

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RYERSON

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

May 30, 2023 AT 6:00 P.M.

THIS WILL BE A HYBRID IN-PERSON/ELECTRONIC MEETING via ZOOM

Members of the Public must register with the Ryerson Township Clerk's Office prior to the meeting for meeting access and availability of limited in-person seating.
Members of the Public are not permitted in a Closed meeting.

To Members of the Public: If you have trouble with your connection during the meeting, you may notify the Host by e-mail at: treasurer@ryersontownship.ca

Meeting will be recorded.

The Municipal Council of the Township of Ryerson recognizes that we are on the traditional territory of the Anishinaabe Peoples, in the Robinson-Huron and Williams Treaties areas. We wish to acknowledge the long history of First Nations and Métis Peoples in Ontario, and show respect to the neighbouring indigenous communities.

Note: (R) denotes resolution

1. CALL TO ORDER:

- 1.1 Attendance: in person and electronic
- 1.2 Announcement: This meeting is being recorded

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

- 2.1 Adoption of minutes from the special, public, and regular meetings on May 16, 2023 **(R)**

3. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST:

4. DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS: None registered.

5. TENDERS/QUOTES/REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS (RFP): None

6. REPORTS:

- 6.1 **TREASURER:** Adopt Final Draft Budget, O Reg. 284/09 2023 Budget Report **(R)**, By-Law to set and levy rates of taxation for 2023 **(R)**

6.2 **CLERK:** ACED contributions **(R)**, municipal by-law level of service discussion

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

6.3 Follow up from FONOM: Report from Councillor Patterson

6.4 Councillor Abbott: Library Report

7. BUSINESS ARISING/ACTIVITY LOG:

7.1 RTO Agreement **(R)**

7.2 AHHC **(R)**

7.3 Almaguin Highlands Secondary School Prom **(R)**

7.4 Follow up from Tri-Council meeting, if any

8. COMMUNICATION ITEMS:

8.1 Township of Armour: Aerodrome petition **(R)**

General Information Items

- ACED: April meeting Minutes
- Library April meeting minutes and CEO report
- Joint Building Committee (JBC) April statistics
- Joly Township: Hospital Local Share
- Perry Township: DSSAB Area 4 Appointment

9. CONFIRMING BY-LAW:

9.1 To confirm the meetings of Council **(R)**

10. IMPORTANT DATES:

June 13 2023 Regular Council 6:00 p.m.

Saturday June 24 2023 Community Yard Sale 8 a.m. – Noon

June 27, 2023 Regular Council 6:00 p.m.

July 11 2023 Regular Council 6:00 p.m. (one regular meeting scheduled for July)

11. ADJOURNMENT:

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RYERSON

LIST OF PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS

FOR COUNCIL MEETING: May 30, 2023 AT 6:00 P.M.

Item # 2.1 on Agenda Moved by Councillor Miller, Seconded by Councillor Robertson,

Be it resolved that the minutes from the special meeting, public meeting, and regular meetings on May 16, 2023 be adopted as circulated.

Item # 6.1 on Agenda Moved by Councillor Patterson, Seconded by Councillor Abbott,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council adopt the 2023 Budget Report, excluding expenses as per Ontario Regulation 284/09.

Item # 6.1.1 on Agenda Moved by Councillor Robertson, Seconded by Councillor Abbott,

Be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill # ___-23, being a By-law to set and levy the rates of taxation for 2023 and further; That By-Law # ___-23 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 30th day of May 2023.

Item # 6.2 on Agenda Moved by Councillor Miller, Seconded by Councillor Patterson,

WHEREAS Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ryerson has a fiduciary duty to its taxpayers;
AND WHEREAS costs of membership with ACED are increasing;
AND WHEREAS Ryerson Township Council must make hard decisions to be able to meet essential fiscal demands;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Ryerson Township Council is hereby providing notice that it is withdrawing from the Almaguin Community Economic Development (ACED) effective January 1, 2024;

OR

Item # 6.2 on Agenda Moved by Councillor Abbott, Seconded by Councillor Miller,

WHEREAS Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ryerson has a fiduciary duty to its taxpayers;
AND WHEREAS Council understands and supports the importance of regional economic development but must find a balance within its fiscal reality between funding services provided by ACED other essential fiscal demands;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Ryerson Township Council is hereby providing notice to ACED that it will withdraw its current partnership effective January 1, 2024;

AND FURTHER THAT Ryerson Township Council would like to continue as a non-voting member with a donation of \$_____ for 2024.

Council will review their support of ACED annually during budget discussions.

Item # 7.1 on Agenda Moved by Councillor Patterson, Seconded by Councillor Robertson,

Be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill # ____-23, being a By-law to enter into a joint municipal agreement for provision of regional fire training services and further; That By-Law # ____-23 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 30th day of May 2023.

Item # 7.2 on Agenda Moved by Councillor Miller, Seconded by Councillor Abbott,

WHEREAS Ryerson Township Council has considered the reports and the recommendations from the Village of Burks Falls regarding the creation of a long term, sustainable and predictable plan for the Almaguin Highlands Health Centre;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Ryerson Township Council has considered the Governance Options and supports:

Option # _____

AND FURTHER that Ryerson Township Council has considered the Cost Sharing Contribution Options and supports:

Option # _____

Item # 8.1 on Agenda Moved by Councillor Robertson, Seconded by Councillor Miller,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council has considered information received about the request for a donation to the Almaguin Highlands Secondary School 2023 Prom and have decided to rescind resolution number R-90-23 dated May 16, 2023.

Item # 8.1 on Agenda Moved by Councillor Abbott, Seconded by Councillor Patterson,

WHEREAS some proponents of water aerodromes claim federal jurisdiction to bypass provincial and municipal authorities and build massive docks and boathouses under the guise of the Aeronautics Act;
AND WHEREAS Transport Canada does not require proponents of water aerodromes to follow the same registration and certification procedures as land aerodromes;
AND WHEREAS Transport Canada's current regulations for water aerodromes fail to state that mixed-use docks and structures are not permitted;
AND WHEREAS Transport Canada does not require a proponent to be transparent with local authorities about their intentions or submit a building permit and final construction plans;
AND WHEREAS Transport Canada does not require a proponent to provide the municipality with a copy of the water aerodrome registration or certification documents;
AND WHEREAS Registration and certification of water aerodromes are done without environmental impact assessments from provincial and municipal authorities;
AND WHEREAS Registration and certification of water aerodromes are done without safety assessments from local authorities;
AND WHEREAS Transport Canada's loopholes in the regulations lead to lengthy court battles paid by provincial and municipal jurisdictions.
NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Ryerson supports efforts to raise awareness about the loopholes in current regulations regarding water aerodromes that allow proponents to build massive docks and boathouses without municipal consultation, approval, or adherence to bylaws and regulations.

AND FURTHERMORE, The Council of the Township of Ryerson endorses the letter from the Three Mile Lake Community Club Inc. and calls on Transport Canada to:

- Amend current legislation regarding water aerodromes to require mandatory consultation and transparency with provincial and municipal authorities prior to construction.
- State that 'mixed-use' docks and structures will not be permitted .

AND FURTHERMORE, the Council of the Township of Ryerson urges all mentioned in this resolution to support petition e4364 to the Minister of Transport, Omar Alghabra. .

Petition e-4364 - Petitions (ourcommons.ca)

AND FURTHERMORE, be it resolved that this resolution be forwarded to neighbouring municipalities, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM). Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM), Association of Municipal Managers, Clerks and Treasurers of Ontario (AMCTO), MP Scott Aitchison, MP Marcus Powlowski (Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock, Ontario), Graydon Smith MPP.

Item # 9.1 on Agenda Moved by Councillor Patterson, Seconded by Councillor Miller,
Be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill # ____-23, being a By-law to confirm the meetings of Council and further; That By-Law # ____-23 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 30th day of May 2023.

Item # 11 on Agenda Moved by Councillor Robertson, Seconded by Councillor Patterson,

Be it resolved that we do now adjourn at _____. The next regular meeting June 13, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RYERSON
SPECIAL MEETING – 2023 BUDGET
MINUTES

Tuesday May 16, 2023

A special meeting of Council was held Tuesday May 16 2023 at 5:00 p.m., to receive the 2023 draft budget.

Members of Council were notified of this special budget meeting at the Council meeting April 26, 2023 and by e-mail on May 9, 2023. The public was notified of this meeting by posting of the special meeting agenda May 9, 2023.

Members of Council in attendance: Mayor Sterling and Councillors Abbott, Patterson and Robertson. Regrets: Councillor Miller

Staff in attendance: Brayden Robinson, Nancy Field, Kryssi Sinclair, Fred Schmeltz and Judy Kosowan.

Mayor Sterling called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST: None declared.

DISCUSSION:

Treasurer Brayden Robinson reviewed the 2023 draft budget and staff report providing a comparison to the version presented to Council on March 28, 2023.

Council discussed options for the hospital local share contribution and continuing support for the Almaguin Highlands Health Centre. Further discussion will continue at the public budget meeting to be held after this meeting, at 5:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

SP. R – 05 – 23 Moved by Councillor Abbott, seconded by Councillor Patterson be it resolved that we do now adjourn at 5:33 p.m. (Carried)

MAYOR

CLERK/DEPUTY CLERK

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RYERSON
SPECIAL PUBLIC MEETING – 2023 BUDGET

MINUTES

Tuesday May 16, 2023

A public meeting of Council was held Tuesday May 16, 2023 at 5:30 p.m., to receive the 2023 draft budget and to provide the opportunity for public participation.

Members of Council were notified of this public meeting at the Council meeting April 26, 2023 and by e-mail on May 9 2023. The public was notified of this meeting by posting of this special meeting agenda May 9 2023.

Members of Council in attendance: Mayor Sterling and Councillors Abbott, Miller, Patterson and Robertson.

Staff in attendance: Brayden Robinson, Nancy Field, Kryssi Sinclair, Fred Schmeltz and Judy Kosowan.

Public in attendance: Judy Ransome, John Prout.

Mayor Sterling called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST: None declared.

DISCUSSION:

Treasurer Brayden Robinson highlighted the draft budget as presented at a 3.4 % rate increase. Council discussed the need to support several capital projects including the hospital local share, the Almaguin Highlands Health Centre, new fire truck and the future Library needs. The overall consensus of Council was that a 3.9 % rate increase would provide additional reserves to support these important projects. Council directed that a new library reserve be created with a \$2,000. starting balance.

Members of the public were given the opportunity to comment on the proposed 2023 budget. Judy Ransome commented on the importance of the hospital local share contribution.

The Treasurer will prepare an updated budget reflecting the 3.9% rate increase for adoption at the May 30, 2023 Council meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

SP. R – 06-23 Moved by Councillor Robinson, seconded by Councillor Miller be it resolved that we do now adjourn at 5:56 p.m.

MAYOR

CLERK/DEPUTY CLERK

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RYERSON

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES

May 16, 2023 AT 6:00 P.M.

The regular meeting of Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ryerson was held **May 16, 2023** at 6:00 p.m. This was a hybrid meeting combining in person, electronic meeting via Zoom and phone.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor George Sterling called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Attendance was announced, and it was noted that the meeting is being recorded.

Council members attending electronically via Zoom or phone: Mayor Sterling, Councillors: Abbott, Miller, Patterson and Robertson.

Staff in attendance: Brayden Robinson, Judy Kosowan, Kryssi Sinclair, Fred Schmeltz and Nancy Field.

Public attending by phone or electronically: Judy Ransome, Nieves Guijarro, Josh Lilley, John Prout.

Delegates: Ed Rowe and Bob Hall.

Notice of this meeting was posted on the website.

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

R- 82 -23 Moved by Councillor Miller, Seconded by Councillor Robertson,

Be it resolved that the minutes from the regular meeting on April 25, 2023, and special meeting April 26, 2023 be adopted as circulated. (Carried)

3. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST: None noted.

4. DELEGATION:

4.1 Bob Hall and Ed Rowe provided Council with information regarding the history of Starratt Road and the proposed white pine tree commemorative sign. Information on the cost of a sign or plaque will be provided at a future meeting.

5. TENDERS

5.1 Council received 3 quotes for the “Winter Sand” tender and the following resolution was adopted.

R- 83 -23 Moved by Councillor Patterson, Seconded by Councillor Abbott,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council accept Tender 2023-03 for Winter Sand from Bruman Construction Inc. for 2023 in the amount of \$35,600.00 plus HST \$4,628.00 for a total of \$40,228.00. AND for 2024: in the amount of \$37,360.00 plus HST 4,856.80 for a total of \$42,216.80. (Carried)

5.2 Council received 3 quotes for the “Crushed Granite” tender and they adopted the following resolution.

R- 84 -23 Moved by Councillor Abbott, Seconded by Councillor Miller,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council accept Tender 2023-04 for Supply and Apply Crushed Granite (Midlothian Rd. and Royston Rd.) from Carr Aggregates Inc., in the amount of \$109,905.00 plus HST \$14,287.65 for a total of \$124,192.65. (Carried)

6. REPORTS:

TREASURER:

6.1 Brayden Robinson summarized the earlier budget meetings and as directed by Council will prepare the tax rate by-law indicating a 3.9% rate increase for adoption at the May 30, 2023, regular meeting.

6.1.1 Council was provided with information regarding the Almaguin Highlands Health Centre (AHHC) Contribution options. Council would like clarification on the budget information provided by Burks Falls, before further consideration of the options proposed.

6.1.1 Council was provided with the Hospital Local Share information and adopted the following resolution.

R- 85 -23 Moved by Councillor Miller, Seconded by Councillor Robertson,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ryerson hereby supports a commitment of no less than \$20,000.00 for 2023 towards the Almaguin Highlands Municipal 'Local Share' of the Muskoka Algonquin Healthcare (MAHC) Hospital Build; AND FURTHER THAT Council will review their commitment amount annually during budget discussions to assess allocations towards the hospital build for that specific year.

PUBLIC WORKS:

6.2 Council received the April road department report from the Public Works Supervisor and information regarding the Crime Stopper signs request.

DEPUTY CLERK:

6.3 Council discussed to information provided regarding the consent Application B-001/23, Lot 12, Con 14 (Darling/Reimer) and adopted the following resolution.

R- 86 -23 Moved by Councillor Abbott, Seconded by Councillor Patterson,
Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council support Consent Application B-001/23, Lot 12, Concession 14, 42R-6633 Part 2. The following conditions will apply:

- If the reference plan or other evidence discloses that either the severed property or the retained property owned by the Applicant contains a deviation road maintained by the Township as a public road, then the Applicant shall survey and transfer such deviation road to the Township as a condition of severance. The area to be surveyed and transferred shall generally be 66 feet in width and centered upon the centre line of the present traveled road. In situations where this is impractical, the Applicant should discuss how this requirement will be fulfilled with the Municipality before the reference plan is finalized.
- The Township requires one copy of the draft reference plan for review prior to registration, two copies of the Final Reference Plan and a digital copy of the Final Reference Plan.
- As a condition of severance approval, the Applicant shall pay to the Municipality in which the land is located, or otherwise satisfy the requirement for donation of Parkland set out in Section 51.1 of the Planning Act.
- The Township requires that for any proposed entrance: the Public Works Supervisor will be contacted to inspect the location to determine that a safe location for an entrance can be found. The Planning Board will be advised in writing that this condition has been met before finalization of the consent is given. (Carried)

CLERK:

6.4 Council received information for the "Community Yard Sale" on Saturday June 24, 2023, from 8 a.m. until noon.

COUNCIL REPORTS:

6.5 Mayor Sterling provided a report for Eastholme.

6.5.1 Councillor Abbott highlighted a HazMat meeting report

7. COUNCIL COMMITTEES/BOARDS:

7.1 Council discussed the TRI-Council draft agenda May 29, 2023 at the Katrine Community Centre.

7.2 Council received information from the DSSAB and the Village of Burks Falls and the response from the Township of McMurrich/Monteith regarding the DSSAB representative and adopted the following resolution.

R- 87 -23 Moved by Councillor Patterson, Seconded by Councillor Miller,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council appoint Ryan Baptiste as Area 4 Representative on the District of Parry Sound Social Services Administration Board. (Carried)

8. BUSINESS ARISING/ACTIVITY LOG:

8.1 Council received an invitation to an “Essentials of Fire Seminar” and adopted the following resolution.

R- 88 - 23 Moved by Councillor Miller, Seconded by Councillor Abbott,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council authorize: Beverly Abbot, Glenn Miller and George Sterling to attend the Essentials of Municipal Fire Protection seminar Friday June 23, 2023 in Magnetawan. (Carried)

8.2 Information was provided to Council from FONOM regarding Bail Reform. The following resolution was adopted.

R- 89 - 23 Moved by Councillor Robertson, Seconded by Councillor Patterson,

WHEREAS the cost of Policing and Emergency Services in Northern Communities is harming a community’s ability to support local Social and Health issues,

WHEREAS a small percentage of those affected by an Addiction in the communities of Northern Ontario are committing crimes,

WHEREAS many of those committing crimes are not housed in the correctional system, therefore, remain in our communities, often those that do require treatment for their Addiction issue receive none,

WHEREAS some committing crimes become violent, but are released back into the community, due to the negative impacts Federal Bill C75,

WHEREAS the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM) believes that more must be done by the Federal Government on Bail Reform,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ryerson supports the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM) request to the Federal Government make these Legislative changes:

1. Create a Designation of a chronic persistent offender.
2. Allow community impact statements at bail and at bail hearings.
3. Creating reverse onus in bail for all firearms offences.
4. All bail-related gun charges go to the superior court for bail release.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this resolution be sent to the Prime Minister, Federal Justice Minister, Premier of Ontario, The Attorney General, the Solicitor General, Minister of Infrastructure, Minister of Municipal Affairs, Northeastern MPs and MPPs, Leaders of the Opposition, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, and the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities. (Carried)

8.3 Council received a request from the Village of Burk’s Falls regarding start up costs for a Dentist office. Council adopted the following resolution.

R- 91 -23 Moved by Councillor Abbott, Seconded by Councillor Miller,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council support the new dental practice opening in the Medical Building in Burks Falls this year with a donation of \$1,572.47 to help cover the costs of the first six months rent. (Carried)

8.4 Council received a request from the Almaguin Highlands Secondary School for a Prom donation. The following resolution was adopted.

R- 90 -23 Moved by Councillor Patterson, Seconded by Councillor Abbott,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council donate \$200 to the Almaguin Highlands Secondary School 2023 Prom. (Carried)

General Information Items Received:

- Council received the minutes from Almaguin Community Economic Development (ACED)
- Council received a report from the Arena Manager.
- Council received copies of resolution from the Village of Burk's Falls accepting the shared service budgets.
- Council received the Jan- March minutes and Reports from the Library.
- Council received a resolution of support for the Regional Fire Training Officer (RTO) from the Village of Burk's Falls.
- Council received updates regarding highspeed internet from the Province.
- Council received the response from Perry Township regarding their AHHC contribution.

9. CONFIRMING BY-LAW

R- 92 -23 Moved by Councillor Abbott, Seconded by Councillor Robertson,

Be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill #23-23, being a By-law to confirm the meetings of Council and further; That By-Law # 23-23 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 16th day of May 2023. (Carried)

11. ADJOURNMENT:

R- 93 -23 Moved by Councillor Miller, Seconded by Councillor Patterson,

Be it resolved that we do now adjourn at 7:34 p.m. The next regular meeting May 30, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. (Carried)

MAYOR

CLERK/DEPUTY CLERK

TOWNSHIP OF RYERSON
2023 DRAFT BUDGET

	A	B	N	P	Q	R	S	U
	Account #	ACCOUNT NAME	2020 ACTUAL	2021 ACTUAL	2022 BUDGET	2022 ACTUAL (PRE-AUDIT)	2023 DRAFT BUDGET	NOTES
1								
2		RYERSON-ADMINISTERED SERVICES						
3		Fire Department						
4		Revenue						
5	15-321	Fire Revenue - MVC	1,940	2,930	5,500	3,364	2,700	
6	15-321-01	Fire Rev - Inspections	205	649	400	630	400	
7	15-321-02	Fire Rev - Donations	40	50	100	555	100	
8	15-321-03	Fire Rev - Miscellaneous	4,994	14,363	51,000	41,014	1,900	
9	15-321-04	Fire Rev - Air Station	1,500	-	-	-	-	
13	15-621	Fire Transfer Fr. Reserve	7,500	-	-	-	-	
14	15-621 A	Fire Rev - Armour	165,023	199,585	346,517	328,674	268,999	
15	15-621 B	Fire Rev - Burk's Falls	98,655	119,317	207,157	196,490	160,815	
16		Subtotal - Fire Revenue	279,857	336,894	610,674	570,727	434,914	
17		Expenditures						
18	16-202	Fire - Vehicle Expense	18,384	19,589	20,100	29,198	22,000	
19	16-203	Fire - Equip/Comm Repair	12,690	12,802	12,600	11,280	12,850	
20	16-204	Fire - Utilities	4,796	5,002	6,000	7,325	-	
21	16-205	Fire - Phone	5,740	5,460	5,600	6,849	-	
22	16-206	Fire - FPO Supplies	-	3,072	3,000	3,065	4,000	
23	16-208	Fire - Outside Training	23,238	30,050	45,595	35,414	14,000	
24	16-209	Fire - WSIB	4,794	7,765	7,750	6,869	7,500	
25	16-210	Fire - Response Wages	54,804	46,177	58,800	41,857	99,500	
26	16-211	Wages & Empl Related Costs	117,910	174,928	186,050	183,458	190,800	
27	16-211 3	Accrued Sick Leave	342	1,586	-	1,756	-	
28	16-212	Fire - Insurance	22,257	24,003	26,400	30,084	31,500	
29	16-212-1	Fire Loan Interest	6,811	6,076	5,318	5,318	4,537	
30	79-117	Fire Loan Principal	24,266	24,992	25,740	25,740	26,510	
31	16-213	Fire - Bldg Repair/Maintenance	1,683	8,640	9,780	2,621	6,800	
32	16-214	Fire - Office Expense	3,110	3,178	3,500	4,358	17,500	
33	16-215	Fire - Air Stn Fill/Maintenance	1,936	861	750	1,350	1,000	
34	16-216	Fire- PPE	3,438	1,499	3,500	5,237	500	
35	16-217	Fire - New Equipment/Gear	34,732	48,610	31,500	42,791	34,400	
36	16-218	Fire - Miscellaneous	422	840	7,000	3,474	1,000	
37	16-219	Snow Removal	1,650	1,599	2,100	1,803	2,100	
38	16-221	Capital Purchase	9,830	-	310,000	273,286	78,700	

TOWNSHIP OF RYERSON
2023 DRAFT BUDGET

	A	B	N	P	Q	R	S	U
	Account #	ACCOUNT NAME	2020 ACTUAL	2021 ACTUAL	2022 BUDGET	2022 ACTUAL (PRE-AUDIT)	2023 DRAFT BUDGET	NOTES
1								
39	16-222	Fire - Recharge Fire Extinguishers	178	614	500	359	500	
40	16-223	Fire - Radio Licence	1,420	1,514	1,600	1,565	1,650	
41	16-224	Fire - Answering Service	1,261	1,261	1,300	1,286	1,300	
42	16-225	Fire - Legal	-	-	-	-	1,000	
43	16-226	Office Space Rental	3,242	3,242	3,242	3,242	3,242	
46	16-229	Fire - Audit & Accounting	2,534	2,554	2,600	3,911	4,000	
47	16-247	Smoke/CO Alarms	-	26	500	449	-	
48	16-248	Defib. / Medical Supplies	-	829	500	403	500	
51	79-107	To Be Recovered - Fire Sick Leave	(342)	(1,586)	-	(1,756)	-	
52	Subtotal - Fire Expenditures		361,126	435,184	781,325	732,591	567,389	
53	Net Fire Cost to Ryerson		81,270	98,291	170,651	161,864	132,475	Per approved 2023 budget
54								
55	Regional Fire Training							
56	15-630	RTO Rev Armour	7,980	7,980	8,220	7,980	7,980	
57	15-631	RTO Rev Burk's Falls	4,771	4,771	4,914	4,771	4,771	
58	15-632	RTO Rev Kearney	16,682	16,682	17,182	16,682	16,682	
59	15-633	RTO Rev Magnetawan	16,682	16,682	17,182	16,682	16,682	
60	15-634	RTO Rev Perry	16,682	16,682	17,182	16,682	16,682	
61	15-635	RTO Rev McM/Monteith	16,682	16,682	17,182	16,682	16,682	
62	Subtotal - RFC Revenue		79,478	79,478	81,862	79,478	79,478	
63	RFC Expenditures							
64	16-285	Regional Training Officer - Materials	83,408	83,408	85,908	83,408	83,408	
65	Net RTO Cost to Ryerson		3,930	3,930	4,046	3,930	3,930	Per approved 2023 budget
66								
92	Net Expenditures - Ryerson-administered Joint Services		85,200	102,221	174,697	165,794	136,405	
93	OPERATIONS							
94	14-110	General Levy	2,063,842	2,143,399	2,175,392	2,219,664	2,307,690	
95	14-210	General Tax - Educ - English - Public	278,162	282,368	279,463	285,322	282,554	
96	14-310	General Tax - Educ - English - Separate	8,260	8,655	8,222	8,223	9,287	
97	14-410	General Tax - Educ - French - Public	507	568	387	387	321	
98	14-510	General Tax - Educ - French - Separate	1,295	1,435	960	961	709	
99	15-230	Payment in Lieu of Taxes - Provincial	1,299	1,706	1,744	1,745	1,821	
100	18-911	Transfer to School Bd - English Public	(278,162)	(282,368)	(279,463)	(285,322)	(282,554)	
101	18-912	Transfer to School Bd - English Separate	(8,260)	(8,655)	(8,222)	(8,223)	(9,287)	

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102	18-913	Transfer to School Bd - French Public	(507)	(568)	(387)	(387)	(321)	
103	18-914	Transfer to School Bd - French Separate	(1,295)	(1,435)	(960)	(961)	(709)	
104	Net Taxation		2,065,142	2,145,105	2,177,136	2,221,409	2,309,511	
105								
106	15-310	General Government - Misc. Rev	111	5,765	50	9,699	50	Admin fee for livestock, by-law infractions
107	15-371	Tax Sales Admin Fee	5,400	3,000	4,400	5,800	3,200	
108	15-381	Planning Zoning Severances	1,600	8,700	3,800	14,650	8,300	3-year average
109	15-402	Misc Government Grants	42,308	48,733	30,960	30,346	12,400	NOHFC intern grant; accessibility grant
110	15-502	Prov Grant Wildlife Compensation	-	-	800	-	800	=Expense account 16-256
111	15-503	Prov. Aggregate Resources Rev	11,689	11,671	9,500	7,058	10,100	3-year average
113	15-510	Provincial Government - OMPF	344,200	345,500	350,600	350,600	348,600	Per notification
114	15-511	Provincial Offences	261	2,957	1,250	2,501	1,900	3-year average
115	15-512	Prisoner Transportation Credit	936	794	711	723	541	Per notification
116	15-513	Policing Detachment Revenue	734	492	320	222	300	Per notification
117	15-531	Road Revenue - Misc (Operating Rev)	1,300	600	800	5,004	600	3-year avg entrance permits- 2022 incl culvert sales
120	15-623	Rockwynn Docks	361	-	-	-	250	Ryerson maintaining for 2023-2024
121	15-720	Licenses & Permits	21,873	23,829	18,900	22,770	22,800	3-year average
123	15-750	Current Penalties & Interest	35,227	30,944	29,300	36,511	34,500	Assuming 17.8% of tax arrears collected in penalties and interest (2020-2022 average)
124	15-760	Investment Income	32,341	33,250	26,150	79,284	54,500	
125	15-770	Sales, Photocopies, etc.	250	146	100	360	100	Landfill cards, records search, other misc charges
126	15-771	Township Book	19	76	100	267	100	
127	15-773	Cemetery Revenue	510	253	230	558	850	Interest on trust account
129	15-775	Transfer From Parkland	5,184	9,471	20,300	10,440	28,950	Re: cost of pumping porta-pottys in 16-714; arena repairs in 16-734; full cost of recreation committee project TBD
130	15-790	Transfer from Election Reserve	-	-	7,200	7,401	-	
132	15-790	Transfer from Reserve - Cemetery	500	500	500	500	500	\$500.00 to cover maintenance costs.
133	15-790	Transfer from Reserve - Roads	-	1,850	-	-	2,200	partial cost of OSIM inspection
134	15-791	Transfer from Strongco Reserve	4,818	401	-	-	-	reserve depleted as of 2021
135	Subtotal Other Revenue		509,623	528,931	505,971	584,692	531,541	
136	Total Operating Revenue		2,574,765	2,674,036	2,683,107	2,806,101	2,841,052	
137								
138	16-111	Council - Wages/Benefits	28,137	33,452	45,500	32,506	49,600	

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139	16-112	Council - Insurance	1,110	1,388	1,388	1,388	1,388	actual allocation
140	16-114	Council - Expense	6,312	3,923	12,900	12,475	19,100	training, conference fees, courses
141	16-121	Gen Govt Wages/Benefits	314,482	373,501	419,100	435,167	395,300	
142	16-122	Gen Govt - Insurance	16,532	20,075	18,906	18,906	21,614	actual allocation
143	16-123	CGIS/Blue Sky	7,082	7,396	7,550	7,582	8,100	Current fee plus anticipated Q4 CPI increase
144	16-124	Gen Govt - Materials	27,559	30,414	46,700	44,943	41,900	staff training, office supplies, other misc
145	16-125	Gen Govt - Cont Serv	2,403	2,388	5,050	3,531	4,000	cleaning, mat rentals, garbage pickup
146	16-126	Health & Safety	2,677	3,013	2,225	363	500	Masks, cleaning supplies, other PPE
147	16-127	Accessibility	-	-	-	1,211	5,100	balance of accessibility grant
148	16-132	Memorial Donations	198	300	750	102	750	
149	16-128	Donations	2,684	2,998	5,250	3,833	5,250	
151	16-130	HR Services	-	15,586	10,000	36,080	10,000	miscellaneous HR support
152	16-131	Audit, Accounting & Clerk Assistance	14,574	14,623	15,300	17,107	19,200	Audit fees \$16,800; accounting fees \$2,000 + HST
153	16-133	Election Expense	154	154	9,750	12,899	200	Joint audit compliance committee
154	16-134	Transfer to Election Reserve	2,400	2,400	-	-	3,500	
155	16-135	Legal	14,265	26,517	22,500	12,922	20,000	\$10,000 for general legal advice plus \$2,000 per member of council for integrity commissioner
156	16-136	Tax W/O and Adjustments	13,269	12,967	-	5,681	-	
157	16-138	Assessment Services	29,755	29,488	29,223	29,223	28,999	Per levy notification.
158	16-139 A	Building Maintenance	-	3,983	3,500	3,461	4,000	Misc building repair, not capitalized
159	16-142	Information Technology	-	-	-	-	5,500	
161	16-150	Ontario Aggregate Resources Fee	2,918	2,420	2,550	1,727	2,100	Royalty on own-source aggregates
162	16-156	Bank Errors & Charges	1,565	1,567	1,600	1,458	1,600	AFT charges, maintenance fees, NSF cheque fees
163	79-102	To Be Recovered Employee Benefits	1,993	(4,115)	-	(2,036)	-	
164	Subtotal - general government operating expenditures		490,067	584,440	659,742	680,528	647,701	
165								
166	16-231	By-Law Enforcement Officer - Wages	6,980	7,934	9,375	11,988	12,200	
167	16-234	By-Law Enforcement - Materials	2,458	1,182	3,000	1,681	2,500	mileage, course fees, CGIS layers
168	16-245	MNR Crown Land Protection	4,424	4,457	4,680	4,619	4,814	Per levy notification
169	16-249	Policing	173,820	167,640	160,841	160,836	161,616	Per levy notification
172	16-254	Animal Control - Materials	362	328	440	438	430	Incl dog tags (180), East Parry Sound vet annual fee (250)
173	16-255	Animal Control - Contracted Services	1,532	1,542	1,622	1,622	1,720	Contract with Ontario SPCA.
174	16-256	Prov Wildlife Predation	-	-	800	-	800	= revenue account 15-502.

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175	16-262	CodeRED Alert system	843	743	850	765	800	shared 50/50 with Burks Falls
178	16-265	Emergency Measures - Contract Service	331	-	500	-	500	Wages and training for CEMC
179	16-266	911 - Civic Addressing	1,832	2,032	1,850	1,563	1,800	CERB contract, 911 signs
181	Subtotal other Protection Operating Expenditures		192,583	185,859	183,958	183,512	187,180	
182								
183	16-451	Hazardous Waste Expense	3,747	4,726	3,892	3,892	3,800	ARI fees per draft budget + HWIN levy
184	16-460	Landfill/Recycling	84,480	81,526	99,150	94,239	125,800	Per 2023 budget, includes estimate of user fees
185	Subtotal Environmental Operating Expenditures		88,227	86,251	103,042	98,132	129,600	
186								
187	16-511	Almaguin Highlands Health Centre	6,645	3,800	5,100	3,753	15,123	recruiter initiative; contribution towards deficit; renovation costs
188	16-518	Health Unit	19,756	19,756	20,405	20,405	20,687	Per levy notification.
189	16-520	Land Ambulance	61,806	56,707	59,874	59,874	63,008	Per levy notification.
191	16-554	Cemeteries - Materials	6,003	4,459	4,650	11,102	1,500	
192	16-555	Cemeteries - Contracted Services	5,544	5,821	5,821	5,821	5,821	Per contract with Almaguin Groundskeeping
193	Subtotal Health Services Operating Expenditures		99,754	90,543	95,850	100,954	106,139	
194								
195	16-618	Social and Family Services	81,407	81,439	82,023	82,023	84,941	Per levy notification.
196	16-628	Eastholme - Operating	54,968	65,669	63,914	63,914	66,254	Per levy notification.
197	Subtotal Social&Family Services Operating Expenditures		136,375	147,108	145,937	145,937	151,195	
198								
200	16-714	Recreation - Parks - Materials	-	108	900	356	1,000	Pumping portables, other misc park maintenance
201	16-715	Recreation - Parks - Contracted Services	3,696	3,881	3,881	3,881	3,881	Per contract with Almaguin Groundskeeping
202	16-716	Rockwynn Docks	2,569	184	200	1,250	750	2023/2024 Ryerson responsible. 50% of hydro, contingency for repairs
204	16-722	Recreation Committee Materials	-	-	5,000	-	5,000	project TBD
205	16-726	Recreation - Programs Materials	-	-	3,350	1,320	2,850	Enhanced fireworks show
207	16-734	Recreation - Arena	75,862	71,850	107,433	114,514	128,559	Per approved 2023 budget
209	16-754	Culture - Museum - Materials	2,539	2,568	5,100	5,972	4,250	Hydro, PCO, empty septic, insurance,
211	16-756	Culture - Museum - Municipal Wages	32	-	-	114	-	Public works wages budgeted in 17-001
214	16-795	Library	24,616	32,112	34,740	34,740	39,911	Per approved 2023 budget
215	Subtotal Recreation&Cultural Services Operating		109,314	110,703	160,604	162,147	186,201	
216								
217	16-816	External Planning Support	1,147	2,040	2,500	2,566	2,500	

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	220	16-858 Economic Development	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	16,265	Per approved 2023 budget
	222	Subtotal Planning Operating Expenditures	11,147	12,040	12,500	12,566	18,765	
	223							
	263	17-002 Contra Road Wages	(412,952)	(444,348)	-	(397,191)	-	
	264	17-001 Total road wages	412,952	444,348	437,100	397,191	478,300	
	266	17-022 Installation of Culverts	5,907	8,883	23,150	8,136	13,650	
	267	17-032 Install & Maintain Culverts Materials	245	-	2,000	78	2,000	
	268	17-615 Bridge Appraisals	-	4,058	-	-	4,500	
	269	17-052 Grass Mowing Materials	4,368	4,038	4,575	4,981	4,600	
	270	17-062 Brushing Maintenance Materials	393	118	1,200	121	500	
	273	17-092 Beavers Materials	1,200	1,000	2,000	2,050	2,500	
	274	17-102 Debris and Litter Pickup Materials	70	-	100	19	100	
	275	17-152 Hardtop Patching Materials	7,729	2,238	6,700	1,968	3,200	
	276	17-162 Sweeping Materials	772	1,969	2,000	2,289	2,400	
	278	17-212 Grading & Scarifying Materials	3,331	3,799	3,800	1,352	4,200	full set of summer and winter blades
	279	17-222 Dust Layer - Purchase	50,135	58,078	64,800	57,338	67,950	7 tanks
	280	17-232 Dust Layer - Application Materials	984	104	250	-	250	
	281	17-242 Gravel - Contract	49,404	49,895	62,775	52,571	70,800	
	283	17-302 Snow Plowing & Removal Materials	5,098	2,923	5,500	6,292	5,500	
	284	17-312 Purchase of Sand/Salt	38,278	26,952	43,200	39,379	55,700	
	285	17-322 Sanding & Salting Materials	444	918	3,000	458	3,000	
	286	17-332 Culvert Thaw Materials	99	20	100	1,096	200	
	288	17-349 Winter Lighting for Vehicles Materials	219	248	300	431	500	
	289	17-350 Truck and Equipment Chains	-	-	1,000	2,028	2,500	
	291	17-382 Signs Materials	813	4,194	3,500	4,931	6,500	
	292	17-392 Training Materials	1,641	1,110	4,000	1,295	6,800	
	293	17-393 Safety Equipment / Clothing	918	1,236	2,500	765	2,500	
	294	17-432 Overhead Materials	44,266	52,023	63,050	73,038	81,150	
	295	17-433 Overhead Professional Fees	-	15,741	2,000	-	2,000	
	296	17-902 Purchase New/Replace Worn Tools	186	1,157	4,500	4,234	4,500	
	299	17-462 13 Western Star Materials	12,331	14,502	13,900	12,915	14,200	
	301	17-472 22 Pickup Materials	1,500	1,282	2,300	2,499	3,100	
	303	17-475 19 Ford Pickup Parts and Repair	3,672	3,692	4,800	6,804	5,900	
	305	17-482 07 Freightliner Materials	11,909	15,086	18,500	12,771	18,900	

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307	17-492	22 Freightliner Materials	5,904	14,361	12,400	8,826	12,100	
311	17-504	2013 Grader Materials	19,311	19,230	28,500	46,704	23,900	
315	17-522	2019 Backhoe/JCB Materials	2,039	605	6,300	8,624	4,400	2022 included new tires
318	17-532	2015 Excavator Materials	9,342	11,120	9,500	9,915	10,400	
319	17-542	Float Materials	1,912	408	2,000	472	2,000	
320	17-552	Small Equipment Materials	330	192	2,000	1,448	2,000	
322	17-562	2014 Loader Materials	3,068	3,752	5,000	3,256	5,000	
323	16-349	Fuel to be distributed	68,425	69,706	80,000	100,502	105,500	
324	Subtotal Transportation Operating Expenditures		762,193	834,509	928,300	867,026	1,033,200	
325	Ryerson Operating Expenses		1,889,660	2,051,454	2,289,933	2,250,801	2,459,981	
326	Net Ryerson Total Expenditures re Ryerson-administered Joint Services		85,200	102,221	174,697	165,794	136,405	
327	Adjustment re Shared Services capital and one-time operating expenses				77,259		68,485	
328	NET OPERATING REVENUE - FUNDING AVAILABLE FOR CAPITAL		599,906	520,362	295,736	389,506	313,151	Target = increase of at least 2% over prior-year budget
329								
330	CAPITAL ACTIVITIES							
331	CAPITAL REVENUE, TRANSFERS FROM RESERVES AND LOAN PROCEEDS							
332	15-792	Prior Year Surplus	490,931	619,892	645,004	671,113	343,075	
333	15-315	Insurance Proceeds	224,172	40,135	4,000	(2,104)	-	
334	15-402B	Misc Government Grants	-	89,112	5,000	-	-	
335	15-501	Ont Community Infrastructure Fund	-	161,959	71,800	84,454	100,000	Funding for granite application; equivalent placed into Roads Capital reserve (17-952)
336	15-509	Modernization Grant Funding	-	39,178	40,068	-	6,000	Re: public works digitization software
337	15-790 P	Transfer from Reserve- COVID-19 Grant	-	1,152	14,264	30,239	8,700	Re: server replacement project
338	15-790 C	Transfer from Reserve - Capital Funds	6,075	-	-	-	314,900	Re: purchase of tandem plow
339	15-790 L	Transfer from Reserve -Landfill	-	-	-	-	-	
340	15-790 A	Transfer from Reserve- Arena	1,579	-	-	-	7,081	2022 deficit
341	15-790 F	Transfer from Reserve- Fire	-	-	60,078	56,994	-	
342	15-541	Loan proceeds	-	265,000	-	-	-	
343	15-780	AMO Gas Tax Revenue	39,587	50,864	50,400	66,532	43,300	balance of granite application
344	15-785	NORDS Grant Revenue	-	-	113,300	91,689	126,400	Re: Peggs Mountain Road
345	15-531	Miscellaneous Roads Revenue	-	10,401	15,000	13,855	15,000	Sale of '07 tandem plow

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346	15-775	Transfer from Main Street Deferred Revenue	31,870	-	-	-	-	Program completed in 2020
348	Total Sources of Funding - Capital		794,215	1,277,691	1,018,914	1,012,772	964,456	
349	CAPITAL PROJECTS							
364	16-157	Land purchase	6,075	-	-	-	-	
365	16-139 B	Building Maintenance	226,577	80,014	5,000	1,821	-	
366	16-139-1	Building Maintenance- Insurance Claim	109,643	131,513	14,660	15,213	-	
367	16-140	Office Equipment	3,213	19,211	62,400	5,569	27,050	Purchase of modular desk (\$550), roads digitization program (\$8,000), new computers (\$4,400), teleconferencing system (\$4,100), replacement server (\$10,000)
368	16-145	Website	-	10,583	-	-	-	
369	16-180	Operational plans	-	39,178	25,800	-	27,100	Official Plan (~\$22,500); Zoning By-Law housekeeping (~\$4,600)
370								
371	Road Projects							
374	17-622	Nipissing Rd Bridge Materials	111	-	-	-	-	
375	17-632	Midlothian Swing Bridge Materials	-	-	75,000	189	-	
376	17-634	Lakeview Drive East Culvert Replacement	678	-	-	-	-	
377	17-635	Peggs Mtn Sunken Culvert Repairs	5,623	-	-	-	-	
378	17-642	Culvert Replacement Materials	-	-	4,080	-	-	
379	17-652	Granite Materials	30,947	-	71,800	84,454	143,300	2.5km Midlothian Rd, 3.0km Royston Rd
380	17-662	Gravel Lift - Material	66,700	50,864	50,400	66,532	-	
383	17-682	Road Construction Materials	-	-	-	-	18,700	So Ho Mish Road- split with Perry Township
387	17-702	Midlothian RAP	-	270,080	-	-	-	
388	17-732	Peggs Mountain Road	-	-	113,300	91,689	130,000	
389	17-890	Building Repair	1,871	2,499	15,500	379	16,700	Repairs to concrete at shop floor and back wall; drain for side door; building drainage; sand salt shed repairs (wall, trusses, roof); lights for Quonset hut
393	17-924	Purchase New Equipment	-	-	329,500	324,406	314,900	Purchase of new tandem plow
394	17-942	Storage Facility Materials	1,360	3,362	1,000	-	-	
395	17-945	Midlothian Road Guiderail	24,931	-	-	-	-	
396	17-947	Road Needs Study	10,202	-	-	-	-	
397	Capital portion of Joint Services		-	-	77,259	-	68,485	
398								

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1								
399		Total Capital Projects	487,931	607,303	845,699	590,252	746,235	
400								
401		DEBT REPAYMENT						
403	17-968	Grader/Loader Interest	3,697	2,904	2,120	2,120	1,337	
404	17-970	Road Construction Interest	2,495	2,090	1,692	1,692	1,294	
405	17-972	2021 Plow Interest	-	719	3,922	3,922	3,090	
408	79-113	Grader/Loader Principal	39,550	39,550	39,550	39,550	39,550	
409	79-115	Road Construction Principal	17,540	17,540	17,540	17,540	17,540	
410	79-116	2021 Plow Principal	-	-	51,314	51,314	52,143	
412		Total Debt Repayment	63,283	62,802	116,138	116,138	114,954	
413								
414		NET RESERVE TRANSFERS						
415	16-137	Transfer to Capital Reserve	169,768	214,857	175,996	175,996	241,558	Budget balancing figure- allocate to working capital reserve
416	16-246	Transfer to Fire Reserve	6,680	23,794	28,286	28,286	37,443	2022 surplus (\$8,787) plus 2% op exp; plus \$26,500 re: 2024 pump purchase
417	16-465	Transfer to Landfill Reserve	2,367	4,294	21,722	21,722	7,953	2022 surplus (\$5,003) plus 2% op exp
418	16-737	Transfer to Arena Reserve	2,350	11,894	10,073	10,073	2,664	2% op exp
419	17-952	Transfer to Roads Capital Reserve	41,850	201,959	92,500	92,500	100,000	
420	16-258	Transfer to JBC Reserve	-	6,145	4,236	4,236	4,800	2% of operating expenses
421	16-790	Transfer to Library Reserve	-	-	-	-	2,000	
422	16-535	Transfer to Hospital Reserve	-	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	
424		Total Reserve Transfers	223,015	482,943	352,813	352,813	416,418	
425		NET CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	(19,986)	(124,643)	295,736	46,431	313,151	
426								
427		BALANCE	619,892	645,004	0	343,075	(0)	
428								
429		Total Municipal Expenditures			4,394,557	4,126,004	4,319,900	
430		Total Education Expenditures			289,032	294,892	292,871	
431		Total Expenditures			4,683,589	4,420,895	4,612,771	
432								
433		Revenue Municipal			2,217,421	2,247,669	2,010,389	
434		Taxation General			2,175,392	2,219,664	2,307,690	
435		Taxation Education			289,032	294,892	292,871	

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1								
436		Payment in Lieu			1,744	1,745	1,821	
437		Total Revenue			4,683,589	4,763,970	4,612,771	
438		Balance Check			0	343,075	(0)	
439								

**The Corporation of the Township of Ryerson
Municipal Act, 2001 Ontario Regulation 284/09
2023 Budget**

Commencing in 2009, significant changes were made to Public Sector Accounting Board ("PSAB") rules that govern the preparation of municipal financial statements. Although municipalities were required to adopt these rules for financial statement purposes, *for a transition period*, they have been allowed to follow their historical "modified accrual accounting" procedures for budget purposes. The most significant differences between the two accounting methods relate to the treatment of tangible capital assets, the treatment of debt and other long-term liabilities and accounting for reserves/reserve funds.

Under a modified accrual accounting method of budgeting, tangible capital asset purchases are recorded as expenditures for which revenue must be raised in the year of purchase; under a PSAB-based method of budgeting, the budgeted expense would equal the annual amortization of all existing tangible capital assets (purchase price divided by the number of years an asset is expected to be useful). Under modified accrual accounting budgeting, increases in debt and transfers from reserves are recorded as revenue for budgeting purposes (and conversely, debt repayment and transfers to reserves are recorded as expenditures). Under PSAB accounting, debt and reserve transactions would not be recorded as revenue or expense in the budget.

In light of the new PSAB standards, the Municipal Act, 2001 was amended and a regulation passed to address the changes. Ontario Regulation 284/09 states that a municipality may currently (during the transition period, the length of which has not been publicized) exclude amortization expenses, post-employment benefit expenses and solid waste landfill closure and post-closure expenses from the budgeted amounts for which revenue must be raised. However if excluded, the regulation requires councils to adopt annual reports that show the impact of not fully covering these estimated expenses.

The anticipated effect of the 2023 budget of the Township and its joint services on the overall accumulated surplus is shown below. This illustrates the difference between setting a balanced budget on a modified accrual basis and one set on a PSAB accounting rule basis.

1. Expenses Excluded from the Budget: Estimated Impact on the Accumulated Surplus

Per PSAB accounting rules, the following estimated expenses will be recorded in 2023. These expenses have been excluded from the 2023 budget:

Description	Estimated Expense	Basis of Estimate
Amortization expense	408,031	2023 amortization of existing assets plus 1/2 year amortization of budgeted asset additions
Solid waste landfill closure and post-closure expenses	7,103	Anticipated increase in post-closure and closure liability assuming 5% inflation and no change in other underlying assumptions for current year
Post-employment benefits	3,469	Anticipated increase based on customized calculations for each shared service
Total excluded expenses	418,603	

It is estimated that the actual surplus recorded for PSAB accounting purposes will be reduced by \$418,603 as a result of amortization, landfill closure, and employee post-employment benefits expenses.

2. Other Budget Deviations from PSAB Accounting

Offsetting the excluded expenses noted above, the following additional non-PSAB revenue and expense items have been included in the 2023 budget. These will not be recorded as revenue/expense for PSAB reporting purposes.

Description	Estimated Impact on Surplus	Comments
Surplus carried forward from prior year - Ryerson	(343,075)	Elimination of prior-year budgeted Ryerson surplus
Surplus carried forward from prior year - Library	(3,217)	Elimination of prior-year budgeted Library surplus
Capital acquisitions	689,004	Excludes items not likely to be capitalized in the year. Includes Ryerson's proportionate share of joint services assets
Transfers to reserves	423,530	Total budgeted transfers to reserve for operating and capital purposes
Transfers from reserves	(333,381)	Budgeted transfers from reserves in the year. Transfers from parkland and gas tax obligatory reserves are revenue under PSAB accounting rules so are not included here
Net long-term debt transactions	115,479	New loan proceeds net of loan and tangible capital lease repayments
Total non-PSAB net expenditures included in the 2023 budget	548,340	

3. Net Effect of Budget Deviations from PSAB Accounting - Impact on Surplus and Future Tangible Capital Asset Funding

The following table provides a summary of the effect of the items outlined in sections 1 and 2 above on the Township's surplus:

Surplus Component Description	Anticipated Increase (Decrease) in Year	Comments
Regular budget surplus	(346,292)	Elimination of prior-year budgeted operating surplus
Net book value of tangible capital assets	280,973	Capital acquisitions in excess of amortization expense
Reserves	90,149	Transfers to reserves in excess of transfers from reserves
Unfunded landfill closure and post-closure costs	(7,103)	Anticipated increase in liability for the year
Unfunded municipal debt	115,479	Anticipated decrease for the year
Overall anticipated change in surplus	129,737	

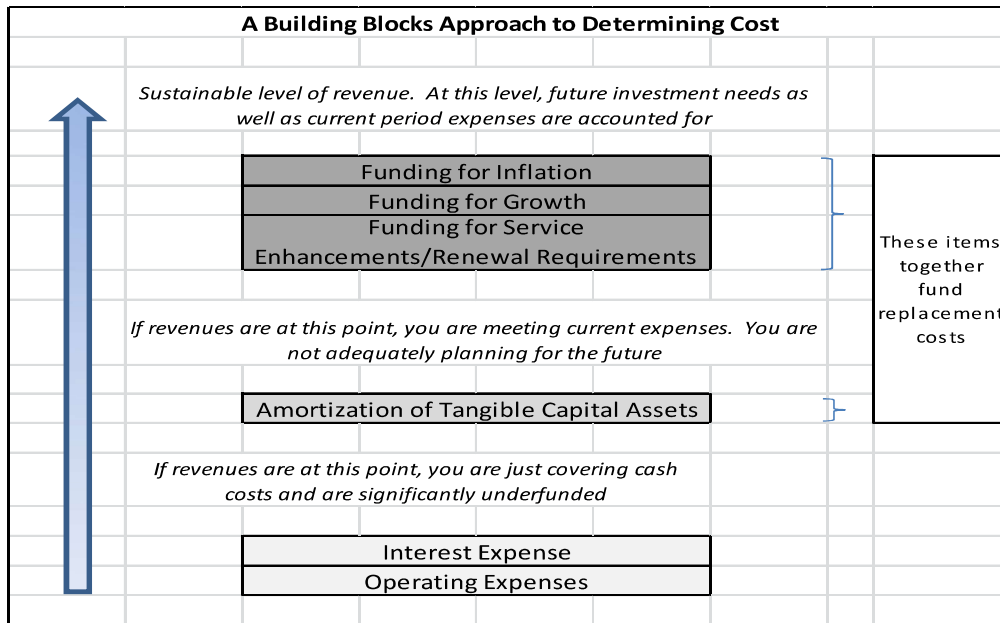
The above analysis shows that in 2023 the Township should anticipate an increase in its overall surplus of approximately:
130,000

Funds Available to Finance Past, Present and Future Capital Expenditures

The annual amortization of the Township's assets is a conservative estimate of a sustainable level of capital asset funding. The weaknesses of using amortization as an indicator of appropriate capital funding include:

- a) Assets that are fully amortized are excluded from the calculation.
- b) Amortization is based on the historical cost of tangible capital assets and not replacement costs, which in most cases would be significantly higher due to inflation.

This idea is depicted in the following funding level summary, adapted from the Province's Building Together Guide. In a more comprehensive view of sustainability, a municipality's funding levels would be sufficient to cover not only current amortization, but also, would take price increases and service level changes into account.



The Township's estimated 2023 amortization expense is \$408,031 (which excludes approximately \$171,870 amortization of roads that are already fully amortized). This can be compared to the Township's current level of permanent/predictable annual funding for capital asset purchases of \$378,852, as detailed below:

a) net operating income generated by the 2023 budget	313,151
b) approximate annual gas tax funding	42,000
c) approximate annual OCIF funding	100,000
	455,151

There is sufficient permanent, predictable funding to cover the current amortization of historical costs. However, it continues to be significantly below the amortization of all assets in use, adjusted for fully amortized assets. This indicates that if the Township is to move towards sustainable investment in tangible capital assets, through the taxation policies adopted in the annual budgets, a sustained effort to increase funds available to finance capital expenditures must be made.

TOWNSHIP OF RYERSON

BY-LAW XX-23

**A By-Law to Set and Levy the Rates of Taxation in the
Township of Ryerson for the year 2023.**

WHEREAS it is necessary for the Council of the Township of Ryerson, pursuant to the Municipal Act to raise certain sums for the 2023 taxation year;

AND WHEREAS all property assessment rolls on which the 2023 taxes are to be levied have been returned and revised pursuant to the provisions of the Assessment Act subject to appeals at present before the District Court and the Ontario Municipal Board;

AND WHEREAS "Residential/Farm Assessment", "Multi-Residential Assessment", "Commercial Assessment", "Industrial Assessment", "Farmland Assessment" and "Managed Forest Assessment", as defined in the Assessment Act as amended by the Fair Municipal Finance Act, 1997 and further amended by Regulations thereto, have been determined on the basis of the aforementioned property assessment rolls;

AND WHEREAS the tax ratios on the aforementioned property for the 2023 taxation year have been set out in By-Law # 20-23 of the Township of Ryerson;

AND WHEREAS the tax rates on the aforementioned property classes and property sub-classes have been calculated pursuant to the provisions of the Municipal Act and the manner set out herein.

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ryerson hereby enacts as follows;

1. (a) That the 2023 municipal budget be adopted in the following amounts:

Expenditures	
Municipal	4,321,196
Public/Separate Education	<u>292,871</u>
Total Expenditures	4,614,067

Revenue	
Municipal	2,011,685
Taxation (General Portion)	2,307,690
Taxation (School Portion)	292,871
Payment In Lieu	<u>1,821</u>
Total Revenue	4,614,067

- (b) For the year 2023, the Township of Ryerson shall levy upon the current phased-in assessment value the following rates of taxation:

Class	2023 Municipal Tax Rates	2023 Education Tax Rates	Total Rates
Residential/Farm	0.01217081	0.00153000	0.01370081
Multi-Residential	0.01217081	0.00153000	0.01370081
Commercial Occupied	0.01338789	0.00692152	0.02030941
Commercial Excess Land	0.00937152	0.00692152	0.01629304
Commercial Vacant Land	0.00937152	0.00692152	0.01629304
Industrial Occupied	0.01549709	0.00880000	0.02429709
Industrial Excess Land	0.01007311	0.00880000	0.01887311
Industrial Vacant Land	0.01007311	0.00880000	0.01887311
Farmland	0.00304270	0.00038250	0.00342520
Managed Forest	0.00304270	0.00038250	0.00342520

(c) The Current Taxes shall be due in two installments:

First Installment August 18, 2023
Second Installment September 15, 2023

A 1.25% penalty charge shall be imposed for non payment of taxes on the first day of default being the 1st day of the month following the due date and every month the default continues.


2. For payments in lieu of taxes due to the Township of Ryerson under the Municipal Act, the actual amount due to the Township of Ryerson will be based on the assessment rolls and the municipal rates of taxation for the year 2023.

3. This By-Law shall come into force and take effect immediately following third reading.

Read a First, Second and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in open Council this 30th day of May 2023.

MAYOR

CLERK

	Staff Report
To:	Ryerson Township Council
From:	Clerk/Deputy Treasurer Judy Kosowan
Date of Meeting:	May 30, 2023
Report Title:	ACED
Report Date:	May 17, 2023

Recommendation:

Options for Council's consideration regarding regional economic development.

WHEREAS Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ryerson has a fiduciary duty to its taxpayers;

AND WHEREAS costs of membership with ACED are increasing;

AND WHEREAS Ryerson Township Council must make hard decisions to be able to meet essential fiscal demands;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Ryerson Township Council is hereby providing notice that it is withdrawing from the Almaguin Community Economic Development (ACED) effective January 1, 2024;

OR

WHEREAS Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ryerson has a fiduciary duty to its taxpayers;

AND WHEREAS Council understands and supports the importance of regional economic development but must find a balance within its fiscal reality between funding services provided by ACED other essential fiscal demands;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Ryerson Township Council is hereby providing notice to ACED that it will withdraw its current partnership effective January 1, 2024;

AND FURTHER THAT Ryerson Township Council would like to continue as a non-voting member with a donation of \$_____ for 2024. Council will review their support of ACED annually during budget discussions.

Purpose/Background:

Ryerson Township Council has been deliberating budget priorities and future commitments to many capital projects, balanced with maintaining a realistic level of municipal services.

Ryerson Township Council has supported Regional Economic Development in our area for decades through various programs and initiatives.

Council understands and values the importance of Regional Economic Development as the ongoing need to attract and retain businesses is key to sustaining employment opportunities and the provision of essential services. We need to keep a vibrant, viable community where people want to live, work, play, and retire.

While Council strives to continue to support Regional Economic Development, it must be within our fiscal reality.

The larger municipalities along the Highway 11 corridor benefit from the direct economic advantages of increases in commercial property development through increased tax revenues. A smaller municipality such as Ryerson, being off the main transportation route, does not see direct economic advantages of commercial development in the area.

Ryerson Township Council may wish to continue to support Regional Economic Development; however, it must find a balance to meet competing demands for our limited tax dollars.

Ryerson Township Council must face its fiscal reality that as a smaller municipality with limited assessment and population, it cannot support economic development to the same extent as its larger municipal partners.



Councilor Report

To:	Ryerson Township Council
From:	Councillor Patterson
Date of Event:	May 8-10, 2023
Topic:	FONOM Conference
Report Date:	May 30, 2023

Importance to the Township of Ryerson:

BAIL REFORM

Why?? One person was arrested for B&E. This person already had **48** charges pending. How much time and money did the police spend on this one person for each arrest. How many police officers and local citizens were put at risk. What was the cost for insurance claims.

Repeat offenders know how to use the system. They are often out the next day on bail, and even if they have breached bail conditions they are allowed back out to reoffend. Once the original charge makes it to court, all other charges are often dropped for a plea bargain of guilty on the original charge. The criminal begins to believe that the non-consequences of all the other charges means they can do what they want with little of no penalty.

All provincial premiers across Canada and Ontario police association chiefs have requested the Federal Government review and modernize bail provisions.

BAIL REFORM- what should it do?

Bail reform should ensure that those who participate in violent, or weapon offences do not automatically receive bail. Repeat offenders and those who breach the conditions of bail should also not automatically receive bail.

CYBER SECURITY

As cyber security becomes cost prohibitive, LAS- through the RFP process- has developed a program for municipalities with no cyber insurance and for a variety of budgets. The program provides quick, effective, and orderly response to incidents. Incidents are assessed, identified, contained, eradicated, and lessons are provided on what was learned post incident.

There are three retainer levels to choose from. (20 hours, 50 hours, or 80 hours).

This program was just launched in April and is something that we need to investigate.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lsP7LL-WjMo>

NORTHLANDER RAIL SERVICE

Three new coach sets will be ready for 2026. The new coaches will be new, improved, and future ready with the cleanest emissions in the industry. Each set will contain one locomotive and three coaches that are accessible with lifts, options for announcements, and free wifi. The trains will go from Toronto to Timmins with local stops in Huntsville, South River, North Bay, and Temagami.

ENERGY PROGRAMS

As the demands on energy increase and our need to reduce green house gases becomes more important:

The Georgian Bay Mnidoo Gamii Biosphere (GBB)

ICECAP= Integrated Community Energy and Climate Action Plans (ICECAP), this program will help Councils and their communities mitigate greenhouse gas emissions and build resilience by adapting to a changing climate.

The GBB has a wealth of knowledge on climate change and they are well respected. As we move forward to lower greenhouse gas emissions we do not need to reinvent the wheel- We need to talk to the experts who have already have the information and can provide examples of great ideas. <https://www.gbbr.ca/climate-action/>

IESO

- for decarbonization we will need an electrical system twice the size we currently have
- estimated costs over 23 years \$400billion
- need bulk transmitter systems to transport large amounts of energy from producer to area of need
- local providers are responsible for the distribution of power

Parry Sound Muskoka-

- *refurbished transmission lines reaching end-of-life
- *monitor load growth in the Muskoka area for consideration in the next regional planning cycle
- *consider incremental Conservation and Demand Management to defer a capacity need in Waubaushene
- *starting in 2028, until the local supply station can be upgraded to increase its capacity

ieso.ca/learn

Lakeland

Local stakeholders- Parry Sound, Burk's Falls, Bracebridge, Huntsville, Magnetawan and Sundridge

- a micro grid system is used to provide power- solar
- if there is a power outage, they can use the micro grid to direct any available energy to necessary services and block others off. As more energy becomes available, more grids are opened up

SPEEDIER-Smart Proactive Enabled Energy Distribution Intelligently Efficiently and Responsive
<https://www.speedier.ca/wp-content/uploads/2022/12/SPEEDIER-Final-Public-Report-Rev2.1.pdf>

Ontario Power Generation (water)

-A 35% gap in need for energy and availability could start as early as 2029 if more energy supplies are not extended and procured.

- there are 3000-4000 Kw of hydro available in the North but are untapped
- need to move forward with Little Jack Fish and Moose River Basin projects
- leverage existing sites (refurbish) to get more potential out of what already exists
- once generations stations are built, this encourages companies to the area for mining opportunities
- water is the best energy source

- *clean power
- *always running
- *system lasts for 110 years
- *nuclear needs to be refurbished or new every few years
- *wind life span is 20-25 yeats and needs to be rebuilt again

“Pathways Report” read summary

“Northern Hydro Report”

HOMELESS AND MENTAL HEALTH IN NORTHERN ONTARIO

There needs to be Northern Centre of Excellence. The centre would

- *build local capacity in the north
- *identify gaps
- *establish what quality care looks like
- *collect data on how clients enter and move through the system
- *support the use of western medicine along side first nations healing practices



Councilor Report

To: Ryerson Township Council

From: Beverly Abbott

Date of Event: May 17, 2023

Topic: Library Board meeting

Report Date: May 24, 2023

Importance to the Township of Ryerson:


The building committee is meeting one hour before our regular board meeting. We are still trying to get confirmation regarding the possible building site for the new library. The current issue is there is a sewer pipe which runs through the property. We have requested Ryan Baptiste (board member Burk's Falls) to obtain a plan which will locate the pipe.

There is an informative webinar regarding building a new library. There are two libraries are close to putting shovels in the ground. One library from Bancroft has been working on the project for 20 years. Building is beginning this summer. Many helpful ideas were put forth which will aid us in moving forward. We have access to this video to share with our committee and other board members.

The policy committee is working on our new Strategic Plan. It will be posted once completed in June.

The Friends of the library are very busy selling raffle tickets for the painting. We had a booth at the Burk's Falls celebration May 29th. It was a very wet day but the Friends did well in promoting our library.

The plant sale is for Saturday May 27th, rain or shine in front of the library

	<p>Staff Report</p>
To:	Ryerson Township Council
From:	Clerk/Deputy Treasurer Judy Kosowan
Date of Meeting:	May 30, 2023
Report Title:	Regional Fire Training Officer Agreement
Report Date:	May 18, 2023

Recommendation:

Be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill # ____-23, being a By-law to enter into a joint municipal agreement for provision of regional fire training services and further; That By-Law # ____-23 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 30th day of May 2023.

Purpose/Background:

Ryerson Township administers the Regional Fire Training Officer Agreement for our municipal partners. All of the participating municipalities have provided resolutions indicating that they are willing to continue with this program and will enter into another agreement effective from January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2027.

Attached is a copy of the agreement. We will circulate the agreement amongst the partner municipalities for signing. Once the fully signed document is received, Ryerson will enter into the contract for services with Gary Courtice.

The Village of Burks Falls agreed to renew the agreement, but did have some questions that we will respond to separately:

Section 2- is the statement 'at the discretion of the Regional Fire Committee' a good model?

In response: we do not have concerns with respect to Section 2; separate to the RTO Agreement is a contract with Gary Courtice that establishes a fixed price for his services, at the same rate as with the previous renewal. This section would only come into effect in the unforeseen event where Gary is unable to complete his contract and we are forced to go to market for these services, at which time a significant price change may be experienced.

Section 5 and 6- the composition of the Regional Fire Committee should be further clarified and updated.

In response: while the committee structure could certainly be reviewed, their authority is again limited by the separate contract with Gary. With that in place, the only authority that committee would have is to work with the RTO in the development of the regional training program.

The joint municipal regional fire training agreement could be updated upon its renewal in 2027.

THIS AGREEMENT MADE THIS DAY OF , 2023

BETWEEN:

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RYERSON
(hereinafter called "Ryerson")
OF THE FIRST PART

AND

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ARMOUR
(hereinafter called "Armour")
OF THE SECOND PART

AND

THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF BURK'S FALLS
(hereinafter called "Burk's Falls")
OF THE THIRD PART

AND

THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF MAGNETAWAN
(hereinafter called "Magnetawan")
OF THE FOURTH PART

AND

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF KEARNEY
(hereinafter called "Kearney")
OF THE FIFTH PART

AND

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PERRY
(hereinafter called "Perry")
OF THE SIXTH PART

AND

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF McMurrich/Monteith
(hereinafter called "McMurrich/Monteith")
OF THE SEVENTH PART

WHEREAS Section 20(1) of the Municipal Act 2001, S.O. 2001 Chapter 25 authorizes municipalities to enter into agreements to jointly provide for matters that each municipality has the authority to provide;

AND WHEREAS the Parties to this municipal agreement have established Fire Departments individually or in concert with other Parties to this agreement and are individually authorized to provide training therefore;

AND WHEREAS the Parties deem it in the best interests of the public to jointly obtain and provide for training to the members of each Fire Department;

NOW THEREFORE this Agreement witnesseth that the Parties hereto covenant and agree as follows:

1. In this Agreement the following words and phrases have the meaning assigned to them below:

"Cost of Administration" means the actual cost of administering the Fire Training Program and contracting with the Service Provider, of a minimum of \$2,000.00 and up to a maximum of 11.11% of the Cost of Operation.

"Cost of Operation" means the amount that the Administrator is required to pay to the Service Provider(s) or to third parties under a contract to provide the Regional Fire Training Program.

"Cost of the Program" means the aggregate of the Cost of Operation, the Cost of Administration and the Cost of Termination.

"Cost of Termination" means any amount which the Administrator is required to pay on behalf of the Parties hereto flowing directly or indirectly from the termination of a contract with a Service Provider, including, but not limited to severance, damages, and legal costs of the Service Provider or the Administrator.

"Regional Fire Training Program" shall mean the joint Fire Department Training Program undertaken by the Parties.

"Service Provider" means person(s) or corporation(s) contracted by the Administrator to plan and carry out the Regional Fire Training Program. James Gary Courtice shall be deemed to have received the approval of the Regional Fire Chief's Committee as a qualified Service Provider with whom the Administrator is authorized to negotiate a contract.

2. The Parties agree to obtain and provide for the joint training of Fire Department staff and agree to share the costs thereof in accordance with Section 9. The Cost of Operation shall not exceed \$92,900.00 per annum unless such amount is increased by the unanimous consent of the Parties. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Administrator may enter into a contract wherein the Cost of Operation exceeds the foregoing, by an amount no greater than 20%, at the direction of the Regional Fire Training Committee.
3. The Regional Fire Training Program (the "Program") shall be carried out in accordance with National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) standards and the Program Outline set out in Schedule A attached hereto, subject to modifications authorized by the Regional Fire Training Committee and agreed to by the Service Provider.
4. The Corporation of the Township of Ryerson is hereby appointed by the Parties as the Administrator of the said Program. The duties and responsibilities of the Administrator are as follows:
 - (a) To enter into a contract for the provision of the Regional Fire Training Program with one or more Service Providers, which contract shall have a term no longer than the Term of this Agreement. (Such contract to be in the name of the Township of Ryerson);
 - (b) To provide each Party with a draft annual budget for the Regional Training Program for budgeting purposes prior to October 31 and a final budget by February 28 of the subsequent calendar year;
 - (c) To collect from the Parties each Party's share of the Cost of the Program in the proportions specified in Schedule B on a quarterly basis, commencing on the first day of the second month or part thereof following the Commencement of this agreement, and continuing on the first day of every third month thereafter. The Administrator shall invoice the Parties in advance. Payment shall be made within 30 days after invoice. Past due payments shall be charged interest at a rate of 1.5% per month.
 - (d) To pay the Service Provider(s) or others as required by the terms of any contract referenced in subsection (a) above;

- (e) To interact with any government agency or other third party concerning this Agreement;
 - (f) To maintain records as required by Law and/or as it would maintain for its own operations.
 - (g) To advise the Parties on a timely basis of any issues involving the contract including:
 - Issues affecting the Cost of the Program
 - Any dispute involving the Service Provider
 - Any written recommendation of the Regional Fire Training Committee communicated to the Administrator
 - Any decision by the Administrator to suspend the operation of the program.
5. The Parties hereby establish the "Regional Fire Training Committee", the purpose of which is to:
- (a) authorize increases to the Cost of Operation in accordance with Section 2;
 - (b) work directly with the Service Provider with respect to training, content, scheduling, and other program training matters; and
 - (c) provide specific direction to the Administrator as contemplated in Section 6.
6. The Administrator shall not take any of the following actions without the approval of a majority of the members of the Regional Fire Training Committee expressed in writing and signed by them:
- (a) where the contract with the Service Provider specifies certain times during the term of such contract where the Administrator has the right to continue or end the contract with the Service Provider (such as the end of a probationary period or an annual performance review, and the contract is not required to contain such provisions), a decision to continue with the Service Provider's contract.
 - (b) the termination of an existing Service Provider or the engagement of another Service Provider, but the latter does not apply to the decision by an existing Service Provider to incorporate or to the engagement of James Gary Courtice who is deemed to already be approved.
 - (c) a change in the Regional Fire Training Program (such as adding additional training) that causes the Cost of Operation to increase by less than a factor of 20% above the initial cost of operation.
7. Members of the Committee shall be the fire department Chief or Acting Chief (who is identified in the most current appointment by-law pertaining to each Fire Department). Each Party shall have the authority (or in the case of Armour, Ryerson and Burks Falls all three acting in concert) to designate another person by by-law or resolution to be its member of the Committee in place of the Chief or Acting Chief. Each member of the Committee shall have one vote. Each Party hereto shall forthwith notify the Administrator in writing who its representative is and of any change in representation.

8. The Regional Fire Training Committee may establish its own organization as it sees fit and may meet in person or by telephone or other electronic means, or not meet at all, provided that recommendations on the matters set out in Section 6 must be in writing and signed by a majority of Committee members. Such signed recommendations may be communicated to the Administrator by email or any other electronic means acceptable to the Administrator.
9. The Parties hereto agree that the Cost of the Program shall be shared in the proportions set out in Schedule B, subject to the following:

Armour, Burks Falls and Ryerson, who jointly operate one of the fire departments, shall divide the share of Cost of the Program assigned to their joint fire department among themselves in accordance with any separate cost-sharing agreement that applies to sharing such costs among themselves and shall be invoiced separately.
10. The Administrator may in its own absolute discretion suspend the operation of the Regional Training Program at any time when the Administrator believes that the training cannot be adequately delivered by the Service Provider for any reason. During such period of suspension the Administrator shall take reasonable steps to minimize the Cost of the Program insofar as the contract between the Administrator and Service Provider allows; and shall attempt to terminate its contract with the Service Provider (on the recommendation of the Regional Fire Training Committee) and replace the Service Provider if it appears that the program cannot be resumed within a reasonable time. If the Program is not resumed within a period of 120 days, this agreement shall be terminated. In the event of a suspension of the Program, this Agreement shall be extended by the number of days of the period of suspension.
11. Each of the Parties shall provide the Service Provider or its employees with:
 - (a) any appropriate or required by-law which may be necessary for the Service Provider to carry out its duties and obligations;
 - (b) the necessary facilities (where held within a municipality which is a Party hereto), equipment and training supplies, including pens, paper, books, and copies of the lesson/safety plans without charge to the Service Provider to carry out training sessions involving members of its own Fire Department. In addition, each party shall make available the officers of its Fire Department (whose members are receiving training) to participate in such training and to assist the Service Provider in delivering such training.
12. Each Party agrees to indemnify the Administrator and all other Parties, their Councils, officers and employees to the extent of that Party's liability to Pay the Cost of the Program, from any and all future costs, claims, damages or liability arising or resulting directly or indirectly from the provision of the Regional Training Program including, but not limited to, the Cost of Termination.
13. This agreement shall come into effect on the 1st day of January 2024 and shall terminate on the 31st day of December 2027.
14. This Agreement may be amended at any time by the mutual consent of all Parties, after the Party desiring the amendment(s) provides the other

Parties a minimum of ninety (90) days written notice of the proposed amendment(s).

15. This Agreement replaces any former Agreement, and the former Agreement shall be considered null and void as of the date of passing of this Agreement.

16. This Agreement shall ensure to the benefit of and be binding upon the successors and assigns of the Parties hereto.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the Parties have hereunto affixed the signatures of their duly authorized officers together with their corporate seals.

By Ryerson on the day of , 2023

THE CORPORATION OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF RYERSON

Per: _____
George Sterling, Mayor

Per: _____
Judy Kosowan, Clerk-Deputy
Treasurer

By Burk's Falls on the day of , 2023.

THE CORPORATION OF THE
VILLAGE OF BURK'S FALLS

Per: _____
Chris Hope, Mayor

Per: _____
Clerk-Administrator

By Armour on the day of 2023.

THE CORPORATION OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF ARMOUR

Per: _____
Rod Ward, Mayor

Per: _____
John Theriault, Clerk/Treasurer-
Administrator

By Magnetawan on the day of , 2023.

THE CORPORATION OF THE
MUNICIPALITY OF MAGNETAWAN

Per: _____
Sam Dunnett, Mayor

Per: _____
Kerstin Vroom, CAO/Clerk

By Kearney on the day of , 2023.

THE CORPORATION OF THE
TOWN OF KEARNEY

Per: _____
Cheryl Phillip, Mayor

Per: _____
Cindy Filmore, Acting Clerk

By Perry on the day of , 2023.

THE CORPORATION OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF PERRY

Per: _____
Norm Hofstetter, Mayor

Per: _____
Beth Morton, Clerk-Administrator

By McMurrich/Monteith on the day of , 2023.

THE CORPORATION OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF
MCMURRICH/MONTEITH

Per: _____
Glynn Robinson, Mayor

Per: _____
Cheryl Marshall, Clerk-Treasurer

SCHEDULE A

Description of the Regional Fire Training Program

The Service Provider shall deliver a comprehensive Regional Firefighter Training Program that will bring the member fire departments up to the current provincial and federal standards and help to implement best practices in firefighting.

The Service Provider will deal with the Administrator for administrative purposes and will deal directly with the Regional Fire Training Committee or its members for training organization, content scheduling and evaluation. The Service Provider will attend any meetings of the Regional Fire Training Committee and Council meetings of the member municipalities as requested.

For each training session, the Service Provider will provide the host Fire Chief with a master copy of the lesson plan / safety plan. The Fire Chief will provide the necessary facilities, equipment and training supplies, including pens, paper, books and copies of the lesson plan / safety plan for the firefighters in attendance. The host fire department will also be responsible for keeping general order during meetings and for disciplining firefighters if necessary.

General Service Provider Responsibilities

- Develop / provide all lesson and safety plans to current NFPA / MTO standards and to ensure that departments are in compliance with all relevant legislation
- Schedule and coordinate all training sessions with the in-house training officers and Fire Chiefs
- Maintain and keep all records, stored electronically and in hardcopy. Electronic backups of department records will be provided monthly to each fire department, with a full copy of all records provided monthly to the Administrator. Monthly hardcopies of firefighter records will also be provided to the relevant fire department.
- Conduct regular assessments / evaluations for each firefighter and follow up with progress reports to both the individual and the Fire Chief. Organize assessments and provide statistics by individual firefighter, by department and by region.
- Service Provider must, at a minimum, maintain and stay current with its own and any employee's training certifications held at the time of proposal
- All required lesson topics shall be completed within a period of 18 months or as per the new NFPA requirements and begin again to ensure skills remain consistent with NFPA standards and to the needs of the departments and municipalities
- Develop / improve departmental and regional training policies as required and in collaboration with the Regional Fire Training Committee
- Provide its own Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) for each training module
- Protect the health and safety of the Service Provider's workers and the firefighters at all times as per the Occupational Health and Safety Act

Regular Training Meetings

- A minimum of one nightly training session to be held every other week at each of the Burk's Falls, Kearney and Magnetawan fire halls. Perry and McMurrich/Monteith will share training sessions, with the location of the scheduled session to alternate between their fire halls. Each session shall be a minimum two hours or time as required to complete each session
- A firefighter from any department can attend any of the sessions
- Following the specific training plan as laid out, the Service Provider will, at each session, either act as lead instructor or will assist the in-house trainer/facilitator as per the Fire Chief's judgement
- Training sessions should be geared to the season (i.e. portable pump training for grass fires in spring)

Specialty Training Modules

- A minimum of FOUR (4) specialty training modules will be offered per year
- Specialty modules to be delivered on either weeknights or weekends, so long as they do not conflict with regular training nights

- Class size will be maximum of 20 firefighters
- Specialty module topics should include but not be limited to
 - Firefighter Recruitment module in early part of the year (approx. 80-100 hours)
 - Drivers D and Z and evaluations (to MTO standards)
 - Pump Operations
 - Water Ice Rescue
 - Auto Extrication
 - Winter Driving
 - Class A Fire Suppression
 - Company Officer
- Modules offered to be reviewed by the Regional Fire Training Committee after 18 month period

Officer Meetings

- One meeting per month, training the officers in supervisory and leadership skills, location to be decided.

SCHEDULE B
List of Participating Fire Departments

Participating Cost Fire Department	Municipalities Responsible for Paying Its Share of Costs	Percent of Program to be paid
Burks Falls & District Fire Department	Twp. Of Armour, Twp. of Ryerson & Village of Burks Falls*	20%*
Magnetawan Fire Department	Municipality of Magnetawan	20%
Kearney Fire Department	Town of Kearney	20%
Perry Fire Department	Township of Perry	20%
McMurrich/Monteith Fire Department	Township of McMurrich/ Monteith	20%

*NOTE: Armour, Ryerson & Burks Falls are responsible for paying between them 20% of the Costs of the Program, to be split between themselves in accordance with a separate cost-sharing agreement between them.



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Minutes: May 4, 2023, 10:00 am via Zoom and in the Township of Armour Council Chambers

Present: Rod Ward (Chair), Delynne Patterson, Margaret Ann MacPhail, Norm Hofstetter, Brad Kneller, Jim Ronholm, Sharon Smith (Sundridge) Chris Hope, Camille Barr (Secretary)

Regrets: Tom Bryson, Fraser Williamson (Vice Chair), Vicky Roeder-Martin

Guests: Susan Keast (HHR), Shelly Van den Heuvel (BFFHT), Courtney Metcalf (ACED), Cheryl Harrison (MAHC), Dr. Sarah MacKinnon

Called to order at 10:00 am by Chair R. Ward

1. 2023-13 Moved by B. Kneller - Seconded by D. Patterson

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Almaguin Highlands Health Council adopt the minutes from the regular meeting of April 6, 2023 as circulated. Carried.

2. **DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY OF INTEREST:** None

3. **DELEGATIONS:**

Cheryl Harrison- CEO and President of MAHC

The new hospital build is in Stage 1.3. Currently there are 16 user groups formed focusing on services needed in the hospitals. The groups are being challenged to look towards the future as they plan as well not just within the physical “four walls” but also within the community. Consultants will take the information provided from the user groups and prepare a design. From there the design will go to the architect. Cheryl encourages Council members to reach out should they have an interest in being a part of the user groups.

There are three locations being considered for Bracebridge. One of these is a preferred site and is on Muskoka Beach Road. All three will be assessed by the town of Bracebridge for service needs.

Regarding the ‘local share’, Cheryl reports she has been sharing the work that Almaguin has been doing by providing assistance and advocacy. The goal is to have shovels in the ground by 2029.

Dr. Sarah MacKinnon- Sundridge & District Medical Centre

Dr. MacKinnon reiterated that the Province has announced funding available for primary care expansion. Both S. Van den Heuvel and S. MacKinnon have been working on this separate applications for Sundridge and Burk's Falls however resources would be shared across the two groups. The goal is to expand primary care and fill the gaps for unattached patients.

The period for expressions of interest will be announced quickly with a short turn around. It is essential to be prepared. Letters of support are required from stakeholders which include the AHHC and Almaguin Councils. Letters of support need to share real examples of how needs are not currently being met in Almaguin communities. They should tell the tale of our area.

S. MacKinnon will provide the Council with talking points highlighting key areas to address in letters of support.

The following is what will be requested in the expression of interest in a phased in approach:

Services for SDMC:

Phase 1: RN, NP, Mental Health Therapist

Phase 2: Administrative Assistant, Team Office Manager, funding for OTN set up

Services for BFFHT:

Phase 1: NP

Phase 2: Mental Health Therapist, Reception/Medical Secretary

Shared services for BFFHT & SDMC:

Phase 2: Social worker/clinic navigator, Physiotherapist

Letters should be prepared sooner rather than later as the turn around will be quick.

Additionally. S. MacKinnon shared that NOHF contributed a significant amount to the renovations at the Sundridge & District Medical Centre and an open house will be planned for the near future. Stay tuned.

Susan Keast- Human Health Recruiter MAOHT

S. Keast shared she attended a job fair in Collingwood where she was able to network and build resources. She notes a lot of Dr's in attendance were at various stages of their careers. She also attended training with Northern Rural Medical Association which focused on northern rural medicine and what is relevant today. Susan continues to build networks and notes that people are starting to know who she is within her role.

Susan was invited to a dinner in Huntsville with doctors which further supported her learning. She inquired as to what attracted them to the area in hopes of building on this.

RESOLUTIONS PASSED:

2023-14 Moved by M. MacPhail - Seconded by D. Patterson

Whereas the Burk's Falls Family Health Team and the Sundridge and District Medical Centre are applying for potential grant funds for Primary Care Expansion through an Expression of Interest,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Almaguin Highlands Health Council will prepare letters of support to be included in the applications. Carried.

4. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

a) Hospital 'Local Share' Update

R. Ward has attended the majority of the AHHC municipal council tables to speak on local share. He reports that MAHC is now seeing Almaguin as being one and the Council continues to be asked to sit on various groups and committees for MAOHT.

b) Health Care Services in the Township of Armour

R. Ward shared that alot of needs of Armour residents are met by the Almaguin Highlands Health Centre in Burk's Falls. He reports there are still many residents on the wait list for a doctor however BFFHT is making gains in catching up.

c) Progress Report

R. Ward reviewed the May Progress Report with Council. The report will be shared with the draft minutes.

d) Other Business

Home Care Modernization Working Group Update- M. MacPhail attended the most recent meeting. Servicing needs are being reviewed and in order to do so good data must be collected. The group will also engage with stakeholders to understand their personal experiences with the program and how outcomes may be improved. M. MacPhail will share the meeting minutes with AHH Council.

Palliative Care Task Force- MAOHT is looking to the Council for representation. Council felt F. Williamson would be a great fit. S. Smith will reach out to F. Williamson. M. MacPhail will attend the first meeting until F. Williamson is spoken to regarding the opportunity.

Eastholme Medical Transportation Services- As per last meeting, Secretary reached out to Eastholme for general information on medical transportation use. The following general information was shared for the 2022 calendar year for medical related appointments only (not errands) and covers from South River to Novar, including Magnetawan:

Total rides- 2,153

Of those, the following percentages are where clients traveled to for medical:

Huntsville – 40%

Local (South River, Sundridge, Burk's Falls) – 23%

North Bay – 22%

Orillia – 4%

Barrie/Newmarket – 3%

Toronto (GTA) – 3%

Dunchurch/Parry Sound – 2%

Bracebridge/Gravenhurst – 2%

Sudbury - 1%

AHHC Foundation- C. Hope is currently working on a new logo for the foundation and will work with the new Village CAO once in place on how the foundation will operate regarding the acceptance of donations and the charitable status.

2023- 15 Moved by C. Hope - Seconded by J. Ronholm





THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Almaguin Highlands Health Council adjourn at 11:00 am to meet again on June 1, 2023, at 10:00 am. Carried.

Location will be Village of Burk's Falls Council Chambers followed by a tour of the BFFHT expansion at 12:00 pm



*July meeting tentatively booked in the Village of Sundridge, Council Chambers

AHH Council – Key Areas of Focus & Progress- May 2023

This summary provides the information related to the key areas of Focus and Progress as outlined in June 2019 for the Almaguin Highlands Health Council...

 Ontario Health Team Partnership	 High-Speed Internet Throughout Almaguin Highlands	 Attract & Retain Healthcare Professionals	 Coordinate Healthcare Services to Serve Entire Region
<p>Document and communicate the specific healthcare needs of the entire Almaguin Highlands in order to create our vision of people-centred care within our own community. Establish partnership with OHT (or OHT's) which aligns with and supports our vision.</p>	<p>Ensure that high-speed internet, a key component in the future of healthcare delivery, is available to every resident of the Almaguin Highlands. The goal is to help level the playing field and ensure our residents can access existing and future digital healthcare options.</p>	<p>Ensure excellent healthcare to our region through continuous efforts to both attract new professionals and retain the ones we have. The goal is to build an exceptional team of healthcare professionals, working together across the region.</p>	<p>Advocate for new and expanded healthcare services and help influence decisions which protect our region. Continually partner with our healthcare providers in support of the specific healthcare needs of our community.</p>

Progress: Items in red and bolded below are new this month...

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 - AHHC participation in MAOHT Collaboration Steering Committee, Digital Working Group, Health Human Resources Working Group and Home and Community Care Working Group (on-going); **new request to join Palliative Care Task Force (May 2023)**
 - Discussions regarding creation of System Navigator or Healthcare Planner role for Almaguin Highlands initiated with MAOHT
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 - **Additional high-speed announcements for Almaguin Highlands confirmed – April 2023**
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 - Confirmed additional AHHC funding to assist with OTN / BFFHT renovations
 - MAOHT “recruitment funding” complete
 - MAOHT Recruiter on board as of February 2023 – assisting with needs in Almaguin
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 - **MAHC “local share” funding discussions – “Road Show” to all Almaguin municipalities completed**
 - **AHHC continues with “local share” committee (MAHC, foundations, municipalities) – next meeting June 12, 2023**
 - Local Share Status as of 31-Mar-23 - Approximately \$2-million toward MAHC build and \$500-k for Almaguin confirmed via resolutions



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1. Background

The Council for the Village of Burk's Falls became the owner of the former Red Cross Hospital in 2011. At that time a Board, The Almaguin Health Centre Board, with Village representatives was set up to begin the process of accepting funds and working to bring health care services back to Almaguin.

The Board set up monthly committee meetings jointly with Almaguin municipal members to assist with the goal to attracting new doctors and health care professionals. In 2011 all municipalities joined in these efforts and passed resolutions of support, forwarding them onto the Northeast Local Health Integration Network and the Ministry of Health.

In 2012 the AHHC Board commissioned a Business Plan, adopted the final document, and sent to the senior levels of government for approvals. This started the process to have a Ministry funded Family Health Team (FHT) set up in the AHHC. Renovations were completed and the FHT and Doctor's Group opened up practice to serve the communities of Armour, Burk's Falls, Magnetawan, Perry and Ryerson. However, there are also patients from all over Almaguin including from McMurrich Monteith and Kearney. The Board, and several individual municipalities, have sent several resolutions of support to have McMurrich Monteith and Kearney added to the catchment area but to date there has been no success at the provincial level.

The 2012 Business Plan informed the AHHC Board that the loss of urgent care is the biggest concern and that the region is being underserved despite the province's statement to the contrary. The residents want a multi-purpose community-based healthcare facility. Providers want coordination of activities among healthcare providers in the region to be better aligned and a more consistent and sustainable funding models. The Business Plan was partially executed due to funding constraints. There were services as indicated then, but none directly supported by the AHHC Board. There are services listed that were to be administered by the Board but they continue to be administered by Muskoka Algonquin Health Care and funded by the Village.

In 2019 the Council for the Village of Burk's Falls began the request to Almaguin municipalities to assist with the costs of operating and upkeep of the Almaguin Highlands Health Centre. The intent as can be derived from the literature back in 2011 indicate that the Health Centre was to be supported with funding from other municipalities. This arrangement was not formalized but in 2011 all municipalities did contribute \$2.00 per person based on the population of the time. Other contributions were received as individual Councils felt necessary. Since 2019, most municipalities have agreed to an annual contribution to share the burden of ensuring health care services are located in Almaguin. However, there is a desire to make the annual request more predictable for all parties.

The Village of Burk's Falls wants to formalize a long term plan for the building to create a truly sustainable community health hub for all of Almaguin. There are health providers in other communities and yet the residents in the region continue to feel underserved. A formal path needs to be set to achieve the long term goals. However, the ratepayers of the Village cannot afford to be solely responsible for this initiative.

The following will summarize the options that the Council for the Village of Burk's Falls has contemplated to provide all Almaguin Highland Health Center municipal members a better understanding and a more structured way forward.

Governance Options Considered

1. Keep the status quo, send request as annual invoices based on previous year's deficit
2. Sell the building through the competitive market
3. Create a stand alone incorporated Board
4. The Village continues to manage with the assistance of a AHHC Board

2. *Important to Know*

- A. The Village's budget for the property includes the combined revenue and expenses for all the buildings/services including the Medical Building, the EMS Base, and the Health Centre.
- B. The AHHC building has been deemed a capital facility and as such the Village doesn't collect or charge taxes for the property. The medical building does not qualify as a capital facility.
- C. The Almaguin Highlands Health Centre is a commercial building with tenants who provide health and social related services to the region. Neither, the Village, nor the Health Council, directly offers any service from the building. The Village does manage it as a landlord and promotes any vacancies to extend health related services offered to Almaguin. The success is that many other health service providers seeking new locations see the merit in having the health hub as well.

Figure 1: Services on property listed by serviced areas.

AHHC Services	Value of Rent (see legend)	Beneficiary Regional	Beneficiary Catchment	Beneficiary ARBF
X-Ray / ECG	N	x		
Laboratory	N	x		
Physiotherapy (MAHC)	N	x		
CMHAC	M	x		
NBPS Health Unit	M/Donation	x		
Foot Care (In Physio rm)	N	x		
Diabetes Education	N	x		
OTN	N	x		
The Friends	M	x		
AI-Non	S	x		
Emotions Anonymous	S	x		
Sexual Assault	S	x		
Medical Supply Depot	M	x		
Frozen Meals Program	S	x		
BF Family Health Team	S		x	
Drs. Family Health Team	S		x	
Food Bank	S	x		
Board Room	M	x		
Medical Building Services				
Children's Aid Society	M	x		
Medical Accessible Transportation	M	x		
Fire Department	S			x
Arnica (Pharmacy)	M		x	
Highlands North Physio	M	x		
vacant				
med bldg. top right back	M			
med bldg. lower front right	M			
EMS Building	S	x		

Legend Value of Rent: N=No rent paid; M=Market rent paid; S=subsidized rental fees

Regional: All Almaguin Municipalities

Catchment: Townships of Ryerson, Armour, McMurrich Monteith, Kearney, Perry, Municipality of Magnetawan, Village of Burk's Falls

ARBF: Townships of Armour and Ryerson and Village of Burk's Falls

While the Community Care Access and the Health Unit no longer have physical locations, they do continue to offer their services to the region. Services are now performed in the clients home and when needed the Boardroom at the AHHC is booked.

- D. The Almaguin Highlands Health Council and the Village have conducted several surveys with Almaguin residents over the past 4 years for a variety of reasons. These recent surveys indicate, Almaguin wide, health care remains top of mind and access to services is the number one priority. Access may mean the type of service, transportation to the service and the affordability of the service. In Almaguin there is still a waitlist for a family doctor. However, the Ministry of Health has concluded for our population there are adequate doctors. Other health services requested from the survey results:
- a. Doctor/Nurse Practitioner
 - b. Dentist
 - c. Urgent Care
 - d. Optometrist
 - e. Mental Health Services
- E. The Council for the Village of Burk's Falls wants to re-establish the charitable organization, the AHH Center Board, to function as a fundraising organization to support the building infrastructure so that services continue to want to be located within the Health Hub. Capital on the building has been focused on the Family Health Team needs with over \$400,000 being contributed to renovations since 2011 and in recent years. There is another ask (2022) from the FHT for further renovations that was sent to all catchment municipalities, and most have agreed to cover these expenses. The OTN will be moving down as well into a larger area and the Health Council has agreed to use some of the funds collected to support OTN equipment upgrades. The funds are going directly to the FHT so they can relocate to the lower east level (former LHIN space). The charitable organization, to be reorganized, will act as the agent for donations and possibly into the future as an Administrator for the Health Hub, connecting services to available spaces and vice versa. Currently, there is no funding for this position.
- F. There is a lot of history over the last 12 years of operating the Almaguin Highlands Health Centre. Services have come and gone, new ones have arrived and some have stayed the course. There have been many stakeholders and passionate councillors who have worked to make this Health Hub a sustainable reality. Appendices to this report are:
- a. Resolution copy from Almaguin Communities to support the takeover of the Health Centre to the Ministry and NE LHIN. (2011)
 - b. Business Plan for AHHC Community-Based Healthcare in Almaguin (2012)
 - c. 2019 Request from Village for support
 - d. 2022 Update on AHHC and Village's request for support
 - e. 2020 Almaguin Highlands Primary Health Care Survey Results
 - f. 2020 Almaguin Community Safety and Well Being Plan Survey – relevant results
 - g. Breakdown of Revenue and Expenses from 2011 to 2023 (budget) for AHHC
 - h. Summary reports from Engineer Study of AHHC in 2022 (mechanical condition assessment)
 - i. 10 Year Capital Items
- G. When MAHC ceased management of the building as a hospital to manage their deficit they entered into an agreement with the Village that they would continue their services (x-ray, Lab, post op physiotherapy) to the region as long as they did not have to pay rent. There is no end date to this contract and it remains valid.

- H. The Almaguin Highlands Health Center has several services within the building that have, and demand, subsidized or no-rent agreements. These services are important to the region and are needed to keep the communities and residents healthy. However, this creates a shortfall for operations which then provides very low funds for capital improvements. The upkeep of the building has fallen only to the residents of the Village solely, until 2019 when municipalities did begin to contribute. This is welcomed relief as the services benefit more than Village residents and it now allows the Village to plan for much needed improvements. A predictable and formal contribution agreement is needed to solve the problems of these rental shortfalls. This report is intended to provide options and recommendation on how to achieve that outcome.

3. The Governance Options Explained

1. Keep the status quo, send request as annual invoices to member municipalities based on immediate previous year's shortfall.
 - a. Village seeks services and promotes the rental of empty units
 - b. Village enters into all tenant leases
 - c. Village manages all building operating services as landlord
 - d. Village plans and manages all capital improvements – which up to now have been mainly for the FHT and now the 2nd floor is a priority for 2023
 - e. Village holds all service contracts, fire, alarms, yard maintenance, snow removal, custodial services
 - f. Pros – ensure services provided, non-profit service groups use at low cost, attractive for local and regional economic development
 - g. Cons – recurring funding shortfalls paid by BF ratepayers, MAHC agreement at no rent, age of building, amount of resources to administer

2. Sell the building through the competitive market
Council has considered this option and while it is not off the table, it is not the preferred option. When looking strictly from a business angle, this building is not self-supporting, and it is not the Village's intent to have taxpayers fund rental properties. However, the importance of having control over the services within the building is not lost on Council. Local health care services are vital to attracting new residents. While it is not the mandate of municipal governments, without the support and promotion by municipalities the existing services may not have located in the region.

3. Create a stand alone incorporated Board
 - a. Sell shares of the building to member municipalities and/or stakeholders
 - b. Board makes all decisions; member groups cover all costs of operating and capital as the Board deems necessary (Like a library)
 - c. Board has own staff (Executive Director) to manage the facility and ensure it reaches capacity with health care services
 - d. Pros: There is no direct deficit to the Village's ratepayers, more decision makers for the building,
 - e. Cons: restricted say on tenants/services to be available, Board negotiates with tenant for lease if too much/full cost recovery, no services are located here

4. The Village continues to manage with the formal assistance of member municipalities
 - a. All AHHC Council member municipalities enter into a contribution agreement to cover approved budgeted costs at a fixed percentage with 5-year review intervals.
 - b. The Village continues to oversee operations of the building, as is Option #1
 - c. The Village continues to hire staff 3 days a week to manage facility (current Admin Assist)

Governance Recommendation

Option #4 (four) is the preferred option. This would continue to be in conjunction with the Village’s establishment of the Foundation for the Health Centre to assist in raising funds for capital improvements. The Almaguin Highland Health Council has adopted new terms of reference that removes the building from their mandate and focuses on health care services being provided throughout Almaguin. However, we have seen the success of attracting services to health hubs, especially when they align. For example, a doctor’s office with walk-in lab and x-ray services in the same building. As seen from *Figure 1* on services offered, many of the services currently in the building benefit more than one municipality.

With this option, the largest issue will be the factors for cost sharing. As expected, there is always the concern that one municipality will be off setting costs for a building owned by another. In this case, the cost recovery should be viewed more as covering the cost for services that collectively don’t pay enough rent to offset the cost of their space. Many services are subsidized, in fact the most used services are either not paying rent (through service agreement) or have a reduced rental rate. When reviewing *Figure 1* compared to subsidy amounts with *Figure 2* for Subsidy rents by tenant, below, for health care services there is an annual rental subsidy of \$40,974.20. That consists of support group charges, Muskoka Algonquin Health Care services, the Ontario Telemedicine Network and the two groups that make up the Burk’s Falls and Area Family Health Team.

Figure 2: Subsidized rents rates by tenant

AH Health Centre Subsidy for Services		Per municipality
1.	All Almaguin Municipalities (10 communities)	
	Support Groups	900
	MAHC (lab,xray,physio)	31,816
	OTN	3075
	Total for services for 10 municipalities serviced	\$ 35,791.00
		\$3,579.10
2.	Catchment	
	BF, Armour, Ryerson, Perry, Magnetawan Kearney, McMurrich Monteith (7 communities)	
	Family Physicians	\$ 5,183.20
		\$740.46
	Total subsidy @ AHHC Services/Yr.	\$ 40,974.20
		\$3,619.56
	Additional subsidy for Food Bank/yr.	\$20,336.90
	vacant space is	\$19,577.50
	we are currently in discussions	
	Total rent shortfall	\$80,888.60

The Food Bank is a regional service as well and they do receive a discount on the fair market rental rate as their space is large and offers a valuable service to the vulnerable population. The Fire Department has an office within the medical building and upon renewal the rates can be expected to increase as well. There are two units vacant or underutilized since 2022 but the Village is in discussion with a health provider and it does look promising. If it is not successful, the Village will market the spaces again in the summer of 2023.

4. *Cost Sharing Contribution Options*

In reviewing the possible cost factors for the contribution agreement to implement the governance recommendation No. 4, the Village has considered:

1. Covering subsidy for services plus 50% for capital to attract new services. The second story will be refreshed in 2023 and several units will be marketed for rent to health providers. As much of the capital has been focused on the Family Health Team the rest of the building is in need of urgent cosmetic care. The engineering reports and 10-year capital list will also require \$600,000 in capital improvements over the next few years. The Village is applying for grants to assist with these costs.

Annual subsidy based on services (<i>Figure 2</i>)	\$ 40,974.20
Additional 50% Capital improvements	<u>\$ 20,487.00</u>
	\$ 61,461.20
Divided by 10 municipalities / per year	\$ 6,146.10

2. Basing cost sharing on usage for services. The Village has been requesting the service providers that receive discounted rental rates to track usage for the past several years. The summary is below. The chart takes into account the average percentage of all usage plus the population, as health care is a people centered service, and calculates the portion of the 12-year average deficit. The concern with usage is that it is not reliable and often clients don't know which municipality they "live" in even when asked for postal codes and those giving the questionnaire do not know the street names or boundaries of the communities. Additionally, service providers have shared being very busy so they are doing their best to record the information correctly. Client information is also protected under freedom of information rules and addresses cannot be recorded for these purposes.

Figure 3: Use of services by community

Serviced Municipalities											
Statistics on Usage @ AHHC											
# of Benefiting Communities	10		10		7						
	OTN		MAHC Services		BFFHT	Population					
Service Provided	pre-2019	%	2021	%	2020	%		%	Average %		Average deficit
Burk's Falls/Armour/Ryerson*	234	15.54			1709	0.44			0.00		\$ 60,069.30
Armour	22	1.46	389	11.57			1459	11.92	10.67	11.20	6727.76
Burk's Falls			760	22.60			957	7.82	12.42	12.95	7778.97
Kearney	26	1.73	175	5.20	236	6.06	974	7.96	5.00	5.53	\$ 3,321.83
Magnetawan	47	3.12	338	10.05	275	7.06	1753	14.32	8.25	8.78	\$ 5,274.08
McMurrich	28	1.86	156	4.64	178	4.57	907	7.41	4.75	5.28	\$ 3,171.66
Perry	37	2.46	270	8.03	485	12.45	2650	21.65	10.50	11.03	\$ 6,625.64
Ryerson			171	5.08			745	6.09	7.67	8.20	\$ 4,925.68
Strong			322	9.57			1566	12.79	11.33	11.86	\$ 7,124.22
Sundridge			712	21.17			938	7.66	15.08	15.61	\$ 9,376.82
Strong/Sundridge/Joly*	1112	73.84		0.00	1013	26.00			0.00	0.53	\$ -
Joly			70	2.08			293	2.39	9.08	9.61	\$ 5,772.66
totals	1506	100	3363		3896		12242		94.75	100.58	

*Note: some services collected use based on Postal

3. Covering the average 10-year deficiency evenly across all 10 municipalities. In reviewing the deficiency since 2011/2012 the average deficit for operating and capital has been \$60,069. Currently, the annual invoices are sent out based on the previous year's deficit divided among those municipalities who contribute to off setting health care services. The cost for each municipality under this system is \$6,007.00 per year.


4. Population based: In reviewing the history of the Health Centre in 2011 each of the 12 Almaguin Municipalities paid \$2.00 per capita to the AHHC Board to kick start their accounts. It is logical to assume population could be a cost factor long term since healthcare services are people centric. *Figure 4* below breaks down the cost sharing by population per community. As well the last two columns calculate contributions based on per capita. Neither the 2011 contribution of \$2.00 per person, nor a \$4.00 per capita would cover the average annual deficit.

Figure 4: Population cost base by community

2021 Census Municipality	Population				
			\$60,000	\$2.00	\$4.00
Armour	1,459	0.10	6,116.55	2918	5836
Burk's Falls	957	0.07	4,012.02	1914	3828
Ryerson	745	0.05	3,123.25	1490	2980
Joly	293	0.02	1,228.34	586	1172
Kearney	974	0.07	4,083.29	1948	3896
Perry	2,650	0.19	11,109.56	5300	10600
Strong	1,566	0.11	6,565.12	3132	6264
Sundridge	938	0.07	3,932.36	1876	3752
Magnetawan	1,753	0.12	7,349.08	3506	7012
Maچار	969	0.07	4,062.33		0
McMurrich Monteith	907	0.06	3,802.40	1814	3628
South River	1,101	0.08	4,615.71		0
	14,312	1		\$ 24,484.00	\$ 48,968.00

Cost Sharing Contribution Recommendation

1. It is recommended to use the cost sharing based on actual shortfalls from the previous ten years, Option 3 above. In reviewing the deficiency since 2011/2012 the average deficit for operating and capital has been \$60,069. Currently, the annual invoices are sent out based on the previous year's deficit divided among those municipalities who contribute to off setting health care services. The cost for each municipality under this system is \$6,007.00 per year.

	Staff Report
To:	Ryerson Township Council
From:	Clerk/Deputy Treasurer Judy Kosowan
Date of Meeting:	May 30, 2023
Report Title:	Almaguin Highlands Secondary School Prom Donation
Report Date:	May 18, 2023

Recommendation:

Additional information has been received regarding the AHSS Prom.

For Consideration:

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council has considered information received about the request for a donation to the Almaguin Highlands Secondary School 2023 Prom and have decided to rescind resolution number R-90-23 dated May 16, 2023.

Purpose/Background:

Attached is further information received regarding the Almaguin Highlands Secondary School Prom.

Council may wish to give further consideration to the resolution adopted at the May 16, 2023 meeting:

R- 90 -23 Moved by Councillor Patterson, Seconded by Councillor Abbott,
Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council donate \$200. to the Almaguin Highlands Secondary School 2023 Prom. (Carried)

Judy Kosowan

From: Heather Hickey <Heather.Hickey@nearnorthschools.ca>
Sent: May 17, 2023 4:15 PM
To: Kryssi Sinclair; Tanya Wardlaw
Cc: Judy Kosowan
Subject: Re: Prom Donation

Hi Kryssaundra,

Thank you for thinking of our students. The prom is not a school event rather something some grade 12 students are organizing themselves. I am not sure who approached you for this donation but if you still want to donate the cheque should be made out to them.

Thank you,

*Heather Hickey
Principal
Almaguin Highlands Secondary School
Box 250
South River, Ontario
POA 1X0
(705) 472-5563 ext 6203
(705) 386-0004 fax*



From: Kryssi Sinclair <adminassist@ryersontownship.ca>
Sent: May 17, 2023 3:20 PM
To: Tanya Wardlaw <Tanya.Wardlaw@nearnorthschools.ca>; Heather Hickey <Heather.Hickey@nearnorthschools.ca>
Cc: Judy Kosowan <clerk@ryersontownship.ca>
Subject: Prom Donation

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Hello,

We have received a letter from one of your students from the Prom Committee requesting donation for the 2023 Prom. I have attached a resolution of support. Who do we make the cheque out to and address?

Thank you,

Kryssaundra Sinclair,
Administrative Assistant
Township of Ryerson



28 Midlothian Road, Burk's Falls ON, P0A 1C0
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Judy Kosowan

From: Adelle Brooker <adelle.brooker15@gmail.com>
Sent: May 19, 2023 2:36 PM
To: Judy Kosowan
Subject: Re: Almaguin Highlands Prom 2023

Good afternoon Judy,

Thanks for the response and thanks for getting our letter in front of Council so quickly.

I'm glad to hear Council is interested in learning more about the 2023 Prom and the Committees efforts to bring Prom to our graduating class. Now that we have all completed our university and college applications the Committee is able to put more time and attention to the event.

The Committee is made up of 6 graduating students. Like you said, Prom is not a school sponsored event and there is no funding or administration support provided. The event is 100% organized, funded and hosted by students. Unfortunately we are not able to even sell tickets on school property so we are finding creative ways to promote and sell tickets. The majority of our funds will come from ticket sales, we are trying to keep the cost of tickets reasonable so that all our grads and their plus ones can attend no matter their financial situation. Prom can be very costly, this year is no exception. The Committee decided to reach out to our Almaguin Municipalities for support since like everything, costs have escalated. We have also been working to organize various fundraising events where we can boost the accessible funds. These efforts include, bake sales, donation boxes, South River car show volunteering starting in May and a bottle drive.

Our venue is local and we have opted for a buffet, again to keep costs low. We have also put a call out for parent volunteers as we require additional support to set up, take down, supervise and more.

If Council is able to provide the Committee with a donation, we will combine those funds to help offset the cost of the venue which in turn will keep the cost of the tickets within the same range as previous years, at present the cost of this years prom tickets has been calculated to be \$40.00.

Thank you again for your time,
On behalf of the Almaguin Prom committee,
Adelle

On Thu, May 18, 2023 at 11:06 AM Judy Kosowan <clerk@ryersontownship.ca> wrote:

Hello Adelle: Would you please provide more information regarding the Prom Committee and the event. We understand that this is not a school event.

Who is on the Committee?

Provide the budget for the prom indicating sources of revenue and also the expenses. Is there a Treasurer?

Details of the Prom event.

Thank you.

Judy Kosowan

Clerk/Deputy Treasurer

Township of Ryerson

[28 Midlothian Road](#)

[Burks Falls, Ontario](#)

[POA 1C0](#)

705 382-3232

From: Adelle Brooker <adelle.brooker15@gmail.com>

Sent: Friday, April 21, 2023 7:51 PM

To: Judy Kosowan <clerk@ryersontownship.ca>

Cc: Adelle Brooker <adelle.brooker15@gmail.com>

Subject: Almaguin Highlands Prom 2023

Good evening,

Please find attached a request to Council for a donation to the Almaguin Highlands Prom 2023

I am hopeful that this will make the agenda for the next Council meeting. If there are any questions please do not hesitate to contact me via email.

Thank you,

Adelle

Hello,

Throughout the years, our municipality has had several water aerodrome owners and pilots. Currently, one resident owns both a water aerodrome and a land aerodrome. The municipality and our residents, have never had an issue with either until recently. This new case is quite different for the following reasons:

- The proponent did not consult with provincial and municipal authorities, did not obtain a building permit, and has refused to reveal his final construction plans.
- The proponent did not disclose his true intentions to his neighbours, the lake association, or the municipality.
- The dock is massive - made of structural steel, and more significant in size and weight than any dock in Armour Township.
- The dock is intended for mixed-use – two boat slips - which does not support the core competency of the Aeronautics Act.
- The proponent does not own a float plane.

The Three Mile Lake Community Club within the Township of Armour also continues to discuss this situation with Transport Canada. There have also been media reports [What's up dock? Water aerodrome construction raises concerns in Armour \(northbaynipissing.com\)](#) and there is an active petition to the Canadian Parliament [Petition e-4364 - Petitions \(ourcommons.ca\)](#)

Please support the attached resolution and call on Transport Canada to amend current legislation regarding water aerodromes to require mandatory consultation and transparency with provincial and municipal authorities prior to construction and to state that 'mixed-use' docks and structures will not be permitted.

We ask that you also support Petition e-4364 – Petition to the Minister of Transport. It is open for signature until June 25, 2023.

Respectfully submitted,

Charlene Watt

Deputy Clerk, Dipl.M.M.
Township of Armour
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CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ARMOUR

RESOLUTION

Date: May 9, 2023

Motion # 132

WHEREAS some proponents of water aerodromes claim federal jurisdiction to bypass provincial and municipal authorities and build massive docks and boathouses under the guise of the Aeronautics Act;

AND WHEREAS Transport Canada does not require proponents of water aerodromes to follow the same registration and certification procedures as land aerodromes;

AND WHEREAS Transport Canada's current regulations for water aerodromes fail to state that mixed-use docks and structures are not permitted;

AND WHEREAS Transport Canada does not require a proponent to be transparent with local authorities about their intentions or submit a building permit and final construction plans;

AND WHEREAS Transport Canada does not require a proponent to provide the municipality with a copy of the water aerodrome registration or certification documents;

AND WHEREAS Registration and certification of water aerodromes are done without environmental impact assessments from provincial and municipal authorities;

AND WHEREAS Registration and certification of water aerodromes are done without safety assessments from local authorities;

AND WHEREAS Transport Canada's loopholes in the regulations lead to lengthy court battles paid by provincial and municipal jurisdictions.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Armour supports efforts to raise awareness about the loopholes in current regulations regarding water aerodromes that allow proponents to build massive docks and boathouses without municipal consultation, approval, or adherence to bylaws and regulations.

AND FURTHERMORE, The Council of the Township of Armour endorses the letter from the Three Mile Lake Community Club Inc. and calls on Transport Canada to:

- Amend current legislation regarding water aerodromes to require mandatory consultation and transparency with provincial and municipal authorities prior to construction.
- State that 'mixed-use' docks and structures will not be permitted.

AND FURTHERMORE, the Council of the Township of Armour urges all mentioned in this resolution to **support petition e-4364** to the Minister of Transport, Omar Alghabra.

[Petition e-4364 - Petitions \(ourcommons.ca\)](#)

AND FURTHERMORE, be it resolved that this resolution be forwarded to neighbouring municipalities, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM), Association of Municipal Managers, Clerks and Treasurers of Ontario (AMCTO), MP Scott Aitchison, MP Marcus Powlowski (Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock, Ontario), Graydon Smith MPP.

Moved by:

Blakelock, Rod
Brandt, Jerry
Haggart-Davis,
Dorothy
Ward, Rod
Whitwell, Wendy

Seconded by:

Blakelock, Rod
Brandt, Jerry
Haggart-Davis,
Dorothy
Ward, Rod
Whitwell, Wendy

Carried / Defeated



Declaration of Pecuniary Interest by:

Recorded vote requested by:

Recorded Vote:

Blakelock, Rod

Brandt, Jerry

Haggart-Davis, Dorothy

Ward, Rod

Whitwell, Wendy

For

Opposed

February 22, 2023

To: MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ARMOUR

From: THREE MILE LAKE COMMUNITY CLUB INC.

Re: Water Aerodrome 206 Skyline Drive Three Mile Lake

The Three Mile Lake Community Club Inc. (TMLCC) continues to be concerned about a water aerodrome that is under construction at 206 Skyline Drive. It is our understanding that the property owner has registered his dock as a private Water Aerodrome.

The dock is approximately 3500 sq ft and is constructed of stacked steel. Drone pictures show at least two boat slips. The size and weight of the dock implies that a structure will be built on top. Our efforts to find out more about the plans for this structure have been hindered by the fact that, apparently, no local municipal approval through Site Plan application and/or Building Permit was required. We are left to question what is actually planned for this location. Given the lake association's many years participating in the Township of Armour's planning process (i.e. Official Plan, Zoning By-Laws) in order to ensure that all lakes in the township are protected, you can understand our concerns. Our efforts to limit back-lot development, ensure site plan control is followed, limit the number of structures on waterfront properties, ensure setbacks from lakefront, etc. were all focused on protecting the environment on and around the lakes.

Although we understand that Water Aerodromes are considered a federal jurisdiction, both *The COPA Guideline to Private Aerodromes* and *McMillan: The Federal Aeronautics Power in Canada, 2022-A Primer for the Canadian Owners and Pilots Association* documents are abundantly clear that a mixed-use structure/dock is not permissible, even under this Federal jurisdiction. We are aware that registration with Transport Canada is a relatively simple process (and, in fact, that even this registration is not required by proponents). This does not change the fact, however, that mixed-use of the structures also implies that provincial and/or municipal rules and by-laws still apply.

If this dock is a legitimate water aerodrome, then the TMLCC and its registered members will continue our discourse with Transport Canada until the law is changed. We will pursue this aggressively to not only protect our lake but all lakes in the Province of Ontario.

If, on the other hand, this is truly a mixed-use facility that has been registered as a water aerodrome for the purpose of circumventing municipal by-laws, then the TMLCC and its registered members strongly encourage the Township of Armour to challenge, and if necessary, litigate the aerodrome proponent to comply with municipal by-laws. The TMLCC will lend support in litigation if necessary.

Regards,

Three Mile Lake Community Club Inc.

ALMAGUIN COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (ACED)

MINUTES April 27, 2023

A regular meeting of the ACED Board was held at the Township of Strong Office and virtually on April 27, 2023 at 6:00pm.

Present: Wendy Whitwell, Township of Armour, Chair
Sheri Norman, AHCC Representative
Margaret Ann MacPhail, Township of Perry
Dan Robertson, Township of Ryerson
Chris Nicholson, Township of Joly
Justine Leveque, Village of Sundridge
Brenda Scott, Village of South River
Tim Bryson, Township of Strong
Ron Begin, FedNor

Regrets: Jennifer Farquhar, AHCC Representative
Chris Hope, Village of Burk's Falls
Trista Porter, MND

Staff: Dave Gray, Director of Economic Development
Courtney Metcalf, Economic Development Officer

Guests: Rod Ward, Township of Armour
Luke Preston, RTO12

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm.

Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of Thursday March 23, 2023 meeting were adopted as circulated.

Round Table Introductions

New members and guests at the table were introduced.

Director's Report

The Director covered the following items from the report:

1. An update on core activity tracking, which lists what the department has done over the past month. These included business assistance, marketing, ACED website updates, social media activities, and communications.
2. Some of the updates in the report included:

- a) BR&E Survey – Five more surveys have been completed. Project will move forward as time allows.
- b) Business Support Events – The AHCC Business After Hours event was held on March 29, 2023. ACED provided marketing support and a cash contribution. Presently preparing to organize an employer workshop in late May.
- c) AHCC Partnerships – The EDO and the DoED have each written an article for the AHCC Community Guide. Staff continue to support Community Guide enhancements through the Brand Strategy.
- d) Municipal Support – Staff is helping with a funding application for a local lake association. Staff made a presentation to the Council of McMurrich/Monteith and will provide a presentation to the Council of the Town of Kearney. Staff was contacted to help with the potential start up of a food cycling initiative.
- e) Long Term Housing – ACED has not yet received the resources offered by Prince Edward County.
- f) Transportation – Most signs for Carpool Almaguin have been installed. When all the signs are installed, staff will start promoting the program. The Burk's Falls bus service is requesting financial help from surrounding municipalities so the service can continue. The Village cannot sustain this service by themselves.

Discussion on the Burk's Falls bus occurred, and the Board requested more information on ridership, costs versus return, and additional financial costs to municipalities before supporting a resolution.

A secondary solution of private contracting through existing bus line companies to service the area was also suggested.

- g) AHSS Student Engagement – Staff has made presentations to 9 classes alongside The Business Centre to promote The Summer Company Program (SCP) and the Longitudinal Student Survey. 2 students from AHSS have applied to the program and 3 others are showing interest.

- h) Brand Strategy Implementation – Photography and Videography contract is moving forward. Staff have received the first installment of still images and are working on processing them. Staff have met with the KJCO team and are providing preliminary information. ACED has received 1000 maps of the area and will be distributing them to our partners so they can be used.
- i) AG Strategy Implementation – Staff sponsored and attended the Farm to Fork Agriculture Event, which was attended by both vendors and attendees. Staff promoted AHCC and the Community Guide ads. Participants requested that farmland mapping and signage be available to make farms more accessible to the public.
- j) Internship Application – The application for funding of an intern has not yet been approved, but staff has posted the position and held interviews. If and when the funding application is approved, staff will be ready to hire the intern.

Round Table Comments from Board Members

No comments at this time.

Updates

FedNor- It will be a lean year as they move towards the new budget. Discussed initiative of collaboration between West Parry Sound and Almaguin Highlands. The initiative is about highlighting programs, events and businesses in each area, and sharing information.

Resolutions

1. 2023-12 – Moved by Margaret Ann MacPhail; Seconded by Justine Leveque;
Be it resolved that the Almaguin Community Economic Development Board approve the minutes of March 23, 2023, as circulated. Carried
2. 2023-13 – Moved by Margaret Ann MacPhail; Seconded by Tim Bryson;
Be it resolved that the Almaguin Community Economic Development Board have received and reviewed the February 2023 Burk's Falls Bus Service Report provided by the Village of Burk's Falls. Furthermore, the Board encourages that Almaguin Councils consider participating in planning discussions to support the exploration of expanding community bus services into other Almaguin communities. Carried

Adjournment

3. 2023-14 – Moved by Justine Leveque; Seconded by Sheri Norman;

Be it resolved that the Almaguin Community Economic Development Board adjourn the April 27, 2023, ACED meeting at 6:55 p.m. Carried

The next meeting will be Thursday May 25, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. If this changes, members will be advised.

Burk's Falls, Armour & Ryerson Union Public Library

Our Vision

Access to knowledge for all

Our Mission

The Burk's Falls, Armour & Ryerson Union Public Library is a dynamic organization that provides innovative programming and information, in a variety of formats, for the continuing well-being of our community.

Minutes of the Board of Trustees Virtual Meeting

April 26, 2023

Present were: Chairperson: Penny Robb
Board Trustees: Bev Abbott
Rod Blakelock
Kaiyla Hoffman
Janice Schaefer
Joseph Vella

Regrets: Tiffany Monk, Ryan Baptiste, Ruth Fenwick, Vicky Roeder-Martin
Also attending: CEO: Nieves Guijarro

1 Call to order With a quorum present CEO called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m.

2 Approval of Meeting Agenda **MOTION 341/23** IT WAS MOVED BY: B. Abbott
AND SECONDED BY: R. Blakelock

That the meeting agenda of the Board of Trustees of April 26, 2023 be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

3 Declaration of conflict of interest No conflicts were declared

4 Approval of consent Agenda **MOTION 342/23** IT WAS MOVED BY: J. Schaefer
AND SECONDED BY: K. Hoffman

That the consent agenda of the Board of Trustees meeting of April 26, 2023 be approved as presented

- a)** Resolution to accept the minutes of **March 15, 2023**
- b)** Resolution to accept the CEO's Report of **March 2023**
- c)** Armour Township Financial Statement **March 2023**

CARRIED

5 Business arising from the minutes -Business was addressed by committee members

**BFARUPL Board Minutes
April 26, 2023**

- 6 Committee Reports**
- Building Committee:**
-Rod and Bev updated members on the presentation to the Village of Burk's Falls
- Policy Committee:**
-Strategic Plan Review (2023-2026) Working Group will begin the process in May
-Policies B1 to B5 were reviewed
- 7 Correspondence**
- Village of Burk's Falls email to address the library board's inquiry about a possible location.
-Village of Burk's Falls email to consider Councillor Wilson as a member of the Building Committee
-Blue Sky Libraries Adventure details were shared to members
- 8 New Business**
- Summer student funding for 2023 was confirmed and the job opportunity is currently being advertised in the region.
-A series of webinars are being offered by OLS in May. CEO has signed up for two sessions which will provide helpful information about new builds.
- 9 Adjournment**
- MOTION 343/23** by R. Blakelock at 8:07 pm to adjourn

CARRIED

Penny Robb

Board Chairperson

May 17th, 2023

Date

**Burk's Falls, Armour & Ryerson
Union Public Library
CEO Report
April 2023**

Circulation: (716) items (1619) ephemeral

Website hits: (297)

Interlibrary loans – received: (43) (114) searches

Wireless Internet: (104)

Interlibrary loans – shipped: (20) (21) requests

Libby (eBooks/Audio Books): (389)

Public Computers: (54)

Internet Usage by Township

A (20) BF (107) R (7) M/M (4) N/R (9)

Inter-Library Loan Usage by Township

A (7) BF (30) R (3) M/M (1) N/R (1)

Membership:

Burk's Falls	(449) card holders	(308) items borrowed
Armour	(432)	(233)
Ryerson	(255)	(149)
McMurrich/Monteith	(75)	(13)

Library Programs & Events

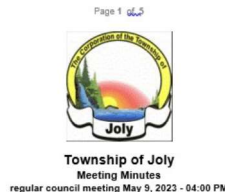


**JOINT BUILDING COMMITTEE
ANNUAL PERMIT SUMMARY
2023**

Month	No. of Permits	Permit Fees	Project Values	Size (sq.m)
January	5	\$6,770.00	\$418,000.00	378
February	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
March	4	\$5,065.00	\$311,000.00	537
April	10	\$10,855.50	\$664,945.00	461
May	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
June	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
July	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
August	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
September	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
October	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
November	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
December	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
TOTALS	19	\$22,690.50	\$1,393,945.00	New Construction 1376 Demolitions 0

**JOINT BUILDING COMMITTEE
ANNUAL PERMIT SUMMARY
2022**

Month	No. of Permits	Permit Fees	Project Values	SFD'S, Seasonal Dwellings and Multi-Unit Dwellings	
				2022	2023
Burks Falls	3	\$876.00	\$38,700.00	0	0
Joly	2	\$1,880.00	\$112,000.00	1	0
South River	1	\$400.00	\$20,000.00	3	0
Machar	3	\$8,340.00	\$536,000.00	3	1
Strong	5	\$4,720.00	\$288,045.00	1	1
Ryerson	2	\$3,170.00	\$198,900.00	1	0
Sundridge	3	\$3,304.50	\$200,300.00	0	0
TOTALS	19	\$22,690.50	\$1,393,945.00		2
Permit activity at end of April 30, 2023					
TOTALS	31	\$105,020.50	\$6,587,033.00	9	
Permit activity at end of April 30, 2022					
TOTALS	12	\$82,330.00	\$5,193,088.00		7
Difference from previous year					



8.8 Algonquin Healthcare Local Share

Resolution No: 2023-107

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Budd Brown

Seconded By: Councillor Chris Nicholson

Be it resolved that the Councils for the Village of Sundridge, and Townships of Joly and Strong have discussed the MAHC funding request for Almaguin local share contributions for the construction of two new hospitals in Bracebridge and Huntsville, and:

Whereas, SSJ residents user ship of MAHC hospitals is only about 50%, the remainder seek medical attention in North Bay; and

Whereas, the economic spinoffs of the MAHC hospital builds along with property value increases post construction will be disproportionately smaller for SSJ municipalities than most other local share contributors, putting SSJ municipalities in a competitively disadvantaged position; and

Whereas, in contrast to most other Almaguin municipalities, the SSJ municipalities are already making significant ongoing medical facility investments into the Sundridge District Medical Center; and

Whereas, inflationary pressures and labor issues caused by Covid are presenting unprecedented financial challenges and causing budgetary pressures in maintaining the current level of services; and

Whereas, Provincial Land Use Planning policy and Building Codes continue to frustrate the growth necessary to fund current basic core services, project future revenue streams, and provide the affordable housing needed to support a strong local economy; and

Whereas, its highly conceivable the hospital builds are a foregone conclusion. If the builds are not a foregone conclusion, it does not stand to reason the proposed \$12 million Almaguin local share contribution will contribute meaningfully to the shortfall that causes the 1 billion dollar project to fail; and

Whereas, Covid resulted in a larger imbalance of the distribution of wealth, many average working class folks are struggling, MAHC serves a very wealthy constituency, it is felt that MAHC needs to first exhaust other opportunities for funding before asking municipalities with modest financial positions to make such an extraordinary investment; and

Furthermore, given the above considerations, the suggested deadlines to commit to such a large expenditure are unreasonable; and

Therefore be it resolved, that the Township of Joly will make a financial contribution to support the hospital builds and to keep accessible healthcare in our region,

AND FURTHER THAT the amount of the contribution will be determined in conjunction with the preparation of the 2023 municipal budget.

CARRIED



**The Corporation of the
Township of Perry**

Box 70 1695 Emsdale Road Emsdale, Ontario P0A 1J0

COPY

Date: May 17, 2023

Resolution No.: 2023- 179

Moved By: Paul Sowrey Seconded By: Margaret Ann MacPhail

Whereas the Council of the Corporation of the Township Perry hereby receives correspondence from the Village of Burk's Falls regarding the resignation of Sean Cotton from the District of Parry Sound Social Services Administration Board;

Be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Perry hereby supports the appointment of Ryan Baptiste as one of the two Area 4 representatives to the Parry Sound District Social Services Administration Board.

Carried: ✓ Defeated: _____

Norm Hofstetter, Mayor

RECORDED VOTE		
Council	For	Against
Councillors Jim Cushman		
Joe Lumley		
Margaret Ann MacPhail		
Paul Sowrey		
Mayor Norm Hofstetter		