

**\*\*\* AGENDA \*\*\***  
**Amended May 27, 2026**  
**Tuesday, June 2, 2026**  
**\*\*START TIME 6:30 p.m.\*\***

Council meetings are held at 2381 Highway 654, Township of Nipissing Community Centre

1. Disclosure of pecuniary interest.
2. Staff and Committee Reports.
3. Resolution: Adopt the Minutes of the May 19, 2026 Council Meeting.
4. Resolution: Authorize the Mayor and the Municipal Administrator to sign a Consent Agreement with Peter Aultman to satisfy a condition of the Consent Application.
5. Resolution: Award Tender NIP-PW-5-2026 Re-Issue for Reseal and Double Surface Treatment 3.6 km.
6. Resolution: Support the Association of Ontario Road Supervisors (AORS) regarding amendments to health and safety legislation for Public Works employees.
7. Resolution: Support the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands regarding reconsideration of use of lighter-grade oils for chip-and-tar surfaced roads.
8. Resolution: Authorize the use of general reserves for the Alsace Cemetery Survey and the Nipissing Union Cemetery fencing project, as requested by the Township of Nipissing Cemetery Committee.
9. Resolution: Draft support Resolution for the Township of Springwater regarding Provincial Bill 100 – Better Regional Governance Act, 2026.
10. Resolution: Approve the June 2026 Newsletter for circulation, as presented.
11. Council Discussion: Review of By-Law 2022-34, Procedural By-Law, for amendments or updates reflective of the 2022-2026 Council Term and review public input.
12. Correspondence.
13. Accounts to pay.
14. Closed Session: This part of the meeting will be closed to the public per Municipal Act, 2001 S.239(2) (c) a proposed or pending acquisition of land by the municipality; (b) personal matters about an identifiable individual and (e) litigation or potential litigation affecting the municipality.  
Purpose for closed session:
  - i. Provide information to Council on a proposed purchase of property.
  - ii. Provide information to Council on a complaint investigation.
15. By-Law: Confirming Proceedings of Council at its meeting held June 2, 2026.
16. Adjournment.

Council meetings will be held in person at 2381 Highway 654, Township of Nipissing Community Centre and virtually utilizing the Zoom platform; and will be livestreamed to the Township of Nipissing YouTube channel.

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC2XSMZqRNHbwVppelfKcEXw>

# MINUTES

## TOWNSHIP OF NIPISSING

Tuesday, May 19, 2026

A regular meeting of the Township of Nipissing Council was held on Tuesday, May 19, 2026, 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 and Councillors Stephen Kirkey, James Scott, Shelly Foote and Lisa Chalapenko.

**Staff:** Fire Chief-MLEO-CEMC Will Bateman; Deputy Treasurer-Office Assistant Kim Turnbull and Municipal Administrator-Clerk-Treasurer Kris Croskery-Hodgins.

**Disclosure of pecuniary interest:** None.

### **Staff and Committee Reports:**

Councillor Shelly Foote: Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM) Conference

Councillor Lisa Chalapenko: Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM) Conference

Councillor Stephen Kirkey: Nipissing Township Museum Board

Mayor Dave Yemm: SNF Water Group update, Golden Sunshine Municipal Non-Profit Housing Corporation, Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM) Conference

### **R2026-117 S. Foote, S. Kirkey:**

THAT the minutes of the regular Council Meeting held May 5, 2026, be adopted as published.

**Carried.**

### **R2026-118 J. Scott, L. Chalapenko:**

THAT we donate \$100 to the Powassan Agricultural Society 2026 Powassan Fall Fair. **Carried.**

### **R2026-119 L. Chalapenko, J. Scott:**

THAT we donate \$100 to the Trout Creek Agricultural Society 2026 Trout Creek Fall Fair. **Carried.**

### **Council Discussion:**

A review of Procedural By-Law, 2022-34, was discussed by Council for updates.

A draft including the updates to be placed on the website and circulated in the June 2, 2026 Agenda Package for public comment and further discussion by Council. Expected date of passage of updates to be June 16, 2026 Council meeting.

Correspondence items to be discussed and supported at the June 2, 2026 meeting:

#4 Township of Springwater – Provincial Bill 100 – Better Regional Governance Act, 2026.

#6 & #7 Association of Ontario Road Supervisors (AORS) request for increased health and safety measures for Public Works Staff.

#8 & #9 Northeastern Manitoulin & The Islands (NEMI) request to the Ministry of the Environment for reconsideration of changes to materials used in Chip & Tar surface treatments.

Council discussed concerns brought forward in #11, letter from Chris Johnston regarding the Strategic Plan document.

### **R2026-120 S. Kirkey, S. Foote:**

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

**R2026-121 L. Chalapenko, S. Foote:**

That the statement of accounts dated: May 9, and 13, 2026.  
Totaling \$138,636.74 be approved. **Carried.**

**R2026-122 J. Scott, S. Kirkey:**

THAT we pass By-Law No. 2026-23, being a By-Law to confirm the proceedings of Council at its meeting held on May 19, 2026.  
Read the first, second and third time passed this 19<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2026. **Carried.**

**R2026-123 S. Foote, S. Kirkey:**

THAT the meeting be adjourned. Time: 7:08 p.m.  
Next regular Council meeting to be held June 2, 2026. **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.



TOWNSHIP OF NIPISSING

RESOLUTION

DATE: June 2, 2026

NUMBER: R2026-

Moved by

Seconded by

THAT we authorize the Mayor and the Municipal Administrator to sign a Consent Agreement with Peter Henry Aultman as a condition of Consent Application C2025-07, C2025-08, and C2025-09.

For      Against

CHALAPENKO  
FOOTE  
KIRKEY  
SCOTT  
YEMM

Carried

Mayor: Dave Yemm

**Township of Nipissing**  
**Tender Opening – Re-Issue NIP-PW-5-2026**  
**Opened: May 28, 2026 beginning at 1:00 p.m.**

Present: Kim Turnbull - Deputy Treasurer and Dan MacInnis- Operations Superintendent  
Zoom: Cindy Jordan – Duncor

<b>Re-Issue NIP-PW-5-2026</b>																													
<b>Company Name</b>	Reseal 3.6 km Double Surface Treatment Road width 6.7 Metres. All work to be completed by August 14, 2026.																												
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Staff Recommendation: Duncor Enterprises Inc. Total cost of the Reseal project \$132,941.65  
total cost of the Double Surface Treatment \$76,748.64 including applicable taxes.

*2026 Approved Budgeted amount: \$144,700 Reseal Project Budget  
\$ 300,000 Alsace Project Budget (total)*



TOWNSHIP OF NIPISSING

RESOLUTION

DATE: June 2, 2026

NUMBER: R2026-

Moved by

Seconded by

THAT the Council of the Township of Nipissing receives and supports the February 5, 2026 correspondence from the Association of Ontario Road Supervisors (AORS) regarding Requesting Provincial Legislation Amendments, Health and Safety Concerns to address the health and safety of Public Works Employees during the course of their duties;

AND THAT this supporting resolution and the originating correspondence be circulated to the Minister of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Development; MPP Vic Fedeli; the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) and the Association of Ontario Road Supervisors (AORS).

For

Against

CHALAPENKO  
FOOTE  
KIRKEY  
SCOTT  
YEMM

Carried

Mayor: Dave Yemm



TOWNSHIP OF NIPISSING

RESOLUTION

DATE: June 2, 2026

NUMBER: R2026-

Moved by

Seconded by

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Township of Nipissing supports the request of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands that the Ministry of the Environment reconsider the use of lighter-grade oils for chip-and-tar surface treatment, or develop a suitable alternative, in recognition of the reduced durability, increased application of the treatment in response and the increased maintenance costs experienced by municipalities;

AND THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Ministry of the Environment; the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO); and MPP Vic Fedeli.

For

Against

CHALAPENKO  
FOOTE  
KIRKEY  
SCOTT  
YEMM

Carried

Mayor: Dave Yemm



TOWNSHIP OF NIPISSING

RESOLUTION

DATE: June 2, 2026

NUMBER: R2026-

Moved by

Seconded by

WHEREAS the Township of Nipissing Cemetery Committee has requested the use of General Reserves for the Alsace Cemetery Survey and the Nipissing Union Cemetery fence project completion;

AND WHEREAS the use of Care and Maintenance Fees are not applicable for use on these projects;

NOW THEREFORE Council approves the use of \$20,000 from the General Reserves for these projects.

For      Against

CHALAPENKO  
FOOTE  
KIRKEY  
SCOTT  
YEMM

Carried

Mayor: Dave Yemm



TOWNSHIP OF NIPISSING

RESOLUTION

DATE: June 2, 2026

NUMBER: R2026-

Moved by

Seconded by

WHEREAS Provincial Bill 100 – Better Regional Governance Act, 2026, brings significant changes to the governance structure of upper-tier regional municipalities;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Township of Nipissing supports the Township of Springwater, directly affected by these changes, requesting the preservation of local democratic authority and the maintenance of council-based governance structures to ensure that upper-tier municipal leadership remains accountable to local councils and communities.

For      Against

CHALAPENKO  
FOOTE  
KIRKEY  
SCOTT  
YEMM

Carried

Mayor: Dave Yemm

## Kris Croskery-Hodgins

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**From:** Chris Johnston  
**Sent:** May 25, 2026 3:08 PM  
**To:** Kris Croskery-Hodgins  
**Subject:** Public Notice — Proposed Amendments to Procedural By-Law 2022-34 (Section 3.3)

To Mayor Yemm and Members of Council,

I am writing regarding the proposed amendments to the Township's Procedural By-Law, particularly the proposed amendment to Section 3.3 that would automatically elevate the Deputy Mayor to Mayor in the event that the Head of Council resigns, becomes incapacitated, or passes away during a term.

I cannot help but think of the Alanis Morissette lyric: "Isn't it ironic?"

At the May 19, 2026 Council meeting, Council and staff repeatedly emphasized the importance of allowing incoming councils to set their own community priorities when discussing the Strategic Plan. The rationale provided was that future councils should have the flexibility to determine their own priorities, vision, and direction rather than being bound by decisions made by a previous term of Council.

Yet, during that same meeting, Council discussed permanently embedding into Section 3.3 of the Procedural By-Law a rule dictating how future councils must handle one of the most significant governance decisions possible: selecting the Mayor following a vacancy.

That contradiction deserves serious reflection.

A Strategic Plan is, by definition, a guiding and aspirational document. It does not legally bind future councils. Any future council always retains the authority to amend, replace, or disregard it. A Procedural By-Law, however, is an actual governance framework that dictates how Council operates. Embedding automatic succession rules into that framework has far more direct and lasting implications than a strategic planning document ever could.

I would encourage Council to consider three core issues with this proposed amendment to Section 3.3:

- **1. It misuses the intent of a Procedural By-Law:** Under Section 238 of the *Municipal Act*, procedural by-laws are principally intended to govern the calling, place, notice, and proceedings of meetings, along with related procedural and administrative matters. By contrast, the proposed amendment to Section 3.3 deals less with meeting procedure and more with political succession and governance authority following a vacancy in the office of Mayor. Procedural by-laws are generally intended to provide stable and neutral operational rules for how Council functions, rather than predetermining significant political or governance outcomes for future councils.
- **2. It solves a non-existent administrative problem:** Even under the proposed amendment, Council would still need to formally acknowledge the vacancy and pass the necessary resolutions to implement the transition. As such, it is unclear what meaningful time, procedural, or administrative burden is actually being eliminated by removing Council's discretion in advance.

- **3. It creates an illusion of certainty:** A future Council would still retain the statutory authority to amend, suspend, or repeal the Procedural By-Law if circumstances warranted a different approach. Likewise, a future Council could still choose to consult the public or debate alternative options before confirming a succession decision. In practice, this means the proposed amendment may not actually eliminate future procedural debate or delay. Rather, it risks increasing it. If the practical outcome remains largely the same procedurally, then the question becomes what tangible governance benefit is achieved by reducing the flexibility of future councils through this amendment.

The *Municipal Act* already provides councils with flexibility to address vacancies in office. That flexibility exists for a reason. Circumstances vary. Communities vary. Councils vary.

There may absolutely be situations where appointing the Deputy Mayor as Mayor is the most appropriate and stable course of action, and I recognize that this has often been the customary approach taken by councils in similar circumstances. In many cases, it may very well continue to be the preferred and expected outcome in the future.

However, the issue is not the practice itself, but rather the decision to formally codify that outcome in advance through Section 3.3. Codifying that outcome in advance removes the responsibility of the sitting Council at that time to evaluate the circumstances, consult the public if appropriate, and determine what is best for the municipality in that moment.

Respectfully, I believe that decision should remain with the Council elected by the residents at that time — not predetermined years earlier by a previous term of Council.

If the concern raised on May 19 was truly about respecting future councils and allowing them to determine their own direction, then that principle should apply consistently.

I would encourage Council to reconsider whether this proposed amendment to Section 3.3 belongs in the Procedural By-Law at all, or whether the existing flexibility under the *Municipal Act* is more appropriate.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Chris Johnston

Chris Johnston  
Digital Marketing Expert

**Kris Croskery-Hodgins**

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**From:** Alan Juselius  
**Sent:** May 25, 2026 7:39 PM  
**To:** Kris Croskery-Hodgins  
**Cc:** dyemm@nipissingtownship.com  
**Subject:** Re: Proposed Amendments to Procedural By-Law 2022-34

May 25, 2026

Township of Nipissing Council  
45 Beatty Street  
General Delivery  
Nipissing, Ontario

Re: Proposed Amendments to Procedural By-Law 2022-34

To Mayor and Members of Council,

I am writing regarding the proposed amendments to Procedural By-Law 2022-34 scheduled for consideration at the June 2, 2026 regular Council meeting.

Municipal procedural by-laws are extremely important because they establish the rules governing transparency, accountability, public participation, and the overall conduct of local government. These procedures directly affect the ability of residents, taxpayers, property owners, volunteers, and local business operators to participate meaningfully in municipal decision-making.

I would also like to share concerns regarding my recent experience attending a Council meeting alongside another long-time local family, business operators, and a volunteer member of the Nipissing Fire Department.

We arrived late to the meeting after waiting at the Township office because the correspondence we received did not clearly indicate that the meeting was being held at the fire hall. After realizing the location issue, we then had to drive back to attend the meeting.

Despite making the effort to attend and participate in local government, the experience was disappointing. There was little acknowledgment or welcome extended to members of the public attending the meeting. At times, it felt as though residents and local business owners were viewed more as an inconvenience than as valued members of the community taking time out of their evening to engage in municipal matters.

I believe procedural rules should not only focus on meeting structure, but also on fostering respectful public engagement and ensuring residents feel welcomed, heard, and treated fairly when attending Council meetings.

As a business owner, taxpayer, and long-time member of this community, I respectfully ask Council to ensure that any amendments to the Procedural By-Law continue to support:

- Fair and reasonable public participation
- Transparent decision-making
- Consistent procedural fairness for all residents
- Clear notice requirements and accurate meeting information
- Respectful opportunities for delegations and public input
- Accountability in both open and closed session meetings

Public trust in municipal government depends heavily on transparency, professionalism, and consistency. Residents should feel confident that meetings are conducted openly, fairly, and in a manner that encourages constructive public participation rather than discouraging it.

I encourage Council to carefully consider how any proposed amendments may affect public access, public confidence, and the ability for citizens to engage constructively with their local government.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments for Council's consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

Alan Juselius

President  
Lake Nipissing Outfitters,

President  
Lake Nipissing Stakeholders Association,

Canadian Federal Government Reliability Security clearance holder.

**Kris Croskery-Hodgins**

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**From:** michelle blanchette  
**Sent:** May 26, 2026 12:35 PM  
**To:** admin@nipissingtownship.com  
**Subject:** By law 2022-34 proposed amendements

I think the proposed amendements will help to avoid confusion if there is a vacancy. I believe that in our small township, this can help provide stability and avoid the cost and drama of a by-election. Thus saving tax dollars and allowing council to remain focused on running the township.

Your work and dedication is appreciated.

Thank you,

Michelle Blanchette  
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**Kristin Linklater**

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**From:** Kris Croskery-Hodgins <admin@nipissingtownship.com>  
**Sent:** May 29, 2026 11:04 AM  
**To:** Kristin Linklater  
**Subject:** Fwd: Proposed Amendments to Procedural By-Law 2022-34

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

**From:**  
**Date:** May 29, 2026 at 10:31:34 AM EDT  
**To:** admin@nipissingtownship.com  
**Cc:** Dave Yemm <dyemm@nipissingtownship.com>, Kirkey@nipissingtownship.com  
**Subject:** Proposed Amendments to Procedural By-Law 2022-34  
**Reply-To:**

c/o Kris Croskery-Hodgins  
Municipal Administrator-Clerk-Treasurer

Township of Nipissing Council  
45 Beatty Street  
General Delivery  
Nipissing, Ontario

Re: Proposed Amendments to Procedural By-Law 2022-34

To Mayor Yemm and Members of Council,

I am submitting my opposition to the proposed amendments to Procedural By-Law 2022-34 scheduled for consideration at the June 2, 2026 regular Council meeting.

It seems short sighted and concerning that a Council of 5 members, where only 3 were voted in by Township taxpayers/residents, feel the need to amend a By-law that can have severe ramifications to the Township months before an election. One would have to question why this decision must be made now when there has been no opportunity for residents/taxpayers to discuss short and long term consequences of this amendment that limits flexibility in the process. Would it not be prudent and democratic to table this amendment and revisit it with a newly elected Council that represents the wishes of the Township moving forward. Below are just 3 possible scenarios that your amendment will not allow flexibility for and creates the potential for undemocratic, incompetent decisions.

1. If the elected Mayor resigns from their position early in the term the Deputy Mayor would take that position leaving an unfilled position. Unfortunately this Council has proven that it

can't make prudent and democratic decisions for all of the Township. The Municipal Act provides 2 options for this situation making the assumption that a Council will act on the vacancy with integrity and democratic fairness to the taxpayers/residents. Will this vacancy be filled with the most democratic option, election results?

2. The Mayor role has substantial more responsibilities and time commitments as reflected in the salary. What if the Deputy Mayor cannot fulfil that type of commitment assuming this amendment is a long term decision for the Township? This inflexible amendment you wish to put in place months before an election seems too strategic and short termed. When you run for Councillor you are not running specifically for Deputy Mayor.

3. If the elected Mayor resigns early in the term, would it not be prudent and democratic to hold an election. The Deputy Mayor can assume the role in the last third of the term only. If another candidate ran for Mayor and achieved at least 60% of the original vote, would it not be most democratic to offer the position to that individual and/or have an election.

There are multiple situations that need to be addressed. Township taxpayers/residents should be making this decision. The timing of this amendment and the Council that is voting on it, is not democratic. Integrity, competency and fairness are the minimal expectations.

Sincerely,  
Donna Taylor  
Township of Nipissing Taxpayer/Resident  
[Yahoo Mail: Search, Organize, Conquer](#)

## **PUBLIC NOTICE:**

Council will be considering amendments to the following by-Laws at the June 2, 2026 regular Council meeting.

### **By-Law Number 2022-34, The Procedural By-Law**

#### **From:**

Add a Definition as 1.18, all numbers following will adjust.

#### **To:**

1.18 Municipal Administrator means the person appointed by the Township and assumes duties pursuant to Section 229 of the *Municipal Act*, Chief Administrative Officer.

#### **Purpose for amendment:**

To provide clarification of the position and title.

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### **Add a paragraph to Section 3.3**

#### **To:**

In the event the Head of Council becomes unable to continue in the role due to resignation of the seat, illness or death; the Deputy Mayor shall assume the Head of Council role for the remainder of the Council term as the candidate with the most votes from the most recent election.

The Deputy Mayor may decline this seat for any reason. Council will then vote among them for the replacement for the Mayoral seat.

#### **Purpose of amendment:**

To provide in written procedure the method of selection of the Mayoral seat in the event of a vacancy.

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The public is invited to provide comments and input on the Procedural By-Law 2022-34 to Council in written form for consideration. Council will review any submissions during the June 2, 2026 meeting.

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Consideration of a final draft of the Procedure By-Law amendments will take place on June 16, 2026, with an expectation to adopt any changes provided.

***Comments and input must be received no later than 12:00 (Noon) on Friday, May 29, 2026 in order to be included with the Council packages for consideration.***

Please forward any questions or comments to [admin@nipissingtownship.com](mailto:admin@nipissingtownship.com).

Kris Croskery-Hodgins

Municipal Administrator-Clerk-Treasurer

Date: May 25, 2026

# TOWNSHIP OF NIPISSING

## CORRESPONDENCE

**June 2, 2026**

- 1.** Ministry of Northern Economic Development and Growth – Northern Ontario Resource Development Support (NORDS) Fund.
- 2.** Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association (NOMA), Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM) – Auditor General Report as Opportunity to Strengthen Northern Highway Safety.
- 3.** Ontario Provincial Conservation Agency – Appointment of two (2) Members (General Manager/CAO and one (1) Board Member).
- 4.** Clearview Township – Resolution – Public Sector Salary Disclosure Inflation Adjustments.
- 5.** The Town of Plympton-Wyoming – Support for Sustainable Provincial Grant Funding for Fire Services in Ontario.
- 6.** The Corporation of the Township of Baldwin – Financial impacts of OPP policing costs and current inequities in the system.
- 7.** Nipissing Township Museum Board of Management Meeting Minutes held May 13, 2026.
- 8.** Township of Nipissing Cemetery Committee Meeting Minutes held May 20, 2026.

**Ministry of Northern Economic  
Development and Growth**

Office of the Minister

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774-2026-157

May 14, 2026

His Worship Dave Yemm  
Mayor  
Township of Nipissing  
[admin@nipissingtownship.com](mailto:admin@nipissingtownship.com)

Dear Mayor Yemm:

I am pleased to write to you regarding the Northern Ontario Resource Development Support (NORDS) Fund.

As outlined in the 2026 Ontario Budget, our government has now extended the NORDS Fund so it will continue to invest \$15 million annually in municipalities across Northern Ontario to help with infrastructure to enable resource development as well as offset some of the impacts that development sectors including forestry, mining, aggregates and agriculture, can have on local municipal and community infrastructure.

All 144 municipalities in Northern Ontario will continue to be eligible to receive funding under the NORDS Fund to support investments in municipal infrastructure projects. This funding will continue to complement existing funding streams available to municipalities for infrastructure projects.

We have heard from municipalities across the North, and we will continue to ensure that the NORDS Fund remains flexible, allowing municipalities to stack with other programs, carry over unused allocations year-over-year and pursue partnerships with other northern municipalities to support regional projects. As well, our government understands the importance of stable and predictable funding to municipalities, so we will maintain the same allocation for each municipality in Northern Ontario.

I also heard the requests to ensure that the program can be used to fund infrastructure related to agricultural development and I am pleased to confirm that is eligible.

I am pleased to confirm that the Township of Nipissing's annual allocation is \$97,679.54. This annual allocation can fund projects that began on or after April 1, 2026.

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Siobhan O'Leary, a Northern Development Advisor from my ministry's Regional Economic Development Branch, will contact you soon to provide support, or to answer any questions you may have. Ms. O'Leary can also be contacted by phone at (705) 493-0469, or by email at [siobhan.oleary@ontario.ca](mailto:siobhan.oleary@ontario.ca).

Our government remains committed to working with and supporting municipalities across Northern Ontario.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'G. Pirie', with a long horizontal line extending to the left.

The Honourable George Pirie  
Minister of Northern Economic Development and Growth



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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

## **NOMA and FONOM Welcome Auditor General Report as Opportunity to Strengthen Northern Highway Safety**

**MAY 12, 2026 - TIMMINS, ON** – The Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association (NOMA) and the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM) say the findings contained in the Ontario Auditor General’s 2026 report on Large Commercial Truck Driver Licensing reinforce many of the concerns municipalities across Northern Ontario have continued to raise regarding highway safety, commercial vehicle enforcement, and the growing pressures facing Ontario’s transportation network.

The report identified gaps in commercial driver training oversight, inconsistent testing standards, and opportunities to strengthen inspection and enforcement systems across the province. NOMA and FONOM say the report provides an important opportunity for continued collaboration between municipalities and the Province of Ontario to strengthen road safety and modernize transportation systems.

Together, the organizations are encouraging continued action and partnership in areas including enhanced commercial vehicle enforcement and inspection capacity, improved oversight and auditing of truck driver training schools, increased staffing and operating hours at weigh scales and inspection stations, strengthened driver training and licensing standards, expanded passing lanes and 2+1 highway infrastructure, and the continued twinning and modernization of Highways 11 and 17.

NOMA and FONOM noted that Northern Ontario highways play a critical role in supporting economic activity, resource development, goods movement, tourism, and access to essential services across the province and country. Both organizations reaffirmed their commitment to continuing collaborative advocacy with municipal, provincial, and federal partners to improve transportation safety, reliability, and infrastructure across Northern Ontario.



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## **Quotes:**

“The Auditor General’s report highlights many of the realities municipalities in Northwestern Ontario experience every day. As organizations representing Northern Ontario municipalities, NOMA and FONOM have been actively working with all levels of government to advance solutions that improve highway safety, strengthen enforcement, and modernize our transportation infrastructure. We appreciate the ongoing dialogue with the Province and believe this report can help continue that important work,” says Rick Dumas, President, Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association (NOMA).

“The safety and reliability of Northern Ontario’s highways are essential to our communities, economy, and supply chains. This report provides valuable recommendations that can support ongoing efforts to improve commercial driver training, enhance enforcement, and ensure our highway network continues to meet the needs of residents, businesses, and industry across the North,” says Dave Plourde, President, Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM).

## **About NOMA**

The Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association (NOMA) represents 37 municipalities across Northwestern Ontario, advocating on issues that support strong, resilient, and sustainable northern communities.

## **About FONOM**

The Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM) advocates on behalf of Northern Ontario municipalities and works collaboratively with all levels of government to advance the interests of northern communities and strengthen the region’s economy and infrastructure.

## **Media Contacts:**

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Ontario Provincial  
Conservation Agency

l'Agence ontarienne de  
protection de la nature

Dear Heads of Council:

I am writing to provide an update on the regional consolidation of Ontario's conservation authorities.

As part of this process, all conservation authorities have been asked to appoint two members (General Manager/CAO and one board member) of their choosing to serve on transition committees. Transition Committees will lead planning activities guiding the transition to regional conservation authorities.

Appointed members will ensure that each authority has representation that reflects local priorities and perspectives, playing a critical role in guiding and informing the transition. They will contribute to the development of transition plans and help support operational readiness, ensuring local voices remain central throughout this work.

We deeply value the ongoing support of municipalities and the importance of local perspectives in shaping decisions that affect communities across Ontario.

We are pleased to share that the process to establish the transition committees is well underway with committees expected to be launched later this summer.

Thank you for your continued collaboration and support.

Sincerely,



Hassaan Basit  
CEO  
Ontario Provincial Conservation Agency



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May 12, 2026

Premier Doug Ford  
Legislative Building, Queen's Park  
Toronto ON M7A 1A1

**Sent by Email:** [doug.fordco@pc.ola.org](mailto:doug.fordco@pc.ola.org)

**RE: Township of Clearview Resolution – Public Sector Salary Disclosure Inflation Adjustments**

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Please be advised that at its meeting held on May 11, 2026, Council of the Township of Clearview passed the following resolution regarding Public Sector Salary Disclosure Inflation Adjustments:

Moved by Councillor McArthur, Seconded by Councillor Broderick, Whereas the Public Sector Salary Disclosure Act passed in 1996, requires that every public employer make available for inspection by the public without charge, a written record of the amount of salary and benefits paid in the previous year by the employer to or in respect of an employee to whom the employer paid at least \$100,000 as a salary; and,

Whereas this \$100,000 salary threshold has not been updated since 1996, to reflect inflation; and,

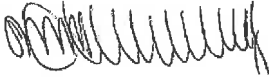
Whereas with consumer price index (CPI) adjustments, \$100,000 is equivalent to just over \$180,000 today;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved that Council of the Township of Clearview request that the Public Sector Salary Disclosure Act be amended to reflect the impact of inflation on the \$100,000 salary threshold for reporting, by either adding wording to reflect annual adjustments related to the consumer price index (CPI) or providing an adjusted salary of \$200,000; and,

That this resolution be sent to the Hon. Doug Ford, Premier; Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing; Simcoe-Grey MPP Brian Saunderson; the Association of Municipalities and all Ontario Municipalities. Motion Carried.

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

Sincerely,



Sasha Helmkey-Playter, B.A., Dipl. M.A., AOMC  
Clerk/Director of Legislative Services

cc: Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Rob Flack  
Simcoe-Grey MPP, Brian Saunderson  
The Association of Municipalities  
All Ontario Municipalities

**Date:** 13 May 2026

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**Moved By:** Deputy Mayor Netty McEwen

**Seconded By:** Councillor John van Klaveren

### **Support for Sustainable Provincial Grant Funding for Fire Services in Ontario**

**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 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 Town of Plympton-Wyoming respectfully calls 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 FURTHER 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 FURTHER 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;

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**AND FURTHER THAT** this resolution be circulated for endorsement to:

- The County of Lambton
- Lambton County Fire Chiefs Association
- All municipalities
- Ontario Association of Fire Chiefs
- Ontario Professional Fire Fighters Association
- Ontario Volunteer Fire Fighters Association
- Association of Municipalities of Ontario
- Rural Ontario Municipal Association

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**AND FURTHER THAT, upon endorsement, this resolution be submitted to:**

- Steve Pinnsoneault MPP Lambton-Kent-Middlesex
- Bob Bailey MPP Sarnia-Lambton
- 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
- The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario

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Carried

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Defeated

\_\_\_\_\_  
Deferred



The Corporation of the  
**TOWNSHIP OF BALDWIN**

11 Spooner Street  
MCKERROW, ONTARIO POP 1M0  
TEL: (705) 869-0225 FAX: (705) 869-5049  
CLERK: Holly Zahorodny – admin@baldwin.ca

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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	___	___

# MINUTES

Nipissing Township Museum Board of Management  
May 13, 2026

A regular meeting of the Nipissing Township Museum Board of Management was held on Wednesday, May 13, 2026 starting at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting was held in person at the Township of Nipissing Community Centre, 2381 Hwy 654.

**Present:** Chair Jane Aultman, Gladys Bateman, Councillor Stephen Kirkey, Debbie Renette, and Mayor Dave Yemm.

**Staff:** Gillian Bernas, Museum Manager; Kim Turnbull, Deputy Treasurer-Office Assistant, Secretary to the Museum Board

**Regrets:** Mary Heasman and Alma Rice

Disclosure of pecuniary interests – none

## MOTION NUMBER 2026-06

**Moved by: Steve Kirkey**

**Seconded by: Dave Yemm**

That we approve the Minutes of the Nipissing Township Museum Board Meeting held April 1, 2026, as presented. **Carried.**

## Staff Updates:

### • Building and Maintenance

- The building has been inspected. The Engineer is in the process of completing the report.
- Request to have grass seed planted on the side of the building where the renovations occurred.

### • Event Planning

- Bernadette Kerr has agreed to make the bread for the Butter Making events. Cost for the bread is reasonable and the amount of bread provided to the Museum is sufficient to cover the events. Butter events taking place on July 2 and 4.
- Discussion on moving the first Butter Making event to another date, first date is on opening date. Hosting the event on the opening date, may draw people to the Museum which is a weekday.
- Ensuring there is enough volunteers/board members to assist with the event, as it will be the first day of work for the students.
- Decision to move forward with the Butter Making event on July 2<sup>nd</sup>, as advertised.
- Rope Crafts – distributed poster for the events.
- Gillian will bring items for Butter Making, Ice Cream Making and the Rope Crafts in advance of the June Board meeting for Board members to get comfortable with the workshop items. An instruction sheet has been prepared for the Butter Making event.
- Heritage Day – Country Reruns and Friends have agreed to provide the live music for the event. Fee is typically \$550 however, will provide music for \$500, as the band members are provided lunch during the event.

**MOTION NUMBER 2026-07**

**Moved by: Debbie Rennette**

**Seconded by: Dave Yemm**

That the Nipissing Township Museum Board approve the event fee of \$500.00 for the Country Reruns and Friends for Heritage Day. **Carried.**

- Bob Bartlett has agreed to attend and provide a Blacksmith demonstration during the event.
- An invitation has been sent to Dokis First Nation and Nipissing First Nation to bring a display and participate at the event. Waiting for a response.
- Event in the past has run from 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. discussion to change the time or continue with the same timing. Event will run from 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. this year.
- BBQ – discussion about continuing with donation for BBQ items or moving back to set prices. In reviewing the revenue generated in 2025 donations made the same or more than set prices. Continuing with donations in 2026 allows for participants to donate what they are able.
- Food items to include hot dogs, hamburgers, sausages and a vegetarian item. Drinks – teas, coffee, cold coffee and lemonade. Discussion to include a dessert at this time, having bags of chips is a better option and went over well last year.
- Identify where the donations are going to - Church windows, this allows those donating to know where funds are being allocated to.
  - Investigate into Grant opportunities that may be available for historical windows for the Church Building.
- Invite Craft Vendors to participate during Heritage Day – instead of charging a fee request a donation to the silent auction or a donation to the museum.
- Craft Fair Competition – an item created (craft, poem, drawing etc.) that relates to the history of the Township or relates to one of the exhibits of the museum. Accept items throughout the season and display them in the Office Building. Items will need to be dropped of by a certain date. Discussion to have Board or Community Members vote on the items, decided Community Members vote on the items. Winner announced on Heritage Day. Age categories discussed and decided to go with K – grade 3, grade 4-6 and grade 7-8. To promote the interest in the Museum and history of the Township. Provide colouring pages for younger children.
- Further discussion about activities to bring to Heritage Day, decided to move forward with the ones already planned.
- Discussion about the silent auction and reaching out to businesses that have provided donations in the past.

● **Artifact Status Report**

- Nothing to report at this time.
- Cataloguing and data entry will resume during the Museum season.

● **Exhibit Update**

- Continuing to work on 'The Waterway Journey to Nipissing' the theme for Heritage Day and the Remembrance Interactive exhibit program.

- **Strategic Plan Update**
  - No further update at this time.

**MOTION NUMBER 2026-08**

**Moved by: Gladys Bateman**

**Seconded by: Steve Kirkey**

THAT the Board meeting is hereby adjourned at 6:41 p.m. Next meeting will be held Wednesday June 3, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. **Carried.**

Chairperson:

Secretary:

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 the Board at the next scheduled Board Meeting.

# MINUTES

Township of Nipissing Cemetery Committee  
May 20, 2026

The Nipissing Township Cemetery Committee met on Wednesday, May 20, 2026.  
The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Dave Yemm, Councillor James Scott, Tom Marchant and Rod Renette,  
Staff: Dan MacInnis Operations Superintendent, Kim Turnbull – Deputy Treasurer,  
Office Assistant, and Kris Croskery-Hodgins, Municipal Administrator, Clerk-Treasurer  
and Secretary to the Cemetery Committee.

Absent: Brett MacDonald

Pecuniary Interest: None

## **MOTION NUMBER C2026-01**

**Moved by: Rod Renette**                      **Seconded by: Tom Marchant**  
That we appoint Dave Yemm Chairperson for 2026. **Carried.**

## **MOTION NUMBER C2026-02**

**Moved by: James Scott**                      **Seconded by: Tom Marchant**  
That we approve the Minutes of the July 25, 2025 Cemetery Committee Meeting, as  
presented. **Carried.**

Review and Discussion of the Staff Report on the Alsace Cemetery Expansion and  
Nipissing Union Fencing Project.

### **Alsace Cemetery Expansion**

- Inquiry was completed for possible use of funds from the Care and Maintenance Fund for the Alsace Cemetery survey for the expansion.
- A Hydro Geological Study would be required for the review and approval by the Medical Officer of Health.
- Recommendation for a Request to Council to use \$10,000 from the Operating Reserve to cover the costs of the survey.
- This will allow the Township to complete the survey work in 2026.
- An RFP can be investigated for the harvesting of the Red Pines on the lot for release in 2026, to provide some revenue.
- The Township's current revenue per lot is \$50.00.
- Approximately 1000 new lots will be created within the new cleared area of the cemetery generating \$50,000 of revenue over the lifetime of the cemetery for the Township.

### **Nipissing Union Fencing**

- A portion of the fencing has been completed along Highway 654.
- Fencing is still to be completed between new and old section of the cemetery.
- The cost to complete the fencing was higher than anticipated.

- This past winter the Snow Mobile club installed snow fencing to ensure the safety of the markers.
- Recommendation for a Request to Council to contribute \$10,000 to complete the fencing project in 2026 from the Operating Reserves.
- Continue to contribute to the cemetery fencing reserve to complete the fencing along the new section and fencing for all the cemeteries.

**MOTION NUMBER C2026-03**

**Moved by: Rod Renette**

**Seconded by: James Scott**

That we accept Staff Recommendation to request Council authorize use of \$10,000 for the Alsace Cemetery expansion survey from operating reserves; And that we accept Staff Recommendation to request Council authorize use of \$10,000 for the completion of the Nipissing Union Cemetery fencing project from operating reserves. **Carried.**

The Committee discussed lot options, when a lot is purchased, how it is transferred, who is named on the deed and who can make changes to a lot.

Discussion about the Township's procedures when a monument is leaning in a cemetery. The monument is laid down.

**MOTION NUMBER C2026-04**

**Moved by: Tom Marchant**

**Seconded by: James Scott**

That the meeting be adjourned at 1:21 p.m.

The next meeting will be held no later than February 28, 2027. **Carried.**

Dave Yemm, Chairperson:

Kris Croskery-Hodgins, Secretary:

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 the Board at the next scheduled Board Meeting.



**TOWNSHIP OF NIPISSING**

**RESOLUTION**

**DATE: June 2, 2026**

**NUMBER: R2026-**

**Moved by**

**Seconded by**

**That the statement of accounts dated:  
May 22, 23, and 27, 2026.**

**Totaling \$116,453.85 be approved.**

**For      Against**

**YEMM  
CHALAPENKO  
FOOTE  
KIRKEY  
SCOTT**

**Carried**

**Mayor: Dave Yemm**



## TOWNSHIP OF NIPISSING

### RESOLUTION

**DATE: June 2, 2026**

**NUMBER: R2026-**

**Moved by:**

**Seconded by:**

That this part of our meeting will be closed to the public as authorized by Section 239.(2)(b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees; (c) a proposed or pending acquisition of land by the municipality; and (e) litigation or potential litigation affecting the municipality.

Purpose of this Closed Session:

- i. To provide information to Council on a proposed purchase of property.
- ii. To provide information to Council on a complaint investigation.

**Time: p.m.**

**For Against**

**CHALAPENKO  
FOOTE  
KIRKEY  
SCOTT  
YEMM**

**Carried**

**Mayor: DAVE YEMM**