WHEREAS BILL 97 (2026): PLAN TO PROTECT ONTARIO ACT (BUDGET MEASURES) RECEIVED ROYAL ASSENT ON APRIL 24, 2026, INTRODUCING SIGNIFICANT CHANGES TO FREEDOM OF INFORMATION RULES, INCLUDING NEW EXEMPTIONS FOR MINISTERS’ OFFICES; AND**

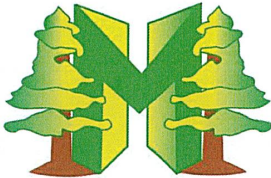
**WHEREAS RECORDS HELD BY THE PREMIER, CABINET MINISTERS, PARLIAMENTARY ASSISTANTS, AND THEIR OFFICES ARE NO LONGER SUBJECT TO FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUESTS AND ARE NO LONGER CONSIDERED FOI-ELIGIBLE RECORDS; AND**

**WHEREAS COUNCIL IS OF THE OPINION THAT THE PASSAGE OF BILL 97 REPRESENTS A STEP BACKWARD FROM LONG-STANDING PROVINCIAL COMMITMENTS TO OPENNESS, TRANSPARENCY, AND ACCOUNTABILITY;**

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES FORMALLY EXPRESSES ITS CONCERN WITH THE PASSAGE OF BILL 97 (2026) AND FINDS THAT IT CONSTITUTES A REGRESSION FROM ESTABLISHED PRINCIPLES OF TRANSPARENT GOVERNANCE; AND**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL URGES THE GOVERNMENT OF ONTARIO TO REPEAL THIS PROVISION OF THE LEGISLATION; AND**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT A COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION BE FORWARDED TO THE PREMIER OF ONTARIO, DOUG FORD; THE ATTORNEY GENERAL OF ONTARIO, DOUG DOWNEY; THE MEMBER OF PROVINCIAL PARLIAMENT, BILL ROSENBERG; THE ASSOCIATION OF MUNICIPALITIES OF ONTARIO (AMO); THE FEDERATION OF NORTHERN ONTARIO MUNICIPALITIES (FONOM); AND THE INFORMATION AND PRIVACY COMMISSIONER OF ONTARIO, PATRICIA KOSSEIM, AND THAT IT BE CIRCULATED TO ALL MUNICIPALITIES IN ONTARIO.**



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Jun 2, 2026

Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario  
Legislative Building, Queen's Park  
Toronto ON  
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Via Email: [premier@ontario.ca](mailto:premier@ontario.ca)

Dear Premier Doug Ford:

Re: Opposing proposed changes to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA)

Please be advised that during the regular Council meeting of Jun 1, 2026, Township of Machar Council passed the following motion,

86-26 McLaren, Ivens

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 the Township of Machar 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. CARRIED.

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

Yours truly,

Clerk Administrator

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Phone 705-386-7741, Fax. 705-386-0765

TOWNSHIP OF MACHAR

Resolution Number: 86-26

<b>Moved by:</b>	Ron McLaren <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Blair Flowers <input type="checkbox"/>	Pearl Ivens <input type="checkbox"/>	Neil Scarlett <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Seconded by:</b>	Ron McLaren <input type="checkbox"/>	Blair Flowers <input type="checkbox"/>	Pearl Ivens <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Neil Scarlett <input type="checkbox"/>

Jun 1, 2026

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Carried by: Lynda Carleton



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## **COMING EVENTS June 2026**

### **Avonmore Recreation (NSP Place)**

Summer Soccer Registration: Open

Coming Registration : Avonmore Pool Registration

For all other events visit : **Facebook:** Avonmore Community Athletic Association

### **Crysler Community Centre**

Bingo : Every Wednesday Night – 7:00 pm  
(doors open at 5:30 pm)

Euchre : Every Tuesday 7 pm

Free Exercise program : Monday and Wednesday 9:30 am until 10:30 am

For all other events visit : **Facebook:** Chrysler Community Center  
**Website:** [cryslercommunitycenter.ca](http://cryslercommunitycenter.ca)

### **Finch Community Centre**

For all other events visit : **Facebook:** Finch Recreation & Community Connections

### **Monkland Community Centre**

Family Fridays Dinner: : Weekly 5 to 8:30, social until 11 pm

Dance nights : June 10<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> 7 pm

For all other events visit : **Facebook:** Monkland Community Center

## **Moose Creek Community Centre**

End of school dance : June 12<sup>th</sup> 7 to 10 pm

Pool program registration : Open

For all other events visit : **Facebook:** Moose Creek Recreation Association

**NGS Golf Tournament: June 27<sup>th</sup>**

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NORTH STORMONT**

**BY-LAW NO. 37-2026**

*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 9, 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 9th day of June 2026.

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François Landry, Mayor

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CAO/Clerk