



Regular Council Meeting Agenda

June 17, 2026

6:00 pm

Council Chambers

1 Johnson Drive, Desbarats, ON P0R 1E0

Land Acknowledgment: *We acknowledge, with respect, the land that we live and work on. This land is the traditional territory of the Anishinabek Nation. We are a part of the Robinson-Huron Treaty of 1850. We acknowledge the neighbouring communities of Thessalon First Nation, and Garden River First Nation. This land is also homeland of the Metis.*

We acknowledge all original peoples of this land, past, present and future. By providing this land acknowledgement, we recognize the enduring presence of Indigenous peoples on this land, and we commit ourselves to work together in reconciliation and action towards a positive and inclusive future for all children.

1. Call to Order
2. Recognition of the Land Acknowledgment
3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest
4. Adoption of an Addendum (if necessary)
5. Delegation:

NA

6. Closed Session: 1. Pursuant to The Municipal Act, Section 239
Closed/In Camera Time: _____

- i) Pursuant to The Municipal Act, Section 239(2)(b), Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees
- ii) Pursuant to The Municipal Act, Section 239(2)(c), Acquisition or Disposition of land

Adjourn Closed/In Camera – Time: _____

7. Minutes of Previous Meetings: May 13, May 20, June 3, 2026
8. Statements for the Month of: May 2026
9. Staff and Committee Reports:
 - a) Arena b) Deputy Clerk/Treasurer c) Fire Department d) Recreation – Verbal e) Roads f) Health and Safety Representative



10. Old/Unfinished Business:

- a) By-Law Number 2026-1178 Fire – Being a By-law to Establish and Regulate the Johnson Township Volunteer Fire Department

11. New Business:

- a) Matthews Memorial Hospital Association – 2026 Golf Tournament supporting Dr. Recruitment.
- b) Desbarats to Echo Bay Planning Board – Official Plan – 2026 Budget Information
- c) Corporation of the Municipality of South Huron – resolution of support for the Town of Plympton-Wyoming regarding sustainable Provincial Grant Funding for Fire services in Ontario
- d) Municipality of Wawa – resolution of support for the Town of Plympton-Wyoming regarding sustainable Provincial Grant Funding for Fire Services in Ontario
- e) CAPC – Request from CAPC for permission to use the Pavilion on Wednesdays from 9:30 am to 1:00 pm and the kitchen on Wednesday July 29th, 2026 from 3 pm to 6 pm

12. Information:

- a) Ministry of Northern Economic Development and Growth – Northern Ontario Resource Development Support (NORDS) – funding program launch date June 2, 2026 and Application Deadline is July 31, 2026
- b) Town of Bruce Mines – letter regarding our respective community/recreation initiatives
- c) City of Guelph – Resolution of Request to the Province of Ontario to extend the deadline for Notices of Intention to Designate Listed Heritage Properties
- d) Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan – Resolution supporting the Regional Municipality of Windsor regarding items included in the Community Safety Well-Being Plan
- e) Regional Municipality of Waterloo – Correspondence and Resolution to the Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada regarding Bill C-9 be amended to include additional symbols of hate
- f) Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan – Supporting the Municipality of Bluewater regarding Ontario Regulation 391/21: Blue Box
- g) Municipality of Blue Water – Ontario Regulation 391/21: Blue Box addressing – request the Provincial Government amend the Regulation so that producers are responsible for the end of life management of recycling products from small businesses and not for profit organizations within the industrial, commercial and institutional sectors.



13. Meetings / Workshops:
14. General Council Discussion:
15. Closed/In Camera: (see item 6)
16. Adjournment:
 - a) By-law 2026-1179 – Being a by-law to confirm, adopt and ratify the proceedings of the meeting of Council on June 17, 2026



DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST – Municipal Conflict of Interest Act

I, Council member (print) _____, declare a potential
(deemed/direct/indirect) pecuniary interest on Council Agenda (check) _____

Committee Agenda (check) _____

Dated _____ Agenda Item Number _____

Agenda description of item _____ for the following
reason:

Signature of member of council or committee

print name

NOTE: To be recorded in a registry along with the associated Minutes and available upon request for public inspection

Definition of interests:

Indirect pecuniary interest

2 For the purposes of this Act, a member has an indirect pecuniary interest in any matter in which the council or local board, as the case may be, is concerned, if,

- (a) the member or his or her nominee,
 - (i) is a shareholder in, or a director or senior officer of, a corporation that does not offer its securities to the public,
 - (ii) has a controlling interest in or is a director or senior officer of, a corporation that offers its securities to the public, or
 - (iii) is a member of a body, that has a pecuniary interest in the matter; or
- (b) the member is a partner of a person or is in the employment of a person or body that has a pecuniary interest in the matter. R.S.O. 1990, c. M.50, s. 2.

Interest of certain persons deemed that of member

3 For the purposes of this Act, the pecuniary interest, direct or indirect, of a parent or the spouse or any child of the member shall, if known to the member, be deemed to be also the pecuniary interest of the member. R.S.O. 1990, c. M.50, s. 3; 1999, c. 6, s. 41 (2); 2005, c. 5, s. 45 (3).

Agenda Item 7Date: 2026 0617

Minutes
Special Meeting of Council
May 13th, 2026
1 Johnson Drive, Desbarats, ON
POR 1E0

The following minutes are comprised of resolutions and the Deputy Clerk's interpretation of the meeting. The meeting was called to order at 6:05 PM.

Present: R. McKinnon, K. Stobie, G. Grant, J. Kern,
 Absent with regrets: E. McKinnon
 Staff: R. Smith, D. Methot

Recognition of the Land Acknowledgment was recognized by Mayor McKinnon.

No Declaration of Pecuniary Interest was filed at this time.

Res: 2026-076 J. Kern, G. Grant

BE IT RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL call this special meeting to order at 6:05 PM.

(cd)

This meeting was called to review the 2026 budget. The following summary outlines items that impacted the 2026 Tax Rate. Line item increases are as follows:

- Taxation from 2025 new development totaled approximately \$31,400.00
- The Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund increased by \$48,700.00. There has been no increase in this grant for Johnson Township for several years.
- Computer support and services have increased by approximately \$6,000
- Professional fees increased by \$15,000.00.
- Fire Training Costs -increased by \$12,000.00 to support mandatory training
- Policing services increased by \$17,674.00
- Change in building services resulted in an increase of \$4,000.00 over last year's allocation
- Algoma Public Health Unit - \$3,149.00
- Algoma District Social Family Services - \$19,686.00

The recommended tax increase for 2026 is 1.5%.



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In addition, Council reviewed the 2026 water and sewer rates. As a part of the Water and Sewer Financial Plan, in order to keep pace with annual budget increases, repairs, and reserve contributions for future infrastructure replacement, the 2026 rate increase will be 3 %.

Therefore, for ratepayers who utilize municipal water and sewer services, the blended impact is an estimated tax and rate increase of 2.1%.

By-laws for the adoption of tax rates and water and sewer increases will be brought forward at the next meeting of Council.

Res: 2026-077 K. Stobie, J. Kern

BE IT RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL adopts By-Law 2026-1172 being a By-Law to confirm, adopt and ratify the proceedings of the meeting of Council held on May 13th, 2026.

(cd)

Res: 2026-078 G. Grant, J. Kern

BE IT RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL agree to adjourn at 7:00 PM and to meet again on May 20th, 2026 or at the call of the Mayor.

(cd)

Mayor: Reg. McKinnon

Deputy Clerk Janet Boucher

Agenda Item 7Date: 20260617

Minutes
Regular Meeting
May 20th, 2026
1 Johnson Drive, Desbarats, ON
POR 1EO

The following minutes are comprised of resolutions and the Deputy Clerk's interpretation of the meeting. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM.

Present: R. McKinnon, K. Stobie, G. Grant, J. Kern, E. McKinnon
 Staff: J. Boucher, R. Romberg, D. Methot, F. Labelle, R. Ford, G. Goertzen

Recognition of the Land Acknowledgment was given by Mayor McKinnon.

No Declaration of Pecuniary Interest was filed at this time.

Res: 2026-079 K. Stobie, G. Grant
 BE IT RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL call this regular meeting to order at 6:00 PM.
 (cd)

Stefanizzi and Associates, Mitch Marinovich, was in attendance to present the 2025 Audited Financial Statements. No areas of concerns were identified.

Res: 2026-080 G. Grant, E. McKinnon
 BE IT RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL receive and approve the 2025 Audited Financial Statements, as presented by the Township Auditor.
 (cd)

Res: 2026-081 E. McKinnon, J. Kern
 BE IT RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL adopt the Addendum to the Agenda as presented.
 (cd)

Res: 2026-082 E. McKinnon, G. Grant
 BE IT RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL adopt the minutes of the April 9th and April 29th meetings of Council as presented.
 (cd)

Res: 2026-083 G. Grant, J. Kern
 BE IT RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL adopts the Statements for the month of April 2026.
 (cd)

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Res: 2026-084 G. Grant, J. Kern

BE IT RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL adopts the Staff Report regarding the establishment of an Ad Hoc Committee of Council for the GICB Grant; And agree to appoint Mayor Reg McKinnon and Councillor Keith Stobie as Committee members representing Council.

(cd)

Res: 2026-085 G. Grant, K. Stobie

BE IT RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL adopt staff and committee reports for April 2025, as presented.

(cd)

Further to the last meeting of Council, the following three by-laws were adopted to set the tax rates for 2026 as well as the water rates for 2026.

Res: 2026-086 G. Grant, E. McKinnon

BE IT RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL adopts By-Law 2026-1173, being a by-law to provide for the adoption of the budgeted estimates, tax rates and to further provide for penalty and interest in default of payment thereof for the year 2026.

(cd)

Res: 2026-087 K. Stobie, E. McKinnon

BE IT RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL adopts By-Law No. 2026-1174, being a by-law to impose water rates upon owners or occupants of land who use water works owned and operated by the Corporation of the Township of Johnson.

(cd)

Res: 2026-088 G. Grant, J. Kern

Be IT RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL adopts By-Law No. 2026-1175, being a by-law to impose sewer rates upon owners and occupants of land who use sewer works, owned and operated by the Corporation of the Township of Johnson.

(cd)

Res: 2026-089 G. Grant, E. McKinnon

BE IT RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL receives and supports the financial request from the Dr. Harold S. Trefry Memorial Centre, for assistance in the operation of its 2026 programs and services.

(cd)

Agenda Item 7Date: 20260617

Res: 2026-090 K. Stobie, J. Kern

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF JOHNSON does hereby declare the development and review of a Community Safety and Well-Being Plan to be a priority of the Municipality;

AND THAT Council directs staff to oversee the process for the development of the plan and to report back to council with a final draft for consideration and adoption;

AND THAT Council authorizes the use of the municipal website and/or direct mail communications to engage residents, conduct surveys, and collect data to identify local risks and priorities;

AND FURTHER THAT Council support continued collaboration with neighbouring municipalities in the review and update of the community Safety and Well-being Plan known as the Central Algoma Community Safety and Well-being Plan (CACSWB).

(cd)

Res: 2026-091 J. Kern. E. McKinnon

BE IT RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL approve a donation to the Central Algoma Secondary School Grade 12 Graduation in the amount of \$400.00, and approve a donation to the Central Algoma Intermediate School Graduation in the amount of \$100.00.

(cd)

Res: 2026-092 E. McKinnon, J. Kern

BE IT RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL approves the drawings by Tal-Vt Architect Inc. as amended for the renovations and upgrades to the washrooms and change rooms at the Johnson Township Community Centre.

(cd)

Res: 2026-093 J. Kern, G. Grant

WHEREAS The Corporation of the Township of Johnson has been successful in obtaining funding through the Green and Inclusive Community Buildings Program funding initiative;

AND WHEREAS Council authorizes the Mayor and Clerk, or their designates, to enter into and fulfill the Contribution Agreement for the Johnson Township Community Centre Green Efficiency Updates Project;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council, as the Recipient, represents and warrants to Canada that it has the capacity and authority to enter into and execute the Contribution Agreement.

(cd)

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Res: 2026-094 E. McKinnon, J. Kern

BE IT RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL accepts the Ice Making Plant Upgrade – Tender Number 026-01 submitted by Nor-Therm Refrigeration Ltd. for the sum of \$389,750.00, excluding HST.

(cd)

Res: 2026-095 J. Kern, G. Grant

BE IT RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL adopts By-Law 2026-1176 being a By-Law to confirm, adopt and ratify the proceedings of the meeting of Council held on May 20, 2026.

(cd)

Res: 2026-096 E. McKinnon, G. Grant

BE IT RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL agree to adjourn at 8:00 PM and meet again on June 17, 2026 or at the call of the Mayor.

(cd)

Mayor Reg. McKinnon

Deputy Clerk Janet Boucher



Agenda Item 7
Date: 20260617

Minutes
Special Meeting
June 3, 2026
1 Johnson Drive, Desbarats, ON
POR 1E0

The following minutes are comprised of resolutions and the Deputy Clerk's interpretation of the meeting. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM.

Present: R. McKinnon, K. Stobie, G. Grant, J. Kern, E. McKinnon
Staff: J. Boucher

Res: 2026-097 G. Grant, K. Stobie
BE IT RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL call this special meeting of Council to order at 6:00 PM.
(cd)

Recognition of the Land Acknowledgment was given by Mayor McKinnon.

No Declaration of Pecuniary Interest was filed at this time.

Res: 2026-098 J. Kern, G. Grant
BE IT RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL adopt the Agenda as presented.
(cd)

Council passed the following resolution to go into closed session to address matters as noted in the resolution.

Res: 2026-099 E. McKinnon, G. Grant
WHEREAS the Municipal Act, S.O. 2001 CH. 25, as amended, Section 239(2), permits Closed Meetings, therefore, be it resolved that Council proceeds in Closed Session at 6:04 PM in order to address a matter pertaining to:
Personal Matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees, and,
Labour relations or employee negotiations.
(cd)

Res: 2026-100 J. Kern, G. Grant
BE IT RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL return to open meeting at 6:55 PM.
(cd)

Agenda Item 7Date: 20260617

Res: 2026-101 G. Grant, K. Stobie

BE IT RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL adopt the report from Ironside Consulting regarding the ongoing employment-related process, including next steps and Council's role moving forward.
(cd)

Council discussed the Official Plan and the proposed public meeting schedule. The updated Official Plan has been revised in response to municipal and Ministry comments. A public meeting is tentatively scheduled for June 23, 2026, subject to confirmation of the availability of JL Richards, the Planning Board consultant.

Two sessions are planned: one in Echo Bay and one in Johnson Township. Upon confirmation of the consultant's availability, the meetings will be formally advertised.

Res: 2026-102 J. Kern, K. Stobie

BE IT RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL adopts By-Law 2026-1177 being a By-Law to confirm, adopt and ratify the proceedings of the meeting of Council held on June 3, 2026.
(cd)

Res: 2026-103 E. McKinnon, J. Kern

BE IT RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL agree to adjourn at 7:05 PM and meet again on June 17, 2026 or at the call of the Mayor.
(cd)

Mayor Reg McKinnon

Deputy Clerk Janet Boucher

Corp. of the Township of Johnson

Bank Account Transactions Report 05/01/2026 to 05/31/2026

Date: 20260617

Date	Comment	Amount
05/01/2026	QB-241644, Northern Rural Net Inc.	\$ 90.39
05/02/2026	Esso Country Store	\$ 939.81
05/02/2026	The Shop of Bruce Mines	\$ 430.48
05/01/2026	20310, Algoma District Services Administration Board	\$ 28,956.21
05/02/2026	Dumanski Office Interiors	\$ 430.85
05/02/2026	AlgomaTechnology Services	\$ 3,510.77
05/02/2026	ANP Office Supply	\$ 589.99
05/02/2026	Karhi Contracting	\$ 2,421.02
05/02/2026	Doug Smith	\$ 1,186.50
05/02/2026	MSR Tire Ltd.	\$ 2,692.23
05/02/2026	Minister of Finance OPP	\$ 14,691.00
05/02/2026	Sault Area Hospital	\$ 1,385.09
05/02/2026	Jesse H. Martin	\$ 546.92
05/02/2026	2025.2026don, The Chaplain's Platoon	\$ 150.00
05/03/2026	The Plumbers	\$ 399.34
05/04/2026	Payroll /Exp.#06.01	\$ 21,034.16
05/04/2026	Karhi Contracting	\$ 2,374.65
05/04/2026	Kent't Corner Rentals	\$ 339.00
05/04/2026	ANP Office Supply	\$ 73.39
05/04/2026	250508, TAL VT Architect Inc.	\$ 4,974.83
05/05/2026	Esso Country Store	\$ 185.82
05/05/2026	2026.04OMERS, OMERS	\$ 9,692.76
05/05/2026	2026.04SD, Receiver General for Canada	\$ 18,155.43
05/06/2026	424866, Investigative Solutions Network Inc	\$ 6,532.40
05/01/2026	80306166, Air Liquide Canada Inc	\$ 318.04
05/11/2026	RBC-RDS-9541	\$ 15.07
05/07/2026	RBC-JM-2776	\$ 2,530.07
05/07/2026	RBC-FL-9293	\$ 559.24
05/07/2026	RBC-PT-0463	\$ 1,223.81
05/16/2026	2026.06Group, Equitable Life of Canada	\$ 7,956.46
05/16/2026	Brandt Tractor Ltd	\$ 7,989.23
05/13/2026	2656, Jennifer Grexton	\$ 271.20
05/04/2026	X014414671260504, Bell Canada	\$ 499.33
05/01/2026	2963959, TK Elevator (Canada) Limited	\$ 248.60
05/16/2026	Fire Marshal's Public Fire Safety Council	\$ 888.78
05/04/2026	75372, Boreal Solutions	\$ 42.84
05/14/2026	618, Stellar Duct Cleaning Ltd.	\$ 1,610.25
05/14/2026	128388, Algoma Office Equipment	\$ 539.34
05/11/2026	18774, PUC Services Inc.	\$ 9,231.03
05/15/2026	150855, White's Wearparts Ltd.	\$ 8,572.54

Corp. of the Township of Johnson
Bank Account Transactions Report 05/01/2026 to 05/31/2026

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Date	Comment	Amount
05/19/2026	FOSTERS FRESHMART	\$ 10.72
05/16/2026	Council Hon. #2026.05	\$ 3,307.36
05/13/2026	x001277723260513, Bell Canada	\$ 230.48
05/19/2026	Payroll/Exp. #06.02	\$ 23,602.46
05/19/2026	17E Trading Post	\$ 538.00
05/22/2026	2026.05.22Fire-WH, Reliance Home Comfort	\$ 42.94
05/24/2026	MSR Tire Ltd.	\$ 1,575.22
05/24/2026	Gardiner Marine Ltd	\$ 1,039.60
05/12/2026	r14120316, SMC Monitoring	\$ 57.80
05/15/2026	2111830454, Algoma Power Inc	\$ 123.68
05/15/2026	2111830415, Algoma Power Inc	\$ 762.74
05/15/2026	301354943-WTP, Algoma Power Inc	\$ 2,275.95
05/15/2026	2111830068, Algoma Power Inc	\$ 384.72
05/15/2026	2111830114, Algoma Power Inc	\$ 1,111.78
05/15/2026	2111830115, Algoma Power Inc	\$ 126.41
05/15/2026	R14031866, SMC Monitoring	\$ 67.80
05/19/2026	Heritage Home Hardware	\$ 320.77
05/19/2026	Bell Mobility	\$ 113.84
05/25/2026	Co-operative Regionale De Nippissin	\$ 4,921.48
05/07/2026	onsau291350, Fastenal Industrial & Construction Supplies	\$ 434.46
05/18/2026	239380, Huron Central Railway Inc.	\$ 2,193.00
05/27/2026	18648 APRIL, PUC Services Inc.	\$ 9,231.03
05/12/2026	R14120317 - ADMIN, SMC Monitoring	\$ 67.80
05/19/2026	10662, Desbarats Country Produce	\$ 90.40
05/19/2026	383, Josiah S. Weber	\$ 50.00
05/31/2026	250509, TAL VT Architect Inc.	\$ 3,293.66
05/19/2026	10893, Desbarats Country Produce	\$ 15.26
05/28/2026	860088, Hicks Morley	\$ 2,539.68
05/12/2026	2667, IJES	\$ 326.84
05/31/2026	2026EMULSION, Township of Tarbutt	\$ 3,953.25
05/31/2026	2026.05-prorated, Township of Plummer Additional	\$ 1,482.81
05/29/2026	102923, Ironside Consulting Inc.	\$ 1,288.20
05/25/2026	1218, Northern Patio Design	\$ 1,354.50
05/25/2026	1217, Northern Patio Design	\$ 3,663.00
05/25/2026	2026.05.25-ft, Thomas Irvine	\$ 738.00
05/27/2026	2026.electionad, Township of Tarbutt	\$ 39.11
05/25/2026	2026.05.25 fire, Enbridge Gas Inc	\$ 184.79
05/25/2026	2026.05.25 - arenda, Enbridge Gas Inc	\$ 432.91
05/25/2026	2026.05.25-office, Enbridge Gas Inc	\$ 92.83
05/25/2026	2026.05.25 GLH, Enbridge Gas Inc	\$ 140.20

Corp. of the Township of Johnson
Bank Account Transactions Report 05/01/2026 to 05/31/2026

Agenda Item 8
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Date	Comment	Amount
05/25/2026	34960, Nor-Therm Ltd	\$ 627.27
05/19/2026	Kent't Corner Rentals	\$ 2,203.50
05/19/2026	McClelland's Hardware	\$ 61.28
05/25/2026	x014430490260525, Bell Canada	\$ 27.92
05/25/2026	X014444230260525, Bell Canada	\$ 21.95
05/25/2026	X014513231260525, Bell Canada	\$ 245.77
05/25/2026	X014429556260525, Bell Canada	\$ 310.64
05/25/2026	30135619, Algoma Power Inc	\$ 2,202.84
05/25/2026	301356360, Algoma Power Inc	\$ 211.52
05/01/2026	QB-242994, Northern Rural Net Inc.	\$ 90.39
05/29/2026	026.01 Draw 1, Nor-Therm Ltd	\$ 44,041.75
	Total May Bank Transactions	\$ 286,549.18



Agenda Item 9a
Date: 2026 06 17

Johnson Township Community Centre

Denise Methot: Facility Manager

705-782-6723

arena@johnsontownship.ca

June 17, 2026

JTCC Facility Report to Council

MAY/JUNE items:

- Canteen finished with new countertops. Looks good. Canteen people appreciated it. Roll up door has been ordered and will be installed when we can work it in, the plan is to close the second opening and put shelves on that wall.
- Generator hookup has been moved until the first week of July. All their components to install were put into the Zamboni room so as Farmers Market could have the shed back.
- We have rented a porta potty for baseball, sport court and soccer. Just have to keep a daily check on it. Would like to see an outhouse installed someday centrally located between all points of activities.
- Grass cutting has begun and so has flower planting at the arena, docks and downtown.
- Elevator door and components have been ordered to update. I did call another company from the Soo for a second quote but have had no response. As it is the company we deal with are from Sudbury.

Denise Methot

Facility Manager



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Agenda Item 9b
Date: 2026 06 17

June 17, 2026 Meeting of Council
Deputy Clerk and Treasury Department
Report to Council – May/June Items:

Deputy Clerk Report:

- An updated fire operating bylaw is presented in this agenda for Council consideration and has been reviewed and supported by the Fire Chief.
- Office staff attended a training session with the new CBO on June 3 to talk about streamlined processes, best practices for building application submission and addressed several questions about permit formats/drawings to be provided and recommended changes to ensure timely processing of building permit.
- Included in this month's package is a High Water Consumption Policy for Council consideration. Though the circumstance of high use does not arise often, having a clear and concise policy to address the situation would be helpful to staff. It would also provide a process for ratepayers who find themselves in a situation of having a water equipment failure a mechanism to address the situation in a fair and equitable manner.
- Confirmation was received that the NORD's grant has been extended for 5 more years and estimated to be the same allocation as in prior years – Approximately \$60,000 annually. Project must be impacted by resource development and farming. The Road Superintendent is putting together some numbers for redoing Government Road. This grant application needs to be submitted by the end of July, 2026 for the first year. Given this is a multiyear fund, one project can be considered or multiple projects. Depending on the estimated cost of the Government Road project, other roads may be considered.
- Further to a discussion with the Fire Chief, who may be able to attend, he has asked that the following two appointments be done by resolution. A) Mikey Brisson – Interim Assistant Fire Chief B) Thomas Irvine – Fire Captain
- Correspondence Item 11.a – Matthew's Memorial Hospital Association – Golf Tournament supporting Doctor Recruitment. This matter was reviewed with Recreation staff, and with Council approval, staff recommend providing two (2) hour donation of ice time for the upcoming season.
- Resolutions for Council will be included under separate cover.



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Agenda Item 96

Date: 20260617

Treasurer's Report:

- Monthly remittances completed including Receiver General, OMERS and other bill payments
- A May Budget to Actual will be included under separate cover. A Bi-annual Summary will be provided as a part of the next Treasurer's Report (January to June)

Respectfully submitted,

Janet Boucher, Treasurer/Deputy Clerk
Township of Johnson



Agenda Item 96
Date: 20260617

Staff Report to Council

Date: 2026 06 17

Prepared by: J. Boucher, Deputy Clerk

Subject: Establishment of High Water Consumption Credit Policy

Recommendation:

THAT Council adopt a High Water Consumption Credit Policy to establish a consistent, equitable, and transparent process for addressing requests for relief resulting from unusually high water consumption caused by leaks, equipment failure or other unforeseen circumstances.

Purpose:

To obtain Council approval of a High Water Consumption Credit Policy that provides a formal framework for reviewing and responding to requests for relief associated with exceptionally high water consumption

Discussion:

From time to time, the Municipality receives requests for relief from water charges resulting from unusually high water consumption caused by leaks, plumbing failures, malfunctioning equipment, or other unforeseen circumstances occurring on private property. Historically, these situations have been addressed on a case-by-case basis, as no formal policy currently exists to guide the review process.

The Municipality's monthly water billing process helps identify unusually high water consumption early. As a result, situations involving significant water loss are not common, and it is expected that requests for relief under this policy will occur only occasionally.

The proposed policy establishes a clear and consistent approach for both customers and staff when addressing high water consumption situations. Specifically, the policy will:

- Provide a fair, consistent, and transparent process for evaluating requests for relief;
- Establish clear eligibility criteria and thresholds for consideration;
- Ensure equitable treatment of customers experiencing similar circumstances;
- Reduce the administrative and operational resources required to investigate and assess requests;
- Provide limited financial relief in situations involving significant and unforeseen water losses;
- Balance the provision of customer relief with the Municipality's responsibility to recover the costs associated with treating and delivering water services; and



- Encourage responsible water management by promoting the timely repair and replacement of faulty infrastructure and equipment.

The adoption of a formal policy will provide greater clarity for residents, businesses, Council, and staff while ensuring that decisions are made in a consistent and accountable manner.

Financial Impact

The implementation of a High Water Consumption Credit Policy may result in reduced water billing revenues in cases where credits are approved. The overall financial impact is expected to be minimal but cannot be accurately quantified at this time, as it will depend on the number and nature of future applications received. Any credits granted under the policy would be subject to the eligibility requirements and limitations established therein.

Conclusion

The proposed High Water Consumption Credit Policy provides a fair, transparent, and consistent framework for addressing requests arising from exceptional water consumption events. Adoption of the policy will support equitable decision-making, improve administrative efficiency, and provide clear guidance to both customers and staff when such situations occur.



High Water Consumption Credit Policy – Summary for Council

Purpose:

To provide a fair, consistent, and transparent process for granting relief from unusually high water bills caused by unforeseen events such as leaks, plumbing failures, or equipment malfunctions.

Scope:

Applies to all water accounts (residential, commercial, institutional, industrial) in the Municipality. Only applies to abnormal water consumption, not normal use or negligence.

Key Details

Item	Policy Provision
Eligibility	- Verified leak, plumbing failure, or equipment malfunction - Issue repaired and proof provided - Application submitted within 6 months of billing - Account in good standing
Ineligible Situations	Swimming pools, irrigation, construction, known unrepaired leaks, estimated bills corrected later, repeated occurrences
Credit Calculation	75% of water charges above normal consumption (based on previous 3 billing periods)
Maximum Credit	\$1,000 per property
Frequency	Once every 2 years per property
Applies To	Water charges only
Administration	Treasurer or designate reviews applications; decisions within policy limits are final; requests exceeding limits referred to Council

Objectives:

- Ensure consistent and equitable treatment of customers
- Encourage timely repair of water system failures
- Promote responsible water use
- Reduce administrative burden for staff

Recommendation:

Council adopt the High Water Consumption Credit Policy as presented to provide clarity, fairness, and accountability in responding to exceptional water consumption events.



High Water Consumption Credit Policy

1. Purpose

The purpose of this Policy is to establish a fair, consistent, and transparent process for reviewing requests for relief from unusually high water bills resulting from unforeseen water consumption events such as leaks, equipment failures, or plumbing malfunctions.

This Policy balances customer assistance with the Municipality's responsibility to recover the costs associated with providing water services.

2. Objectives

The objectives of this Policy are to:

- Provide a consistent framework for evaluating requests for high water consumption credits;
- Ensure equitable treatment of all customers;
- Establish clear eligibility requirements and limitations;
- Encourage timely detection and repair of water system failures;
- Promote responsible water use and stewardship; and
- Reduce the administrative burden associated with reviewing exceptional water consumption situations.

3. Scope

This Policy applies to all residential, commercial, institutional, and industrial water accounts serviced by the Municipality.

It applies only to unusually high water consumption resulting from an unforeseen event and does not apply to increased consumption resulting from normal usage, negligence, or intentional activities.

4. Definitions

Applicant – The registered owner of the property or the account holder responsible for payment of the water account.

High Water Consumption Event – An abnormal and unintended increase in water consumption caused by a leak, plumbing failure, malfunctioning equipment, or other unforeseen circumstance.

Normal Consumption – The average water consumption for the property based on historical usage, as determined by the Municipality.



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Credit – A reduction applied to a water account in accordance with this Policy.

5. Eligibility Requirements

An application for a High Water Consumption Credit may be considered where all of the following conditions are met:

- a) The increased consumption resulted from a verified leak, plumbing failure, equipment malfunction, or other unforeseen event;
- b) The cause of the excessive consumption has been repaired or corrected;
- c) Proof of repair is provided to the Municipality (e.g., invoices, receipts, photographs, contractor reports);
- d) The applicant submits a completed application within six (6) months of the billing date on which the excessive consumption occurred;
- e) The water account is in good standing or satisfactory payment arrangements have been made; and
- f) The excessive consumption was not caused by negligence, willful damage, failure to act after becoming aware of the issue, or unauthorized use of water.

6. Ineligible Situations

Credits will not be provided for:

- Swimming pool filling or topping up;
- Lawn, garden, or landscape irrigation;
- Seasonal or temporary increases in water use;
- Water used for construction purposes;
- Failure to repair a known leak in a timely manner;
- Estimated bills subsequently corrected by an actual meter reading;
- Meter or billing errors, which will be addressed separately; or
- Repeated occurrences resulting from the same unresolved issue.

7. Maximum Credit

Where an application is approved, the Municipality may provide a credit calculated as follows:

1. Normal Consumption shall be determined using the average consumption from the previous three comparable billing periods, where available.
2. The customer shall remain responsible for paying charges associated with Normal Consumption.
3. A credit may be applied to 75% of the portion of water consumption exceeding Normal Consumption.
4. The maximum credit shall be \$1,000 per property.
5. A property shall be eligible for a High Water Consumption Credit once every two (2) years.

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6. This credit applies to water charges only and does not apply to wastewater or other municipal charges.
7. Any credit will be calculated using the rates that were in effect at the time of the high consumption

8. Administration

The Treasurer or designate shall be responsible for administering this Policy and reviewing applications.

The Municipality may request additional information or conduct an investigation to verify the circumstances of the claim.

Decisions of the Treasurer or designate shall be final for credits within the limits established by this Policy.

Requests exceeding the maximum credit established by this Policy shall be referred to Council for consideration.

9. Effective Date

This Policy shall come into effect on the date of adoption by Council and may be amended from time to time by resolution of Council.

Johnson Township Fire Dept.

- Report to Council - 6/17/26

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- 1) The certification requirements for core services will begin July 1, 2026 and technical rescue certs will have until 2028 (rope rescue / water / etc.).
- 2) The updating of the E&R by-law will be an important step moving forward that will define the level of training / certification required by firefighters.
 - a. Key elements of the by-law will clarify the role(s) of the fire department and Council will have to decide what services at what levels will the fire department provide.
 - b. Fire departments have increasingly become the first responders to a multitude of incidents that may not be "fire" related. Key to the decision-making process is the fact that the more we do, the more training / certification that will be required.
 - i. The role(s) and the limitations of service need to be communicated to ratepayers to ensure their expectations regarding the services are clearly understood.
 1. Interior versus exterior service
 2. Time to respond
 3. Limited service when no responders are available.
- 3) In an effort to initiate a transition of leadership the following recommendations are being suggested.
 - a. Accept the following three people as JTFD crew members:
 - i. Samantha Dufault
 - ii. Chris Fenema
 - iii. Wilson Fremlin
 - b. Promote Thomas Irvine from Lieutenant to Captain
 - i. excellent skills on the fireground or hwy incident
 - ii. demonstrates good leadership intuition.
 - c. Promote Mike Brisson to Interim Assistant Chief.
 - i. Mike has demonstrated significant commitment the fire service by attending the Ontario Fire Academy and is certified FF1 & FF2.
 1. Mike has agreed to accept the role on an interim basis.
- 4) I would like to Thank the crew members who responded to the major collision early in May. The incident was a full day spent on the hwy, in less than ideal conditions – rain, snow and cold.

Johnson Township Fire Dept.

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Incidents such as JT26-012 have an impact on each one that was there especially since there was a loss of life involved.

- 5) During the time writing this report another call was received at approximately 2 am; the crew spent their early morning hours fighting a structure fire before many had to “get up” for work a short time later. The level of dedication required to be on the fire team needs to be noted for both Johnson & Bruce Mines fire teams.
 - a. Worthy of note that our people responded to 3 structure fires within a 30 hour window! One cannot anticipate when calls for service will come in. This makes staffing a small crew extremely difficult as people want to take time away with family.



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- Monthly checks continuing
- Working alone policy completed
- All departments complying
- Gordon lake hall keys provided for grass cutting employees and roads dept.

Rob Romberg

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**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF
JOHNSON
BY-LAW 2026-1178**

**BEING A BY-LAW TO ESTABLISH AND REGULATE THE
JOHNSON TOWNSHIP VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT AND
TO REPEAL BY-LAW 2002-408**

WHEREAS the Fire Protection and Prevention Act, 1997, S.O. 1997, c. 4, as amended (the "FPPA"), requires every municipality to establish a program in the municipality which must include public education with respect to fire safety and certain components of fire prevention, and to provide such other fire protection services as it determines may be necessary in accordance with its needs and circumstances;

AND WHEREAS Section 5 of the FPPA provides that the council of a municipality may establish, maintain and operate a fire department for all or any part of the municipality;

AND WHEREAS the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25, as amended, provides that a municipality has the capacity, rights, powers and privileges of a natural person for the purpose of exercising its authority;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Johnson deems it necessary and expedient to establish and regulate a volunteer fire department to provide fire protection services within the Township of Johnson;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Johnson enacts as follows:

1. DEFINITIONS

1.1 "Approved" means approved by Council.

1.2 "Automatic Aid" means an agreement under which a municipality agrees to provide an initial or supplemental response to fires, rescues or emergencies in another municipality where resources allow for a more effective response.

1.3 "Chief Administrative Officer" or "CAO" means the person appointed by Council to act as the Chief Administrative Officer of the Corporation.

1.4 "Core Services" means the Fire Protection Services authorized by Council and identified in Schedule "A".

1.5 "Corporation" means the Corporation of the Township of Johnson.

1.6 "Council" means the Council of the Township of Johnson.

1.7 "Deputy Fire Chief" means the person appointed to act in the absence of the Fire Chief.

1.8 "Fire Chief" means the person appointed by Council pursuant to the Fire Protection and Prevention Act, 1997, and who is responsible to Council through the CAO for the administration and operation of the Fire Department.

1.9 "Fire Department" means the Johnson Township Volunteer Fire Department established by this By-law.



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1.10 "Firefighter" means the Fire Chief, Deputy Fire Chief, Officers and all other members appointed to provide Fire Protection Services.

1.11 "Fire Protection Services" includes fire suppression, fire prevention, public fire safety education, rescue services, emergency response, communications, training and all activities related to the delivery of fire protection.

1.12 "Limited Services" means a variation or limitation of one or more Core Services resulting from operational circumstances, staffing levels, weather conditions, equipment availability, accessibility issues or other circumstances affecting service delivery.

1.13 "Medical Response" means emergency first aid, cardiopulmonary resuscitation, or other approved medical assistance provided in accordance with approved agreements and training.

1.14 "Mutual Aid" means a program under which participating fire departments provide assistance to one another during emergencies when local resources are insufficient.

1.15 "Officer" means a Firefighter appointed to a supervisory or management position within the Fire Department.

1.16 "Volunteer Firefighter" means a Firefighter who provides services on a volunteer basis and receives honoraria, reimbursement of expenses or other compensation approved by Council.

1.17 "Fire Administration Consultant" means an individual retained by the Corporation on a contractual basis to provide administrative, operational, technical, training or strategic advisory services to the Fire Department.

2. ESTABLISHMENT

2.1 The Johnson Township Volunteer Fire Department is hereby established.

2.2 The Fire Department shall consist of a Fire Chief appointed by Council pursuant to the Fire Protection and Prevention Act, 1997, a Deputy Fire Chief, such number of Officers and Volunteer Firefighters as may be determined necessary by the Fire Chief and approved through the Corporation's budgetary and staffing processes, and such administrative support personnel as may be authorized by Council.

2.3 The goals of the Fire Department are to provide effective and efficient fire suppression, rescue, fire prevention, public education and emergency response services appropriate to the Township's needs and circumstances.

3. ORGANIZATION

3.1 The organizational structure of the Fire Department shall be as set out in Schedule "B", as amended from time to time by Council.

3.2 Appointments to the Fire Department shall be made in accordance with applicable municipal policies and procedures.

4. CORE SERVICES AND LIMITED SERVICES

4.1 The Fire Department shall provide the Core Services identified in Schedule "A".

4.2 Limited Services may be provided in consideration of the Fire Department's reliance upon Volunteer Firefighters whose availability cannot be guaranteed at all times, limited water supply, adverse weather conditions, topographical and geographical constraints,



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unposted municipal addresses, concurrent emergency incidents, failure of property owners to maintain access routes, delays in obtaining specialized equipment, or other extraordinary circumstances that may affect the delivery of Fire Protection Services.

4.2.1 Any Core Service identified in Schedule "A" may be delivered as a Limited Service where operational conditions reasonably require, as determined by the Fire Chief, designate, or Officer in Charge.

4.3 Emergency responses to properties accessed by private roads, private lanes or private driveways may be limited by:

4.3.1 The ability of the road, lane or driveway to safely accommodate fire apparatus and equipment; and

4.3.2 The failure of the owner or occupant to maintain the road, lane or driveway in a condition suitable for emergency vehicle access.

4.4 The provision of Fire Protection Services is subject to operational circumstances, available personnel, equipment availability, weather conditions, road and access conditions, training levels, available resources and other factors that may reasonably affect emergency response capabilities.

4.4.1 Nothing in this By-law shall be interpreted as creating a duty or obligation upon the Corporation to provide any particular level of Fire Protection Services in every circumstance. The delivery of Fire Protection Services shall be subject to the operational limitations and circumstances existing at the time of the incident.

5. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE FIRE CHIEF

5.1 The Fire Chief shall be responsible to Council through the CAO for the administration and operation of the Fire Department.

5.1.1 Implementing policies and Standard Operating Guidelines.

5.1.2 Managing the Department's budget, equipment, facilities and resources.

5.1.3 Overseeing recruitment, training, performance and discipline of Fire Department personnel.

5.1.4 Administering and enforcing applicable provisions of the Fire Protection and Prevention Act, 1997 and the Ontario Fire Code, including conducting inspections and coordinating investigations with the Office of the Fire Marshal and other appropriate agencies where required.

5.1.5 Negotiating, coordinating and recommending Mutual Aid and Automatic Aid agreements for consideration and approval by Council.

5.1.6 Reporting to Council regarding Fire Department operations and activities.

5.2 The Fire Chief shall possess all powers and authority granted under the Fire Protection and Prevention Act, 1997.

5.3 In the absence of the Fire Chief, the Deputy Fire Chief or designate shall assume the duties and authority of the Fire Chief.

5.4 The Fire Chief may establish and amend Standard Operating Guidelines, administrative procedures, training requirements and operational directives necessary for the safe and effective operation of the Fire Department.



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6. FIRE SUPPRESSION AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE

6.1 The Fire Department shall respond to emergencies in accordance with this By-law, approved service levels and departmental Standard Operating Guidelines.

6.2 The Fire Department shall provide and maintain appropriate personal protective equipment, tools, apparatus and equipment necessary for Firefighters to safely perform authorized services, subject to Council-approved budgets.

6.2.1 The Fire Department shall maintain an inventory and tracking system for personal protective equipment.

6.2.2 Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus equipment shall be provided and maintained where required for approved operational services.

6.3 The Fire Department shall provide training programs appropriate to the duties assigned to Firefighters and Officers.

6.3.1 Training may be delivered through online instruction, local practical training, regional training opportunities, recognized training institutions or approved external providers.

6.3.2 Newly appointed members shall obtain required qualifications applicable to their assigned duties within twenty-four (24) months of appointment unless otherwise authorized by the Fire Chief.

6.3.3 Training records shall be maintained by the Fire Department.

6.3.4 The Fire Chief may establish additional training, certification and competency requirements as necessary.

7. FIRE PREVENTION AND PUBLIC EDUCATION

7.1 The Fire Department shall conduct fire prevention, inspection, code enforcement and public education activities appropriate to the needs of the municipality.

7.2 Property owners and occupants shall comply with applicable fire safety requirements established by legislation, regulations and municipal by-laws.

8. MUTUAL AID AND AGREEMENTS

8.1 The Fire Chief may negotiate and recommend Mutual Aid Agreements, Automatic Aid Agreements and service agreements with neighbouring municipalities, First Nations, provincial agencies and other organizations for Council approval.

9. BUDGET AND REMUNERATION

9.1 The Fire Chief shall prepare annual budget estimates for Council consideration.

9.2 Volunteer Firefighters shall receive honoraria, expense reimbursements and compensation as established by Council.

10. GENERAL PROVISIONS

10.1 No person shall damage, interfere with or misuse Fire Department property, apparatus, equipment or facilities.



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10.2 All members of the Fire Department shall comply with applicable legislation, municipal policies, Standard Operating Guidelines, health and safety requirements, codes of conduct and training requirements.

10.3 The Fire Department shall operate in accordance with the Occupational Health and Safety Act, the Fire Protection and Prevention Act, 1997 and all other applicable legislation.

11. REPEAL

11.1 By-law 2002-408 and all amendments thereto are hereby repealed.

12. EFFECTIVE DATE

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

READ A FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD TIME AND FINALLY PASSED THIS 17TH DAY OF JUNE, 2026.

Reg McKinnon, Mayor _____

Janet Boucher, Deputy Clerk _____



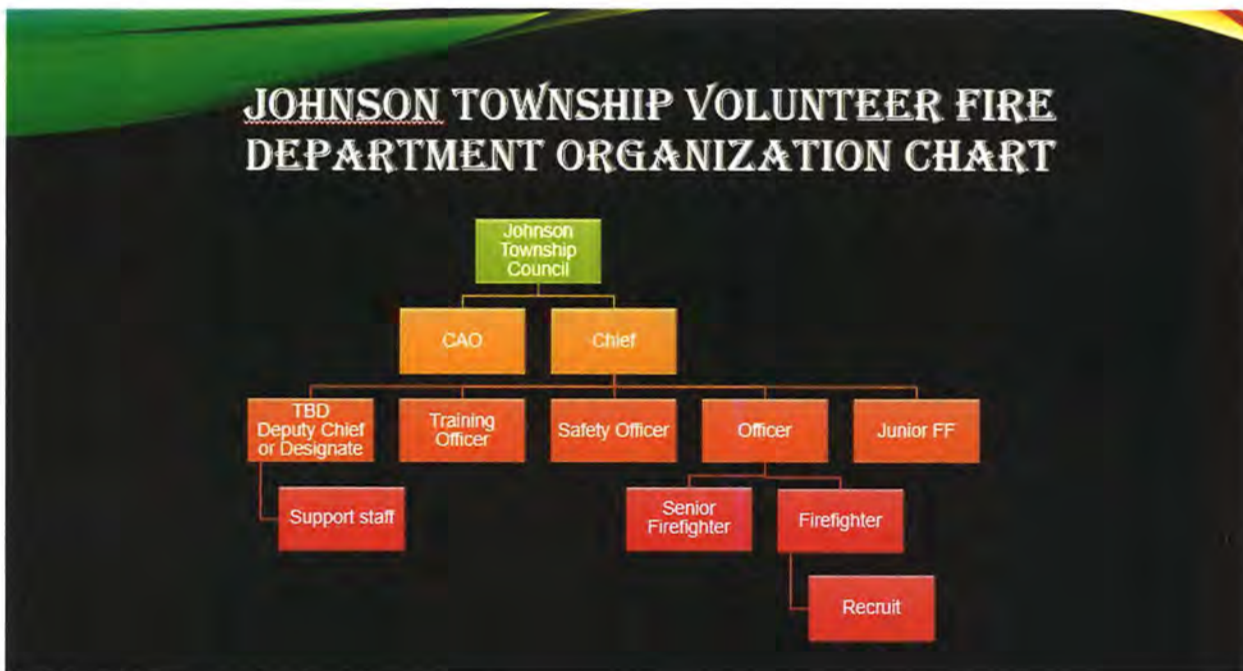
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SCHEDULE "A" – CORE SERVICES

The Johnson Township Volunteer Fire Department is authorized to provide the following services subject to available staffing, equipment, training, environmental conditions and operational circumstances:

- Exterior fire suppression involving structures, vehicles, grass, brush and wildland fires.
- Limited interior structural firefighting where personnel qualifications, staffing levels, equipment and departmental policies permit.
- Motor vehicle collision response and vehicle stabilization and extrication where trained personnel and equipment are available.
- Shore-based water rescue and ice rescue operations within the limits of departmental training and equipment.
- Wilderness and remote area response support where reasonably practicable.
- Hazardous materials response at the awareness and defensive operations level.
- Fire prevention inspections and public fire safety education programs.
- Enforcement activities authorized under the Fire Protection and Prevention Act, 1997 and the Ontario Fire Code.
- Mutual Aid and Automatic Aid responses as authorized through approved agreements.
- Emergency support services and such other Fire Protection Services as may be approved by Council from time to time.

SCHEDULE "B" – ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



Matthews Memorial Hospital Association

MMHA

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June 5, 2026

Dear Friends of Matthews Memorial Hospital Association

On August 16, 2026, MMHA will be holding its biggest fundraiser of the year – the annual Golf Tournament. This year's event will be held at the Silver Creek Golf Course in Garden River.

All proceeds raised by this event go towards Doctor Recruitment (we are responsible for offering financial incentives to encourage doctors to relocate to St. Joseph Island), Doctor retention (ongoing incentives over 3 – 5 years from signing the contract), and the upkeep of and upgrades to the Bridgelink Medical Centre building and grounds.

We are asking for your support. You can sponsor this event with a financial or prize donation. Donations of \$150 - \$500 are Silver Sponsors, \$500 - \$999 are Gold Sponsors and \$1000 and over are Platinum Sponsors.

In recognition of your donation, your name is placed on a sign that is displayed on the Island up until Tournament date, and then it is moved to the Golf Course. Each sponsor gets a sign. As well, your name appears on the Tournament brochure for all golfers to see, and on a list of sponsors that is placed in the Island Clippings after the event. Prize donations such as Gift Certificates, memorabilia advertising your business, or any donated article, are also recognized.

If you wish to be a sponsor, donate a prize, or have questions, please contact me:

Email: julieCgardiner@gmail.com

Respectfully yours
Matthews Memorial Hospital Association

Marlee Hopkins
Chair

DESBARATS to ECHO BAY PLANNING BOARD

Agenda Item 11bMay 26th 2026

Regular Meeting

Date: 2026 06 17

Present: Lennie Smith, Deputy Chair, Terence Graham, Shelly Bailey, Todd Rydall, Reg McKinnon, Jason Koivisto
 Staff: Jared Brice, Jean Palmer
 Visitors: List Attached
 No conflict of interest was declared at this time.

The following minutes are comprised of resolutions and the Secretary-Treasurer's interpretation of the meeting.

Res.: 24-2026 Shelly Bailey, Terence Graham

Be it resolved that the Board opens their regular meeting at 7:05 p.m. (cd)

Res.: 25-2026 Terence Graham, Shelly Bailey

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD accepts the Minutes of March 24th 2026 as presented. (cd)

Res.: 26-2026 Todd Rydall, Reg McKinnon

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD agrees to enter into a 12 month contract with a 6 month trial period with Danielle Waters as their new Planner with the option of extending the contract after examining all RFP's #2026-01 that were received. (cd)

Res.: 27-2026 Reg McKinnon, Todd Rydall

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE PLANNING BOARD receives and accepts the Official Plan Comment Matrix Response from J.L. Richards. (cd)

Res.: 28-2026 Todd Rydall, Reg McKinnon

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE PLANNING BOARD receives and accepts the Official Plan Amendments from J.L. Richards as received and directs staff to arrange the first Public Meeting.(cd)

Res.: 29-2026 Terence Graham, Shelly Bailey

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD forwards any and all recommendations regarding the 2026 (AIA Guidance Document). (cd)

Res.:30-2026 Todd Rydall, Terence Graham
BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD accepts the revised 2026 Draft Budget as presented. (cd)

Res.: 31-2026 Reg Mckinnon, Shelly Bailey
BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD will move into closed session under Sec.239 (b) of the Municipal Act in order to discuss personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees; and Sec. 239 (d) labour relations or employee negotiations at 8:00 p.m. (cd)

Res.: 32-2026 Jason Koivisto, Reg McKinnon
BE ITRESOLVED THAT THE BOARD leaves closed session at 8:05 p.m. (cd)

Res.: 33-2026 Todd Rydall, Reg McKinnon
BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD approve the employee relations as discussed in closed. (cd)

Res.: 34-2026 Jason Koivisto, Reg McKinnon
BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD receives the Information from the Ministry of Energy and the Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks as presented. (cd)

Res.: 35-2026 Jason Koivisto, Reg McKinnon
BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE PLANNING BOARD adjourns at 8:08 p.m. until the next scheduled meeting or at the call of the Chair. (cd)

Date: _____

Chair: _____

Secretary-Treasurer _____

**DESBARATS TO ECHO BAY PLANNING BOARD
BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 2026**

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MAY 26 2026 PB MEETING *approved May 26, 2026 Resolution 30-2026

REVENUE:		2025 Actuals	2025 Budget	2026 Draft Budget	Notes
Consent Applications		\$13,800.00	\$16,800.00	\$12,000.00	10 projected
General Levy		\$41,900.00	\$41,900.00	\$48,000.00	
Joint Official Plan Contribution from Municipalities		\$18,219.35	\$31,000.00	\$20,000.00	
Total		\$73,919.35	\$89,700.00	\$80,000.00	

EXPENSES:		2025 Actuals	2025 Budget	2026 Draft Budget	Notes
Honorariums. Site Visits, Deeds		\$6,270.00	\$7,650.00	\$7,000.00	projected 8 meetings and 10 consents
Conferences (Board Members)		\$220.00	\$400.00	\$0.00	
Wages		\$34,598.24	\$32,000.00	\$33,200.00	
Office/Phone (Rent)		\$2,400.00	\$2,400.00	\$2,400.00	to Tarbutt Township
Office Supplies & Advertisements		\$2,556.29	\$2,900.00	\$1,500.00	Box of Public Notice Signs
Insurance		\$1,216.94	\$1,250.00	\$1,600.00	
Audit		\$1,800.00	\$1,600.00	\$2,000.00	
Planner for Consent App.		\$5,440.00	\$5,000.00	\$6,000.00	proposed estimate \$600/consent at \$200/hour
Misc (mileage, donations)		\$721.22	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$0.55/km average 25 km per consent
Legal Fees		\$994.40	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	to build up \$1000/year at Boards discretion
Bank Charges		\$193.50	\$250.00	\$250.00	
Conferences (Staff)		\$295.00	\$200.00	\$0.00	
Reserves		\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	to build up \$2000/year at Boards discretion
GIS Mapping Agreement		\$2,463.40	\$2,550.00	\$2,550.00	ArcGIS annual agreement
Joint Official Plan Expenses		\$20,804.14	\$30,000.00	\$20,000.00	
Total		\$81,973.13	\$89,700.00	\$80,000.00	

Township	2025 Levy	2026 Levy	Increase from 2025
Johnson (20% Equalized Assessment)	\$ 8,380.00	\$ 9,600.00	\$ 1,220.00
Tarbutt (20% Equalized Assessment)	\$ 8,380.00	\$ 9,600.00	\$ 1,220.00
Laird (28% Equalized Assessment)	\$ 11,732.00	\$ 13,440.00	\$ 1,708.00
MM & AA (32% Equalized Assessment)	\$ 13,408.00	\$ 15,360.00	\$ 1,952.00
Total	\$ 41,900.00	\$ 48,000.00	

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June 10, 2026

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

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

Dear Hon. Doug Ford

Re: Sustainable Provincial Grant Funding for Fire Services in Ontario

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

258-2026

Moved By: Aaron Neeb

Seconded by: Wendy McLeod-Haggitt

That South Huron Council supports the May 13, 2026, correspondence of the Town of Plympton-Wyoming regarding Sustainable Provincial Grant Funding for Fire Services in Ontario; and

That this supporting resolution and the originating correspondence be circulated to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of the Solicitor General, the Minister of Infrastructure, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Ontario Association of Fire Chiefs, the Ontario Professional Fire Fighters Association, the Ontario Volunteer Fire Fighters Association, AMO, ROMA and all municipalities in Ontario.

Result: Carried

Please find attached the originating correspondence for your reference.

Respectfully,

Kendra Webster, Legislative & Licensing Coordinator
Municipality of South Huron
kwebster@southhuron.ca

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Encl.

cc:

Minister of the Solicitor General, Hon. Michael Kerzner, michael.kerzner@pc.ola.org; Minister of Infrastructure, Hon. Kinga Surma, kinga.surma@pc.ola.org; Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Hon. Rob Flack, rob.flack@pc.ola.org; Ontario Association of Fire Chiefs, info@oafc.on.ca; Ontario Professional Fire Fighters Association, admin@ontariofirefighters.org; Ontario Volunteer Fire Fighters Association, communication@ffao.on.ca; AMO resolutions@amo.on.ca; ROMA, roma@roma.on.ca; and all municipalities in Ontario.



The Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

RESOLUTION

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Tuesday, June 2, 2026

Resolution # RC26118	Meeting Order: 7
Moved by: <i>Cathy Cannon</i>	Seconded by: <i>J. H. P.</i>

WHEREAS municipal fire services in Ontario operate under legislative authority established by the Province through statutes, regulations, codes, and prescribed standards governing training, equipment, certification, inspection, and operational requirements; and

WHEREAS municipalities are responsible for implementing and maintaining compliance with these provincially mandated requirements primarily through local property taxation; and;

WHEREAS current provincial fire service grant programs are available to both full-time and volunteer fire departments across Ontario and are distributed through competitive application processes that may not fully reflect the differing financial and administrative capacities of urban and rural municipalities, highlighting the need for a more balanced approach to funding that supports all fire services equitably; and

WHEREAS volunteer firefighters represent approximately 70–75% of firefighters in Ontario, protecting the majority of communities across the Province and, particularly in rural areas, are frequently the first emergency responders to arrive on scene ahead of other emergency services; and

WHEREAS other provincially regulated emergency services, including policing and paramedic services, receive stable and predictable provincial funding contributions or cost-sharing arrangements; and

WHEREAS the absence of a comparable and stable funding model for fire services creates a structural imbalance between provincial regulatory authority and municipal financial responsibility; and

WHEREAS reliance on competitive funding creates budget uncertainty, limits long-term financial planning, and may not reflect the actual operational needs of fire services, contributing to instability, reduced preparedness, and the reduction of services within a critical emergency response sector; and

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The Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS stable and predictable funding is essential to maintain emergency preparedness, firefighter safety, service sustainability, and equitable protection for residents regardless of municipal size or tax base;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Wawa supports the resolution passed by the Town of Plympton-Wyoming calling upon the Province of Ontario to transition the current practice of competitive provincial fire service grant programs into a permanent, stable, and predictable non-competitive provincial funding program that supports municipalities in meeting provincially legislated fire protection requirements; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this funding be structured to provide equitable and predictable annual support for operational readiness and training costs associated with volunteer, composite, and full-time fire departments across Ontario; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the annual value of this funding be reviewed and adjusted to more appropriately reflect the level of provincial funding support currently provided to other provincially regulated emergency services, including policing and paramedic services; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this resolution be circulated to:

The Association of Municipalities of Ontario, Rural Ontario Municipal Association, Ontario Association of Fire Chiefs, Ontario Professional Fire Fighters Association, Ontario Volunteer Fire Fighters Association, Bill Rosenberg MPP Algoma Manitoulin, The Honourable Michael Kerzner, Minister of the Solicitor General, The Honourable Kinga Surma, Minister of Infrastructure, The Honourable Rob Flack, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing and The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL		RESERVED VOTES	
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	Mitch Hatfield		
	Cathy Cannon		
	Melanie Pilon		
	Jim Hoffmann		
	Joseph Opato		

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the general nature thereof.

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

Clerk: _____

MAYOR AND COUNCIL	RESERVED VOTES

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From: capc <capc@childcarealgoma.ca>

Sent: Thursday, June 11, 2026 4:48 PM

To: Recreation <recreation@johnsontownship.ca>

Cc: CA Early On <caearlyon@childcarealgoma.ca>; Kelly Rowlinson <KRowli@childcarealgoma.ca>

Subject: Pavilion, Hall & Kitchen request

To the Honorable Council Members of Johnson Township,

I am an R.E.C.E and Community Outreach Worker for Central Algoma. I have facilitated the majority of the Community Action Program for Children/ Early Ontario Child and Family Centres that offer FREE, inclusive Early Learning opportunities for children and families across Central Algoma for the last 13 years.

I have been fortunate, and very grateful, to share a positive partnership with the Johnson Community Centre and staff, to provide a Free Toddler and Tot Skate over the past few years during the winter months.

Today I am reaching out to you to ask if we could please use the Johnson Community Centre Pavilion each Wednesday during the months of July and August to provide a playgroup space for our families who would normally attend our CAPC/EarlyON at the Central Daycare in Desbarats. We hope to use the pavilion from 9:30a.m - 1:00pm each Wednesday to provide free activities, snacks, and a place for families to socialize and engage. Part of our morning will consist of a walk to the Desbarats Farmer's Market and then return to the pavilion.

This year our agency will be providing a Summer School-age program at the daycare and so that means that our Wednesday group in Desbarats will need to utilize a different location for our CAPC/EarlyON.

The only potential use of the building that we would greatly appreciate would be the use of the washrooms and water fountain.

My other reason for reaching out today is to request the use of the upstairs hall and kitchen to host our 'Kids Can Cook' program.

The 'Kids Can Cook' program is free for families with children 0-6 and their siblings. Each 'Kids Can Cook' program provides families with a free dinner and an opportunity to prepare and cook a meal to take home.

This program will take place on Wednesday, July 29th from 3pm-6pm. We would need a little extra time to set up and take down so staff would be there from 2pm-7:30pm at the latest. We can assure that the space will be left the same if not better than when we arrive.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

I can be reached by cell at (705)542-5661 if you should have any questions

Megan
R.E.C.E
Community Outreach Worker
Central Algoma EarlyON/CAPC

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From: Pelletier, Guy (MNEDG) <Guy.Pelletier@ontario.ca>
Sent: Thursday, May 21, 2026 10:48 AM
Subject: NORDS Fund Program

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Hello,

I am writing to share information on the Northern Ontario Resource Development Support (NORDS) fund. As announced in Budget 2026, the funding has been made permanent, however, municipalities need to reapply for funding this year.

All applications must be submitted through TPON in accordance with program requirements and timelines outlined in the announcement. Please refer to the NORDS Program Guidelines for full details, which can be found here:
<https://forms.mgcs.gov.on.ca/en/dataset/on00936>.

Application Process:

The NORDS application process will once again be administered through Transfer Payment Ontario (TPON).

- Application launch: **June 2, 2026**
- Application deadline: **July 31, 2026**

Municipalities will be required to submit their Year 1 project information as part of the application.

To apply online, your community or organization must have a My Ontario Account:

- **First-time users:**
Register by visiting *Get funding from the Ontario government* | ontario.ca and follow the registration steps.
- **Existing users:**
Access the funding opportunity by visiting the same link, scrolling to Step 4 – Submit for Funding, and logging in.

Thank you, Guy

Guy Pelletier

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June 8, 2026

Via Treasurer / Deputy Clerk, Ms. J Boucher
Email: jboucher@johnsontownhsip.ca

Township of Johnson
1 Johnson Drive / PO Box 160
Desbarats, Ontario P0R 1E0

Dear Mayor R. McKinnon and Members of Council of Johnson Township,

The Council of the Town of Bruce Mines wishes to express how encouraging—and how characteristic of small Northern Ontario communities—it is that we continue to support and share in one another's social and recreational activities. Our municipalities have long understood that community spirit does not stop at municipal boundaries, and many of the events we each host are enjoyed by residents from across the region.

In Bruce Mines, for example, we have always been proud to finance and welcome our neighbours to the annual Car Show, our well-attended Canada Day celebration, and other seasonal events such as Pumpkins 'n Potions. Likewise, many surrounding municipalities fund programs and activities that our residents look forward to each year.

In addition to these community events, the Town of Bruce Mines and the Township of Plummer Additional jointly maintain an annual budget for the operation of a Public Library that serves the broader area. This shared commitment to accessible services further reflects the cooperative spirit that defines our region.

Council feels it would be far less of an administrative burden for all of us to continue this tradition of mutual participation without the need for a crisscross of letters requesting financial support for each other's seasonal events and programs. The informal cooperation we share is neighbourly and reflective of the values that make Northern Ontario unique.

The Town of Bruce Mines sincerely thanks Johnson Township for the camaraderie, hospitality, and inclusion you extend to our residents and their children. We wish you every success with your upcoming events and truly look forward to seeing all who wish to attend at ours.

Sincerely,

Lory Patteri, Mayor
Town of Bruce Mines



May 26, 2026

Agenda Item 120
Date: 2026 0617

Dear The Honourable Greg McGregor and The Honourable Rob Flack,

RE: Council motion passed May 26, 2026

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

Moved By: Councillor Caron
Seconded By: Councillor Klassen

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

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Copy:

Hon. Graham McGregor, Minister of
Citizenship and Multiculturalism

Hon. Rob Flack, Minister of Municipal
Affairs and Housing

Mike Schreiner, MPP for Guelph

Association of Municipalities of

Ontario

Ontario Municipal Heritage

Committee Association

All Ontario Municipalities

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June 3, 2026

The Honourable Sean Fraser
Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada
Legislative Building
284 Wellington Street
Ottawa, ON K1A 0H8

Dear Minister Fraser:

RE: Community Safety Well-Being Plan

Please be advised that at the Regular Council Meeting on June 3rd, 2026, Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan passed the following resolution, supporting the correspondence from the Regional Municipality of Waterloo.

Resolution No: 2026-06-03-09
Moved by: Councillor Quade
Seconded by: Councillor Banks

"Be it resolved that the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan support the Regional Municipality of Waterloo regarding the changes to the Community Safety Well-Being Plan as attached.

And further that this resolution be forwarded to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), and all municipalities in Ontario."

Carried.

Sincerely,

Tammy Thompson
Deputy Clerk
Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan

cc: All Ontario Municipalities, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM),
the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)



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April 2, 2026

Agenda Item 12eDate: 20260617

Hon. Sean Fraser
 Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada
 Legislative Building
 284 Wellington Street
 Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0H8

Dear Minister Fraser:

Re: Notice of Motion, Councillor C. James re: Community Safety and Well-Being Plan

Please be advised that the Council of the Regional Municipality of Waterloo at their regular meeting held on March 25, 2026, approved the following motion:

Whereas the Region of Waterloo's Community Safety and Well-Being Plan, developed under the requirements of the Community Safety and Policing Act, identifies systemic racism, hate, and discrimination as critical risk factors impacting community safety, belonging, and well-being;

And whereas the display of a noose is widely recognized as a symbol of racial terror, violence, and intimidation, particularly against Black communities, rooted in the history of anti-Black racism;

And whereas symbols of hate, when displayed publicly, contribute to fear, trauma, and exclusion, and undermine the Region's commitments to equity, inclusion, and proactive prevention within its Community Safety and Well-Being Plan;

And whereas the Government of Canada has introduced Bill C-9 to strengthen tools to address hate-motivated offences, including provisions related to the public display of certain hate symbols;

And whereas the current draft of Bill C-9 does not explicitly include the noose as a prohibited symbol, despite its well-



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documented use as an Instrument of racial intimidation and its direct relevance to community safety and well-being outcomes;

And whereas addressing hate symbols through federal legislation complements municipal efforts by strengthening upstream prevention, reducing harm, and supporting safer, more inclusive communities;

Therefore be it resolved that:

- 1. The Regional Municipality of Waterloo formally request that the Government of Canada amend Bill C-9 to explicitly include the noose as a prohibited hate symbol within the legislation;**
- 2. This motion be circulated to all Ontario municipalities, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for endorsement and support as a measure that strengthens community safety and well-being across jurisdictions.**

Please accept this letter for information purposes only. If you have any questions, please contact Councillor C. James, CJames@regionofwaterloo.ca.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Michael Oliveri".

Michael Oliveri
Legislative Services Specialist
Region of Waterloo

cc: All Ontario Municipalities, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)



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June 3, 2026

The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
Premier's Office
Room 281, Legislative Building, Queen's Park
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

RE: Ontario Regulation 391/21: Blue Box

Dear Mr. Ford,

Please be advised that at the Regular Council Meeting on June 3rd, 2026, Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan passed the following resolution, supporting the correspondence from the Municipality of Bluewater.

Resolution No: 2026-06-03-08
Moved by: Councillor Banks
Seconded by: Councillor Quade

"Be It resolved that the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan support the Municipality of Bluewater Ontario Regulation 391/21: Blue Box, as attached.

And further that this resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Minister of Rural Affairs, Renfrew Nipissing Pembroke MPP and, and all municipalities in Ontario."

Carried.

Sincerely,

Tammy Thompson
Deputy Clerk
Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan

cc: Premier of Ontario, Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Minister of Rural Affairs, Renfrew Nipissing Pembroke MPP and, all municipalities in Ontario



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March 17, 2026

RE: Ontario Regulation 391/21: Blue Box

The Council of the Municipality of Bluewater passed the following resolution at their March 16, 2026 regular meeting:

MOVED: Councillor Harris **SECONDED:** Councillor Hessel

WHEREAS under Ontario Regulation 391/21: Blue Box producers are fully accountable and financially responsible for their products and packaging once they reach their end of life and are disposed of; for 'eligible' sources only; and

WHEREAS 'ineligible' sources, which producers are not responsible for, include industrial, commercial, and institutional locations (IC & I) such as businesses, places of worship, daycares, campgrounds, public-facing and internal areas of municipal-owned buildings, and not-for-profit organizations, such as shelters and food banks; and

WHEREAS failure to include 'ineligible sources under the Ontario Regulation 391/21: Blue Box program is in essence a provincial tax on ineligible sources; and

WHEREAS should a municipality continue to provide services to the 'ineligible sources, the municipality will be required to oversee the collection, transportation, processing of the recycling; and

WHEREAS changes may result in many small businesses and not-for-profit organizations losing access to comparable recycling services and force them to seek providers at a much higher cost than the previous services rendered through the Blue Box collection system; and

WHEREAS the rising costs of collection of recycling for industrial, commercial and institutional recycling may lead to the abandonment of recycling entirely, increasing environmental damage; and

WHEREAS landfilling needs throughout the Province of Ontario are already at capacity in many communities; and

WHEREAS The Municipality of Bluewater has approximately 150 or more "non-eligible" sources that will not be provided service from the Producer Responsibility Organization;

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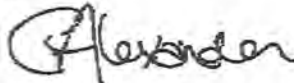
NOW THEREFORE the Municipality of Bluewater Council hereby request that the province amend Ontario Regulation 391/21: Blue Box so that producers are responsible for the end-of-life management of recycling products from small businesses and not-for-profit organizations within the industrial, commercial and institutional sectors; and

FURTHER THAT Council hereby request the support of all Ontario Municipalities; and

FURTHER THAT this resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario; the Honourable Todd McCarthy, Minister of the Environment, Conservation, and Parks; the Honourable Rob Flack, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; and the Honourable Lisa Thompson, Minister of Rural Affairs and the local MPP for Huron-Bruce.

CARRIED.

Sincerely,



Chandra Alexander
Acting CAO
Manager of Corporate Services/Clerk