

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RYERSON

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

October 13, 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:

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 on September 22, 2026 **(R)**

3. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST:

4. REPORTS:

4.1 **PUBLIC WORKS:** Tender Recap Report.

4.2 **CAO/CLERK:** Consent Determination Report. **(R)**

4.3 **TREASURER:** Q3 Budget Variance Report.

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

4.4 Councillor Abbott: Library Board Report

5. COMMUNICATION ITEMS:

5.1 Joint Building Committee: Policy Updates

5.1.1 Staff Benefits **(R)**

5.1.2 Hiring Procedures **(R)**

5.1.3 Statutory Holidays **(R)**

5.2 Permanent Doubling of OCIF. **(R)**

5.3 Magnetawan Ridge Runners Land Use Permit (LUP). **(R)**

General Communication:

5.4 September 17, 2026, Joint Building Committee draft meeting minutes.

5.5 September 15, 2026, Tri- Council Informal Sub-Committee meeting minutes.

5.6 Joint Building Committee annual permit summary.

5.7 Joint Building Committee permit summary for Ryerson.

5.8 Thank you letter from Food Bank.

5.9 August Library Board meeting minutes.

6. CONFIRMING BY-LAW:

6.1 Confirm the meetings of Council. **(R)**

7. IMPORTANT DATES:

- October 26, 2026 – Election Day
- November 24, 2026 – Regular Meeting 6:00 p.m.

8. ADJOURNMENT: (R)

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RYERSON

LIST OF PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS

FOR COUNCIL MEETING: October 13, 2026 AT 6:00 P.M.

Item # 1.2 on Agenda Moved by Councillor Patterson, Seconded by Councillor Robertson,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council adopt the October 13, 2026 agenda as circulated.

Item # 2.1 on Agenda Moved by Councillor Abbott, Seconded by Councillor Patterson,

Be it resolved that the minutes from the regular meeting on September 22, 2026 be adopted as circulated.

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

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council support Option 1 to maintain the existing interpretation of “Original Parcel” permitting three severances and one retained on 100-acre parcels of land.

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

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council supports Option 2 to establish a new definition for “Original Parcel” permitting properties severed prior to May 1, 2012 be recognized as historic date, providing opportunity for up to three additional severances and one retained.

Item # 5.1 on Agenda Moved by Councillor Abbott, Seconded by Councillor Patterson,

THAT Council of The Township of Ryerson receive the Joint Building Committee’s resolutions pertaining to JBC Staff Benefits.

AND THAT Council accepts the recommendations of the committee and approves of the following entitlements: Staff Benefits – annual boot purchase allowance of \$300.00, and annual uniform allowance of \$200.00.

Item # 5.1 on Agenda Moved by Councillor Abbott, Seconded by Councillor Robertson,

THAT the Council of The Township of Ryerson receive the Joint Building Committee’s resolutions pertaining to JBC Hiring Policy.

AND THAT Council accepts the recommendations of the committee and approves of the following entitlements: Hiring Policy – all the revisions recommended and committee approved under JBC Resolution #2026-018, dated September 17, 2026.

Item # 5.1 on Agenda Moved by Councillor Abbott, Seconded by Councillor Robertson,

THAT the Council of The Township of Ryerson receives the Joint Building Committee's resolutions pertaining to JBC Statutory Holidays

AND THAT Council accepts the recommendations of the committee and approves of the following entitlements Statutory Holiday – the inclusion of the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (September 30).

Item # 5.2 on Agenda Moved by Councillor Patterson, Seconded by Councillor Robertson,

WHEREAS the Government of Ontario has regulated municipal infrastructure asset management through O. Reg 588/17 (Asset Management Planning for Municipal Infrastructure) under the *Infrastructure for Jobs and Prosperity Act, 2015*;

AND WHEREAS municipal asset management plans and the Financial Accountability Office of Ontario have identified that municipalities have significant state-of-good-repair backlogs and renewal needs for infrastructure;

AND WHEREAS the Government of Ontario doubled the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund (OCIF) from \$200M/year to \$400M/year for 2021-2026 but has not publicly committed to maintaining this level of funding beyond 2026;

AND WHEREAS the OCIF has become a vital and indispensable resource for municipalities, assisting them with improving their asset management programs and meeting community-preserving infrastructure renewal needs;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Ryerson Township Council supports the Municipal Finance Officers' Association of Ontario (MFOA) letter to the Ministry of Infrastructure requesting that the doubling of the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund be made permanent in advance of the allocations for the 2027 calendar year, helping municipalities to continue building housing-enabling infrastructure while preserving the economic value provided by existing infrastructure.

AND THAT this supporting resolution be circulated to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Infrastructure, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Minister of Finance, the Municipal Finance Officers Association of Ontario, and Association of Municipalities of Ontario.

Item # 5.3 on Agenda Moved by Councillor Robertson, Seconded by Councillor Abbott,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council enter into the MOU Agreement with the Magnetawan Ridge Runners Snowmobile Club.

The MOU agreement from September 1, 2026 to August 31, 2030, between the Magnetawan Ridge Runners and the Township of Ryerson will only come into effect upon the receipt of proof of insurance from the OFSC. Including the indemnification and hold harmless clause wording, and current insurance certificate naming the Township of Ryerson as additional insured.

Item # 7.1. on Agenda Moved by Councillor Abbott, Seconded by Councillor Patterson,

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 13th day of October 2026.

Item # 9 on Agenda Moved by Councillor Robertson, Seconded by Councillor Abbott,

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

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RYERSON

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES

September 22, 2026 AT 6:00 P.M.

The regular meeting of Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ryerson was held **September 22, 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, Miller, Patterson and Robertson.

Staff in attendance: Nancy Field, Kelly Morissette and Joe Readman.

Public attending in person or electronically: Helena Thisdelle and Judy Kleinhuis.

Notice of this meeting was posted on the website.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

R- 131- 26 Moved by Councillor Abbott, Seconded by Councillor Robertson,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council adopt the September 22, 2026 agenda as circulated.

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

R- 132 - 26 Moved by Councillor Patterson, Seconded by Councillor Abbott,

Be it resolved that the minutes from the public meeting on August 19, 2026 and the minutes from the regular meeting on August 25, 2026 be adopted as circulated.

(Carried)

4. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST: None noted.

5. DELEGATION:

5.1 Judy Klienhius from Doane Grant Thornton presented the 2025 financial statements to Council. Questions were asked and answered. Resolution noted below.

R- 133 -26 Moved by Councillor Robertson, Seconded by Councillor Patterson,

Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ryerson accept the 2025 Township of Ryerson Consolidated Financial Statements the 2025 Burk's Falls and District Fire Department Financial Statements.

(Carried)

6. REPORTS:

6.1 FIRE CHIEF: J. Readman provided council with the 2027 draft fire budget and provided the Live Fire Training Unit Agreement. Council had a discussion, questions were asked and answered. Resolution noted below.

R- 134 - 26 Moved by Councillor Robertson, Seconded by Councillor Abbott,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council approves the 2027 draft Fire Department budget for submission to the Tri-Council meeting scheduled for Monday October 5, 2026.

(Carried)

R- 135 - 26 Moved by Councillor Robertson, Seconded by Councillor Patterson,

Be it resolved that leave be given to introduce Bill # 34-26, being a By-law to authorize the execution of a Live Fire Training Unit Agreement between the Corporations of the Township of Ryerson, Township of Perry, Township of Armour, Village of Burk's Falls, Municipality of Magnetawan, Township of McMurrich/Monteith, and Town of Kearney and further; That By-law 34-26 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 22nd day of September, 2026.

(Carried)

6.2 CLERK: N. Field provided Council with Consent application B-011/26, B-012/26, and B-013/26 for Thisdelle. Questions were asked and answered. Resolution noted below.

R- 136- 26 Moved by Councillor Robertson, Seconded by Councillor Abbott,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council support Consent Application B-011/26, B-012/26, B-013/26 Part of Lots 11, Concession 3 located on the corner of James Camp Rd & Stisted Rd., property known as 404 Stisted Rd.

- 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.
- That the Township be satisfied that all future building envelopes, sewage disposal systems, and wells can be located outside of the required stream setback before a building permit is issued.

(Carried)

CAO/TREASURER: B. Robinson provided Council with the draft Tax Collection Policy and the 2027 draft RTO Budget. Resolution noted below.

R- 137 - 26 Moved by Councillor Robertson, Seconded by Councillor Patterson,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council approve the updated Tax Collection Policy.

(Carried)

R- 138- 26 Moved by Councillor Robertson, Seconded by Councillor Patterson,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council approve the 2027 draft Regional Training Officer budget for submission to the Tri-Council meeting scheduled for Monday, October 5, 2026.

(Carried)

7. COMMUNICATION ITEMS

R- 139-26 Moved by Councillor Robertson, Seconded by Councillor Abbott,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council support the request for donation in the amount of \$ __200.00 __ to the annual Children Halloween party.

(Carried)

R- 140 - 26 Moved by Councillor Patterson, Seconded by Councillor Abbott,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council receive the Waste Management Update and support resolution # 2026-239 from the Township of Armour.

(Carried)

General Information Items Received:

- Council received the 2025 Joint Building Committee Financial Statements.
- Council received the 2025 Joint Building Committee Audit Findings Report.
- Council received the Joint Building Committee Permit summary for August for Ryerson.
- Council received the Joint Building Committee permit summary.
- Council received the Township of Strong Approving the consolidated Financial Statements for JBC.
- Council received the August 17 Historical Society meeting minutes.
- Council received the September 21 Historical Society meeting agenda.
- Council received the 2026 Historical Society newsletter.
- Council received and had a discussion on the resolution for the Township of Armour regarding the Watt Century Farmhouse Red Building.

8. CONFIRMING BY-LAW

R- 141 -26 Moved by Councillor Abbott, Seconded by Councillor Robertson,

Be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill #35-25, being a By-law to confirm the meetings of Council and further; That By-law #35-25 be read a First, Secon, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 22nd day of September 2026.

(Carried)

10. ADJOURNMENT:

R- 142 -26 Moved by Councillor Patterson, Seconded by Councillor Patterson,

Be it resolved that we do now adjourn at 7:35 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for October 13, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.

(Carried)

DEPUTY MAYOR

CAO/CLERK

	Staff Report
To:	Ryerson Township Council
From:	Fred Schmeltz Roads Supervisor
Date of Meeting:	October 13, 2026
Report Title:	2026 Capitol projects update
Report Date:	October 7, 2026

Overview:

The 2026 Ryerson Tenders have been completed to a satisfactory level. Public works staff monitored the work throughout each project and addressed any issues that arose to ensure required services and materials were delivered in accordance with tender requirements.

Winter Sand Tender

A total of 3610 tonnes of sand has been stockpiled this season. This quantity is in addition to sand remaining from the previous year, providing the municipality with an adequate supply for the upcoming winter seasons operations.

Roadside Mowing

The contractor worked collaboratively with municipal staff to coordinate and complete the roadside mowing at a mutually suitable time. The contract was fulfilled within the tender time parameters and to a satisfactory level.

Pegg's Mountain Road Surface treatment

As previously reported Pegg's mountain double surface treatment was completed in June.

Minor damage occurred when a tractor blew a tire and proceeded to drive along the shoulder near Madil Rd. The damage has sealed up with traffic and the warm temperatures in the week after the incident. Currently no further repairs are needed at the damaged area.

Roadside Brushing

22000 meters (11km) of roadside brushing was completed within the budget allowance. Minor rework was required to meet tender specifications. The contractor worked with staff to address minor concerns after completion of the brushing.

Bartlett Lake Road Culvert

Although the contractor experienced difficulties during the project, the contractor completed the culvert installation within the allotted time limits for the tender.

A design change was required prior to installation, which moved the culvert 4 meters East from their original designed location. This change was made to prevent interference with private property near the installation site. Discussions with the Engineer, staff and the contractor determined this change would not increase costs or effect water flows.

During the dewatering process the contractor experienced a dam break which flooded the final six meters section of the second culvert. This caused gravel to be washed under the section, which caused a six-inch elevation. It was determined the elevation is negated by the DFO (Department of Fisheries and Oceans) requirements for gravel bedding to be placed in the bottom of the culvert as fish habitat. A 1-foot depth of bedding inside the culvert has been reduced to accommodate the culvert elevation and maintain the creek bottom depths. Staff discussed the deflection with the on-site engineer, it was determined the deflection will have no impact on the culvert performance, staff from McMurrich Monteith agreed. The deflection was noted by our engineer and recorded, the contractor's upper management was informed of the deflection. The project was completed in 4 weeks which was ahead of the allotted 6 weeks for estimated timeframe.

	Staff Report
To:	Council
From:	Kelly Morissette, Executive Assistant
Date of Meeting:	October 13, 2026
Report Title:	Official Plan "Original Parcel" Determination
Report Date:	October 08, 2026

Recommendation:

To seek Council direction on the definition of "Original Parcel" to determine permitted number of severances for a property.

Purpose/Background:

Historically, "original parcel" was interpreted as the historic original 100-acre parcel. Under this interpretation you were able to do a maximum of three severed lots and one retained lot from the original lot.

With the implementation of the new Official Plan (OP), clarification is required to determine whether the historic determination should continue or whether Council wishes to establish "Original Parcel" as a historic date such as May 1, 2012 (last Official Plan was approved by MMAH).

Alternatives for Consideration:

Option 1: Maintaining existing interpretation. Continue permitting three severances and one retained on a 100-acre parcel of land.

Under this approach, properties that have already reached their maximum number of permitted new lot creations through consent, would not be eligible for additional severances because the original 100-acre parcel has been previously divided into 4 parcels.

Option 2: Establish a new definition for "Original Parcel", after the adoption of the new OP, which would permit lands that were previously severed to be severed again to a maximum of three lots and one retained, if the other requirements of consent can be met.

Establishing a historic date would recognize older severances and provide opportunities for lot creation on larger lots that would be suitable for further development.

This approach could increase the overall number of lots within the Township over time and the potential for incremental development, which is development that happens gradually over time one property or one step at a time versus entering into a subdivision agreement.

Consideration should be given to the potential impacts on Ryerson's rural character and community structure, including agricultural lands, development patterns, road access, required buffer areas.

The proposed approach should also be evaluated against the overall intent and objectives of the Official Plan to ensure that additional severances are compatible with the Township's long-term planning vision and do not undermine the rural character or agricultural function of the community.

Next Steps:

Staff are requesting from Council that they provide direction on whether to:

1. Maintain the existing interpretation of "Original Parcel" and create clarification in OP

Or

2. Establish a date such as the date of adoption of the OP for determining "Original Parcel" and create a definition of "Original Parcel" to be added to the OP to guide development.

Appendix/Related Documents:

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2026 BUDGET VARIANCE
AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2026

	A	B	X	Y	Z
	Account #	ACCOUNT NAME	2026 BUDGET	2026 YTD (09/30)	NOTES
1					
2	RYERSON-ADMINISTERED SERVICES				
3	Fire Department				
4	Revenue				
5	15-321	Fire Revenue - MVC	6,800	1,166	
6	15-321-01	Fire Rev - Inspections	500	499	
7	15-321-02	Fire Rev - Donations	100	-	
8	15-321-03	Fire Rev - Miscellaneous	6,900	19,004	Fire Protection grant
10	15-321-05	Fire Rev - FC Shared Services	-	-	agreement terminated in 2025
12	15-325	Capital Grant Revenues	1,850,000	-	
13	15-326	Loan Proceeds	1,850,000	-	
14	15-328	Proceeds on Sale of Capital Assets	-	-	
16	15-621 A	Fire Rev - Armour	310,901	233,176	
17	15-621 B	Fire Rev - Burk's Falls	185,865	139,398	
18	Subtotal - Fire Revenue		4,211,066	393,243	
19	Expenditures				
20	16-202	Fire - Vehicle Expense	27,500	34,798	Aerial repairs ~10k
21	16-203	Fire - Equip/Comm Repair	11,900	5,528	
22	16-204	Fire - Utilities	-	-	
23	16-205	Fire - Phone	-	-	
24	16-206	Fire - FPO Supplies	4,700	1,811	
25	16-208	Fire - Outside Training	18,300	6,500	
26	16-209	Fire - WSIB	9,600	4,792	
27	16-210	Fire - Response Wages	94,000	-	
28	16-211	Wages & Empl Related Costs	229,000	174,019	
29	16-211 3	Accrued Sick Leave	-	-	
30	16-212	Fire - Insurance	40,700	37,824	
31	16-212-1	Fire Loan Interest	2,052	1,329	
32	16-212-3	Fire Hall Loan Interest	60,100	5,912	
33	16-212-4	Fire Hall Loan - Interest	14,017	-	
34	16-212-5	Fire Hall Loan - Principal	6,654	-	
35	79-117	Fire Loan Principal	28,961	30,077	
36	16-213	Fire - Bldg Repair/Maintenance	4,000	874	
37	16-214	Fire - Office Expense	18,300	18,143	
38	16-215	Fire - Air Stn Fill/Maintenance	1,400	637	
39	16-216	Fire- PPE	-	-	
40	16-217	Fire - New Equipment/Gear	58,600	28,864	
41	16-218	Fire - Miscellaneous	1,000	5	
42	16-219	Snow Removal	2,100	2,249	
43	16-221	Capital Purchase	3,717,150	2,612,320	
44	16-222	Fire - Recharge Fire Extinguishers	500	-	
45	16-223	Fire - Radio Licence	1,850	1,932	
46	16-224	Fire - Answering Service	1,350	-	
47	16-225	Fire - Legal	2,000	-	
48	16-226	Office Space Rental	3,242	2,431	
51	16-229	Fire - Audit & Accounting	4,200	(450)	
52	16-247	Smoke/CO Alarms	-	-	
53	16-248	Defib. / Medical Supplies	1,000	53	
56	79-107	To Be Recovered - Fire Sick Leave	-	-	
57	Subtotal - Fire Expenditures		4,364,176	2,969,650	

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	Account #	ACCOUNT NAME	2026 BUDGET	2026 YTD (09/30)	NOTES
1					
58		Net Fire Cost to Ryerson	153,110	2,576,407	Per 2026 budget
59					
60		Regional Fire Training			
61	15-630	RTO Rev Armour	8,172	6,033	
62	15-631	RTO Rev Burk's Falls	4,885	3,607	
63	15-632	RTO Rev Kearney	17,082	12,611	
64	15-633	RTO Rev Magnetawan	17,082	12,611	
65	15-634	RTO Rev Perry	17,082	12,611	
66	15-635	RTO Rev McM/Monteith	17,082	12,611	
67		Subtotal - RFC Revenue	81,385	60,085	
68		RFC Expenditures			
69	16-285	Regional Training Officer - Materials	85,408	61,056	
70		Net RTO Cost to Ryerson	4,023	971	Per 2026 budget
71					
97		Net Expenditures - Ryerson-administered Joint Services	157,133	2,577,378	
98		OPERATIONS			
99	14-110	General Levy	2,702,277	2,728,566	
100	14-210	General Tax - Educ - English - Public	300,868	303,795	
101	14-310	General Tax - Educ - English - Separate	10,086	10,200	
102	14-410	General Tax - Educ - French - Public	285	285	
103	14-510	General Tax - Educ - French - Separate	663	663	
104	15-230	Payment in Lieu of Taxes - Provincial	2,001	486	
105	18-911	Transfer to School Bd - English Public	(300,868)	(228,505)	
106	18-912	Transfer to School Bd - English Separate	(10,086)	(7,621)	
107	18-913	Transfer to School Bd - French Public	(285)	(214)	
108	18-914	Transfer to School Bd - French Separate	(663)	(497)	
109		Net Taxation	2,704,278	2,807,157	
110					
111	15-310	General Government - Misc. Rev	50	2,613	Admin fee for livestock, by-law infractions (2025- WSIB rebate)
112	15-311	AMPS Revenue	-	600	
113	15-371	Tax Sales Admin Fee	3,900	7,255	
114	15-381	Planning Zoning Severances	6,100	1,925	3-year average
115	15-402	Misc Government Grants	-	41,272	PPRP grant; MNR crown land grant
116	15-502	Prov Grant Wildlife Compensation	800	-	=Expense account 16-256
117	15-503	Prov. Aggregate Resources Rev	9,900	10,119	3-year average
119	15-510	Provincial Government - OMPF	443,100	332,325	Per notification
120	15-511	Provincial Offences	1,100	(1,443)	3-year average
121	15-512	Prisoner Transportation Credit	785	196	Per notification
122	15-513	Policing Detachment Revenue	1,050	669	3-year average
123	15-515	Fire Hall Plowing Revenue	2,100	2,249	began clearing fire hall in 2026
124	15-531	Road Revenue - Misc (Operating Rev)	1,050	887	3-year avg entrance permits
127	15-623	Rockwynn Docks	-	-	Magnetawan maintaining in 2026
128	15-720	Licenses & Permits	24,500	24,991	3-year average
130	15-750	Current Penalties & Interest	57,400	43,052	Assuming 16.6% of tax arrears collected in penalties and interest (2023-2025 average)
131	15-760	Investment Income	51,750	44,901	
132	15-770	Sales, Photocopies, etc.	350	455	Landfill cards, records search, other misc charges
133	15-771	Township Book	100	171	

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	Account #	ACCOUNT NAME	2026 BUDGET	2026 YTD (09/30)	NOTES
1					
134	15-773	Cemetery Revenue	500	190	Interest on trust account
136	15-775	Transfer From Parkland	48,774	-	Re: cost of arena capital repairs in 16-734
137	15-790	Transfer from Election Reserve	10,500	-	
139	15-790	Transfer from Reserve - Cemetery	500	-	\$500.00 to cover maintenance costs.
140	15-790	Transfer from Reserve - Roads	-	-	
142	Subtotal Other Revenue		664,309	512,426	
143	Total Operating Revenue		3,368,587	3,319,583	
144					
145	16-111	Council - Wages/Benefits	60,825	40,544	
146	16-112	Council - Insurance	1,620	1,620	actual allocation
147	16-114	Council - Expense	16,100	5,266	training, conference fees, courses, new laptops
148	16-121	Gen Govt Wages/Benefits	371,400	264,805	
149	16-122	Gen Govt - Insurance	36,332	36,332	actual allocation
150	16-123	CGIS/Blue Sky	8,600	8,530	Current fee plus anticipated Q4 CPI increase
151	16-124	Gen Govt - Materials	38,600	28,959	staff training, office supplies, other misc
152	16-125	Gen Govt - Cont Serv	5,000	3,975	cleaning, mat rentals, garbage pickup
153	16-126	Health & Safety	-	-	
154	16-127	Accessibility	-	-	accessibility grant ended 2024
155	16-132	Memorial Donations	500	303	
156	16-128	Donations	5,500	7,473	
158	16-130	HR Services	2,500	-	miscellaneous HR support
159	16-131	Audit, Accounting & Clerk Assistance	25,700	(4,530)	Audit fees \$23,600; accounting fees \$2,000 + HST
160	16-133	Election Expense	14,000	10,236	
161	16-134	Transfer to Election Reserve	-	-	
162	16-135	Legal	17,500	11,184	\$7,500 for general legal advice plus \$2,000 per member of council for integrity commissioner
163	16-136	Tax W/O and Adjustments	-	23,269	
164	16-138	Assessment Services	31,445	23,584	Per levy notification.
165	16-139 A	Building Maintenance	3,000	297	Misc building repair, not capitalized
166	16-142	Information Technology	2,000	1,080	
168	16-150	Ontario Aggregate Resources Fee	1,000	-	Royalty on own-source aggregates
169	16-156	Bank Errors & Charges	1,700	1,433	AFT charges, maintenance fees, NSF cheque fees
170	16-137	Transfer to Tax Rate Stabilization Reserve	-	-	
171	79-102	To Be Recovered Employee Benefits	-	-	
172	Subtotal - General Government Operating Expenditures		643,322	464,358	
173					
174	16-231	By-Law Enforcement Officer - Wages	24,400	16,385	
175	16-234	By-Law Enforcement - Materials	2,000	716	mileage and supplies
176	16-245	MNR Crown Land Protection	-	1,636	
177	16-246	Transfer to Fire Reserve	29,250	29,250	Savings towards new fire hall (\$29,250)
178	16-249	Policing	184,333	107,527	Per levy notification
180	16-253	Police Services Board	1,675	475	Per levy notification plus conference mileage
181	16-254	Animal Control - Materials	500	251	Incl dog tags (250), East Parry Sound vet annual fee (250)
182	16-255	Animal Control - Contracted Services	2,586	1,944	Contract with Ontario SPCA.
183	16-256	Prov Wildlife Predation	800	-	= revenue account 15-502.
184	16-258	Transfer to JBC Reserve	7,131	7,131	
185	16-262	CodeRED Alert system	1,000	888	shared 50/50 with Burks Falls- contract until 2028
188	16-265	Emergency Measures - Contract Service	5,000	4,390	Wages and training for CEMC
189	16-266	911 - Civic Addressing	1,000	418	CERB contract, 911 signs

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1					
191		Subtotal other Protection Operating Expenditures	259,675	171,012	
192					
193	16-451	Hazardous Waste Expense	4,675	-	ARI fees per draft budget + HWIN levy
194	16-460	Landfill/Recycling	124,859	96,626	Per 2026 budget, includes estimate of user fees
195		Subtotal Environmental Operating Expenditures	129,534	96,626	
196					
197	16-511	Almaguin Highlands Health Centre	5,000	1,000	
198	16-518	Health Unit	23,247	17,392	Per levy notification.
199	16-520	Land Ambulance	73,749	55,312	Per levy notification.
201	16-554	Cemeteries - Materials	1,000	-	
202	16-555	Cemeteries - Contracted Services	5,190	-	2026 final year of contract
203		Subtotal Health Services Operating Expenditures	108,186	73,703	
204					
205	16-618	Social and Family Services	100,016	75,012	Per levy notification.
206	16-628	Eastholme - Operating	72,881	54,661	Per levy notification.
207		Subtotal Social&Family Services Operating Expenditures	172,897	129,673	
208					
210	16-714	Recreation - Parks - Materials	3,900	3,511	includes insurance allocation
211	16-715	Recreation - Parks - Contracted Services	3,460	-	2026 final year of contract
212	16-716	Rockwynn Docks	1,000	-	2025 Magnetawan responsible. 50% of hydro, contingency for repairs
214	16-722	Recreation Committee Materials	-	-	
215	16-726	Recreation - Programs Materials	4,000	4,048	Fireworks, yard sale
217	16-734	Recreation - Arena	183,380	137,535	Per 2026 budget
219	16-754	Culture - Museum - Materials	4,550	3,547	Hydro, PCO, empty septic, insurance
224	16-790	Transfer to Library Reserve	26,000	26,000	
225	16-795	Library	50,409	50,409	Per 2026 budget
226		Subtotal Recreation&Cultural Services Operating	276,699	225,050	
227					
228	16-816	External Planning Support	3,000	736	
231	16-858	Economic Development	5,000	5,000	Fixed annual contribution
233		Subtotal Planning Operating Expenditures	8,000	5,736	
234					
274	17-002	Contra Road Wages	-	-	
275	17-001	Total road wages	524,200	362,657	per calculation
277	17-022	Installation of Culverts	12,800	-	
278	17-032	Install & Maintain Culverts Materials	1,000	23	
279	17-052	Grass Mowing Materials	4,900	4,783	
280	17-062	Brushing Maintenance Materials	50,000	12,313	contracted brushing- 25 lane-km
283	17-092	Beavers Materials	500	-	
284	17-102	Debris and Litter Pickup Materials	100	-	
285	17-152	Hardtop Patching Materials	5,400	5,159	4 loads of cold mix
286	17-162	Sweeping Materials	2,300	3,711	
288	17-212	Grading & Scarifying Materials	2,800	4,438	set of grader blades
289	17-222	Dust Layer - Purchase	77,600	77,443	increase of 11% per tender results
290	17-232	Dust Layer - Application Materials	200	-	
291	17-242	Gravel - Contract	31,300	28,087	1,500t granite misc application
293	17-302	Snow Plowing & Removal Materials	7,900	1,514	
294	17-312	Purchase of Sand/Salt	46,900	49,473	4,000t winter sand; salt

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295	17-322	Sanding & Salting Materials	1,000	-	
296	17-332	Culvert Thaw Materials	200	-	
298	17-349	Winter Lighting for Vehicles Materials	1,000	-	
299	17-350	Truck and Equipment Chains	2,500	-	one set of chains
301	17-382	Signs Materials	3,000	3,340	
302	17-392	Training Materials	4,300	7,992	
303	17-393	Safety Equipment / Clothing	2,500	290	
304	17-432	Overhead Materials	82,600	68,506	
305	17-433	Overhead Professional Fees	1,000	-	
308	17-462	13 Western Star Materials	45,000	50,783	sensor/DEF issues (25k)
310	17-472	22 Pickup Materials	4,200	3,896	
312	17-475	19 Ford Pickup Parts and Repair	8,900	5,702	
314	17-482	23 Freightliner Materials	7,800	4,663	
316	17-492	22 Freightliner Materials	8,900	4,741	
320	17-504	2013 Grader Materials	55,000	4,517	tires; hydraulic issues
324	17-522	2019 Backhoe/JCB Materials	5,800	4,327	
327	17-532	2015 Excavator Materials	2,400	2,387	proposal to scrap machine
328	17-542	Float Materials	2,000	1,554	
329	17-552	Small Equipment Materials	1,500	293	
331	17-562	2014 Loader Materials	5,100	1,654	
332	17-615	Bridge Appraisals	-	-	not required in 2026
333	17-902	Purchase New/Replace Worn Tools	3,000	71	
334	16-349	Fuel to be distributed	90,000	53,982	Held due to increased oil prices
335	Subtotal Transportation Operating Expenditures		1,105,600	768,296	
336					
337	DEBT REPAYMENT				
339	17-968	Grader/Loader Interest	-	-	Loan repaid in 2025
340	17-970	Road Construction Interest	99	99	
341	17-972	2021 Plow Interest	513	-	
344	79-113	Grader/Loader Principal	-	-	Loan repaid in 2025
345	79-115	Road Construction Principal	8,770	8,770	
346	79-116	2021 Plow Principal	54,713	27,687	
348	Total Debt Repayment		64,095	36,557	
349					
350	Ryerson Operating Expenses		2,768,008	1,971,012	
	Net Ryerson Total Expenditures re Ryerson-administered		157,133	2,577,378	
351	Joint Services				
	Adjustment re Shared Services capital and one-time operating expenses		14,831	0	
352	NET OPERATING REVENUE - FUNDING AVAILABLE FOR CAPITAL		458,277	-1,228,807	
353					
354					
355	CAPITAL ACTIVITIES				
356	CAPITAL REVENUE, TRANSFERS FROM RESERVES AND LOAN PROCEEDS				
357	15-792	Prior Year Surplus	266,290	-	
359	15-402B	Misc Government Grants	-	-	
360	15-501	Ont Community Infrastructure Fund	297,300	-	Funding for Bartlett Lake culvert replacement; Peggs Mtn
361	15-509	Modernization Grant Funding	-	-	
362	15-790 P	Transfer from Reserve- COVID-19 Grant	-	-	reserve depleted in 2023

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363	15-790 C	Transfer from Reserve - Capital Funds	-	-	
364	15-790 L	Transfer from Reserve -Landfill	3,743	-	Re: 2025 deficit (\$3,743)
365	15-790 A	Transfer from Reserve- Arena	-	-	
366	15-790 F	Transfer from Reserve- Fire	-	-	
367	15-541	Loan Proceeds	-	-	
368	15-780	AMO Gas Tax Revenue	48,800	-	Peggs Mountain Road resurfacing
369	15-785	NORDS Grant Revenue	-	-	Program ended in 2025
370	15-531	Miscellaneous Roads Revenue	-	74,000	
373	Total Sources of Funding - Capital		616,133	74,000	
374					
375	CAPITAL PROJECTS				
390	16-157	Land purchase	16,350	16,345	Share of fire hall land
391	16-139 B	Building Maintenance	-	-	
393	16-140	Office Equipment	5,000	1,689	Purchase of new computers (\$5,000)
395	16-180	Operational Plans	65,700	63,387	OP/ZBL Update (60,700) plus contingency
396	16-235	Property Standards	15,000	-	Re: demolition costs
397					
398	Road Projects				
402	17-632	Midlothian Swing Bridge Materials	-	-	
405	17-642	Culvert Replacement Materials	243,300	25,186	Bartlett Lake culvert (shared with McMurrich)
406	17-652	Granite Materials	-	-	
410	17-682	Road Construction Materials	10,850	211	Richardson Road- joint project with McMurrich/Monteith
414	17-702	Midlothian RAP	-	-	
415	17-732	Peggs Mountain Road	340,200	329,022	resurface 4.5km
416	17-890	Building Repair	38,900	1,592	doors; roof repairs; security cameras
417	17-892	New Pit - Materials	-	-	-
418	17-895	Flooding Damage	-	31,648	
421	17-924	Purchase New Equipment	-	-	
424	17-947	Road Needs Study	16,800	12,999	Required for AMP update
425	Capital portion of Joint Services		14,831	-	
426					
427	Total Capital Projects		766,931	482,080	
428					
429	NET RESERVE TRANSFERS				
430	16-137	Transfer to Capital Reserve	105,944	105,944	Budget balancing figure- allocate to working capital (\$30,000); operating contingency (\$75,944)
431	16-246	Transfer to Fire Reserve	13,627	13,627	2025 surplus (\$11,105) plus 2% op exp
432	16-465	Transfer to Landfill Reserve	3,215	3,215	2% op exp
433	16-470	Transfer to Landfill Closure Reserve	-	-	
434	16-535	Transfer to Hospital Reserve	20,000	20,000	
435	16-737	Transfer to Arena Reserve	29,693	29,693	2025 surplus (\$25,648) plus 2% op exp
436	17-952	Transfer to Roads Capital Reserve	135,000	135,000	
437	Total Reserve Transfers		307,479	307,479	
438	NET CAPITAL EXPENDITURES		458,277	715,559	
439					
440	BALANCE		0	(1,944,366)	
441					
442		Total Municipal Expenditures	8,277,171	5,791,277	

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1					
443		Total Education Expenditures	311,902	236,838	
444		Total Expenditures	8,589,073	6,028,114	
445					
446		Revenue Municipal	5,572,893	1,039,754	
447		Taxation General	2,702,277	2,728,566	
448		Taxation Education	311,902	314,943	
449		Payment in Lieu	2,001	486	
450		Total Revenue	8,589,073	4,083,749	
451		Balance Check	0	-1,944,366	
452					



Councilor Report

To: Ryerson Township Council

From: Beverly Abbott

Date of Event: Sept 16, 2026

Topic: Library Board Meeting

Report Date: Sept 26, 2026

Importance to the Township of Ryerson:

Fund Raising/building committee: Planning a bake sale Dec 19th . Christmas cookies will be pre-ordered 2 weeks in advance. Nancy Kyte will procure boxes. Further details will be announced in November.

A beautiful quilt made by Anna Branch has been donated to the library by her husband Roger in her memory. It can be viewed either at the library or on Facebook. A silent auction commenced Sept 15th and closes December 10th.

Summer Program was a huge success thanks to our summer student Haileigh. There was 90 % increase of program attendees plus a 20.9 % increase in books read.

Sewing club once again is being asked to pay \$45 for each session. They meet weekly. Further talks with the Seniors Board members will take place. Nancy will ask club members to attend the talks. There is \$300 that was donated to the club. This is meant for sewing supplies. The library benefits from this club as often members sew projects to donate to the library. One member has made 150 colourful bookmarks which patrons can purchase. Proceeds go to the library build.

Finance committee will meet to review details for the 2027 library budget. There will be a review of cost of living increase and a request for increasing staff hours.

Personnel committee is working on a review . Nieves presented a questionnaire to her staff regarding the environment of our library. The staff are enjoying their positions. Some constraints to their work would be lack of space and privacy. As we know there is no little corner where one can do their work in peace. The committee plans to meet with her staff individually . This will be effective in improving communication with all staff members.

Policy Committee will review the policy on regulating holidays. They are also working on a document for the new library board to prepare them for the next 4 years. It is a review of our strategic plan, what we have accomplished along with goals for our future.

Village Sweets in Burk's Falls has donated \$120 to the library.

Section: Compensation	Policy Number: B-2.1-A
Sub-section: Benefits	Effective Date: February 20, 2020
Subject: Insurance Benefits	Revision Date: January 1, 2027
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Staff Benefits

Purpose:

To establish a benefit structure that helps The Joint Building Committee attract, retain and motivate top employees.

Policy:

1. All permanent Joint Building Committee employees shall receive up to ~~\$150.00~~ **\$300.00** per calendar year for a Boot Allowance. **Boots purchased shall be green-triangle Canada Standards Association (CSA) approved steel toed boots, as well as being waterproof and slip resistant.**
2. **An annual uniform allowance, up to \$200.00 for each employee, will be provided for all permanent employees (upon completion of the probationary period) to purchase uniform items as needed. This includes:**
 - a. **Shirts (Joint Building Committee -Building Department) - employees choice of short sleeve, long sleeve or sweatshirt.**
 - b. **Jacket (Joint Building Committee -Building Department) – every 2 years.**
3. **In cases where the employee is still under probation, boots will not be reimbursed until successful completion of probation.**

JOINT BUILDING COMMITTEE
P.O. BOX 1120
SUNDRIDGE, ON P0A 1Z0
PHONE 705-384-9444 - FAX 384-9445

RESOLUTION

Date: September 17, 2026

Resolution #2026- 020

Moved by MARIANNE

Seconded by GLENN

Be it resolved that this committee does hereby accept the recommended policy changes to;
B-2.1A Staff Benefits.

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Chairperson

Recorded Vote:

Ashley Brandt
Robert Brooks
Budd Brown
Glenn Miller
Luke Preston
Neil Scarlett
Marianne Stickland

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Conflict of Interest Declared and Seat(s)

Vacated: _____

Section: Employee Management	Policy Number: C-1.1
Sub-section: Recruitment and Selection	Effective Date: February 20, 2020
Subject: Hiring Procedure	Revision Date: September 17, 2026
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Hiring Procedure

Purpose:

To outline the hiring process used by The Joint Building Committee.

Policy:

1. To ensure that The JBC selects the most qualified candidates, a rigorous recruitment and selection process will be used.
2. This process will generally consist of the following steps:
 - Placing a job advertisement and/or using an internal job posting;
 - Requiring the submission of a resume;
 - Panel interview of candidates;
 - Background and reference checks;
 - Scoring candidates on each step of the process.
3. The JBC will not discriminate against any person in the course of hiring, on the basis of race, religion, national origin, citizenship, sex, sexual orientation, age, marital status, disability, physical handicap or any other basis.
4. If a selected applicant requests accommodation for a disability, the JBC shall consult with the applicant and provide or arrange for provisions of suitable accommodation that takes into account the applicants disability.
5. Every position advertised for hiring, shall have a complete and current job description available for the applicant to review. The job description shall outline the qualifications required to fill the position as well as expectations for the position, and any other pertinent information.

A statement indicating:

“Only those candidates selected for interview will be contacted. Personal information is collected under the authority of the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act and is used for the purpose of candidate selection. The Township of Strong is an equal opportunity employer. Accessibility accommodations are available and will be provided upon request in

Section: Employee Management	Policy Number: C-1.1
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accordance with the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act.” will be included in the advertisement.

6. The JBC may require that a police background check and/or vulnerable sector check be undertaken and reviewed by the employer prior to any commitment of employment. The JBC may disqualify an applicant in the event that a background check/vulnerable sector check has been received in which a pardon has not been granted or, if granted, has been revoked. An assessment into the details of a conviction may be undertaken before any determination has been made to the suitability of a prospective employee. The cost of the background check/vulnerable sector check shall be the responsibility of the candidate being considered.
7. *All interview candidates shall provide a minimum of 2 references and provide either verbal or written authorization for the Township to contact the references.*
8. If hired, and once the probationary period has lapsed, the employee will be reimbursed for the full cost of the background check, upon submission of the receipt to the Strong Township Treasury Department.
9. All hiring decisions are subject to the approval of the member municipalities.
10. *The Administrator shall provide new employees with specified information in writing before their first day, including the employer's legal name, contact information, workplace description and address, starting wage, pay period, and anticipated hours.*
11. *The following will only apply in an Emergency Situation: a. Department Heads, with the assistance from the Administration Office, will be responsible for recruiting and hiring temporary/casual employees. b. Temporary/Casual employees may be hired without following the hiring process as described in this policy.*

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RESOLUTION

Date: September 17, 2026

Resolution #2026- 018

Moved by MARIANNE

Seconded by GLENN

Be it resolved that this committee does hereby accept the recommended policy changes to;
C-1.1 Hiring Procedures.

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Carried

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Defeated

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Chairperson

Recorded Vote:	For	Against
Ashley Brandt		
Robert Brooks		
Budd Brown		
Glenn Miller		
Luke Preston		
Neil Scarlett		
Marianne Stickland		

Conflict of Interest Declared and Seat(s)

Vacated: _____

Section: Terms & Rules of Employment	Policy Number: D- 1.5
Sub-section: Scheduling	Effective Date: September 17, 2026
Subject: Statutory Holidays	Revision Date: September 17, 2026
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Statutory Holidays

Purpose:

To outline the days on which employees are entitled to a paid holiday.

Policy:

1. In accordance with the *Employment Standards Act*, all permanent Staff are entitled to the following paid public holidays:
 - New Years Day;
 - Family Day;
 - Good Friday;
 - Easter Monday;
 - Victoria Day;
 - Canada Day;
 - Civic Holiday;
 - Labour Day;
 - **Truth and Reconciliation;**
 - Thanksgiving Day;
 - Remembrance Day;
 - Christmas Day;
 - Boxing Day.
2. Part time staff may be paid a portion or all of the Paid Public Holiday depending upon the formula calculated using the *Employment Standards Act*.

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RESOLUTION

Date: September 17, 2026

Resolution #2026- 019

Moved by Penal

Seconded by CVKE

Be it resolved that this committee does hereby accept the recommended policy changes to;
D-1.5 Statutory Holidays.

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Defeated

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Chairperson

Recorded Vote:	For	Against
Ashley Brandt		
Robert Brooks		
Budd Brown		
Glenn Miller		
Luke Preston		
Neil Scarlett		
Marianne Stickland		

Conflict of Interest Declared and Seat(s)

Vacated: _____



MUNICIPAL FINANCE
OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION
OF ONTARIO

Hon. Todd McCarthy
Acting Minister of Infrastructure
5th Floor
777 Bay St.
Toronto, ON M7A 2J3

June 25, 2026

Dear Minister McCarthy,

RE: Making permanent the doubling of the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund (OCIF) that is scheduled to end after the 2026 allocation

I am writing on behalf of the Municipal Finance Officers' Association of Ontario, and the municipalities it serves, to request that the Government of Ontario make permanent the five-year doubling of the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund (OCIF) from \$200 million/year to \$400 million/year in advance of the 2027 OCIF allocation calculations.

The Municipal Finance Officers' Association of Ontario (MFOA) is the professional association of municipal finance officers with more than 2,300 individual members. We represent individuals who are responsible for handling the financial affairs of municipalities and who are key advisors to councils. MFOA is a strong advocate for best practices that encourage long-term fiscal sustainability, including long-term financial planning and asset management planning.

In recent years, governments at all levels have reoriented their priorities to address the ongoing housing crisis, with heightened attention on growth-related infrastructure and increasing housing production. Application-based or incentive-based funding programs for municipalities have placed greater emphasis on growth-related or housing-enabling capital projects (e.g., Development Charge Reduction Program, Building Communities Strong Fund – Community Stream, Municipal Housing Infrastructure Program, Building Faster Fund). OCIF remains one of the few federal or provincial funding programs where the focus remains primarily on the preservation and renewal of existing infrastructure to maintain or improve municipal service levels.

With support from the Government of Ontario and MFOA, municipalities have made significant improvements to their municipal asset management plans and programs. The Government of Ontario introduced O. Reg 588/17 (Asset Management Planning for Municipal Infrastructure) in late 2017, which provided a standard framework for infrastructure planning. To support the transition to O. Reg. 588/17, MFOA has partnered with the Government of Ontario on many asset management initiatives, including guides, workshops, direct consulting support and other resources. As a result of these and significant municipal efforts, most municipalities in Ontario have an asset management inventory that identifies their infrastructure assets, including conditions, replacement costs and renewal schedules of those assets.

By leveraging municipal asset management plans in 2020, the Financial Accountability Office of Ontario estimated the state-of-good-repair backlog to be \$52.1 billion for core municipal infrastructure. That is an estimated cost of restoring such infrastructure to a 'good' condition. The report notably focused primarily on core assets and thus likely understated the full extent of the backlog. Addressing this should not be a priority that falls by the wayside due to an increased focus on growth-related capital projects by other funding programs. OCIF's flexible design provides municipalities with the opportunity to fund asset management staff, which can improve data and analysis quality, and it provides a critical means by which municipalities address the infrastructure funding challenges identified in their asset management plans.

In 2021, the Government of Ontario doubled OCIF for a five-year period. Minister Surma, in announcing that initiative, commented that the Government of Ontario was "providing stability and predictability to small, rural and northern communities as they repair, upgrade and modernize their critical infrastructure so that they are safer, healthier and more reliable for all." And Minister Bethlenfalvy said that "by nearly doubling our investment in the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund, our government is supporting public safety, job creation and economic growth." In the current climate of geopolitical uncertainty, tariffs and the resulting economic shocks and instability, the need to provide municipalities predictability and to preserve and enhance the economic activity and benefits provided by well-supported and well-maintained municipal infrastructure is as imperative as it was in 2021.

We have also heard from our members on this matter. Municipalities outside of high-growth regions have expressed concern about the diminishing level of grant funding opportunities for municipalities trying to preserve the economic value of their existing infrastructure. Additionally, while growing municipalities have made significant efforts to emplace new, housing-enabling infrastructure, which has been rewarded through the Building Faster Fund, many of their state-of-good-repair capital plans remain underfunded. To maximize the economic potential of federal and provincial investment in infrastructure, all orders of government must work together to preserve service levels and the public value of existing infrastructure, and permanently doubling OCIF to \$400 million/year will especially help small and rural municipalities preserve that economic foundation throughout Ontario.

By adopting a Team Ontario approach during recent and ongoing economic challenges, we have seen how significant progress can be made when municipalities and the provincial government work together to achieve a common goal. Should you wish to follow up on this letter, please contact MFOA Executive Director, Donna Herridge (donna@mfoa.on.ca).

Sincerely,



Dr. Adam Found, Ph.D., PLE
President and Chair

cc. Hon. Rob Flack, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
cc. Hon. Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance



August 10, 2026

Greetings from the Magnetawan Ridge Runners Snowmobile Club.

As we start to prepare for the upcoming snowmobile season, the current Landowner Use Permission (LUP) form has expired for the use of the road allowances in Ryerson Township. The last LUP was signed for four years with the understanding we will send you the proof of insurance yearly, which worked well for both of us.

Attached is the LUP to be renewed. Again, I have it expiring in 4 years with proof of insurance yearly. This LUP can be revoked at any time if a solution cannot be resolved to any issue that arises. Please review at an upcoming meeting, sign, and return it to us. If you would like to have representation from our club at the meeting, please let us know and we will attend to answer questions and concerns.

On behalf of the club, I would like to thank you for your support over the many years.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Carol M. Koebel'.

Carol Koebel
Secretary/Treasurer
Magnetawan Ridge Runners Snowmobile Club

Magnetawan Ridge Runners Snowmobile Club Inc.
c/o Carol M. Koebel
276 Jeffrey Road, Burks Falls, ON, P0A 1C0
mrrsclub@gmail.com

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU)
PRESCRIBED SNOWMOBILE TRAIL LAND USE PERMISSION**

I, Ryerson Township, being the owner and/or occupier (hereinafter the "Landowner") of the legally described lands below, hereinafter the "Lands",

Address including lot #, concession # and/or other legal description.

all road allowances

Township, County, District, Region, Municipality. Include all that apply.

Township of Ryerson in the District of Parry Sound

hereby gives the Magnetawan Ridge Runners Snowmobile Club, hereinafter the "Local Snowmobile Club" and/or "LSC", a license to enter onto, and access, the Lands on the following terms and conditions:

1. The term of this MOU is from September 2026 to August 2030.
2. The LSC shall remain a member in good standing with the Ontario Federation of Snowmobile Clubs (OFSC) during the term of this MOU. At the Landowner's request, the LSC will provide its current OFSC Certificate of Insurance (COI).
3. The Landowner grants a license to the LSC so the LSC can enter the Lands to establish, groom, maintain, sign and use the Lands for snowmobiling by legally permitted snowmobiles and their riders.
4. The LSC will provide liability insurance of \$15,000,000.00 through an OFSC-held insurance policy (the "OFSC Insurance Policy" or "OFSCIP") for liability arising from the grooming, operation, use and maintenance of the snowmobile trail but only with respect to the negligence of the LSC for those operations usual to a snowmobile trail. The Landowner's signature on this MOU confirms its coverage provided that the Landowner charges no fee to use the Lands.
5. The Landowner will be added as an additional insured under the OFSCIP but only with respect to liability arising from the operations of the named LSC. Coverage will be extended to the Lands through an insurance policy held by the OFSC and its member organization snowmobile club. The OFSCIP does not cover the Landowner's willful misconduct and/or negligence.
6. The Landowner and LSC have each initialed a sketch or map of the Lands attached as "Schedule 'A'" to this MOU.
7. Before or after the winter months when there is no snow cover, the LSC may access the Lands to open, close, upgrade and maintain the snowmobile trail.
8. During the winter months the LSC shall maintain that portion of the Lands used as a snowmobile trail in reasonably good condition for snowmobiling and the LSC may also perform other upgrades and/or trail maintenance or other similar works or projects.
9. The LSC shall post snowmobiling signage on the snowmobile trail and annually remove litter from the snowmobile trail.
10. If valid permitted and exempted snowmobiles and their riders damage property on the Lands used for snowmobiling, the LSC will repair or replace the damaged property.
11. The Landowner authorizes the LSC's or OFSC District's representative(s) to be its agent(s) to cooperate with local law enforcement agencies' efforts to supervise and enforce the uses of the Lands permitted by this MOU under the *Trespass to Property Act*, R.S.O., 1990 c. T.21, the *Motorized Snow Vehicles Act*, R.S.O. 1990 c. M.44 and the *Occupiers Liability Act*, R.S.O. 1990 c. O.2, all as amended.
12. Either party may terminate this MOU by providing at least 60 days' prior written notice to the other party as listed below.
13. Additional Conditions:

Proof of Insurance will be provided yearly. Alternate Contact is Ken Mihan (President)
519-943-3116

LANDOWNER/OCCUPIER

Name	Township of Ryerson		Email	clerk@ryersontownship.ca
Address	28 Midlothian Road, Burk's Falls, On P0A 1C0		Phone	705-382-3232

LOCAL SNOWMOBILE CLUB

Name - Club Contact	Phone	Email
Carol Koebel	705-380-3598	mrrsclub@gmail.com

Landowner Signature: _____ Date: _____

Club Signature: _____ Date: _____

Schedule A Attachments:

- ☐ sketch and/or
☐ map

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MOU Form: 04-2024

JOINT BUILDING COMMITTEE MEETING

Minutes

Thursday, September 17, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.
Township of Strong Office

The Zoom Link to attend the virtual meeting is available on the website;
<https://calendar.strongtownship.com/meetings>

Present: Burk's Falls – Absent
Joly – Budd Brown (in person)
Machar – Pearl Ivens (Alternate for Neil Scarlett; in person)
Ryerson – Glenn Miller (in person)
South River – Robert Brooks (virtual at 6:18pm)
Strong – Marianne Stickland (in person)
Sundridge – Luke Preston (virtual)

Absent: Ashley Brandt; Neil Scarlett

Staff Present: CBO; Brian Dumas (in person) and Secretary; Jennifer Martin (in person)

Guests: No guests attended.

1. Call to Order

The Joint Building Committee meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by the JBC Chair.

2. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

No pecuniary interest was declared by the JBC members attending.

3. Approval of Agenda

Resolution # 2026-014

Moved by: Marianne Stickland

Seconded by: Glenn Miller

Be it resolved that this committee does hereby approve the agenda of the regular meeting for September 17, 2026 as presented.

Carried

4. Delegation

No requests were submitted.

5. Adoption of Minutes

5.1 June 18, 2026

Resolution # 2026-015

Moved by: Luke Preston

Seconded by: Pearl Ivens

Be it resolved that this committee does hereby adopt the minutes of the regular meeting of June 18, 2026 as circulated.

Carried

6. Approval of Financials

6.1 Financial Report June 2026

6.2 Financial Report July 2026

6.3 Financial Report August 2026

Resolution # 2026-016

Moved by: Marianne Stickland

Seconded by: Glenn Miller

JOINT BUILDING COMMITTEE MEETING

Minutes

**Thursday, September 17, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.
Township of Strong Office**

Be it resolved that this committee does hereby approve the following expenses of;

- June 2026 \$55,502.61
- July 2026 \$29,004.35
- August 2026 \$32,733.56

and accepts the Financial Reports for June, July and August 2026.

Carried

7. Items of Discussion

7.1 2025 Audited Financial Statements & Report

Resolution # 2026-017

Moved by: Luke Preston

Seconded by: Peral Ivens

Be it resolved that this committee has hereby received and reviewed the 2025 Draft Audited Financial Statements & Report to Council.

Carried

7.2 Policy Changes – C-1.1 Hiring Procedures (Legislative)

Resolution # 2026-018

Moved by: Marianne Stickland

Seconded by: Glenn Miller

Be it resolved that this committee does hereby accept the recommended policy changes to; C-1.1 Hiring Procedures.

Carried

7.3 Policy Changes – D-1.5 Statutory Holidays

Resolution # 2026-019

Moved by: Peral Ivens

Seconded by: Luke Preston

Be it resolved that this committee does hereby accept the recommended policy changes to; D-1.5 Statutory Holidays.

Carried

7.4 Policy Changes – B-2.1A Staff Benefits

Resolution # 2026-020

Moved by: Marianne Stickland

Seconded by: Glenn Miller

Be it resolved that this committee does hereby accept the recommended policy changes to; B-2.1A Staff Benefits.

Carried

8. Staff Reports

Verbal from CBO - McMurrich/Monteith request for membership

Resolution # 2026-021

Moved by: Luke Preston

Seconded by: Glenn Miller

Be it resolved that this committee does hereby direct CBO to pursue McMurrich/Monteith request for membership and bring back a staff report to the next meeting.

Carried

JOINT BUILDING COMMITTEE MEETING

Minutes

Thursday, September 17, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.
Township of Strong Office

9. Correspondence

9.1 Strong – R2026-243 Audit Results

Received

10. Closed Session

No closed session was required.

11. Adjournment

Resolution # 2026-022

Moved by: Glenn Miller

Seconded by: Peral Ivens

Be it resolved that this committee does hereby adjourn at 6:34 pm to meet again on October 15, 2026 at 6:00 pm or at the call of the Chair.

Carried

Budd Brown, Chair

Jennifer Martin, Secretary

TRI COUNCIL INFORMAL SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING **MINUTES**

Tuesday, September 15, 2026 – 1:00PM

Location: Armour Township Office, 56 Ontario Street, Burk's Falls

Chair: Wendy Whitwell, Armour Township

The meeting was called to order at 1:00PM.

Discussion Items

Fall Fair Rental Expenses

The Committee discussed having all expenses in one place, whether it is one municipality or the Agricultural Society. There is consensus amongst the group that this would alleviate confusion and ensure that all expenses are fairly resourced. A member inquired regarding whether a strategic plan or direction is modern and available for the Agricultural Society as to determine the needs of the organization with the fair.

There was discussion regarding the municipalities' position as either a sponsor, or a partner in hosting the annual fall fair. This could lead to the consideration of purchasing and storing event assets (tents, tables, etc.). Municipalities are contributing in various means – direct donations and arranging and paying for the rides and the tables. The committee agreed to invite a member of the Agricultural Society to a Tri Council Sub Committee Meeting. The Committee discussed using a Tri Council event application to streamline the collection of information and resourcing considerations for all shared events and functions.

Owner of Real Property of Existing Fire Hall

Burks Falls provided updated correspondence from Russell Christie regarding Section 4 of the Interim Fire Hall Agreement. The opinion clarifies that when the Interim Fire Services Agreement is completed, the ownership of the real property and building remains with the Village of Burk's Falls with no compensation owing to the other municipalities. The term 'unregistered equitable ownership' is perceived to carry very little weight – which was of concern to the committee as it is reflected in various agreements.

There was discussion regarding the value of partnership – if the building retains significant value, that value is realised disproportionately by one municipality. Conversely, if there are asset retirement expenses for the building or land, then those costs may fall disproportionately on one municipality.

It was agreed by the committee that the new correspondence clarifies the ownership concerns as they are stated in the Interim Fire Services Agreement and that ownership of the building remains with the Village of Burk's Falls.

Historical Society Facilities and Resources

The Township of Armour initiated a discussion regarding Watt Farm Heritage Centre. The Township is currently accepting quotes for the installation of a heating system in the new red storage building that was completed in 2024. It was presented that the new heating system is expected to increase operating costs, which have historically been covered by Armour Township. Committee members discussed various points related to current and future operating costs, including Armour's decision to build the new facility without direct consultation with municipal partners (outside of Historical Society meetings). Armour further reported that they have engaged in discussions with the Historical Society with regard to strategic planning, fundraising, and developing an agreement that speaks to the use/stewardship of the facilities.

Armour requested that municipal partners participate in future discussions regarding costs associated with operating both Historical Society facilities to assess whether a revised resourcing plan was feasible.

Next Meetings

- To be determined – January, 2027.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:55PM

Resolutions

Moved By: Sean Cotton

Seconded By: Delynne Patterson

Be it resolved that the Tri Council Sub Committee approve the minutes of the April 21, 2026 meeting as circulated.

Carried.

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**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	3	\$5,380.50	\$338,765.00	154
March	5	\$17,286.00	\$1,032,400.00	553
April	6	\$13,185.00	\$845,000.00	1882
May	14	\$24,507.00	\$1,540,460.00	1140
June	14	\$32,960.00	\$2,104,000.00	3387
July	17	\$48,245.00	\$3,109,700.00	1923
August	8	\$33,205.00	\$1,367,280.00	1350
September	11	\$12,510.50	\$760,700.00	1143
October	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
November	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
December	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
TOTALS	81	\$189,229.00	\$11,208,305.00	New Construction 11669
				Demolitions 0

**JOINT BUILDING COMMITTEE
ANNUAL PERMIT SUMMARY
2026**

Month	No. of Permits	Permit Fees	Project Values	SFD'S, Seasonal Dwellings and Multi-Unit Dwellings	
				2025	2026
Burks Falls	5	\$5,250.00	\$230,000.00	2	1
Joly	6	\$26,287.00	\$1,712,500.00	1	4
South River	8	\$10,985.00	\$685,000.00	1	1
Machar	19	\$28,265.50	\$1,757,700.00	8	2
Strong	23	\$69,433.00	\$3,689,140.00	3	6
Ryerson	15	\$43,813.50	\$2,820,965.00	2	5
Sundridge	5	\$5,195.00	\$313,000.00	3	0
TOTALS	81	\$189,229.00	\$11,208,305.00		19
Permit activity at end of September 30, 2026					
TOTALS	100	\$298,805.90	\$18,743,532.00	22	
Permit activity at end of September 30, 2025					
TOTALS	22	\$109,576.00	\$7,535,227.00		-3
Difference from previous year					

JOINT BUILDING COMMITTEE PERMIT SUMMARY

Municipality of Ryerson

Sep-26

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September 18, 2026

Township of Ryerson
R R 1
28 Midlothian Road
Burk's Falls, ON P0A 1C0

To whom it may concern,

The Burk's Falls and District Food Bank is extremely grateful for your generous donation, it will help us to continue our mission to relieve hunger in Almaguin South.

Many thanks for your financial assistance, we could not do what we do without the support of our community.

Yours truly,

Jan Lake
Executive Director/Treasurer
Burk's Falls and District Food Bank

Burk's Falls, Armour & Ryerson Union Public Library

MINUTES

August 19, 2026

The regular meeting of the BFARUPL Board was held on Wednesday, August 19, 2026, at 7:00 PM. Those in attendance were Chairperson Ruth Fenwick; Councillors, Rod Blakelock and Nancy Kyte. Trustees: Donna Luck, Tiffany Monk, Joseph Vella, and Representative: Vicky Roeder-Martin. Absent: Patty Butler, Robert Van der Wijst, Bev Abbott

1. **Call to order** with a quorum present Board Chairperson called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM
2. **Approval of Meeting Agenda**
Motion #475/26 – Moved by Donna Luck, seconded by Tiffany Monk; that the meeting agenda of the Board of Trustees of August 19, 2026, be accepted as amended to include Armour Township Resolution; Kawartha Credit Union Account switch. Carried
3. **Declaration of conflict of interest**
No conflicts were declared
4. **Approval of consent Agenda**
Motion #476/26 – Moved by Donna Luck, seconded by Nancy Kyte; that the consent agenda of the Board of Trustees meeting of August 19, 2026, be approved as presented. Carried
 - a) Resolution to accept the **Minutes of June 2026**.
 - b) Resolution to accept the **CEO's Report of June & July 2026**.
 - c) Resolution to accept the **Financial Statement of July 2026**.
5. **Business arising from the minutes**
Charity Status was approved. Tax Deductible Receipt and Thank You Letter were revised and approved by members.
6. **Committee Reports**

FINANCE/BUDGET

The committee will meet with CEO to draft the 2027 Library Budget. Date set for September 16

PERSONNEL

No Report

BUILDING/FUNDRAISING

Committee meeting August 19 – Tiffany provided an update on the Quilt Silent Auction; Robert's Donation of paintings; Fundraising Gala; Christmas Bake Sale. The committee will reach out to the Friends of the Library for their support.

POLICY/PLANNING

The Committee is hoping to meet in September to complete the Strategic Plan

Motion #477/26 – Moved by Nancy Kyte, seconded by Joe Vella that Policy B-7 Using Artificial Intelligence be adopted as presented. Carried

7. Correspondence and Information Items

- National Canadian Film Day - 2026 Recap
- OLS Newsletter – Municipal Relations
- Perth Public Library – AMO delegation
- Safe Social Media Act (Bill C-34)
- IPC 2025 Annual Report – Strategic Planning

8. New Business

Members discussed this year's bursary recipients. A decision was reached where the bursary will be given to volunteers

Township of Armour has circulated Motion # 2026-236 in support of OLA and FOPL call to the Government of Ontario to increase funding for libraries.

BBQ night parking – library staff came to an agreement with the business across the street about parking during operating hours.

Seniors Centre space for library programs is under discussion again. Management requires payment for use of space.

9. Adjournment

Motion 478/26 – Moved by Joe Vella, seconded by Rod Blakelock that the Board adjourns this regular Board meeting at 8:45 PM until the next regular Board meeting scheduled for September 16, 2026. Carried

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Ruth Fenwick
Library Board Chairperson