

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RYERSON

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

February 10, 2026 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, roll call: in person and electronic, late attendees.

1.2 Announcement: This meeting is being recorded.

1.3 Motion to adopt the agenda as presented. **(R)**

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

2.1 Adoption of minutes from the regular meeting January 27, 2026. **(R)**

3. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST:

4. DELEGATIONS:

4.1 John Rose: Ice Carousel Update 2026.

5. REPORTS:

5.1 **TREASURER:** Bartlett Lake Culvert Discussion **(R)**, Set Budget Meeting Dates.

- 5.2 **Acting CAO/CLERK:** Report Re: By-laws to Assume a Highway, McMurrich Monteith Shared Boundary Deviation Road, By-law to Assume a Highway **(R)**, J. and J. Rawn By-law to Assume a Highway **(R)**.

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

- 5.3 Councillor Patterson – ROMA Report.
5.4 Councillor Abbott – ROMA Report.
5.5 Councillor Abbott – Library Report.
5.6 Councillor Robertson – ACED Update

6. BUSINESS ARISING/ACTIVITY LOG:

- 6.1 Tri-Council Topics.

7. COMMUNICATION ITEMS:

General Correspondence:

- 7.1 Joint Building Committee Permit Summary.
7.2 Joint Building Committee Annual Permit Summary.
7.3 Municipal Engineers Association Appoint of Board of Directors.
7.4 Almaguin Community Economic Development Annual Report.
7.5 Almaguin Community Economic Development Email – Courtney Metcalf.
7.6 Amy Tilley - CEMC

8. CONFIRMING BY-LAW

- 7.1 To confirm the meetings of Council **(R)**

9. IMPORTANT DATES:

- February 17, 2026, Special Meeting (planning) 1:00 p.m.
-February 23, 2026, Tri-Council meeting 7:00 p.m.
-February 24, 2026, Special Meeting 5:00 p.m.
-February 24, 2026, Regular Council meeting 6:00 p.m.

10. ADJOURNMENT: (R)

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RYERSON

LIST OF PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS

FOR COUNCIL MEETING: February 10, 2026 AT 6:00 P.M.

Item # 1 on Agenda Moved by Councillor Abbott, Seconded by Councillor Patterson,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council adopt the February 10, 2026 agenda as circulated.

Item # 2 on Agenda Moved by Councillor Robertson, Seconded by Councillor Patterson,

Be it resolved that the minutes from the regular meeting on January 27, 2026 be adopted as circulated.

Item # 4.1 on Agenda Moved by Councillor Patterson, Seconded by Councillor Abbott,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council award a contract for the Bartlett Lake Culvert Replacement Project to Fowler Construction under the option for Alternative Culvert Product No. 2 – Polymer Coated Corrugated Steel Culverts in the amount of \$455,403.21 plus HST, of which Ryerson’s share is to be \$227,701.61 plus HST.

And further that Council direct staff to include this project in the 2026 Capital Budget, to be funded using the OCIF grant.

Item # 4.2 on Agenda Moved by Councillor Abbott, Seconded by Councillor Robertson,

Be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill# ____-26, being a By-law to assume deviation portions of Part of Lot 17, Con 14; and further, that Parts 1 of Plan 42R-22853, be transferred into the Township of Ryerson’s Municipal Road System and further; That By-law # ____-26 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 10th day of February, 2026.

Item # 4.2 on Agenda Moved by Councillor Patterson, Seconded by Councillor Robertson,

Be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill# ____-26, being a By-law to assume deviation portions of Part of Lot 14, Con 14 known as South Horn Lake Road; and further, that Parts 4 and 5 of Plan 42R-22827, be transferred into the Township of Ryerson’s Municipal Road System and further; That By-law # ____-26 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 10th day of February, 2026.

Item # 8 on Agenda Moved by Councillor Patterson, Seconded by Councillor Abbott,

Be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill # ____-26, being a By-law to confirm the meetings of Council and further; That By-Law # ____-26 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 10th, day of February, 2026.

Item # 10 on Agenda Moved by Councillor Robertson, Seconded by Councillor Abbott,

Be it resolved that we do now adjourn at _____. The next regular meeting is February 24, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RYERSON

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES

January 27, 2025 AT 6:00 P.M.

The regular meeting of Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ryerson was held **January 27, 2026** at 6:00 p.m. This was a hybrid meeting combining in person, electronic meeting via Zoom and phone.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Deputy Mayor Glenn Miller 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 in person or electronically: Councillors: Abbott, Patterson and Robertson.

Regrets: Mayor George Sterling.

Staff in attendance: Nancy Field.

Public attending in person or electronically: Nieves Guijarro.

Notice of this meeting was posted on the website.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

R- 16 - 26 Moved by Councillor Abbott, Seconded by Councillor Robertson

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council adopt the January 27, 2026 agenda as circulated.

(Carried)

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

R- 12 - 26 Moved by Councillor Abbott, Seconded by Councillor Patterson,

Be it resolved that the minutes from the regular meeting on January 13, 2026 and the special meeting on January 16, 2025 be adopted as circulated.

(Carried)

4. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST: None noted.

5. REPORTS:

TREASURER: Council statement of remuneration and expenses were provided to Council. Resolution is noted below.

R- 18 - 26 Moved by Councillor Robertson, Seconded by Councillor Abbott,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council has received the Council Statement of Remuneration and Expenses for 2025.

(Carried)

ACTING CAO/CLERK: N. Field provided council with a report summarizing the Q4 OPP detachment board report.

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Councillor Patterson provided an update on the Almaguin Highlands Health Council.

6. BUSINESS ARISING:

After discussion Council declined to support the Ice Carousel project for 2026 due to insufficient time to address potential liability risks. Resolution noted below.

R-19- 26 Moved by Councillor Patterson, Seconded by Councillor Abbott,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council support the Ice Carousel Project, as presented by John Rose at the January 13, 2026, meeting, as a Ryerson Township winter event.

(Defeated)

7. COMMUNICATION ITEMS

R- 20 - 26 Moved by Councillor Abbott, Seconded by Councillor Robertson,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council supports the resolution from the Joint Building Committee 2026-006 recommending the 2026 JBC Budget as presented in the amount of \$365,700.00.

(Carried)

Council discussed the Tri-Council Subcommittee Terms of Reference.

General Information Items Received:

- Council received the Joint Building Committee permit fee 5-year average.
- Council received the Township of Armours notice of refusal for the Official Plan and Zoning By-law amendment application.
- Council received the Almaguin Community Economic Development 2026 budget.
- Council received the Joint Building Committee meeting minutes from their January 2026 meeting.

8. CONFIRMING BY-LAW

R- 21 -26 Moved by Councillor Abbott, Seconded by Councillor Robertson,

Be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill # 06-26, being a By-law to confirm the meetings of Council and further; That By-Law # 06-26 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 27th day of January 2026.

(Carried)

10. ADJOURNMENT:

R- 22 -25 Moved by Councillor Abbott, Seconded by Councillor Robertson,

Be it resolved that we do now adjourn at 7:06 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for February 10, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.

(Carried)

MAYOR

ACTING CAO/CLERK

TOWNSHIP OF RYERSON

28 MIDLOTHIAN ROAD

R. R. # 1

BURKS FALLS, ONTARIO P0A 1C0

Phone 705 382-3232 Fax 705 382-3286

email: clerk@ryersontownship.ca

DELEGATION REQUEST FORM

NAME: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____

COUNCIL MEETING DATE: _____

PRESENTATION TO BE PROVIDED TO THE CLERK? YES NO

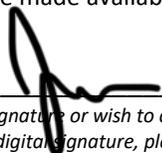
POWERPOINT REQUIRED? YES NO

GENERAL NATURE OF DELEGATION:

If more space is required please attach another page.

Communications addressed to Council and its Advisory Committees will become part of the public record and will be placed on a public agenda. Anonymous communications sent to Council or to its Committees will NOT be accepted.

I acknowledge that personal information contained within my communication(s) may become part of the public record and may be made available to the public through the Council/Committee process.

SIGNATURE:  _____ DATE: _____

*If you have a digital signature or wish to create one, click on the signature box and follow the instructions.
If you do NOT have a digital signature, please print and sign the form.*

	<h2>Staff Report</h2>
To:	Ryerson Township Council
From:	Treasurer
Date of Meeting:	February 10, 2026
Report Title:	Bartlett Lake Culvert Replacement Project
Report Date:	February 4, 2026

Recommendation

That Council awards a contract for the Bartlett Lake Culvert Replacement Project to Fowler Construction under the option for Alternative Culvert Product No. 2 – Polymer Coated Corrugated Steel Culverts in the amount of \$455,403.21 plus HST, of which Ryerson’s share is to be \$227,701.61 plus HST;

And further that Council directs staff to include this project in the 2026 Capital Budget, to be funded using the OCIF grant.

Background

As a component of the 2025 budget, the Township was scheduled to work jointly with the Township of McMurrich-Monteith on the replacement of a structural culvert on Bartlett Lake Road. Costs were to be shared 50/50 between both municipalities, and a total of \$160,000 was included in the budget for this work.

The project was tendered and received one submission from Fowler Construction with three options, all of which were substantially over budget. At the October 14, 2025 regular meeting, Council agreed to defer the project until 2026.

Fowler Construction has confirmed that their pricing submitted in the 2025 tender process will be held if the project moves forward in 2026. Per the enclosed resolution, McMurrich-Monteith has allocated sufficient funding in their 2026 budget for this project.

The two lowest-cost options submitted are as follows:

- Galvanized Steel Culvert: \$434,503.71 plus HST
- Polymer Coated Culvert: \$455,403.21 plus HST

Though discussion with both municipality's Roads Supervisors, the recommendation is to select the Polymer option due to a 50% higher expected useful life as compared to the Steel option.

The project is to be fully funded through the OCIF grant stream. DFO approval has now been secured as well.

Council direction is required as to whether or not this project can move forward in 2026.

TOWNSHIP OF MCMURRICH/MONTEITH

Resolution

Number: 2026- 05

January 20, 2026

Moved by: Currie, Terry
 O'Halloran, Daniel
 Roeder-Martin, Vicky
 White, Craig
 Robinson, Glynn

Seconded by: Currie, Terry
 O'Halloran, Daniel
 Roeder-Martin, Vicky
 White, Craig
 Robinson, Glynn

V. Roeder Martin
 Signature:

Dan O'Halloran
 Signature:

Be It Resolved that Council accepts the proposed Public Works Budgets as presented, Operating in the amount of \$1,136, 002.00 and Capital in the amount of \$1,645,000.00

Deputy Mayor V. Roeder Martin

Carried Defeated

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest by: _____

Recorded vote requested by: _____

Recorded Vote:	Yays	Nays
Currie	_____	_____
O'Halloran	_____	_____
Roeder-Martin	_____	_____
White	_____	_____
Robinson	_____	_____

01/07/26

TOWNSHIP OF MCMURRICH/MONTEITH
2026 CAPITAL BUDGET

DEPARTMENT: **Roads Capital**

2026 Budget: \$ 249,375
2025 Budget: 289,375
(40,000) Percentage change: (13.82%)

CAO'S COMMENTS

The capital budget for roads includes the work which I believe the Township can afford for 2026. The proposed projects include:

1. Raising .8 kilometers of Fern Glenn Road by 16 inches. This part of the road is flooded regularly because it is in a swamp. To correct this problem, the Public Works Superintendent is proposing to raise the road, which will resolve the problem.
2. Before we resurface Stisted Road, the Public Works Superintendent is recommending we apply another 3-inch lift and let it sit for a year. We can start resurfacing the road in 2027.
3. Since this project could not be completed in 2025, we need to budget for the replacement of the Axe Lake Road bridge in 2026.
4. The engineers, in their OSIM report, recommend the replacement of the Old Rainy Lake culvert, which we are budgeting for in this year's budget.
5. Since this project could not be completed by the Township of Ryerson in 2025, we are budgeting for our share of the replacement of the Bartlett Lake culvert.

The engineers, in their OSIM report, also recommended that some work be completed on the Hunters Lane bridge, but since this bridge is at the end of a dead end and is not used very often, the Public Works Superintendent is recommending that this work does not need to be completed in 2026.

AMENDMENT(S) TO PROPOSED BUDGET

01-21-2026

Township of McMurrich/Monteith - 2026 Budget

Roads - Capital

1) **Raise Fern Glen Road by 16 inches - .8 km**

Contribution from Federal Gas Tax - 15-530	\$0.00	
Contribution from NORDS Grant - 15-530-03	\$0.00	\$0.00

Roller Rental - 16-315-15	\$5,000.00	
Hauling & spreading 7/8 granite - 3,0000 tonnes - 16-315-17	\$70,000.00	\$75,000.00
<u>Total cost on tax rate</u>		<u>\$75,000.00</u>

2) **Reconstruction of Stisted Road - 13 km**

Contribution from Capital Reserve - 15-530-14	(\$379,580.00)	(\$379,580.00)
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Hauling & spreading 7/8 granite - 19,000 tonnes - 16-315-05	\$400,000.00	\$400,000.00
<u>Total cost on tax rate</u>		<u>\$20,420.00</u>

5) **Bridge Construction & Repairs**

Contribution from OCIF grant - 15-530-08	(\$200,000.00)	
Provincial grant - Axe Lake Bridge replacement - 15-530-09	(\$222,500.00)	
Long-term debt - 15-530-10	(\$393,545.00)	
Contribution from Gas Tax - 15-530-11	(\$200,000.00)	(\$1,016,045.00)

Old Rainy Lake Culvert - replace culvert - 16-315-18	\$425,000.00	
Axe Lake Bridge - Replacement - 16-315-04	\$445,000.00	
Barlett Lake Culvert - Replacement - Shared with Ryerson - 16-315-02	\$300,000.00	\$1,170,000.00
<u>Total cost on tax rate</u>		<u>\$153,955.00</u>

<u>Total revenues for roads capital</u>	<u>(\$1,395,625.00)</u>
<u>Total expenditures for roads capital</u>	<u>\$1,645,000.00</u>
<u>Total cost of roads capital on tax rate</u>	<u>\$249,375.00</u>

Breakdown of funding for 2026

Contribution from tax base	(\$249,375.00)
Contribution from Provincial Grant - Axe Bridge	(\$222,500.00)
Federal Gas Tax Grant	(\$200,000.00)
OCIF - Formula Based - Province	(\$200,000.00)
Contribution from Capital Reserve	(\$379,580.00)
Long term debt	(\$393,545.00)
<u>2026 contribution from all funding sources</u>	<u>(\$1,645,000.00)</u>

	Staff Report
To:	Ryerson Township Council
From:	Treasurer
Date of Meeting:	February 10, 2026
Report Title:	2026 Budget Meeting Dates
Report Date:	February 4, 2026

Recommendation

Received for information purposes.

Background

Staff have been working on preparing a first draft 2026 municipal budget. Most of the external levy information has been received, and a draft is close to being ready for Council consideration.

The following dates and times are proposed for two initial budget meetings:

- February 27, 2026 at 9:00 a.m.
- March 13, 2026 at 9:00 a.m.

Additional meetings can be scheduled as required. As usual, we are aiming to have the budget adopted by Council at the April 14, 2026 regular meeting.

	<h2>Staff Report</h2>
To:	Council
From:	Acting CAO/Clerk, Nancy Field
Date of Meeting:	February 10, 2026
Report Title:	By-laws to Assume a Highway
Report Date:	February 3, 2026

Recommendation:

That the Township supports By-laws to assume deviation portions of the roadways that are maintained by the Township as public roadways that have been identified by a survey during the process for consent.

Pt. Lots 14 & 15 Concession 14 being parts 4 & 5 of registered plan 42R-22827; and Pt Lot 17 Concession 14 being part 1 of PIN 52189-0071 a shared Boundary Rd. between Ryerson and McMurrich/Monteith Townships.

Purpose/Background:

Municipal staff have received correspondence from Fallis, Fallis and McMillan LLP on behalf of their clients, Jason and Jennifer Rawn, requesting that the Township accept a conveyance of portions of South Horn Lake Road located in Ryerson Township. Staff have also received a similar request from Russell Christie LLP, representing property owners S. Melville and J. Hunt, whose lands are located in McMurrich/Monteith and share a boundary road with Ryerson Township.

The proposed conveyances would formally transfer ownership of the affected portions of the roads to the Township. This would establish a clear separation between the public roadway and adjacent private lands and permit the conveyed lands to be incorporated into the Township of Ryerson’s Municipal Road System. The relevant portions of the survey are to be dedicated as public road.

Acceptance of these conveyances is consistent with good municipal practice, as it ensures that roads intended for public use are owned and maintained by the Township.

Related Documents: Registered Plan 42R-22853, email L. Folly, 42R-22827

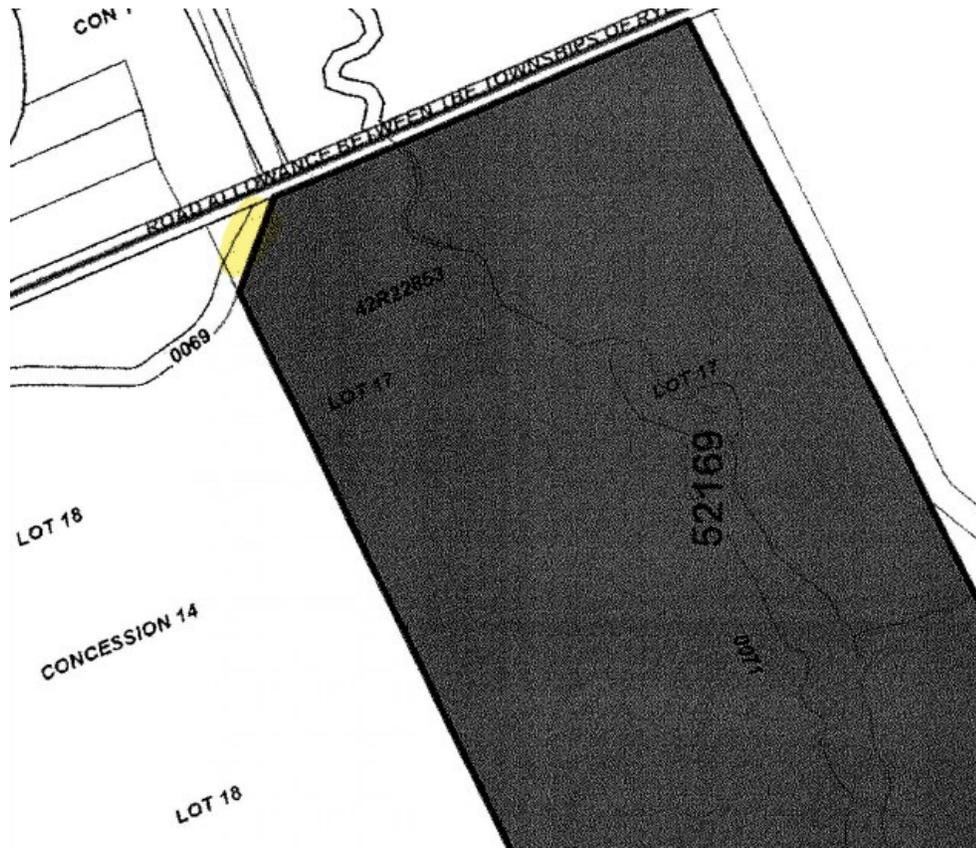
Good afternoon Nancy,

We are assisting the Township of McMurrich/Monteith with respect to the Transfer of a deviation road, as a condition of consent, of Part 1, Plan 42R22853 for road widening purposes.

I have attached a copy of Plan 42R22853 which identifies Bartlett Lake Road as a boundary road, as well as the Notice of Decision.

Below is a screenshot of the area of the deviation road (PIN 52169-0069) to which the road widening will abut. PIN 52169-0069 is jointly owned by the Township of McMurrich/Monteith and the Township of Ryerson (see Parcel Register attached).

Attached is our Acknowledgment & Direction for review and execution by yourself and the Mayor. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.



Louise Foley
Law Clerk
RUSSELL, CHRISTIE, LLP
505 Memorial Avenue, P.O. Box 158
Orillia, ON L3V 6J3

INTEGRATION DATA		
COORDINATES ARE IN METRES AND ARE DERIVED FROM SIMULTANEOUS STATIC GNSS OBSERVATIONS ON SPECIFIED CONTROL MONUMENTS 00819890445 AND 00820001035 AND ARE REFERRED TO UTM ZONE 17 (CENTRAL MERIDIAN 81°W) NAD 83 (CSRS 2010). COORDINATES ARE TO RURAL ACCURACY PER SEC 14/2 OF O. REG. 216/10.		
SPECIFIED CONTROL POINT		
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PLAN POINTS		
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(188) IB(WIT)	5,041,587.449	618,070.950
COORDINATES CANNOT, IN THEMSELVES, BE USED TO RE-ESTABLISH CORNERS OR BOUNDARIES SHOWN ON THIS PLAN.		
METRIC: DISTANCES SHOWN ON THIS PLAN ARE IN METRES AND CAN BE CONVERTED TO FEET BY DIVIDING BY 0.3048		
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DISTANCES ARE GROUND AND CAN BE CONVERTED TO GRID BY MULTIPLYING BY THE COMBINED SCALE FACTOR OF 0.99972710.		

PLAN OF SURVEY
OF PART OF
LOT 17, CONCESSION 14
GEOGRAPHIC TOWNSHIP OF McMURRICH

NOW IN THE
TOWNSHIP OF McMURRICH-MONTEITH
DISTRICT OF PARRY SOUND
E. J. WILLIAMS SURVEYING LIMITED

SCALE 1 : 600 (Metric)



THE INTENDED PLOT SIZE OF THIS PLAN IS 610mm IN WIDTH BY 914mm IN HEIGHT WHEN PLOTTED AT A SCALE OF 1 : 600

PLAN 42R-22853

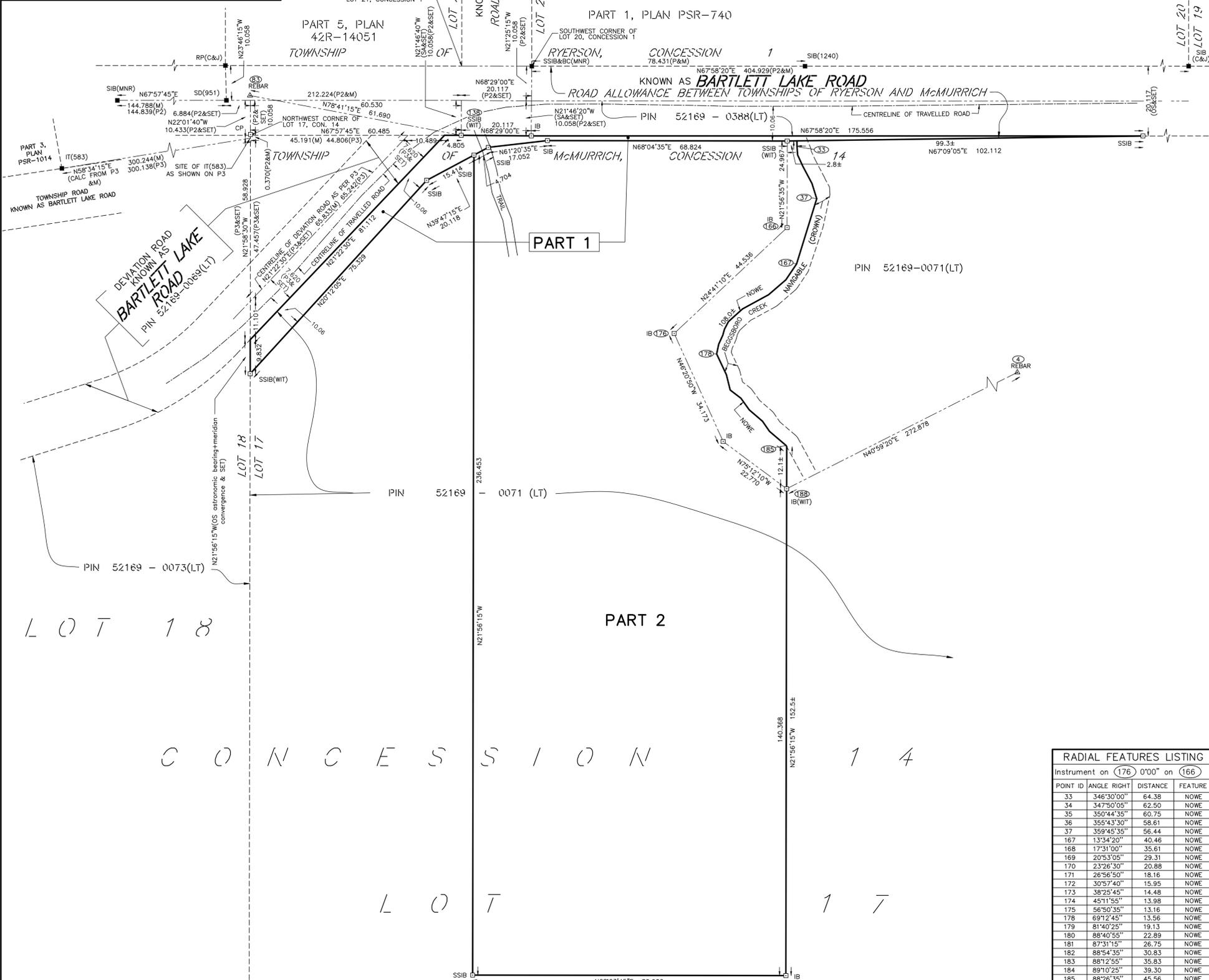
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September 25th, 2025

Jayden Kruc

Representative for the
Land Registrar for the
Land Titles Division of
Parry Sound (No.42)

PLAN SCHEDULE				
PART	LOT	CONCESSION	PIN	AREA (ha)
1	PART OF 17	14	PART OF 52169-0071(LT)	0.0783
2				2.121±



RADIAL FEATURES LISTING			
POINT ID	ANGLE RIGHT	DISTANCE	FEATURE
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34	347°50'05"	62.50	NOWE
35	350°44'35"	60.75	NOWE
36	355°43'30"	58.61	NOWE
37	359°45'35"	56.44	NOWE
167	13°34'20"	40.46	NOWE
168	17°31'00"	35.61	NOWE
169	20°53'05"	29.31	NOWE
170	23°26'30"	20.88	NOWE
171	26°56'50"	18.16	NOWE
172	30°57'40"	15.95	NOWE
173	38°25'45"	14.48	NOWE
174	45°11'55"	13.98	NOWE
175	56°50'35"	13.16	NOWE
176	69°12'45"	13.56	NOWE
179	81°40'25"	19.13	NOWE
180	88°40'55"	22.89	NOWE
181	87°31'15"	26.75	NOWE
182	88°54'35"	30.83	NOWE
183	88°12'55"	35.83	NOWE
184	89°10'25"	39.30	NOWE
185	88°26'35"	45.56	NOWE

LEGEND:	
■	DENOTES SURVEY MONUMENT FOUND
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△	DENOTES OBSERVED REFERENCE POINT
IB	DENOTES IRON BAR
SIB	DENOTES STANDARD IRON BAR
SSIB	DENOTES SHORT STANDARD IRON BAR
EJW	DENOTES E. J. WILLIAMS SURVEYING LIMITED
WIT	DENOTES WITNESS
IT	DENOTES IRON TUBE
CP	DENOTES CONCRETE PIN
RP	DENOTES ROCK POST
BC	DENOTES BRASS CAP
951	DENOTES K.I. BEACON, OLS.
583	DENOTES J.J. HAIGH, OLS.
1240	DENOTES E. HALINEN, OLS.
C&J	DENOTES COTE, JACKSON, HILEY & JEMMETT, LTD.
MNR	DENOTES MINISTRY OF NATURAL RESOURCES
OS	DENOTES ORIGINAL TOWNSHIP SURVEY DATED AUG 22, 1870
P	DENOTES PLAN 42R-12143
P1	DENOTES REGISTERED PLAN M-488
P2	DENOTES DEPARTMENT OF LANDS AND FOREST RETRACEMENT SURVEY, FILE NO. 178809, DATED MARCH 18, 1969.
P3	DENOTES SURVEY BY J.J. HAIGH, OLS., DATED JAN 31, 1953
SA	DENOTES SPLIT ANGLE
NOWE	DENOTES NORMAL ORDINARY WATERS EDGE

SURVEYOR'S CERTIFICATE
I CERTIFY THAT:
1. THIS SURVEY AND PLAN ARE CORRECT AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE SURVEYS ACT, THE SURVEYORS ACT AND THE LAND TITLES ACT AND THE REGULATIONS MADE UNDER THEM.
2. THIS SURVEY WAS COMPLETED ON THE 29TH DAY MAY, 2025.
DATE: SEPTEMBER 3, 2025
E. J. WILLIAMS
ONTARIO LAND SURVEYOR

THIS PLAN OF SURVEY RELATES TO AOLS PLAN SUBMISSION FORM NUMBER V-81586



ONTARIO LAND SURVEYORS
PLANNERS

HUNTSVILLE & SOUTH RIVER

Main Office: 387 Muskoka Rd 3N P1H 1C5
Huntsville, Ontario

Phone: 705-789-4171
Fax: 705-789-1097

Email: info@ejwilliamsurveying.com F1804-24BF.dwg



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OFFICE #42

52169-0069 (LT)

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ON 2025/12/01 AT 15:27:42

* CERTIFIED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAND TITLES ACT * SUBJECT TO RESERVATIONS IN CROWN GRANT *

PROPERTY DESCRIPTION: PCL 6700 SEC SS; PT LT 17 CON 14 MCMURRICH; PT LT 18 CON 14 MCMURRICH AS IN LT33201; MCMURRICH-MONTEITH

PROPERTY REMARKS:

ESTATE/QUALIFIER:

FEE SIMPLE
ABSOLUTE

RECENTLY:

FIRST CONVERSION FROM BOOK

PIN CREATION DATE:

2006/03/27

OWNERS' NAMES

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MCMURRICH
THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RYERSON

CAPACITY SHARE

ROWN
ROWN

REG. NUM.	DATE	INSTRUMENT TYPE	AMOUNT	PARTIES FROM	PARTIES TO	CERT/CHKD
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THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RYERSON

BY-LAW # -26

BEING A BY-LAW TO ASSUME A HIGHWAY FOR PUBLIC USE

Part of Lot 17, Concession 14, McMurrich Monteith

WHEREAS Section 31 (2) of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25 as amended, provides: After January 1, 2003, land may only become a highway by virtue of a by-law establishing the highway and not by the activities of the municipality or any other person in relation to the land, including the spending of public money;

AND WHEREAS Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ryerson deems it necessary to establish and accept the following property as part of the road system in the Township of Ryerson: Part 1 on Plan 42R-22853, Part of Lot 17, Concession 14, shared boundary road with the Township of Ryerson and Township of McMurrich/Monteith (Part of PIN 52189-0071).

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

1. That the following property description is hereby assumed for public use: Part 1 on Plan 42R-22853, Part of Lot 17, Concession 14, shared boundary road with the Township of Ryerson and the Township of McMurrich/Monteith.
2. That this By-law shall come into force and effect as of the date the Township of Ryerson passes this By-law title to Part 1 on Plan 42R-22853, Part of Lot 17, Concession 14, shared Boundary Road with the Township of Ryerson and the Township of McMurrich/Monteith.
3. That the Mayor and the Clerk be authorized to execute all documentation necessary.

Read a First, Second and Third time,
Signed and the Seal of the Corporation
affixed thereto and finally passed this
10th day of February, 2026.

DEPUTY MAYOR

CLERK

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RYERSON

BY-LAW # -26

BEING A BY-LAW TO ASSUME A HIGHWAY FOR PUBLIC USE

Part of Lot 14, Concession 14, South Horn Lake Rd.

WHEREAS Section 31 (2) of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25 as amended, provides: After January 1, 2003, land may only become a highway by virtue of a by-law establishing the highway and not by the activities of the municipality or any other person in relation to the land, including the spending of public money;

AND WHEREAS Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ryerson deems it necessary to establish and accept the following property as part of the road system in the Township of Ryerson: Part 4 and 5 on Plan 42R-22827, Part of Lot 14, Concession 14, Township of Ryerson.

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

1. That the following property description is hereby assumed for public use: Part 4 and Part 5 on Plan 42R-22827, Part of Lot 14, Concession 14, Township of Ryerson.
2. That this By-law shall come into force and effect as of the date the Township of Ryerson passes this By-law title to Part 4 and Part 5 on Plan 42R-22827, Part of Lot 14, Concession 14, Township of Ryerson.
3. That the Mayor and the Clerk be authorized to execute all documentation necessary.

Read a First, Second and Third time,
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affixed thereto and finally passed this
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DEPUTY MAYOR

CLERK

PLAN OF SURVEY
OF PART OF LOTS 14 & 15 CONCESSION 14
TOWNSHIP OF RYERSON
DISTRICT OF PARRY SOUND

KPK SURVEYING INC.
2025



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3	PART OF 14		PART OF 52137-0199(LT)	1.009 ha
4	PART OF 15		PART OF 52137-0199(LT)	0.018 ha
5	PART OF 14		PART OF 52137-0358(LT)	0.215 ha

PLAN 42R-22827

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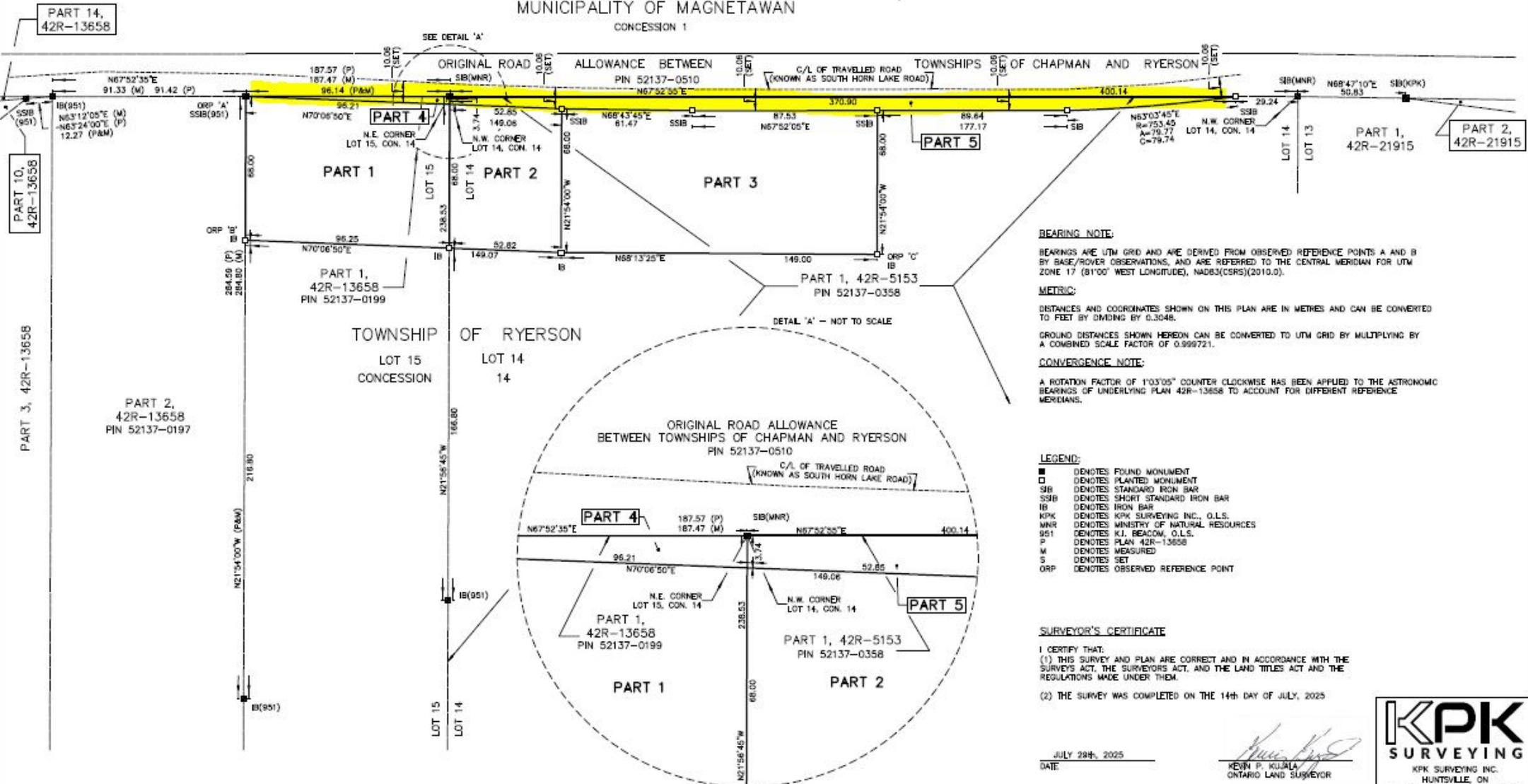
August 19th, 2025

Kelly Cochrane-nott

Representative for the
Land Registrar for the
Land Titles Division of
Parry Sound (No.42)



TOWNSHIP OF CHAPMAN
MUNICIPALITY OF MAGNETAWAN
CONCESSION 1



BEARING NOTE:

BEARINGS ARE UTM GRID AND ARE DERIVED FROM OBSERVED REFERENCE POINTS A AND B BY BASE/ROVER OBSERVATIONS, AND ARE REFERRED TO THE CENTRAL MERIDIAN FOR UTM ZONE 17 (81°00' WEST LONGITUDE), NAD83(CSRS)(2010.0).

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CONVERGENCE NOTE:

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- SSIB DENOTES SHORT STANDARD IRON BAR
- IB DENOTES IRON BAR
- KPK DENOTES KPK SURVEYING INC., O.L.S.
- MNR DENOTES MINISTRY OF NATURAL RESOURCES
- 951 DENOTES K.J. BEACON, O.L.S.
- P DENOTES PLAN 42R-13658
- M DENOTES MEASURED
- S DENOTES SET
- ORP DENOTES OBSERVED REFERENCE POINT

SURVEYOR'S CERTIFICATE

I CERTIFY THAT:
(1) THIS SURVEY AND PLAN ARE CORRECT AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE SURVEYORS ACT, THE SURVEYORS ACT, AND THE LAND TITLES ACT AND THE REGULATIONS MADE UNDER THEM.

(2) THE SURVEY WAS COMPLETED ON THE 14th DAY OF JULY, 2025

JULY 28th, 2025
DATE

KEVIN P. KIJALA
ONTARIO LAND SURVEYOR

THIS PLAN OF SURVEY RELATES TO ADS SUBMISSION FORM V-112035.

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	<p>Staff Report</p>
<p>To:</p>	<p>Council</p>
<p>From:</p>	<p>Acting CAO/Clerk, Nancy Field</p>
<p>Date of Meeting:</p>	<p>February 10, 2026</p>
<p>Report Title:</p>	<p>Tri-Council Meeting Topics</p>
<p>Report Date:</p>	<p>February 3, 2026</p>

Recommendation:

That Council consider topics that they would like on the Tri- Council agenda that Ryerson Township is hosting at the arena on February 23, 2026 at 7pm. and let the Clerk know before February 18th so we can include them in the agenda package.



Councilor Report

To:	Ryerson Township Council
From:	Councillor Patterson
Date of report:	January 21, 2026
Topic:	ROMA
Report Presented:	February 10, 2026

Importance to the Township of Ryerson:

Nuclear waste:

-The Nuclear Waste Management Organization is beginning the process for another waste facility like the one planned for Ignace, Ontario.

-2028-mid 2030’s before Identifying a site (new or adding on to Ignace)

On a local level, we must make sure that all regulations and processes are improved and followed far into the future.

Bell Canada (from networking)

-Bell Canada is shutting down old copper networks

-traditional landlines will no longer work

-customers will need to switch to fiber To The Home (FTTH) service which relies on electricity and will not work during power outages

-customers would need to purchase a backup battery system for such situations.

What does this mean financially for struggling individuals?

Rural Infrastructure

-building infrastructure for growth

-working with LAS (Local Authority Services) to provide information, strategies, etc. that individual municipalities may not have

-many municipalities are struggling to maintain existing infrastructure – ie. Arthur needs \$25 million per year to maintain their infrastructure and are currently budgeting about \$11 million per year.

HOW TO GENERATE DOLLARS FOR INFRASTRUCTURE

-apply for all and any grants, not just provincial and federal-look outside the box

-encourage senior levels of government to take back services down to the municipalities

-AirDNA gives an idea of how many rentals are listed in your area and use this information to

- license all AirBNB’s

-apply municipal accommodation tax on Air B&B

-levy on taxes for future work on bridges and culverts

-for major builds (arena) community fund raisers

We need to be very creative in how we raise money for infrastructure projects in the future.

Getting the Real Message to the Public

-send out newsletters on what is happening, giving correct information on events

-put out news releases on what is happening in your community

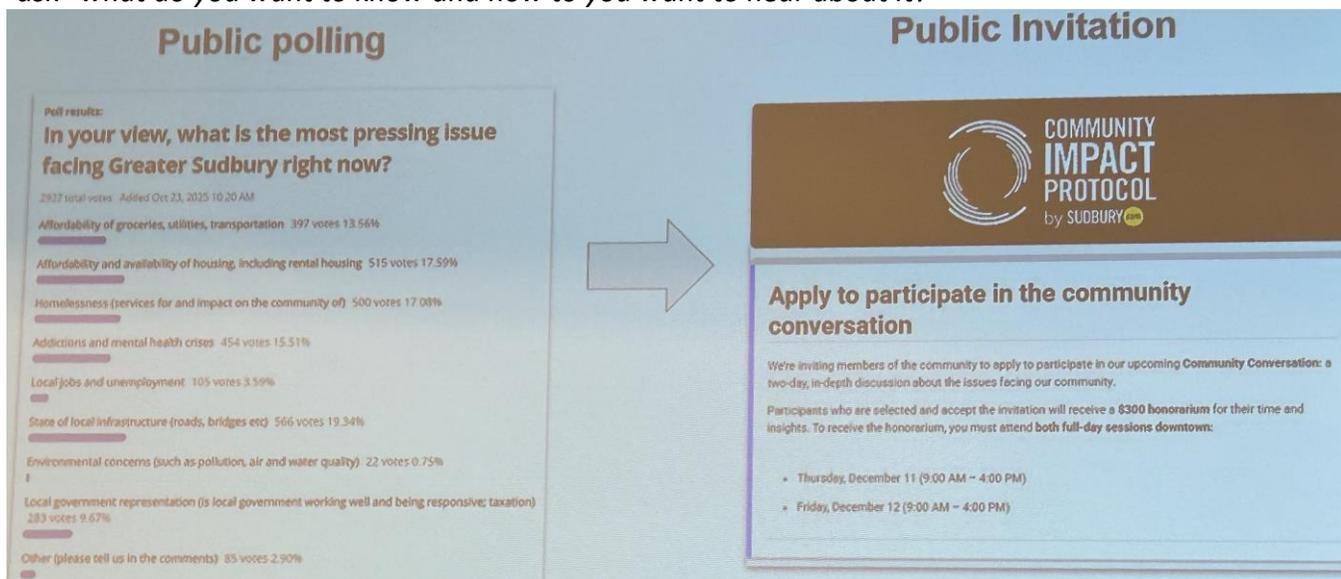
-daily/weekly updates on your website/Facebook page

-print one-page leaflets and place where people can take one

-use high school students (get to work in your office)

-we need to normalize good participation by modeling it

-ask "what do you want to know and how to you want to hear about it?"



Municipalities need to be more proactive about getting the truth out and letting people know what is really going on.

New Code of Conduct

***One Code of Conduct, for the entire province**

-this does not mean every Integrity Commissioner (IC) will interpret everything in the same way

-Province needs to make sure IC's

-are qualified

-are trained

-know how to do an investigation

-know municipal law

-can quickly determine frivolous and vexatious complaints and dismiss them

-rulings based on facts and procedures

-have defined terms within the document (what is a frivolous complaint)

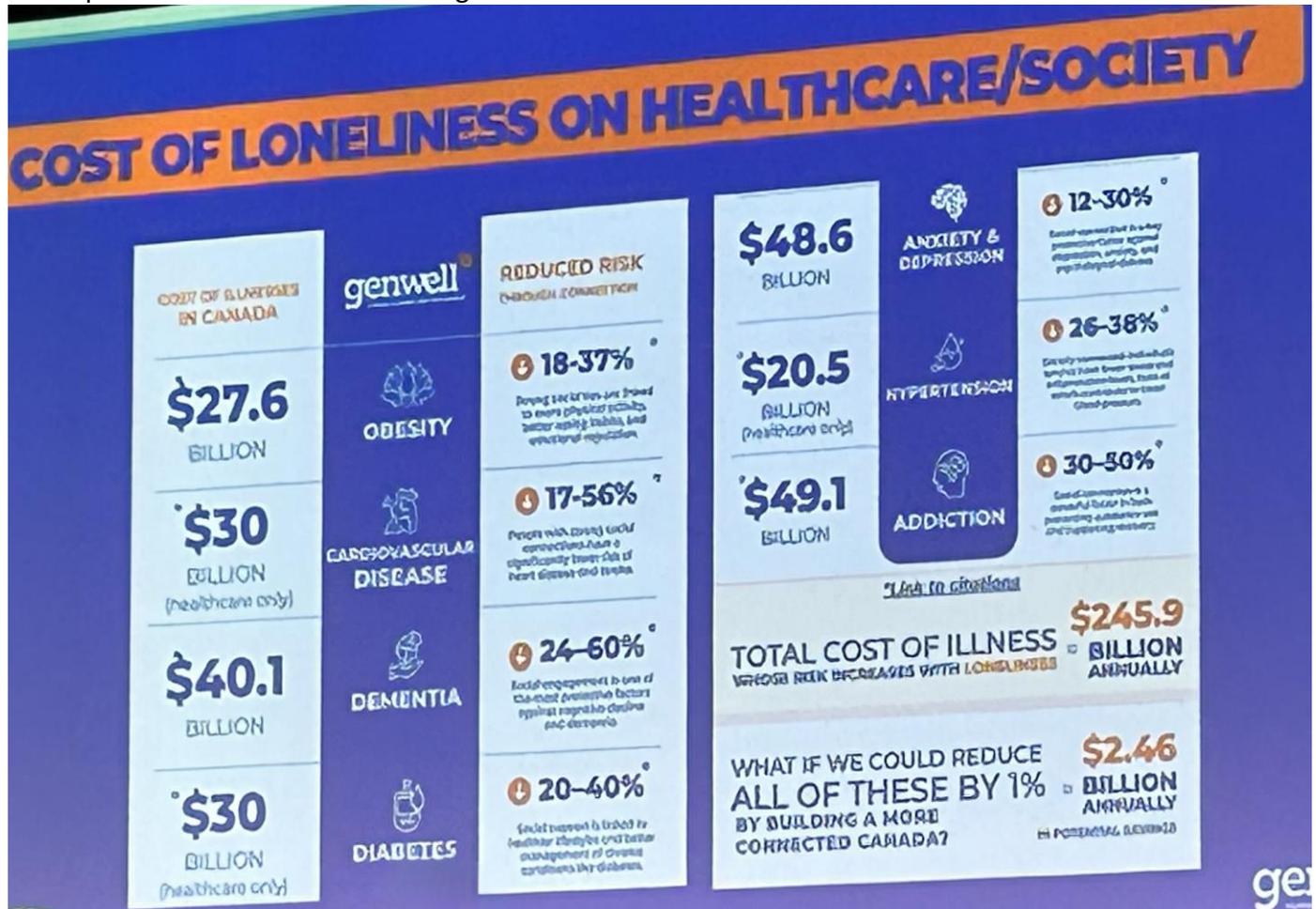
-how will consequences from the IC be enforced (many feel that you have paid for an expert decision on the complaint and therefore the consequences should not be a suggestion, but what is actually enforced)

-if province becomes involved (Provincial IC) how much longer will this drag out the process, if the decision is to remove a member of council, the province could set up some sort of review system with a limited time frame

IC's need to be well trained and be expected to follow a standard procedure based on a well-defined set of parameters.

Genwell

-lack of social connection has a greater negative impact on a person's health than smoking, obesity, high blood pressure and excessive drinking



- impacts of loneliness on youth can include
 - *detrimental effects on adult health,
 - *higher rates of stress, anxiety and depression
 - *impairs the development of brain structures
 - *can have negative impact on academic performance.

- impacts of loneliness on society.
 - *is associated Increased stress, aggression, racism, anxiety and fear
 - *is associated with violent extremism

-we need to help each other and build healthy connections into people's lives

-loneliness is happening in our homes – even with family and friends around

-being aware of loneliness, being able to recognize when you are lonely is the beginning of how a person and society can begin to heal.

Genwell offers a workshop that addresses social isolation and strengthens social connections. With so many of our residents living in a rural area and uncertain cell service, it is worth checking into this and seeing how we can bring staff, councils and community leaders together to improve social health and community well-being! Can we come up with a plan to improve the lives of our residents?

ROMA Conference 2026

An excellent conference. The exhibitors and workshops inspired many ideas . It was good also to network with fellow councillors and to share the many challenges rural communities face

A number of workshops were available to us . Delynne and I attended different ones pertaining to our community.

Strengthening Rural Vitality through Arts and Culture. Thinking of ideas for promoting our library build I thought this workshop would be helpful. Arts and Culture support mental health and build community . Successful arts and culture adds to the economy. Some strategies are 1. Advocacy. 2. Professional Development and Training. 3. Public engagement. 4. Strategic, collaborative partnerships. Supporting arts and culture is a win win for everyone. Suggested sites for grants Trillium Foundation and the OMA (Ontario Museum Association)

Indigenous and Municipal Relationships. Actioning AMO's IRAP – Indigenous Reconciliation Action Plan. I actually came to the workshop by accident as the workshop for Strategies for managing Rural land was my preference. The entrance doors were side by side. I was impressed by the opening drum performance which was a strong spiritual experience. Interestingly, the moderator, Melanie Pilon, the mayor of Wawa was a person whom I had met the previous evening sharing a meal with the NOW group. Northern Ontario Women, a group which Delynne had recently joined and arranged for us to meet for supper. Melanie belongs to the Anishinaabe Kwe tribe, has been mayor since 2022 and works in Indigenous affairs. At this point I came to realize that Indigenous people don't stand out in the crowd. I had no idea when I first met her. The same goes for the presenting panel. The whole presentation was an awakening for me.

They talked about Indigenous Women in business getting the support they need to thrive.

There are 31 Friendship Centres in Ontario, of which 25 are situated in the north. They encourage us to visit these centres, but don't come with an agenda. It was suggested to bring a gift and just introduce yourself and share a cup of tea.

Unfortunately, the workshop was poorly attended which disappointed some of the elders present but for those who attended, the message was clear. Get to know your indigenous neighbours.

HEARing Rural Voices: Data Municipalities can use tomorrow

Health, Economy, Adaptation in Rural communities. The Hear initiative conducts surveys every two years. These surveys are mailed out to individual residents. If ever our municipality wants to conduct a survey to have a better understanding of our community we can work with Leith.Deacon@uoguelph.ca 519-824-4120 ext 5251

Leith Deacon is an Associate Professor in Rural Planning and Development in the School of Environmental Design and Rural Development.

GENWELL- human connector Canada's human connection movement. GENWELL is a registered Canadian charity established to open communication with all. So many people are isolated and feeling lonely. The internet is isolating people further. This affects our mental health and well being. Building a better Canada one face to face connection at a time. GENWELL offers workshops to communities.

Their Logo is:

“Smile, chat, connect, repeat” Check out their web page and take the **social health quiz**

Access to health care, Rural Communities panel: Discussion with Heidi Lorenz, mayor of Gravenhurst and Dr. Lynn McCullough of Peterborough and Dr. Jeffrey Rennington, Dunville. Gravenhurst has a population of 6000 without a physician. Half of those are seniors. There are many challenges seeking out professionals to work in their area. There needs to be a place for them to practice. Gravenhurst managed to upgrade a building to be used for health services. Dr. McCullough mentioned for her, it was her potential colleagues that made her decide to move to Peterborough. Dr. Remington said that financial assistance was his motivator. The money was used to upgrade the facility where he was to work.

Managing Rural Land: The fire chief of Sioux Lookout spoke about promoting and maintaining a fire smart community. New builds need to use fire retardant materials. Fire Smart Standards are available to the public. He gave an example of a house built with fire prevention in mind but had a welcome mat made of combustible materials from which a spark landed and moved on to the house. He stressed to keep any vines etc cut below one foot. There is good information on their website with illustrations

Managing Rural Lands

Industrial Mining Lands Compensation Act Agreement: Once aggregate is extracted from a pit or **quarry**, the site is rehabilitated into productive wildlife habitats, wetlands, golf courses, recreational parks. The Milton limestone Quarry is a good example.

Chance meetings to take home:

1. Met a young who works with the municipality of Blue Mountain in the development capacity. At issue in the past were the rising number of vacation rentals. The municipality has since created by-laws to better control this activity.

He mentioned to look up **airbnbdnr**—In researching this I discovered what this means

Based on the search results, "Airbnb dnr" commonly refers to listings located near Department of Natural Resources (DNR) land, such as state forests, boat launches, or protected areas, often highlighted for activities like fishing, hunting, and hiking. These properties are frequently in rural, wooded, or lakeside settings in Ontario or the United States.

While researching further I discovered that Canada actually has a law

[Airbnb changes in Canada](#) focus on stricter regulations, especially in B.C. and Ontario, requiring hosts to register, follow principal residence rules (limiting rentals to primary homes + 1 unit), display registration numbers, pay new taxes/fees, and face big fines for non-compliance, with new federal tax rules also removing expense deductions for non-compliant properties. These changes aim to balance housing needs with tourism, with platforms like Airbnb required to verify compliance before listing.

I can see that we really need to prepare by-laws regarding property vacation rentals.

2. A councillor from near Simcoe county at the Arts and Culture workshop. She mentioned the value of supporting arts and culture in her community. It pays dividends to invest in arts and culture.

3. The mayor of a northern community and his challenge with connection. His internet phone works intermittently and he relies on his land line. He mentioned that Bell is in communication with the CRTC about eliminating landlines throughout the province. Many residents in rural areas will be affected if this change goes through,

We are not alone with the challenge of refurbishing or rebuilding our bridges and maintain our roads

Township of Tweed over just over \$6000

Owns and maintains 52 bridges with total estimated replacement costs of \$117,251,897 ●

Well maintained roads and bridges are a common challenge to rural communities in Ontario.

Mesa : On January 27, 2025 the Province of Ontario announced that **Renfrew County would be one of 18 communities to receive funding** for a new Homelessness and Addiction Program (Mesa)

What is Mesa? The name is derived from the geological term for a flat-topped hill, symbolizing a stable and supported foundation. It is inspired by the Spanish word for "table," representing a sturdy, inclusive platform where various agencies come together to help people

a model of care behind a proven , integrated response to addiction, mental health and homelessness. Mesa is Ontario's first integrated model of care designed to simultaneously address addiction, mental health, and homelessness challenges traditionally treated in isolation.

It aligns paramedics, mental health professionals, housing providers, and community agencies around common outcomes and supports two mobile outreach teams.

In 2025, Renfrew county achieved a 59% reduction in suspected drug toxicity deaths, compared to 2024, alongside a 38% decline in opioid-related emergency department visits. For a community that once had one of the highest overdose death rates in Ontario, this represents a dramatic turnaround, largely as a result of Mesa model of care.

To maintain these results, Renfrew County is seeking \$2.5 million in annual provincial funding to support Mesa's mobile outreach teams.

Many thanks for the opportunity to attend the Roma Conference January 2026

Beverly Abbott



Councilor Report

To:	Ryerson Township Council
From:	Beverly Abbott
Date of Event:	Wed Jan 21 st 2026
Topic:	Library Board Report
Report Date:	Jan 24 th 2026

Importance to the Township of Ryerson:

Library Board Meeting Wednesday Jan 21, 2026

We have a new Board Member. Nancy Kyte will be replacing Sean Cotton representing the village of Burk's Falls

Nieves is still reviewing book keeping services to be done by Armour township in 2027 and waiting to find out the cost.

A resolution has been passed by Burk's Falls 2025-409 with regards to the pay grid for library staff. Nancy Kyte will review the research that was done to come up with the hourly rates.

The personnel committee met in December to discuss volunteer hours done by library staff for programs outside of library regular hours. A new policy will be drawn up to clarify this. Nieves has decided to no longer request library staff to volunteer for programs. She will only offer programs during library hours. The following Board members : Bev, Donna, Nancy and Patty have offered to assist with programs after hours.

Inter-library loan is under threat if the government will no longer subsidize this

program Currently the cost per book is \$1.80 but could rise to \$20 should this be removed. We are all encouraged to write a letter to Scott Aitchison. Scott has reached out to the Library to say he will try to assist with this challenge.

Charitable status application has been completed and sent in. We are awaiting a reply.

Nieves is working on the application for a summer student.

Donations – the library has received an anonymous donation for \$1000 to be put towards children's programs. The Retired Teachers' Association gave \$750 towards more services and programs for Seniors. An open donation of \$100 was also received

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Date: Thursday, February 27th, 2025
Time: **6:00PM**
Location: **Strong Township Office - 28 Municipal Lane, Sundridge**

Zoom Meeting Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83622843478?pwd=cAq4vYJRliY1qoBGpi93AqvbNO9P15.1>

Meeting ID: 836 2284 3478

Passcode: 313972

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Acceptance of the January 23, 2025, ACED Meeting Minutes (Resolution 2025-004)
3. Round table introductions (if required)
4. Chair and Vice Chair Appointment / Election (Resolution 2025-005)
5. Director's Report
 - a. Discussion items
 - i. Signage Plan & MCS Signage Update
 - ii. ACED Fees & Charges (Resolution 2025-006)
6. 2025 Workplan Approval (Resolution 2025-007)
7. Discussion – ACED Membership and Stakeholder Round Table
8. Round table comments or updates from Board Members
9. FedNor / MND Updates
10. Next meeting date: **Thursday, March 27, 2025 – Strong Township Office**
11. Adjournment (Resolution 2025-008)

Attachments:

1. ACED review of Ontario Northlander Activity
2. Final 2025 ACED Department Work Plan

**JOINT BUILDING COMMITTEE
ANNUAL PERMIT SUMMARY
2026**

Month	No. of Permits	Permit Fees	Project Values	Size (sq.m)
January	3	\$1,950.00	\$110,000.00	137
February	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
March	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
April	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
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	3	\$1,950.00	\$110,000.00	137
			New Construction	137
			Demolitions	0

**JOINT BUILDING COMMITTEE
ANNUAL PERMIT SUMMARY
2026**

**SFD'S, Seasonal Dwellings
and Multi-Unit Dwellings**

Month	No. of Permits	Permit Fees	Project Values	2025	2026
Burks Falls	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	0
Joly	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	0
South River	1	\$220.00	\$8,000.00	1	0
Machar	2	\$1,730.00	\$102,000.00	1	0
Strong	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	0
Ryerson	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	0
Sundridge	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	0
TOTALS	3	\$1,950.00	\$110,000.00		0
Permit activity at end of January 31, 2026					
TOTALS	7	\$12,586.00	\$791,900.00	2	
Permit activity at end of January 31, 2025					
TOTALS	-4	\$10,636.00	\$681,900.00		-2
Difference from previous year					



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MEA APPOINTS NEW BOARD OF DIRECTORS AT 2025 AGM

The Municipal Engineers Association (MEA) is a non-profit association representing the interests of over 1,270 professional engineers in Ontario who are employed in the municipal engineering and public works sectors at Ontario municipalities and provincial agencies, as well as consulting engineering firms acting as the engineer-of-record for Ontario municipalities.

MEA's many pursuits include being the co-proponent for the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (MCEA) process and, together with the Ministry of Transportation of Ontario, MEA administers Ontario Provincial Standards for Municipalities (OPS MUNI) where many of our members participate in committees that establish standards and specifications used province wide. MEA also provides training courses for both MCEA and OPS as well as hosting an annual conference providing technical training sessions.

The MEA is the preferred venue for Ontario municipalities to recruit professional municipal engineers and technologists/technicians through our online employment advertising platform.

MEA provides an annual bursary program to students entering the first year of an accredited university engineering program. Since 2008, the MEA has awarded \$219,000 in bursaries.

The MEA held its 2025 Annual General Meeting (AGM) at RBC Place Conference Centre in London on November 13, 2025. At the AGM, a new Board was elected. We are pleased to present the new Board for the 2025/2026 term as well as MEA staff (see attachment).

Please share this with members of your organization. Should you have any questions about the MEA or the new Board, please let me know.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Dan', is positioned above a horizontal line.

D.M. (Dan) Cozzi, P. Eng.
Executive Director
Municipal Engineers Association

Attachment:

MEA Board of Directors and Staff 2025-2026



2025-2026 MEA Board of Directors & Staff



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**ANNUAL
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Introduction

The Almaguin Community Economic Development (ACED) department is pleased to present the 2025 ACED Annual Report for the review and consideration of ACED's members, municipal partners, and regional stakeholders. ACED remains a regionally inclusive economic development services organization, committed to supporting the long-term economic and social prosperity of the Almaguin region. Our work continues to focus on taking strategic action while stewarding strong, collaborative relationships between municipalities, businesses, community organizations, and economic development partners.

Economic development is a broad and evolving matter, shaped by local context, community priorities, and changing economic conditions. ACED recognizes that its definition and application can vary across the region. For this reason, ACED's work in 2025 was guided by evidence-based research, established strategic frameworks, and ongoing input from member municipalities and partners. This approach ensures that initiatives reflect shared priorities and deliver meaningful value at both the regional and local levels.

Each year, ACED staff develop a work plan that outlines key focus areas, performance targets, and strategic rationale for the year ahead. This work plan serves as a foundation for accountability and progress, while allowing flexibility to respond to emerging opportunities and challenges. Throughout 2025, the ACED Board continued to play an active role in guiding this work through regular meetings, discussion periods, and collaborative decision-making.

The 2025 Annual Report highlights the outcomes of this collective effort. It reflects a year of continued service delivery, regional collaboration, and intentional groundwork to support future growth, investment, and community resilience across Almaguin.

Exiting Director's note

I am writing this final Director's note with a mix of emotions as I reflect not only on the 2025 year, but my history with ACED and BACED over the last thirteen years. The first of which is a profound sense of gratitude for having been afforded the opportunity to work with so many diverse, progressive, and committed community builders throughout my time in my various roles. The second emotion I find myself feeling is a sense of excitement for what the future will bring under a new agreement and new leadership. While it is true that the journey we have walked to date has been full of twists, turns, success, and learning opportunities, I remain steadfast and bold in my confidence that all of Almaguin benefits through enhanced collaboration made possible by strong, productive relationships. 2025 was an opportunity for ACED to reflect on the organization and rethink many facets of how services are delivered, how we ensure equity and equality, and how we ensure that our partners priorities are both reflected and embraced in the work that we do. It has been encouraging to see the ACED Board discuss and deliberate strategies for ensuring the growth and sustainability of ACED. To me, this is a

reflection of a strong common will among communities and individuals who have demonstrated their immense passion for and investment in driving positive economic growth time and time again. It is with that kind of support that mountains get moved. I am confident that with our continued collaborative efforts ACED and its regional impact will continue to grow.

New Directors Note

As I step into the role of Director at the beginning of 2026, this Annual Report offers a chance to reflect on the work completed in 2025 from my perspective as Economic Development Officer. It was a year defined by steady progress, strong collaboration, and meaningful on-the-ground support for businesses, municipalities, and partners across the region. Much of this work focused on maintaining core services, advancing long-standing regional initiatives, and strengthening relationships that are foundational to economic development success. I am grateful for the leadership and direction provided throughout 2025, and for the trust placed in me to support this work during a period of transition. Looking ahead, 2026 represents both continuity and opportunity. As Director, my focus will be on building upon the strong foundation already in place, ensuring ACED remains responsive to community needs, and advancing strategic initiatives that position the region for long-term resilience, growth, and shared success.

Guiding Direction

ACED develops their annual plans and initiatives under the direction of the following guiding documents which have been created through comprehensive consultation and using a wealth of data and evidence-based research. These plans are listed below for reference:

[The 2018 RED Plan](#)

[The 2020 Ag Strategy](#)

[The 2021 Brand Strategy](#)

[The 2016 BR&E Report](#)

Collaborative Foundation

Developing and stewarding strong relationships with economic development stakeholders across the region is a core function of the ACED department. These partnerships strengthen initiatives through shared resources, expertise, and networks, delivering direct benefits to local businesses and communities. They also help reduce costs and improve overall efficiency, with collaboration continuing to serve as a cornerstone of regional economic development success.

2025 project partners include (in no particular order):

Almaguin's Municipalities
Almaguin Highlands Chamber
FedNor
O.M.N.D.
O.M.A.F.R.A.
NECO Community Futures

Almaguin Brand Ambassadors
The Business Centre NPS
Explorers' Edge / RTO 12
Explore South River
Women's Own Resource Centre
The Labour Market Group

Discovery Routes Trails Org.
I.I.O.N
N.O.H.F.C.
Almaguin Highlands Secondary School
A.H. Health Council

Regional Results Report

Key Performance Indicators

Work Plan Item KPI Description	2023 Result	2024 Result	2025 Result	Notes
1.0 - Business Support				
A. Core Business Support				
Businesses Supported (Unique)	51	61	46	
Total Interactions	85		58	
Jobs Created	24	13	10	Note 1
Jobs Retained	15	15	12	
Program Referrals	32		36	
B. Business Support Events				
Events Hosted/Supported	6	5	7	
Business Attendees	120	200	190	
C. AHCC Partnerships				
Membership Increase	20%	7%	0%	Note 2
2.0 Community Development				
A. Organization Support				
Organizations Supported	1	3	4	
B. Regional Recreation Support				
Programs / Facilities Supported	4	10	3	
Applications Supported	3	5	1	
3.0 Economic Capacity Building				
A. Long term housing				
Recommendations Made	N/A	12	N/A	Note 3
B. Transportation Development				
Initiatives Supported	2	2	3	
Marketing Initiatives				
C. A.H.S.S. Student Engagement				
Initiatives created / launched	2	3	3	Note 4

Work Plan Item KPI Description	2023 Result	2024 Result	2025 Result	Notes
4.0 Marketing & Promotion				
A. Brand Strategy Implementation				
Brand Ambassadors Onboarded	41	20	14	
Brand Ambassadors Retained	41	41	60	

Brand ambassador training sessions	1	1	3	
Marketing Partnership Projects	8	NA	1	
Key Brand Assets Created	16	3	0	
Marketing campaign activities (original content)	31	47	192	Note 5
B. Tourism Promotion				
Partnerships Developed/engaged	5		2	
Projects/content marketed	12	19	11	
Business Interactions for Summer Star Party	N/A	N/A	60	
C. Shop in Almaguin Campaigns				
Campaigns Launched	2	2	2	
Business Promoted	81	60	87	
5.0 Special Events & Projects				
B. Red Gala				
Total Attendees	120	120	67	Note 6

Notes:

Note 1: Job creation and retention statistics reflect data collected locally and data provided by supportive agencies that serve the region. This information is intended as a high level-view of known activity rather than a statement of ACED's contributions to individual businesses. ACED does not directly fund businesses; however, it is assumed that through information sharing and direct referrals that ACED plays a supportive role that supports job creation.

Note 2: AHCC experienced both membership growth and attrition during the reporting period. They were left with the same total amount of members from 2024 at the end of the year, accounting for the gains and losses. ACED is not directly responsible for membership increases for the AHCC; rather, through the cooperative relationship with the AHCC, ACED supports events and initiatives both in partnership with, and that benefit, AHCC members. The creation of a staff position for the AHCC has enabled increased

focus on attracting new members, retaining members, and monitoring membership activity.

Note 3: The Long-Term Housing Strategy Recommendations were completed in 2024. Quarterly meetings take place to discuss progress and provide updates, but no new recommendations were made in 2025.

Note 4: In 2025, 3 initiatives were completed – The Life Skills Workshop, The Longitudinal Study, and The Summer Company Presentations with the Business Centre. Due to scheduling conflicts, The Career Accelerator Event did not take place.

Note 5: Explore Almaguin saw a huge uptick in original content being developed daily for Instagram, Facebook and content articles on Explore Almaguin due to the new CMO who was very motivated to create and develop new content.

Note 6: Due to weather and timing of the event, we saw a lower attendance for the RED Gala than in previous years. The December event date was selected based on the Keynote speakers' availability.

2025 RESULTS HIGHLIGHTS

2025 Highlights Infographic (See below)

Attachments

Appendix 1 – 2025 AHSS Student Engagement Report

Appendix 2 – Wrap Up Almaguin Shop Local Results



REGIONAL RESULTS HIGHLIGHTS 2025

The following infographics highlight key accomplishments of the Almaguin Community Economic Development (ACED) department.

CORE ACTIVITIES

- Total Support Interactions
- Total Unique Business Clients
- Expansions Supported by Staff
- Start Ups Supported
- Referrals to Agencies
- Private Investments*
- Jobs Created*
- Jobs Maintained*

2025 PROGRAMS

ALMAGUIN SUMMER STAR PARTY



Tickets Sold



Businesses Promoted



Partnership Dollars Accessed



Locations Featured



ACED Contribution



Targeted Content Created

AHSS ENGAGEMENT

In-Class Presentations



Youth Outmigration Surveys Completed



Student who Completed the Summer Company Program



ACED Contribution

Life Skills Workshop



Workshop Sessions



Student Participants



Support Personnel

CHAMBER SUPPORTS AND PARTNERSHIPS



Events Hosted or Supported



Total Participants



Partnership Funds Invested

PUBLIC & COMMUNITY GRANTS



- Community Economic Development Grants from NECO
- 3 NOHFC Internships Community Infrastructure Funding

SUPPORTS FROM THE BUSINESS CENTRE



Consultations with Almaguin Entrepreneurs



Between 3 Summer Company Students in Almaguin



Total Business Centre Clients from Almaguin

= 13%

Of Total Client List

SUPPORT ORGANIZATIONS



Review Boards that ACED sits on

NECO - 5

IION/ SFEP - 6

RNIP - 4

Almaguin Applications Approved

MUNICIPAL SUPPORT



Municipal In-Office Days



Individual Municipal Projects Supported

*Figures represent 2025 actual and projected data shared from partner support agencies pertaining to Almaguin business projects. ACED refers business clients to these organizations based on their needs and eligibility.





REGIONAL RESULTS HIGHLIGHTS 2025

The following infographics highlight key accomplishments of the Almaguin Community Economic Development (ACED) department.

EXPLOREALMAGUIN.CA

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Events Promoted on the Website
- 

20

Articles Written
- 

3

New Pages Created on the Website
- 

77

Business Directory listings enhanced
- 

16

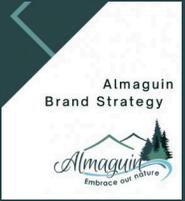
Tourism Pieces of Content Developed

2025 SHOP LOCAL CAMPAIGNS

<p>Summer Shop Local (July 2- July 31)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 23727 Views 407 Engagement 2 Separate Social Media Campaigns \$400 ACED Contribution 	<p>Wrap Up Almaguin Campaign (November 24- December 14, 2025)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 37 Businesses Directly Supported 3,234 Ballots Submitted \$500 ACED Contribution
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SOCIAL MEDIA STATISTICS

<p>ACED Facebook</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1851 FB Likes 3% growth since 2024 45 Number of Original Posts 7,015 Total Views 	<p>Almaguin Tourism Facebook</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2929 FB Likes 7% growth since 2024 135 Number of Original Posts 445,008 Total Views 	<p>Explore Almaguin Instagram</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1,071 IG Likes 37% growth since 2024 96 Number of Original Posts 168,154 Total Views
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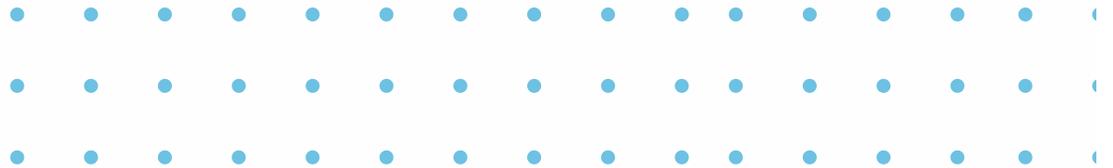
 <p>2 Brand Event Hosted</p> <p>15 Tourism Assets Created</p>	<p>3 Co-Creation Labs Hosted with Explorers' Edge</p> <p>74 Brand Ambassadors Registered</p>
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AHSS Student Engagement Report 2025





LONGITUDINAL SURVEY RESULTS

March-June 2024

Number of Completed Surveys



Length of Time Residing in Almaguin

(Average/Median)



30% of Students in 2025 have moved to the area within the past 5 years.

How Would You Rate Your Experience Living in Almaguin?

Comments included that they find the communities friendly and the area beautiful, but it also feels isolated with limited opportunities.



0- Very Dissatisfied 1- Dissatisfied 14- Neutral 22- Satisfied 10- Very Satisfied

Top 5 Activities Enjoyed in the Region



Spending Time at the Lake
75%



Spending Time with Family and Friends
75%



Events, Festivals and Fairs
40%



Winter Activities
49%



Fishing
53%



LONGITUDINAL SURVEY RESULTS

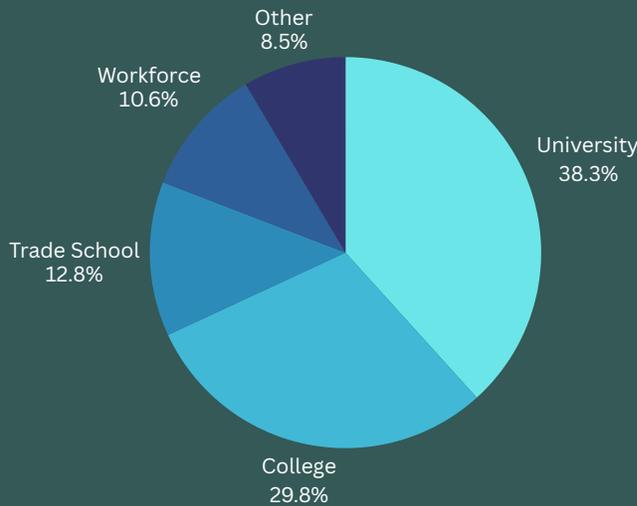
Top 6 Fields Being Pursued by Students After Graduation

Construction/Trades	15%
Medical/Health Services	11%
Arts & Entertainment	11%
Education or Government	8%
Professional Services - i.e. lawyer, accountant, etc.	8%
Personal Services -i.e. hairstylist, esthetician, massage therapy, etc.	6%



2025 saw a larger variety in career paths, including by-law, media studies, fire fighting, truck driving, and a increase in students interested in the Trades.

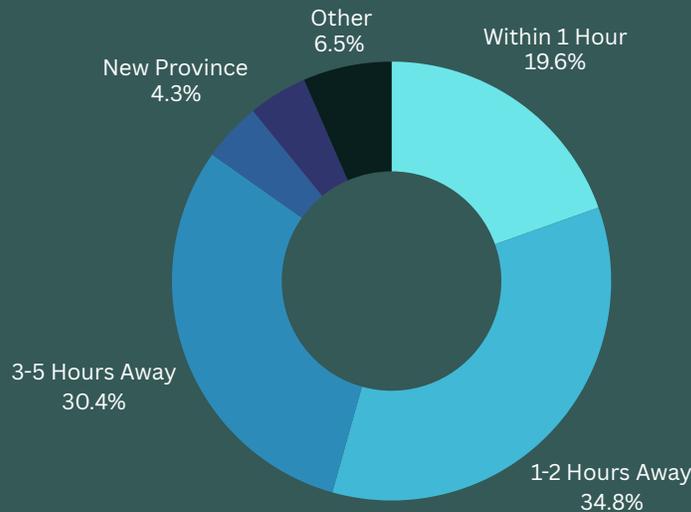
Post Secondary Plans



Both 2024 and 2025 saw a majority of students choosing University. 2025 saw almost 13% of students choosing to pursue Trade School, compared to 0% in 2024. The 'Other' response was mostly students choosing to take a gap year, with 1 student pursuing the military.

Commute for Post Secondary Education

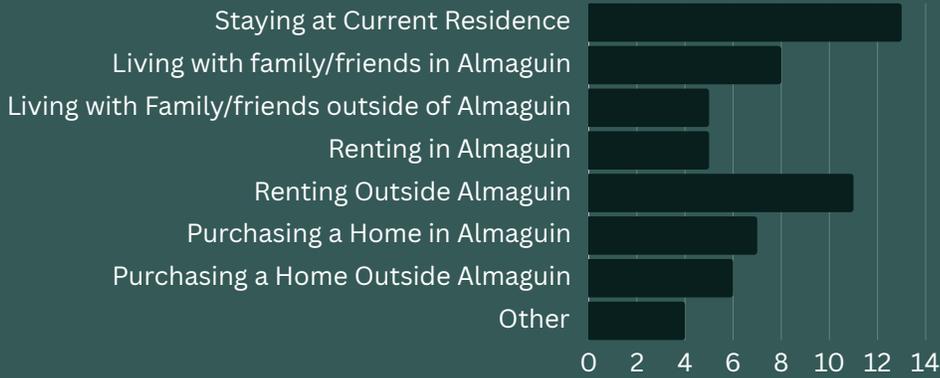
Similar to past results, majority of students chose a post-secondary institution within Ontario a few hours away.



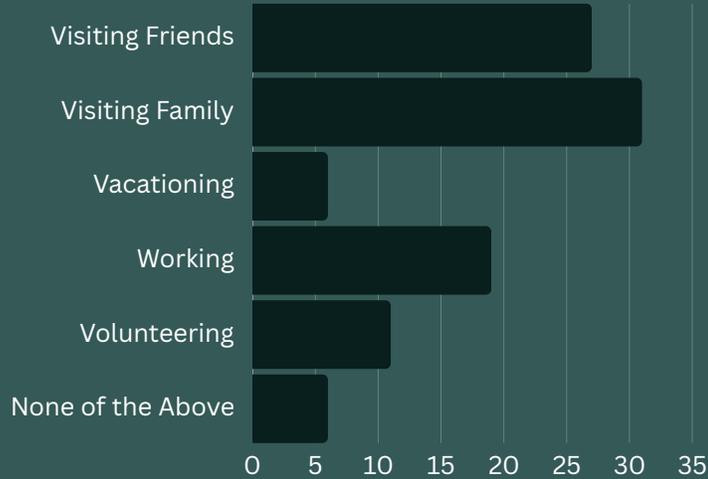


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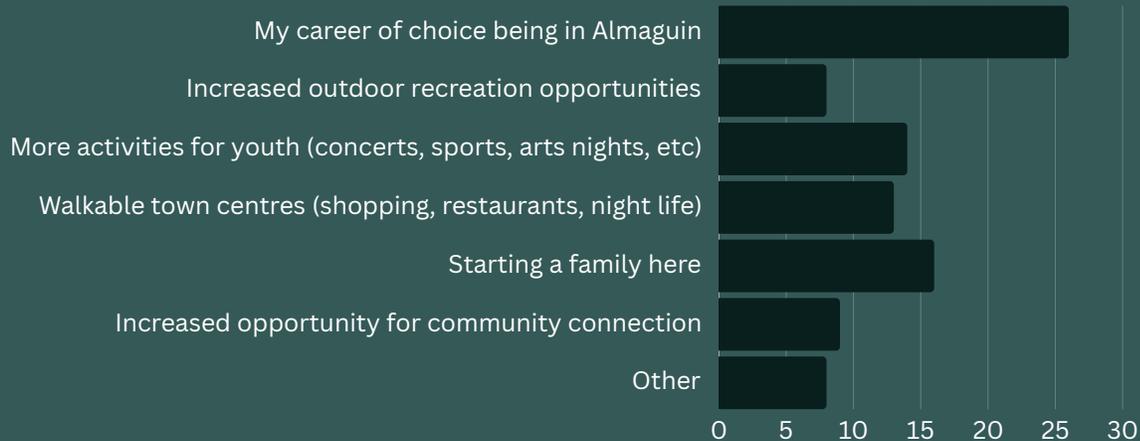
Planned Living Arrangements After Graduation



How Do You Plan on Staying Connected with the Region?



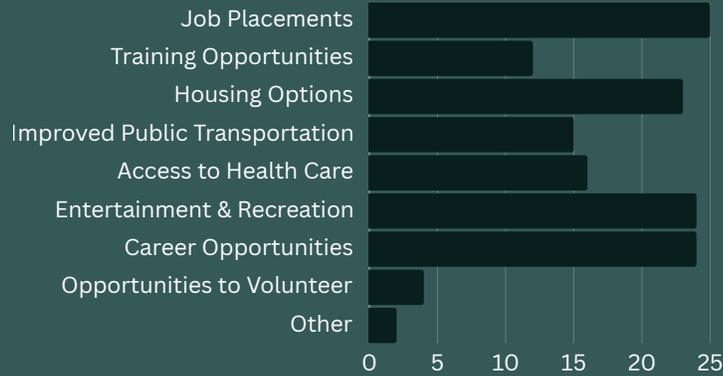
What Would Encourage You to Stay In the Region?





LONGITUDINAL SURVEY RESULTS

What Type of Support Would You Like to See From The Community?



Observations from the Survey

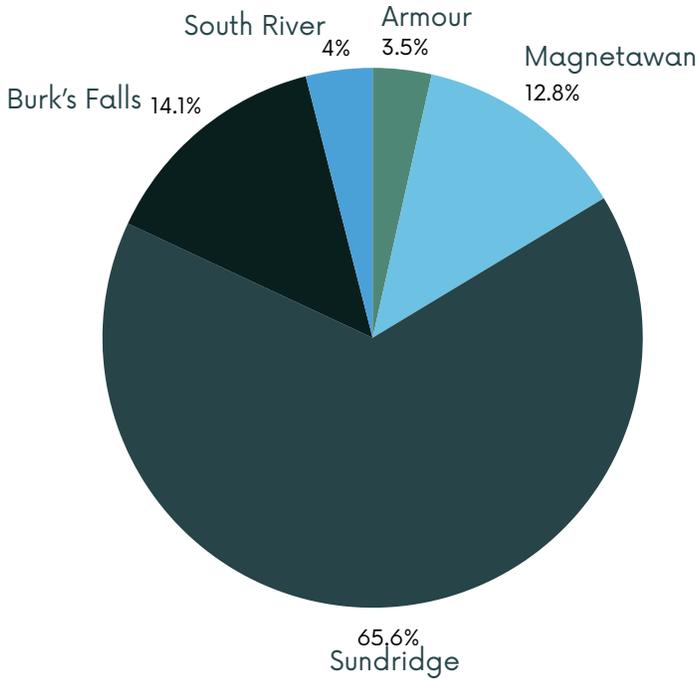
1. There is a significant number of students who have moved to the area within the last 5 years.
2. Most students enjoy living in Almaguin, and those who don't find that there is a lack of activities and minimal job opportunities for youth in the community.
3. 2025 saw an increase in students interested in pursuing construction/trades, and a greater variety of potential career paths.
4. Most students stated they would stay in Almaguin if their career of choice was available. There also seems to be an increase in young people wanting to buy houses or start families here, and some students feel like Almaguin is a good area for both.
5. Areas for ACED and Municipalities to focus on:
 - Helping students find jobs in the area
 - Attracting job positions in the medical and health fields to Almaguin
 - Encouraging student placements with construction/trades companies
 - Developing recreation or events targeted towards young adults
 - Looking into both increased transportation and housing options for students/recent graduates
 - Life skills workshops to help create financially responsible young people capable of home ownership in the near future.



WRAP UP 2025

The following infographics highlight some of the key findings from the Christmas Shop Local Campaign.

Participation in Each Town



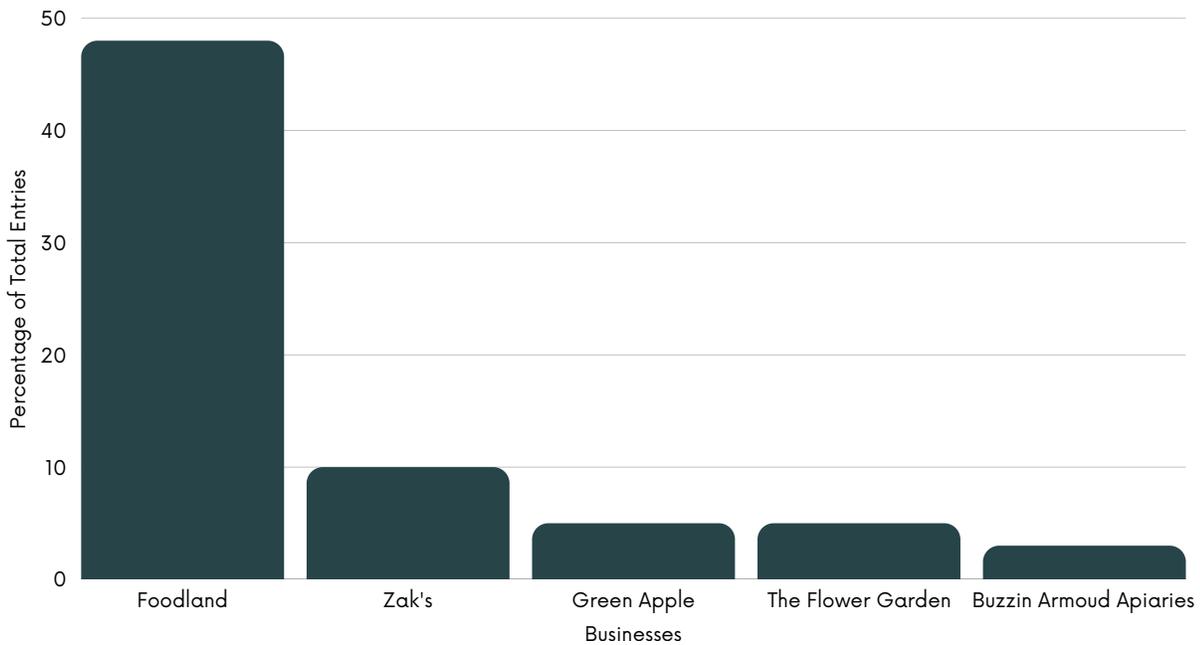
Total Entries



New Emails for Newsletter



Top 5 Businesses Who participated



Good Morning All,

At last night's ACED Meeting, we reviewed the 2025 Annual Report. The Board discussed promoting the Report and Infographic as much as possible, celebrating some of the successes and achievements of the past year. We would love to see each municipality also help us spread the information.

- The infographic has been shared to our ACED Facebook page and tagged each member municipality. Please share it to your municipal social media pages as well.
- We have added it to our website under Business News - <https://explorealmaguin.ca/news/2025-aced-annual-report>
- We request that you either add the report or the link to the document on our website to any upcoming Newsletters that the municipality puts out.

Thank you for your help in spreading the word!

**Please note that I have transitioned into the role of Director of Almaguin Community Economic Development. My new email address is director@explorealmaguin.ca. Please update your contacts.*

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