



**AUGUSTA TOWNSHIP
MINUTES
COUNCIL MEETING
May 26, 2025 at 6:00 P.M.
Municipal Office, 3560 County Road 26**

PRESENT

Mayor Shaver
Deputy Mayor Wynands
Councillor Bowman
Councillor Henry
Councillor Pape

PRESS

STAFF PRESENT

Shannon Geraghty (CAO), Lindsey Veltkamp (Clerk), Steve Lunn (Treasurer), Melissa Banford (Planner), Kathleen Cole (Mgr. of Parks, Rec. & Facilities), Vikki Werner-Mackeler (Deputy Clerk)

REGRETS

Chief Rob Bowman (Mgr. of Protective Services), Jon Stadig (Mgr. of Public Works)

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Shaver called the meeting to order at 6:23 p.m.

MAYOR'S OPENING REMARKS

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Henry, seconded by Councillor Bowman
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda for Monday, May 26, 2025 be adopted.
Carried

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Moved by Councillor Bowman, seconded by Councillor Henry
BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the minutes of the May 12, 2025
Special Council meeting as distributed to all members.
Carried

DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

DELEGATIONS & PETITIONS

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CORRESPONDENCE & PETITIONS

BOARDS & COMMITTEE REPORTS

UCLG Council: Mayor Shaver provided an update
SNCA/RVCA: Deputy Mayor Wynands provided an update
Recreation: Councillors provided an update
Library Board: Councillor Bowman provided an update
EDTAC:
PAC:
OPPDB:
River Route: CAO Geraghty provided an update

STAFF REPORTS

ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

Report 2025-058

Moved by Councillor Henry, seconded by Councillor Bowman

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council confirms Treasurer, Stephen Lunn, as signing authority on all RBC Bank financial documents effective May 12, 2025, and:

THAT the former Treasurer, Mark McDonald, be removed as signing authority on all RBC financial documents effective immediately.

Carried

Report 2025-059

Moved by Councillor Bowman, seconded by Councillor Henry

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receive Staff Report 2025-059; and

THAT staff be directed to incorporate the feedback discussed to amend the Council Compensation Expense Policy to be brought back to a future Council meeting.

Carried

Report 2025-060

Moved by Councillor Henry, seconded by Councillor Bowman

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council provide staff direction to bring back the draft amendments to the Procedural By-Law as outlined in Staff Report 2025-060 for further consideration; and

THAT Council approve the time change from 6:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. for scheduled Council meetings effective June 9, 2025.

Carried

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Report 2025-061

Moved by Councillor Bowman, seconded by Councillor Henry

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receive Staff Report 2025-061 and provide staff direction.

Carried

OPERATIONS AND RECREATION

CAO Geraghty provided an update to Council regarding the light at the ball diamond in North Augusta. He spoke to the repositioning of the lights as a temporary fix and referenced the deterioration of the poles and safety concerns.

Discussion was held regarding performing additional condition assessments for the poles at all recreation sites. Short-term fixes, replacement options, costing, and potential funding opportunities, including Toronto Blue Jays Care Funding.

Deputy Mayor Wynands and CAO Geraghty provided an update regarding the Request for Proposal for the temporary lease of 66 acres of municipally owned land for agricultural purposes.

PLANNING AND BUILDING SERVICES

Report 2025-062

Moved by Councillor Henry, seconded by Councillor Bowman

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council recommends to the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville Consent Granting Authority that consent applications B-35-25, B-36-25 be approved, subject to six (6) conditions of approval, as detailed in Staff Report 2025-062.

Carried

Report 2025-063

Moved by Deputy Mayor Wynands, seconded by Councillor Pape

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the stop up and closure of the road allowance known as part of Marion Street, Registered Plan 4, Village of North Augusta, Township of Augusta

Carried

PROTECTIVE SERVICES

Report 2025-064

Moved by Councillor Pape, seconded by Deputy Mayor Wynands

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the Joint Health and Safety Committee Policy as presented in Staff Report 2025-064.

Carried

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NOTICE OF MOTIONS

Moved by Deputy Mayor Wynands, seconded by Councillor Pape
BE IT RESOLVED THAT a staff report be required at a future Council meeting outlining the financial impact a conversion of the assessment of all Industrial Excess Lands, Industrial Vacant Lands, and Large Industrial Excess Lands within the Township of Augusta, to Industrial Occupied Lands if made effective as of January 1, 2026.
Carried

BY-LAWS

Moved by Councillor Pape, seconded by Deputy Mayor Wynands
BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law Numbered 3779-2025 being a By-Law to stop up, close and sell part of the road allowance generally described as part of Marion Street, Registered Plan 4, village of North Augusta, Township of Augusta, County of Grenville, designated as Part 2 on Reference Plan 15R-7367, being part of PIN 68173-0323(R) be read a first time, a second time, a third time, and be enacted as read.
Carried

Moved by Deputy Mayor Wynands, seconded by Councillor Pape
BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law Numbered 3780-2025 being a By-Law to authorize the execution of a Development Agreement between Joshua Rudy Massimo and Allison Taylor Merkley and the Township of Augusta be read a first time, a second time, a third time, and be enacted as read.
Carried

Moved by Councillor Pape, seconded by Deputy Mayor Wynands
BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law Numbered 3781-2025 being a By-Law to appoint a Community Emergency Management Coordinator (CEMC), an Emergency Information Officer (EIO), and Alternate Community Emergency Management Coordinator and an Alternate Emergency Information Officer for the Corporation of the Township of Augusta be read a first time, a second time, a third time, and be enacted as read.
Carried

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Augusta Township registered a Relay for Life team for the fundraising event being held at South Grenville District High School on Thursday, May 29th.

QUESTION PERIOD FOR THE PUBLIC

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Laurie King, a member of the Roebuck Recreation Committee, spoke to providing previous notice regarding issues with the poles at the recreation centre in Roebuck and requested the pole be straightened.

QUESTION PERIOD FOR THE PRESS

CLOSED SESSION AS PER SECTION 239 OF THE MUNICIPAL ACT 2001

RISE FROM COUNCIL IN CAMERA

REPORTING OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

BY-LAW TO CONFIRM PROCEEDINGS OF COUNCIL

Moved by Deputy Mayor Wynands, seconded by Councillor Pape

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 3782-2025 confirm the proceedings of Council of the Township of Augusta at its meeting held on May 26, 2025 be read a first time, a second time, a third time, and be enacted as read.

Carried

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Pape, seconded by Deputy Mayor Wynands

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council meeting do now adjourn at 7:44 p.m. until June 9, 2025 at 5:00 p.m. or at the call of the Mayor subject to need.

Carried.