

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RYERSON

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES

August 25, 2026 AT 6:00 P.M.

The regular meeting of Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ryerson was held **August 25, 2026** at 6:00 p.m. This was a hybrid meeting combining in person, electronic meeting via Zoom and phone.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Councillor Delynne Patterson 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 Sterling and Deputy Mayor Miller.

Staff in attendance: Brayden Robinson, Nancy Field and Kelly Morissette

Public attending in person or electronically: N/A

Notice of this meeting was posted on the website.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

R- 120 - 26 Moved by Councillor Abbott, Seconded by Councillor Robertson,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council adopt the August 25, 2026 agenda as circulated.

(Carried)

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

R- 121 -26 Moved by Councillor Abbott, Seconded by Councillor Robertson,

Be it resolved that the minutes from the regular meeting on July 14, 2026 and the statutory public meeting on August 4, 2026 be adopted as circulated.

(Carried)

4. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST: None noted.

5. REPORTS:

CAO/CLERK: N. Field provided Council with the 2026 Elections Accessibility Plan and a consent application. Resolution noted below.

R- 122 - 26 Moved by Councillor Robertson, Seconded by Councillor Abbott,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council receive the 2026 Election Accessibility Plan.

R- 123 - 26 Moved by Councillor Abbott, Seconded by Councillor Robertson,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council support Consent Application B-010/26 Part of Lots 11 and 12, Concession 8 at 76 Spring Hill Rd. 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 applicant shall pay to the municipality the application fee and the deposit fee before finalization of the consent is given.
- 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.

TREASURER: B. Robinson provided Council with a Video Surveillance Policy. Resolution noted below.

R- 124 - 26 Moved by Councillor Abbott, Seconded by Councillor Robertson,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council adopt the draft Video Surveillance Policy.

(Carried)

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Councillor Robertson provided Council with a report on the Police Governance conference he attended.

6. COMMUNICATION ITEMS

R- 125 -26 Moved by Councillor Robertson, Seconded by Councillor Abbott,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council approves a donation of \$ 1,500 to the Burk's Falls and District Food Bank.

(Carried)

R- 126 - 26 Moved by Councillor Abbott, Seconded by Councillor Robertson,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council supports the Town of Lincoln in requesting that the province increase funding to libraries and museums and recognize that libraries and museums are national assets and that strategically investing in their potential will contribute significantly to renewing post-pandemic social cohesion, economic well-being and community resilience.

(Carried)

R- 127 - 26 Moved by Councillor Abbott, Seconded by Councillor Robertson,

Be it resolved that that Ryerson Township Council authorize: Glenn Miller, Bev Abbott, and Dan Robertson to attend the District of Parry Sound Municipal Association (DPSMA) Fall meeting on September 25, 2026, hosted by the Township of Carling, at the Carling Community Centre.

(Carried)

R- 128 -26 Moved by Councillor Robertson, Seconded by Councillor Abbott,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council receive the Almaguin Highlands Detachment Boards 2025 Annual Report.

(Carried)

General Information Items Received:

- Council received the July 22, 2026, Director of Economic Development Report.
- Council received the June 15, 2026, Historical Society meeting minutes.
- Council received the July 20, 2026, Historical Society meeting minutes.
- Council received the OLT decision for BESS.
- Council received the Joint Building Committee permit summary for July 2026.
- Council received the Joint Building Committee July permits for Ryerson.
- Council received Res. 2026-217 from the Township of Ryerson regarding landfill exemption for SPA.
- Council received the Conservation Authority transition committee members.
- Council received the building departments performance measurement program for 2025.
- Council received the Joint Building Committee open/closed permits for end of 2025.
- Council received the August 17, 2026, Historical Society meeting minutes.

7. CONFIRMING BY-LAW

R- 129 -26 Moved by Councillor Abbott, Seconded by Councillor Robertson,

Be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill # 33-26, being a By-law to confirm the meetings of Council and further; That By-Law # 33-26 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 25th day of August 2026.

(Carried)

8. ADJOURNMENT:

R- 130 -26 Moved by Councillor Patterson, Seconded by Councillor Patterson,

Be it resolved that we do now adjourn at 6:20 p.m. The next regular meeting is September 22, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.

(Carried)

Original Signed by Glenn Miller

DEPUTY MAYOR

Original Signed by Nancy Field

CAO/CLERK