

# MINUTES

TOWNSHIP OF NIPISSING  
Tuesday, September 16, 2025

A regular meeting of the Township of Nipissing Council was held on Tuesday, September 16, 2025, starting at 6:30 p.m. The meeting was held in person at the Township of Nipissing Community Centre, and livestreamed to the Township of Nipissing YouTube Channel.

**Present:** Mayor Dave Yemm Councillors Lisa Chalapenko, Shelly Foote, Stephen Kirkey, and James Scott.

**Regrets:** None

**Staff:** Fire Chief-MLEO-CEMC Will Bateman; Land Planning and Technology Administrator John-Paul Negrinotti; Deputy Treasurer-Office Assistant Kim Turnbull and Deputy Clerk-Administrative Assistant Kristin Linklater.

**Guests:** Jamie Robinson MHBC Planning; Steve McArthur Tulloch; Peter Aultman; Debbie Aultman and Rod Rennette.

**Disclosure of pecuniary interest: None**

## **Committee Reports:**

Councillor Shelly Foote: Recreation Committee Report. Councillor Stephen Kirkey: Nipissing Township Museum Board, Powassan & District Union Public Library Board. Mayor Dave Yemm: Golden Sunshine Municipal Non-Profit Housing Corporation.

## **R2025-166 S. Foote, L. Chalapenko:**

That the minutes of the special Council Meeting and regular Council Meeting held September 2, 2025, be adopted as published. **Carried.**

## **R2025-167 S. Kirkey, J. Scott**

That we accept the resignation of Brenda Lennon as Council appointee to the Powassan District Union Public Library Board. **Carried.**

## **R2025-168 L. Chalapenko, S. Foote:**

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario, through the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry, has made public the plans to aerial spray glyphosate-based herbicides in the Nipissing Forest;

AND WHEREAS scientific evidence since Health Canada's last assessment of glyphosate in 2017 has linked glyphosate-based end-use products to cancer, metabolic and neurological diseases, reproductive toxicity, and ecosystem harm;

AND WHEREAS alternative methods of forest management are available that provide a safer result;

AND WHEREAS there has been significant public concern expressed over the continued use of the glyphosate-based herbicides;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Township of Nipissing supports the Municipality of West Nipissing in requesting the Province of Ontario cancel the aerial spraying plans and revisit the safer options available, and conduct further research and provide updated risk assessments on the use of glyphosate-based herbicides. **Carried.**

**R2025-169 J. Scott, S. Kirkey:**

THAT the regular Council Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, October 21, 2025 be rescheduled to Tuesday October 28, 2025 to allow for Council members to attend the 2025 Northeastern Municipal Council Workshop. **Carried.**

**R2025-170 S. Foote, L. Chalapenko:**

WHEREAS the Office Building of the Nipissing Township Museum has been identified as requiring extensive foundation repairs to allow for continued use of the building;

AND WHEREAS previous attempts at grant funding for the project have been unsuccessful;

AND WHEREAS a quote for the block work repair required has been received at \$10,000.00 from Barton Masonry and the additional material and staff time have been calculated at approximately \$10,990.00, providing a total of \$20,990.00 not provided for in the 2025 Budget;

NOW THEREFORE Council authorizes the acceptance of the quote and performance of the work required to repair the foundation and allow for continued operation of the building with the required funds being utilized from the Operating Reserve of the Township. **Carried.**

Mayor Yemm read:

This part of our meeting is declared a public meeting pursuant to the provisions of Section 34 (12) of the Planning Act, R.S.O., 1990, to discuss an application for a change to Zoning By-Law 2020-20 by the Township of Nipissing.

**R2025-171 J. Scott, S. Kirkey:**

THAT we pass By-Law 2025-25, being a By-Law to amend Zoning By-Law 2020-20 as amended. Read a first, second and third time and passed this 16<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2025 **Carried.**

**R2025-172 L. Chalapenko, S. Foote:**

That we receive the correspondence report as presented. **Carried.**

**R2025-173 L. Chalapenko, J. Scott:**

That the statement of accounts dated: August 30, September 3, 5, 10 and 11, 2025. Totalling \$201,674.72 be approved. **Carried.**

**R2025-174 S. Foote, L. Chalapenko:**

That we pass By-Law 2025-26, being a By-Law to confirm the proceedings of Council at its meeting held on September 16, 2025.

Read the first, second and third time and passed this 16<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2025. **Carried.**

**R2025-175 S. Kirkey, S. Foote:**

That the meeting be adjourned. Time: 7:30 p.m. Next regular meeting to be held October 7, 2025. **Carried.**

Mayor:

Municipal Administrator:

Minutes prepared as per Section 228 (1)(a) of the Municipal Act, S.O. 2001, c. 25.

Clerk to record, without note or comment, all resolutions, decisions and other proceedings of the council.

Minutes to be approved by Council at the next regular Council Meeting.