



The Corporation of the Municipality of Whitestone

**Agenda of Regular Council Meeting
Tuesday June 16, 2026**

Dunchurch Community Centre

and

Join Zoom Meeting **(Video)**

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(Phone Call Only)

Dial 1- 780-666-0144 Meeting ID: 882 6156 8481#

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The written minutes are the official record of the meeting.*

- 1. Call to Order and Roll Call** **10:00 a.m.**

National Anthem

Indigenous Land Acknowledgement Statement

The Municipality of Whitestone recognizes all of Canada resides on traditional, unceded and/or treaty lands of the Indigenous People of Turtle Island.

We recognize our Municipality on The Robinson Huron Treaty territory is home to many past, present and future Indigenous families.

This acknowledgment of the land is a declaration of our commitment and collective responsibility to reconcile the past, and to honour and value the culture, history and relationships we have with one another.

- 2. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest**
- 3. Approval of Agenda**
- 4. Presentations and Delegations**

- 4.1 Whitestone Conservation Association
 - Margaret Dailey-Plouffe, Food Cyclor Program
- 4.2 Enliven Cancer Care
 - Andrea Johnston, Manager of Fund Development

Move into Committee of the Whole

5. Committee of the Whole

- 5.1 Application to Purchase and Close Municipal Road Allowance – DUPREY, Braydon
 - Memorandum from MHBC, Planners dated June 16, 2026
- 5.2 Consent Application B09/2026(W) – SAMOTIK
 - Report from Parry Sound Area Planning Board dated May 15, 2026
- 5.3 Flooding on Lake WahWashKesh
 - 5.3.1 Emails dated May 23 and 24 2026 from Graham Keene
 - 5.3.2 Letter from Mayor Comrie to Ministry of Natural Resources

Reconvene into Regular Meeting

Matters Arising from Committee of the Whole

6 Public Meeting

- 6.1 Purchase of unopened road allowance - Sue Jennings and Randy Johnson
 - Memorandum from Paula Macri, Planning Assistant

7 Consent Agenda

Items listed under the Consent Agenda are considered routine and will be enacted in one motion. A Member of Council may request one or more items to be removed from the Consent Agenda for separate discussion and/or action.

- 7.1 Council Meeting Minutes
 - 7.1.1 Regular Council Meeting Minutes - May 19, 2026
- 7.2 Council Committee and Board Minutes
 - 7.2.1 Whitestone Public Library and Technology Centre – April 20, 2026
 - 7.2.2 911 Emergency Services – May 21, 2026
 - 7.2.3 EMS Advisory Committee – May 28, 2026

8 Accounts Payable

- 8.1 May 1 to 31 Accounts Payable Listing

9 Staff Reports

- 9.1 FIN-2026-12
 - Budget Amendment – Gravel Resurfacing
- 9.2 PW-2026-03
 - Tender Award – Supply and Delivery of Two Pickup Trucks
- 9.3 PW-2026-04
 - Tender Award – Tandem Axle Plow Truck Purchase – Co-operative Purchasing

- 9.4 ADMIN-2026-05
 - Legal Services Update
- 9.5 ADMIN-2026-06
 - Restricted Acts of Council – Delegation of Authorities
- 10 By-laws**
 - 10.1 By-law No. 23-2026, being a By-law to Close, Stop Up and Sell CRA (JENNINGS/JOHNSON)
 - 10.2 By-law No. 24-2026 being a By-law to enter into an Agreement for Conditions of Approval of Consent B05/2026(W) – (NASH)
 - Memorandum from Paula Macri, Planning Assistant regarding status of conditions of approval
 - 10.3 By-law No. 25-2026, being a By-law to Amend Site Plan Agreement (SKEBA)
 - Memorandum from Paula Macri, Planning Assistant
 - 10.4 By-law No. 26-2026, to Delegate Authority during Lame Duck Period
- 11 Business Matters**
 - 11.1 Survey re. Septic Systems in the Municipality of Whitestone
 - Briefing Note from Mayor Comrie
 - 11.2 Whitestone Environmental Stewardship Committee
 - Terms of Reference update
 - 11.3 Water Monitoring
 - Memorandum from Councillor Nash
- 12 Correspondence**
- 13 Councillor Items**
- 14 Questions from the Public**
- 15 Closed Session**
 - 15.1 Minutes from the Regular Council Meeting Closed Session – May 19 2026
 - 15.2 Advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose, pursuant to Ontario Municipal Act, Section 239 (2) (d)
 - Verbal update of legal matter from CAO/Clerk Black
 - 15.3 Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees, pursuant to Ontario Municipal Act, Section 239. (2) (b)
 - Whitestone Public Library and Technology Centre Board Resignation
- 16 Confirming By-law 27-2026**
- 17 Adjournment**

Unfinished Business

DATE	ITEM AND DESCRIPTION	ASSIGNED TO	STATUS
March 15, 2021	<p>Review of By-law 20-2014 (being a By-law for the licensing, regulating/governing of rental units in Whitestone)</p>	Administration Staff	<p>Public meeting for Public input: March 19, 2024.</p> <p>DRAFT By-law presented at the May 21, 2024</p> <p>Council to submit comments by June 7, 2024 to Staff</p> <p>Memo to Council meeting August 20, 2024 – Policy direction provided for future iteration of By-law</p> <p>Revised Draft to Council submitted November 19, 2024</p> <p>Staff to seek legal review and provide to Council at a future Council meeting</p> <p>To Council April 15 2025 – deferred</p> <p>To Council May 20 2025</p> <p>May 20 – staff to review and provide update</p> <p>CAO to provide report at January 21 2026 meeting</p> <p>Jan 21 2026 –staff directed to bring back to Council at a future meeting a revised By-law taking into account items discussed at the Jan 21 meeting</p> <p>May 19 – report with revisions brought to Council; Recommendation Planning Report to be prepared and presented at subsequent meeting</p>
July 4, 2023	<p>Strategic Plan, By-law Initiatives THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone</p>	Assigned to various staff	In progress; review presented at Jan 21 meeting

	receive for information the Memorandum from CAO/Clerk Hendry, Strategic Plan – moving forward with 2023 priorities		
October 21, 2025	Blue Green Algae – arrange in-person meeting with agencies responsible; continue to provide information to residents	Administration Staff	October 31 MECP suggests Health Unit has jurisdiction Health Unit staff scheduled to attend March 17, 2026 Council meeting to provide information Request to MECP to attend Council meeting as follow-up to Health Unit presentation
May 20, 2025	Grant Writing RFP	Treasurer	RPF for grant writing services to be posted In progress – draft with treasurer for final review
December 2, 2025	Procurement By-law Review	Administration staff	In progress
November 18, 2025	Review of fees charged per building inspection	CAO / CBO	Partially addressed at April 21 Council meeting; annual maintenance fees to be brought back

Correspondence

A	McDougall Township	Support for hospital purchase of MRI
B	North Eastern Manitoulin Island	Sustained funding for hospitals
C	Puslinch	Call for emergency room reform
D	Ministry of Attorney General	Information - "BYOB" to municipal events
E	United Counties of Lees and Grenville	Concerns with harmonization of municipal road construction standards
F	Plympton-Wyoming	Support for sustainable provincial grant funding for fire services
G	Township of Baldwin	Review OPP municipal policing model
H	Canadore College	Information regarding school closure
I	Town of Parry Sound	Objection to closure of Canadore College
I1	CB&DC	Objection to closure of Canadore College
I2	Canadore College	Response to Objections to closure of Canadore College
J	Township of North Glengarry	Return to property tax reassessment cycle
K	Municipality of Calvin	Reassess shared and mandated services CVA-based apportionment
L	South Bruce	Recognizing the importance of outdoor education
M	North Grenville Merrickville-Wolford OPP Board	Requesting province fund traffic-calming and speeding mitigation methods
N	Chatham – Kent	Opposition to Changes to Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act
O	Almaguin Baseball	Thanking for donation
P	High School Graduation Committee	Thanking for donation
Q	Parents for Parry Sound	Update regarding status
R	Rotary Club of Parry Sound	Thanking for donation
S	Whitestone Rod and Gun Club	Thanking for donation
T	Hydro One	Meter replacement in Whitestone
U	Residents	Concerns with the dam on Kashegaba Lake
V	Museum on Tower Hill	Thanking for donation
W	Halton Hills	Review Ontario invasive plant regulatory framework
X	Shakell Road Residents	Conditions of Shakell Road
Y	Catharina Bowers	Railway crossing Highway 520 at Ardbeg

PRESENTATIONS AND DELEGATIONS

- 4.1 Whitestone Conservation Association
 - Margaret Daily-Plouffe, Food Cycler Program
- 4.2 Enliven Cancer Care
 - Andrea Johnston, Manager of Fund Development

A New Approach to Food Waste Diversion for The Municipality of Whitestone

Affordable. Practical. Proven.

4.1

The Opportunity

Food waste is not just an environmental issue. It is a growing financial and operational challenge for municipalities.

Nearly half of household garbage is organic waste, increasing collection costs, filling landfills faster, and creating harmful methane emissions. At the same time, Canadian households waste over \$1,300 in food each year.

Reducing food waste is one of the simplest and most cost-effective ways to cut costs, extend landfill life, and make real environmental progress.



The Solution: FoodCycler®

A simple, in-home appliance that transforms food waste into dry, odour-free soil amendment in hours.

How it works:

1. Add food waste (meat, dairy, bones)
2. Press start
3. In 4-8 hours, waste reduced by up to 90%

- ✓ Works year-round
- ✓ No odours, pests, or mess
- ✓ Plug-in appliance (like an air fryer)

Why Not Traditional Options?

Landfill: Expensive, limited capacity, methane
Green Bin: High cost, 40-60% participation
Backyard Compost: Seasonal, pests, not for all

➔ FoodCycler fills the gap with a low-cost, high-participation alternative.



Proposed Community Pilot Program

Shared Cost Model

- Municipal contribution
- Resident covers remaining balance (Taxes & shipping extra)

- ✓ Affordable for residents
- ✓ Reduces municipal financial risk
- ✓ Enables low-cost piloting before full commitment

Pilot Overview

- Duration: 12 weeks
- Participants: ~50 households
- Includes FoodCycler unit, implementation support waste tracking, and final report

➔ Council receives a data-driven report to guide future waste decisions

Proven Results

- 90%+ participation rates
- ~250 kg diverted per hh/year
- 98% of participants continue using it after the pilot phase
- Households reduce garbage by ~35 bags/year

✓ Real, community wide impact

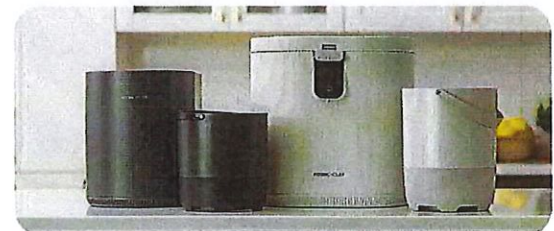
Environmental Impact: FoodCycler results in a net negative carbon footprint – by diverting food waste from the landfill, it actually avoids more emissions than it creates over its lifetime.

Benefits to the Municipality

- ✓ Reduce landfill volume & extend landfill life
- ✓ Lower long-term waste management costs
- ✓ Reduce greenhouse gas emissions
- ✓ Avoid costly organics infrastructure
- ✓ Innovative service to residents

Benefits to Residents

- ✓ Less garbage (fewer hauling trips)
- ✓ No smells or pests
- ✓ Easy, convenient solution
- ✓ Lower household waste costs
- ✓ Reuse nutrients in gardens



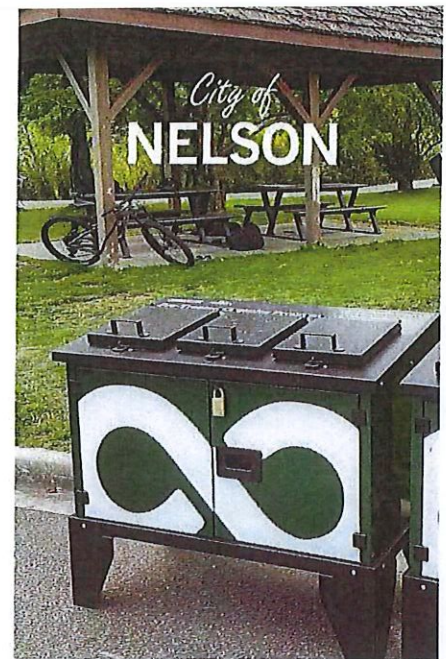
Let's Take Action on Food Waste

Maddy From | Account Executive, Programs | maddyf@foodcycler.com

FOODCYCLER
PROGRAMS

A Climate Plan in Action: Nelson's Pre-treated Organics Program

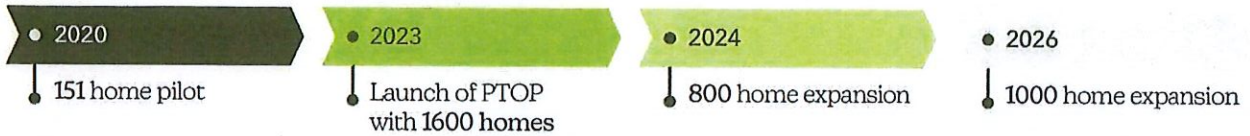
The City of Nelson (BC) launched a small pilot in 2020 and has since built one of Canada's leading decentralized food waste diversion programs. With the 2026 expansion, up to 79% of eligible households can participate - supporting the City's Nelson Next climate and waste reduction goals.



→ How the Program Works

- Process food scraps at home
- Community refill and drop-off network
- Local repair and reuse support

→ Program Growth From Pilot To Scale



📊 Program at a Glance

📊 Data

Program Results (2025 Survey - 1,000+ responses)

- 98% actively use their unit
- 84% use it +3 times per week
- 66% say it improved their overall waste practices
- 69% report increased environmental awareness
- 49% use some or all soil amendment in home gardens

📈 Impact at Scale

Expanding to 3,400 participating households

Projected diversion of ~527 tonnes of food waste annually

A program designed around the needs of the community, supporting high participation and resident satisfaction while reducing landfill-bound waste and associated emissions.



In-Home FoodCyclers

Food scraps processed in residents' kitchens, reducing landfill waste, emissions, and wildlife attractants.



Carbon refill stations

Community bulk refill stations provide free carbon replacements, reducing packaging waste.



By-product drop-off

Residents use the soil amendment at home or drop it off for processing at organics facility.



Repair Program

Local repair support extends product life and reduces waste.



“Nelson continues to lead with innovation, finding locally driven solutions that contribute to broader environmental goals, and I've seen firsthand the impact we can make when we take responsibility for our waste.”

City of Nelson Mayor | Janice Morrison

To learn more visit nelson.ca/organics or to get started on your own program →

✉ programs@foodcycler.com



Enliven Cancer Care is a charitable organization founded in 2016. Our mission is to support everyone in Muskoka and Parry Sound affected by cancer to live well, with and beyond, a diagnosis.

Enliven programs and events are available free of charge, and without referral, to those living with a diagnosis, their families, and caregivers.



Cancer Comfort Kits
Cancer Supports & Education
Peer Support Program



Movement Matters Programs
Caregivers' Programs
Mindfulness, Art Therapy & Writing Workshops



www.enlivenmuskoka.ca

Enliven Cancer Care is 100% funded by philanthropy.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MUNICIPALITY OF WHITESTONE – COUNCIL			
Report Prepared For:	The Council of the Municipality of Whitestone	Owner Name:	Braydon Duprey
Report Prepared By:	Jamie Robinson, MCIP, RPP and Patrick Townes, BA, BEd MHBC Planning Consultants	Applicant Name:	Rheal Duprey
Location:	Holland Street – located adjacent to 5 Bellview Crescent	Application:	Municipal Unopened Road Allowance Purchase
Property Roll #:	4939 040 010 009 01800	Report Date:	June 16, 2026

A. RECOMMENDATION

That the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone receive the Report dated June 16, 2026, regarding the request to purchase a portion of the Municipal Unopened Road Allowance located on Holland Street, adjacent to 5 Bellview Crescent for information purposes; and,

That the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone provide direct staff to prepare a final recommendation report based on the discussion at the June 16, 2026 Council meeting.

B. PROPOSAL/BACKGROUND

An application to purchase a portion of an unopened municipal road allowance has been submitted by Rheal Duprey on behalf of Braydon Duprey, adjacent to the property located at 5 Bellview Crescent. The applicant's property is legally described as Concession I, Part Lot 1 & 2, Block A, Registered Plan 61, in the geographic Township of Hagerman, now in the Municipality of Whitestone, in the District of Parry Sound. For the purposes of this Report, the portion of the unopened municipal road allowance is referred to as the subject lands. The applicant's property and the subject lands are shown on Figures 1 and 2.

The applicant's property is located within the Dunchurch Neighbourhood and Waterfront designation in the Official Plan. The applicant's property currently has a lot area of approximately 1,900 square metres and a lot frontage/access off of Bellview Crescent. The applicants have indicated in the application submission that they would like to purchase the subject lands in order to expand their property, to accommodate the existing septic system which is currently located partially within the unopened municipal road allowance, and to provide an opportunity to expand the existing dwelling and update the septic system as required. A drawing showing the approximate location of the existing septic system is included in Figure 3.

Figure 1: Applicant's Property and Subject Lands



Figure 2: Applicant's Property and Subject Lands

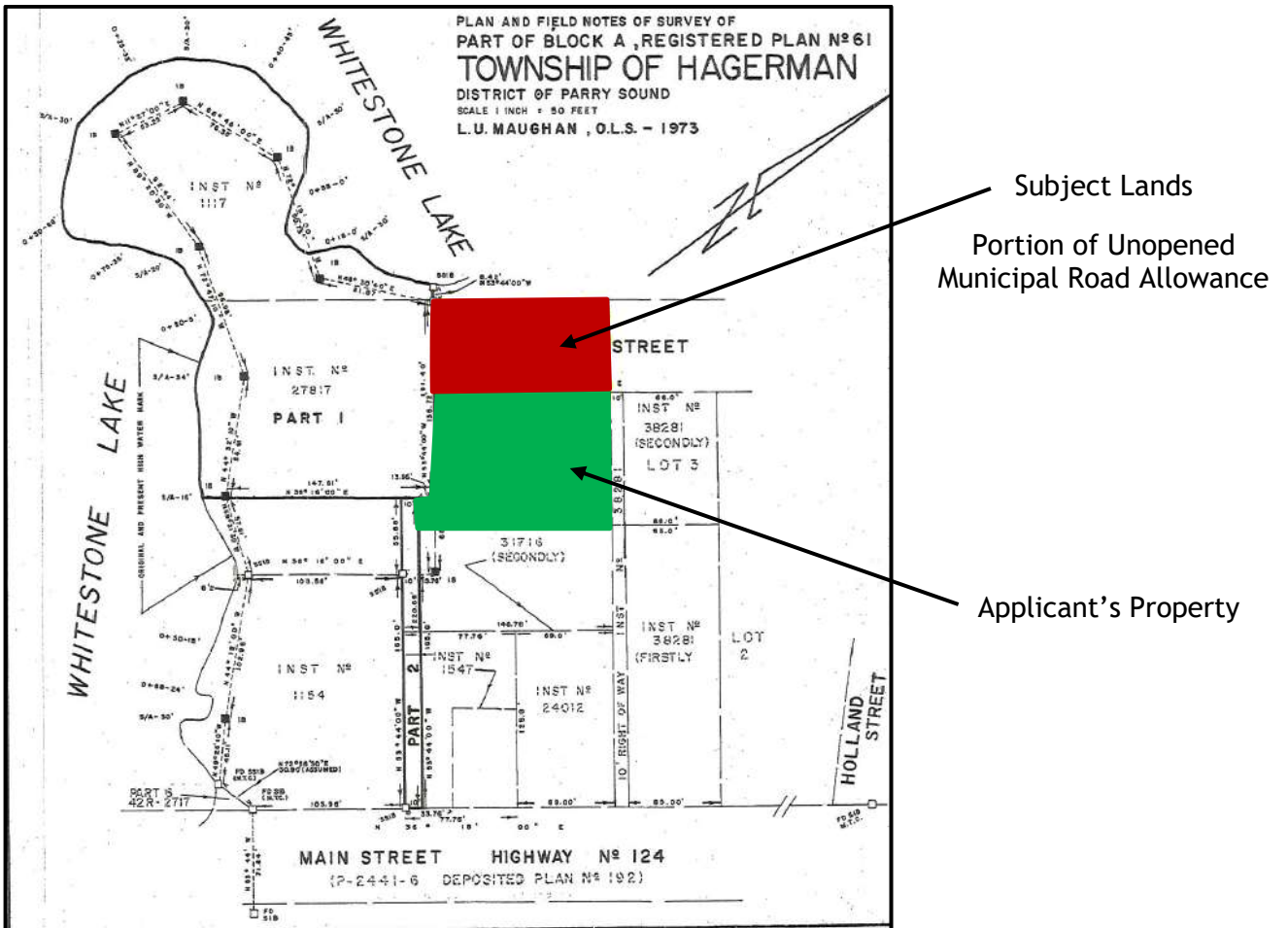


Figure 3: Existing Septic System



The subject lands are located adjacent to Whitestone Lake, and the immediate surrounding properties are developed with residential and shoreline residential uses. The subject lands have a size of approximately 750 square metres.

Based on the submission made by the applicant, it is understood that Holland Street ends at the applicant's property, and all other properties to the south of applicant's property have legal access off of Bellview Crescent or registered right-of-way.

A photo provided by the applicant has been included as Figure 4 and shows the sloped area from the shoreline looking up the dwelling.

Figure 4: Photo of Subject Lands



C. OFFICIAL PLAN

Section 9.04 of the Official Plan includes polices regarding municipal road allowances and includes the following:

9.04 *Municipal Road Allowance*

Improvements to municipal road allowances that are not maintained are not permitted unless the following occurs:

9.04.1 *the Municipality declares the road allowance surplus and the municipal road allowance is stopped up and sold in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Act;*

Section 10.01 of the Official Plan includes policies regarding parkland and states that:

Council will generally discourage the stopping up and transferring of road allowances that lead to a recreational waterbody unless the use of the road allowance, either now or in the future could not feasibly serve as a public access. Alternatively, an applicant interested in acquiring a particular road allowance leading to water, could provide an alternative access to replace the road allowance.

The applicants are requesting that the subject lands be closed and purchased in order to be added to their property. The portion of the unopened municipal road allowance is in a location that leads to a recreational waterbody and therefore Council needs to be satisfied that the request conforms to Section 10.01 of the Official Plan.

The location of the subject lands is somewhat unique in that this portion of the unopened municipal road allowance is located adjacent to a shoreline. Because of the unique location of the subject lands, the policies contained within Section 9.08 (Shore Road Allowances) have also been reviewed. There are no natural heritage features or areas identified on the applicant's property or on the subject lands.

D. ZONING BY-LAW

In accordance with Schedule A of the Zoning By-law, both the subject lands and the applicant's property are located within the Rural Residential (RR) Zone. Following the addition of the subject lands, the applicant's property would be increased to a lot area of approximately 2,650 square metres. The minimum lot area for the RR Zone is 4,000 square metres and the application would result in the applicant's property getting larger and closer to the minimum lot area.

It is understood that the applicant's are proposing an addition to the existing dwelling. The expanded property will also assist in meeting minimum setbacks from lot lines for any future additions and a new septic system if required.

E. SUMMARY

Staff are recommending that Council be provided an opportunity to review the request prior to making a final decision on whether to sell a portion of the unopened municipal road allowance. Due to the unique shape and location of the Holland Street Road Allowance, it leads to a recreational waterbody, and Council should be satisfied that the request conforms to Section 10.01 of the Official Plan.

PARRY SOUND AREA PLANNING BOARD

1 Mall Drive, Unit 2, Parry Sound, Ontario P2A 3A9

CONSENT APPLICATION NO. B09 2026 (W) - Samotik

PART OF LOT 5, CONCESSION 4

**PART 2, 42R-14763, PART 2, 42R-17010
GEOGRAPHIC TOWNSHIP OF McKENZIE
MUNICIPALITY OF WHITESTONE
Roll # 493905000105600 PIN: 52251-0331**

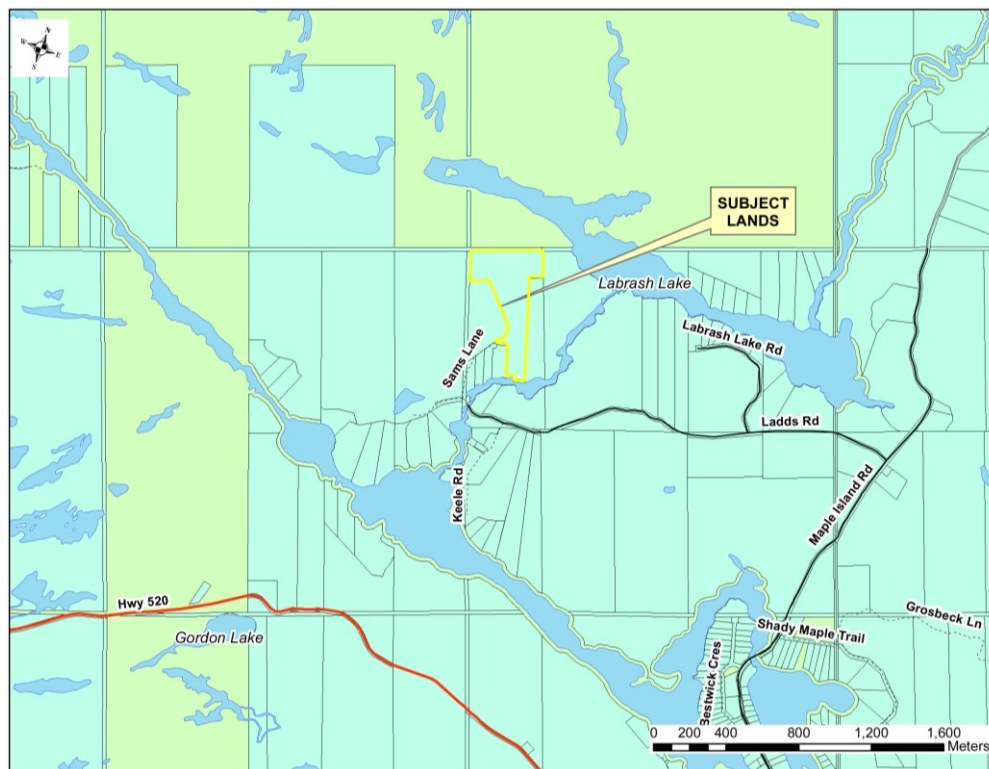
15 Sam's Lane

Applicants: Zdzislaw & Danuta Samotik

May 15, 2026

BACKGROUND / PURPOSE

Zdzislaw & Danuta Samotik own a waterfront parcel that fronts on the LaBrash River. The lot is accessed from Ladd's Road to Sam's Lane, a private road that serves five (5) cottage properties, including the Samotiks'.



There is also a road that runs parallel to Sam's Lane (Lily Trail) that accesses 3 lots, created by Samotik in 2025. The proposed new lots will also front on this private road.

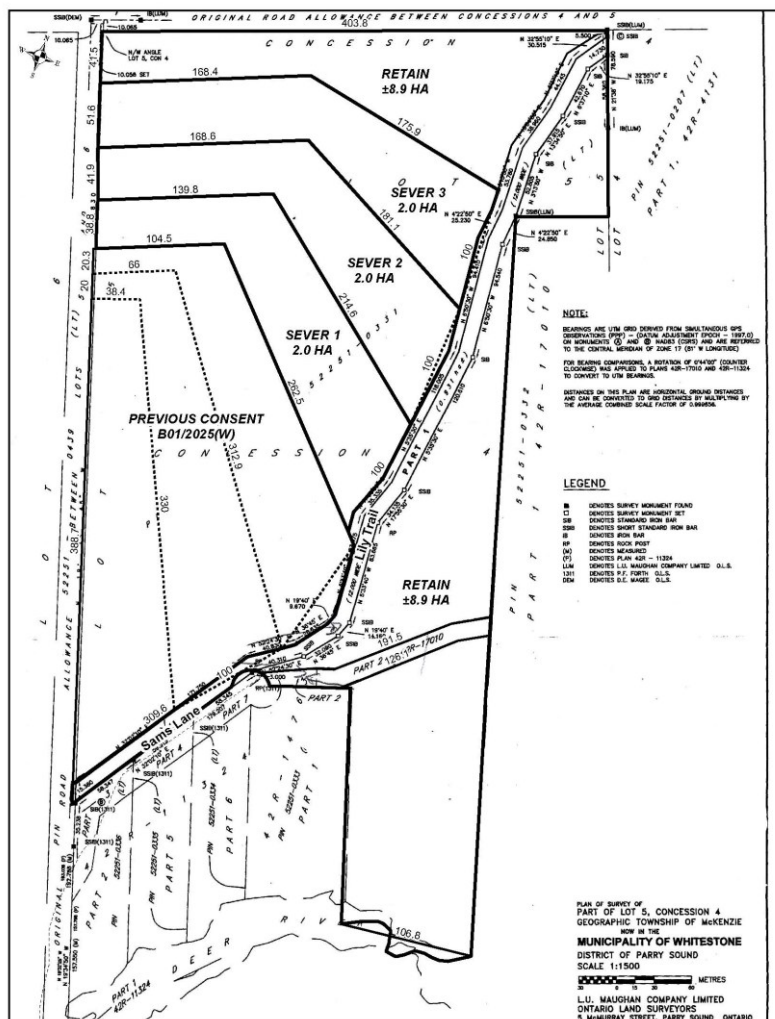
PROPERTY DESCRIPTION

The lands are described as:

PIN 52251-0331

PT LT 5 CON 4 MCKENZIE AS IN RO148260 EXCEPT PTS 1-3 42R22807, PT 1 42R14763 & PT 1 42R17010; T/W RO148260; S/T RO168519; S/T RO198959; WHITESTONE SUBJECT TO AN EASEMENT OVER PART LOT 5, CON 4 MCKENZIE, PART 1 42R20605 IN FAVOUR OF PT LT 4, CON 4 MCKENZIE PART 1 42R4131 AS IN GB101161

PROPOSED CONSENT



The proposed consent is to create three (3) new lots fronting on Lily Trail.

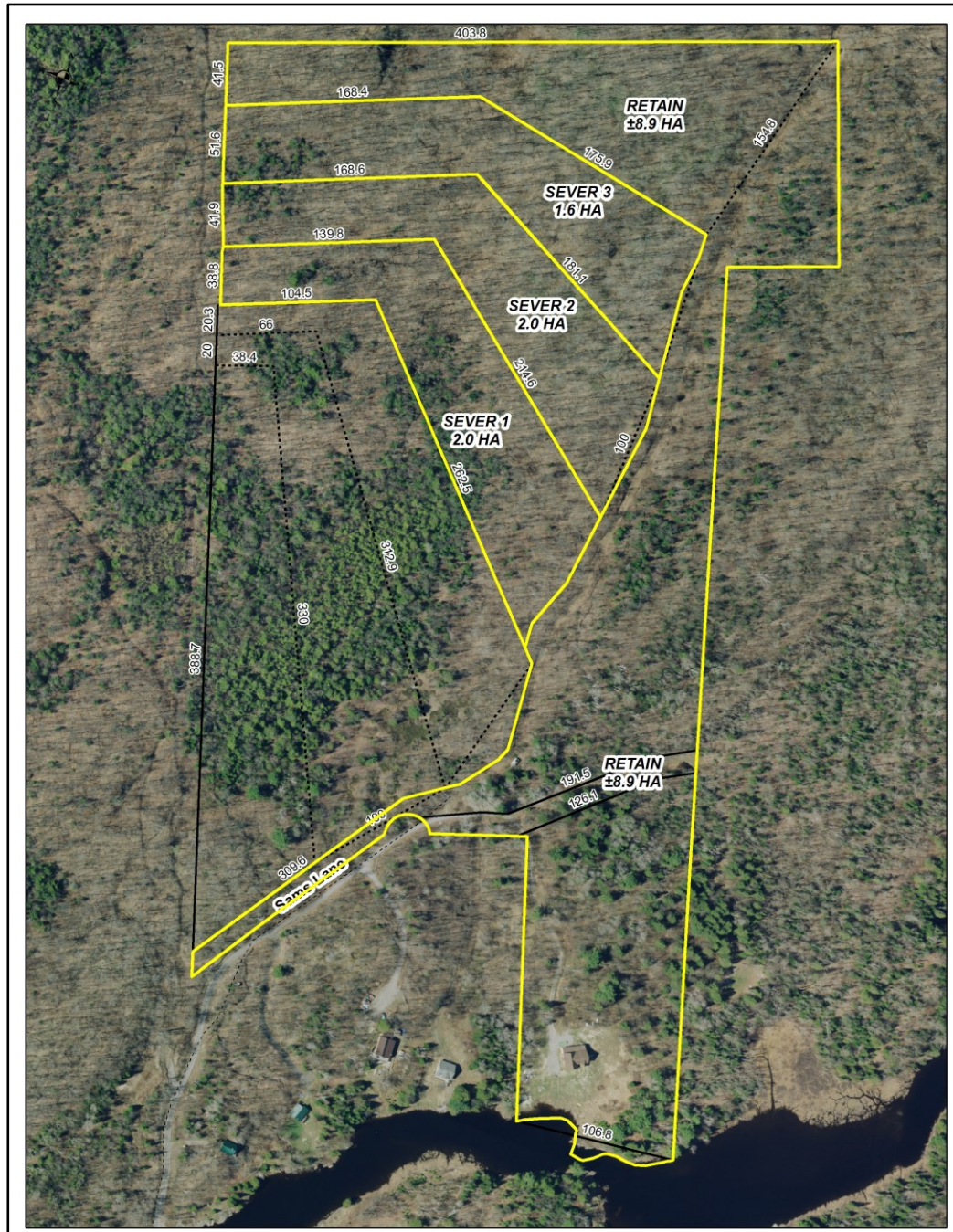
	Frontage (m)	Depth(m)	Area(ha)
Retain	106.8	±745	±8.9
Sever 1	100	±305	2.0
Sever 2	100	±311	2.0
Sever 3	100	±321	2.0

EXISTING LOT CONDITIONS

The subject land is a large waterfront parcel (± 14.9 hectares) with ± 107 metres of frontage on the LaBrash River and over 740 metres of frontage on a year-round maintained private road, owned by the applicant.

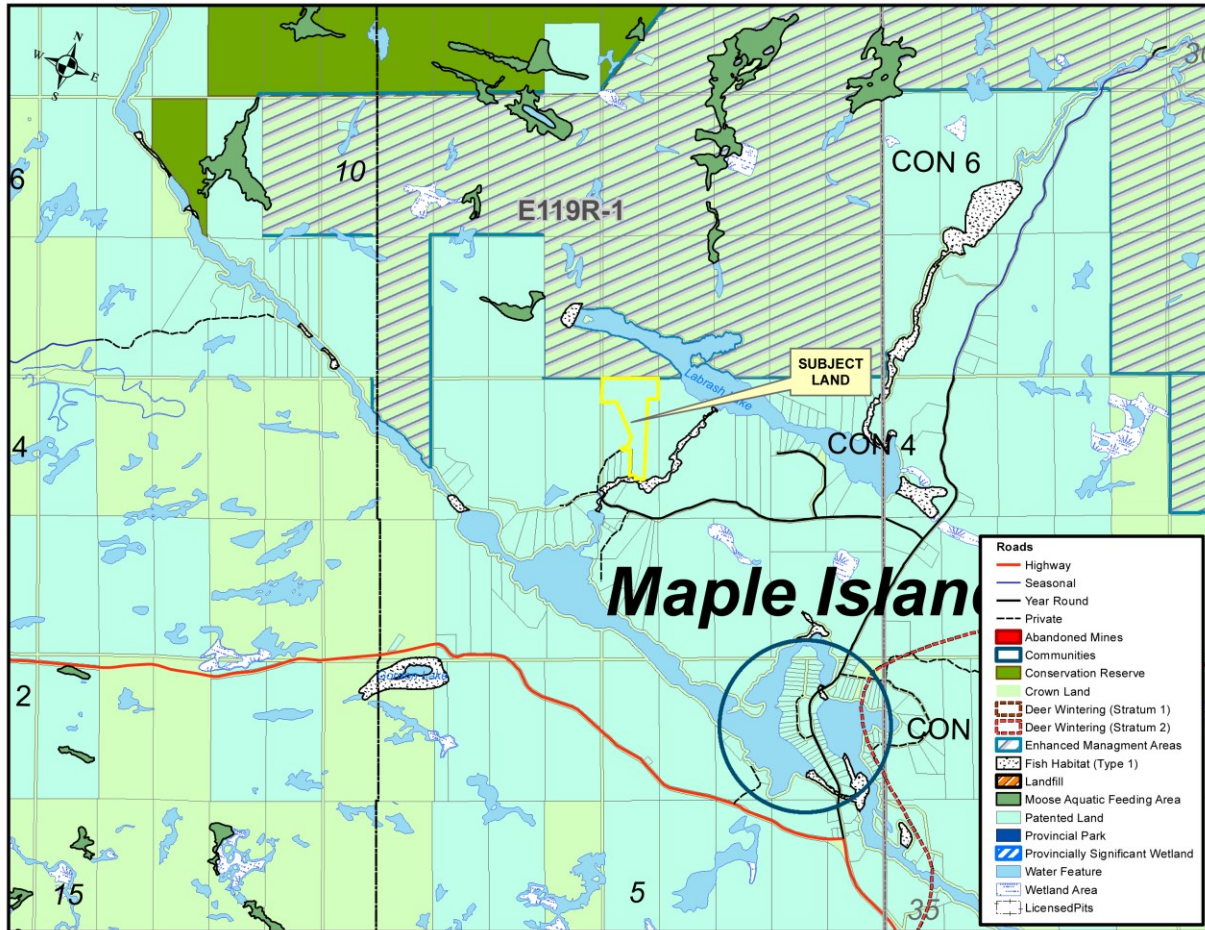
The lot is well forested with a mix of coniferous and deciduous trees.

The Samotik cottage is near the shoreline, more than 260 metres from the proposed rural backlots.



OFFICIAL PLAN

The subject lands are designated Waterfront in the Municipality's Official Plan.



There are no Natural Heritage features identified on these lands. There is Type 1 Fish Habitat on the shoreline of the existing waterfront lot, but none that affects the proposed backlot development.

Backlot Development

Prior to Official Plan Amendment No. 2, development could not be considered on private roads. This new policy allows existing parcels previously considered landlocked, to be eligible for a building permit as well as the creation of additional lots on private roads.

Subsequent Consents

There has been discussion at previous council meetings regarding subsequent or serial consents versus a plan of subdivision. A plan of subdivision is appropriate when more than three (3) new lots are proposed and the extension of services, including an internal road, is necessary. The relevant policy is below:

“ 8.01 Land Division Policy

- 8.01.1** *Land division may proceed by either plan of subdivision or consent in accordance with the Planning Act and the policies contained in this Plan.*
- 8.01.2** *Plans of subdivisions will be required for those multiple lot developments where there are extensions to municipal services, where there is a need for special studies to determine service issues and needs, or where an entirely new development pattern is being established in an area of the Municipality.*
- 8.01.3** *Consents for the creation of a limited number of new lots will continue to be the most used land division procedure. Consents will be permitted where it can be demonstrated that a plan of subdivision is unnecessary for the proper development of the land and where the consent conforms to the general development pattern of the area or adjacent plans of subdivision. Consents proposing to create lots in the waterfront areas are subject to the servicing policies set out in this Plan. Consents shall have regard to these items set out under Section 51(24) of the Planning Act.*
- 8.01.4** *The land division authority would generally interpret the consent policy on any given application to limit the creation of up to 3 new lots and a retained lot. Subsequent applications for consents for these lands may be considered so long as the general principles and standards respecting new lot creation are maintained. Any exceptions to this practise, up or down, may be made in special circumstances where the purpose and intent of the above policy is maintained and the land division authority is satisfied that there is no need, benefit or public interest in proceeding by registered plan of subdivision. “*

PROVINCIAL POLICY STATEMENTS (P.P.S) 2024

The lands are considered Rural in the P.P.S. and are subject to following policies:

2.5 Rural Areas in Municipalities

1. Healthy, integrated and viable rural areas should be supported by:
 - a) building upon rural character, and leveraging rural amenities and assets;
 - b) promoting regeneration, including the redevelopment of brownfield sites;
 - c) accommodating an appropriate range and mix of housing in rural settlement areas;
 - d) using rural infrastructure and public service facilities efficiently;
 - e) promoting diversification of the economic base and employment opportunities through goods and services, including value-added products and the sustainable management or use of resources;

- f) providing opportunities for sustainable and diversified tourism, including leveraging historical, cultural, and natural assets;
 - g) conserving biodiversity and considering the ecological benefits provided by nature; and
 - h) providing opportunities for economic activities in prime agricultural areas, in accordance with policy 4.3.
2. In rural areas, rural settlement areas shall be the focus of growth and development and their vitality and regeneration shall be promoted.
 3. When directing development in rural settlement areas in accordance with policy 2.3, planning authorities shall give consideration to locally appropriate rural characteristics, the scale of development and the provision of appropriate service levels.

Growth and development may be directed to rural lands in accordance with policy 2.6, including where a municipality does not have a settlement area.

2.6 Rural Lands in Municipalities

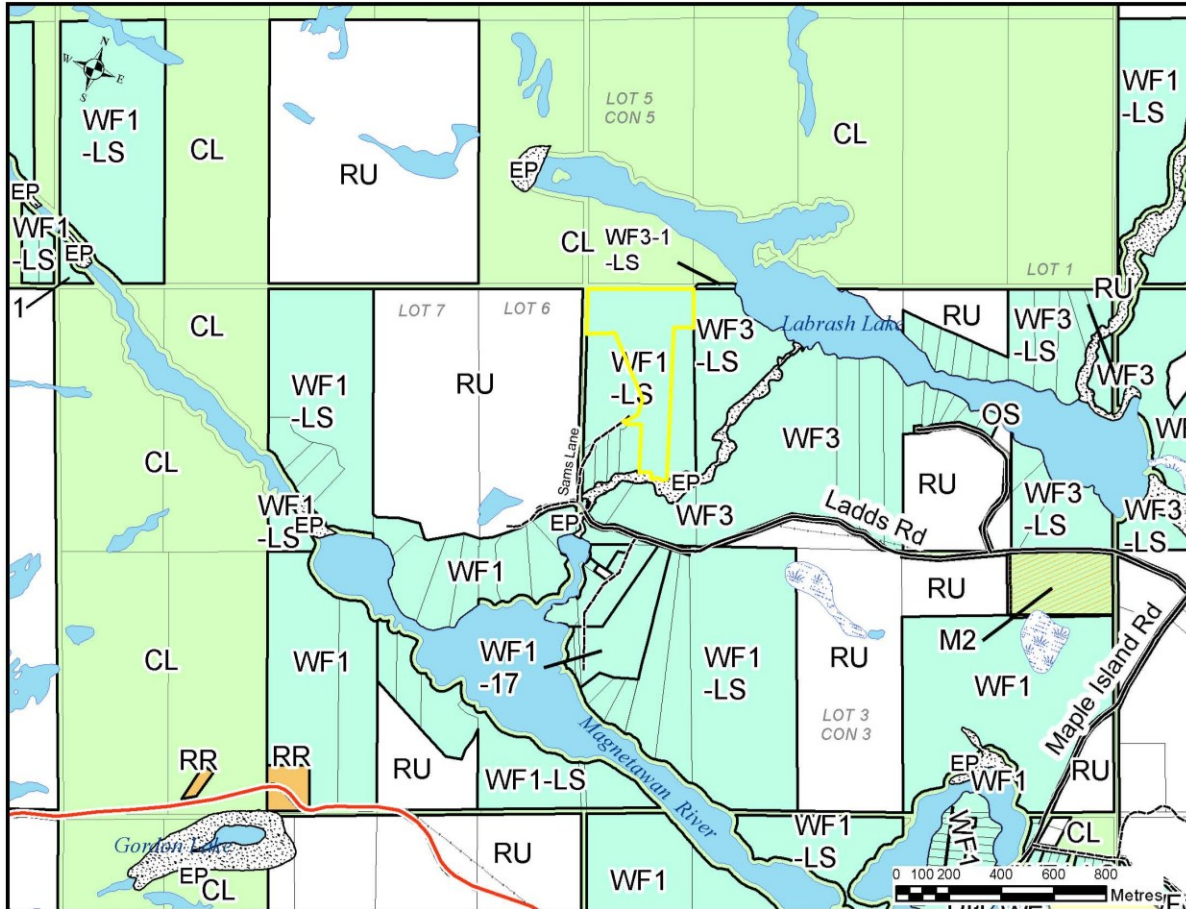
1. On rural lands located in municipalities, permitted uses are:
 - a) the management or use of resources;
 - b) resource-based recreational uses (including recreational dwellings not intended as permanent residences);
 - c) residential development, including lot creation, where site conditions are suitable for the provision of appropriate sewage and water services;
 - d) agricultural uses, agriculture-related uses, on-farm diversified uses and normal farm practices, in accordance with provincial standards;
 - e) home occupations and home industries;
 - f) cemeteries; and
 - g) other rural land uses.
2. Development that can be sustained by rural service levels should be promoted.
3. Development shall be appropriate to the infrastructure which is planned or available, and avoid the need for the uneconomical expansion of this infrastructure.
4. Planning authorities should support a diversified rural economy by protecting agricultural and other resource-related uses and directing non-related development to areas where it will minimize constraints on these uses.
5. New land uses, including the creation of lots, and new or expanding livestock facilities, shall comply with the minimum distance separation formulae.

There are no inconsistencies with these policies.

ZONING BY-LAW

The subject lands are zoned Waterfront Residential 1 – Limited Services (WF1-LS) in the Municipality’s Zoning By-law. The proposed backlots will require a rezoning to the Rural - Limited Services (RU-LS) zone.

The proposed lots meet the Rural standard of 100 metres frontage and 2.0 hectares in area.



RECOMMENDATION

That the proposed consent to allow the creation of three (3) new rural lots at 15 Sam's Lane in Part of Lot 5, Concession 4, Geographic Township of McKenzie as applied for by Zdzislaw & Danuta Samotik in Application No. B09/2026(W) be approved subject to the following conditions:

1. Rezoning the severed lands to the Rural -Limited Services (RU-LS) zone;
2. Entering into a 51(26) Consent Agreement to recognize the private road access limit the liability and responsibility of the Municipality for its maintenance and to indemnify the Municipality;
3. Payment of a Parkland dedication fee in accordance with the Municipality's fee By-Law;
4. Receiving adequate 911 addressing for the new lots;
5. Payment of all applicable planning board fees.

Respectfully,



Patrick Christie, C.P.T.
Secretary-Treasurer
Parry Sound Area Planning Board

-----Original Message-----

From: Graham Keene <>

Sent: May 23, 2026 10:14 AM

To: Paula Macri <paula.macri@whitestone.ca>

Subject: Letter to council Lake WWK

Paula would you please forward this letter to Council.

I would like to thank Council for receiving me and engaging during my deputation on 19 May re Flooding on Lake WWK.

It was made clear by Council that further progress in this matter should be pushed by Council. Although I am encouraged by your enthusiasm and leadership to move forward, I do have concerns that your busy workload and other matters at hand will push the WWK Flooding Issue in the wrong direction.

I can tell you with great certainty that the estimated 1500 voting cottages on this lake have had enough. Be assured that the 2026 extreme level of flooding and of 2013 and 2019 will repeat. I would ask that if you are to lead the way on this charge that you do so in a very timely manner putting this very serious issue on top of the pile. The loss this year has been devastation for many and of great concern to all. If this was a larger center a state of emergency would have been declared. These properties are our homes and our happy places. The many that choose Whitestone as their secondary place to live do so for a reason. This catastrophe is not one of them.

It is my opinion that the municipality needs to immediately put out an on going news letter to inform your constituents of your intentions and progress. We know that any possible provincial and or federal funding with require a comprehensive study that addresses engineering and environmental issues. So let's get moving on that. Many believe this is a Whitestone geographic problem not just Lake WWK. This is for you to decide. We need to start this study sooner than later. I have contacted a well recognized company in this field and they believe that cost would be between 120k and 150k based on their many past projects. A levy based on Lake WWK alone would be a mere 40 dollars per cottage per quarter. There cannot be any reasons to delay this highest priority matter any further. Please give us your all and keep us posted with full transparency.

With great respect

Graham Keene

From: Graham Keene <>

Sent: May 24, 2026 8:34 AM

To: Paula Macri <paula.macri@whitestone.ca>

Subject: flood article

**please distribute to council
thank you Paula**

Graham





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03 June, 2026

Mr. Adam Wakefield, District Manager
Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources
7A Bay Street
Parry Sound, Ontario P2A 1S4
By e-mail to adam.wakefield@ontario.ca

Dear Adam:

Re: WahWashKesh Dam

As I'm sure you are aware, Lake WahWashKesh once again experienced flooding this year during the annual spring freshet, which reached a peak water level of 11.65 feet above the dam (or 228.5 metres above sea level) on the morning of April 20th. Significant damage occurred to a number of (mainly seasonal) residences and their contents that had been built below the MNR-established flood plain of 229.57 mASL, prior to the creation of the Municipality of Whitestone in 2000, while McKenzie Township was unorganized. Ironically, the property damage was concentrated in the area of the narrows between the Big Lake and Upper Lake, on properties that were sold by MNR as crown land lots in the early 1960s, some of which contain no terrain above the flood plain. The Municipality has assisted affected residents in their ongoing cleanup efforts by waiving certain fees at our landfill sites and by providing refuse bins at the Narrows Landing.

Previous incidents of similar flooding resulting in property damage on WahWashKesh occurred in 2019, and prior to that in 1998. This increasing frequency of extreme weather events suggests that prevention and mitigation efforts need to be investigated and accelerated. Recently, some lake residents have inquired whether it would be possible for the WahWashKesh Dam to be modified with the addition of a partial control section that would permit WahWashKesh to participate in your annual drawdown of water levels in the Magnetawan River watershed to minimize the effects of the annual spring freshet on upstream lakes in the system.

When the replacement of the previous rock and timber dam at the outflow of WahWashKesh was being planned and completed in the 1998 – 2002 timeframe, I participated on a task force formed by the Lake WahWashKesh Conservation Association that worked with MNR staff and consultants to advocate for and support the reconstruction project. At the time, there was discussion concerning whether the new dam should be a control dam or a fixed weir. I recall being advised by the Ministry's Project Engineer and engineering consultants that a control dam would not materially reduce the high spring water levels, because of the restricted river channels above and below the dam. As a result, the dam completed in the fall of 2002 was a concrete gravity fixed weir, designed to maintain the lake level at the same sill height as the previous structure, which is shown in Figure 1 below.



Figure 1 – The Previous Rock and Crib Dam (September 1998)

It is interesting to note that the dam that preceded the rock and timber crib dam was, indeed, a control structure, consisting of three stone and mortar piers with imbedded channels in which vertical steel gates could be raised and lowered manually. This dam failed shortly after construction, leaving only the two outer piers intact. The southernmost pier was incorporated in the new fixed weir where it remains today, as shown in the photo below (Figure 2).



Figure 2 – Current Dam after Completion in August, 2002

The Municipality of Whitestone is seeking confirmation from the Ministry of Natural Resources as to (i) whether or not modification of the WahWashKesh Dam to permit draw-down of high lake levels could be expected to result in reduced spring flooding, and (ii) if so, what modifications would be appropriate and permitted within the context of the Ministry's responsibility to manage water levels within the Magnetawan Watershed. We would ask that any opinions provided be supported by hydrological data and modelling.

We would be pleased to meet with staff in your Engineering and/or Surface Water Monitoring groups to elaborate on this request.

Thanks in advance for your cooperation.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "G. Comrie", is set against a light yellow rectangular background.

Mayor George Comrie
Municipality of Whitestone
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PUBLIC MEETING



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MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor and Council
From: Paula Macri, Planning Assistant
Report Date: June 2, 2026
Council Agenda: June 16, 2026
Re: JENNINGS/JOHNSON
 Purchase of Municipal Concession Road Allowance

Background:

On October 15, 2024, Council passed the following motion:

Resolution No. 394

Moved by: Councillor Woods

Seconded by: Mayor Comrie

- 5.1.1 Application to Purchase and Close Municipal Road Allowance, Jennings, Susan and Johnson, Randy

WHEREAS an application has been submitted by Susan Jennings and Randy Johnson for the closing and acquisition of part of the Municipal Road legally described as Gerard Street, Plan 53; Whitestone (PIN 52088-0610);

AND WHEREAS MHBC, Planners, have provided a report dated October 15, 2024;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone approves in principle the closure and acquisition of part of the Municipal Road Allowance legally described as Gerard Street, Plan 53; Whitestone (PIN 52088-0610) as applied for by Susan Jennings and Randy Johnson and subject to the following:

- 1) that closure of the part of the municipal road allowance requested does not remove access from any adjoining lands;
- 2) that all practices, policies and procedures of the Municipality be followed for closing of Municipal Road Allowances, including notification of adjoining property owner;
- 3) that payment of all Municipal legal fees, Municipal planning consultant fees and all other fees associated with the processing of this application be paid.

Recorded Vote per Section 3.20, Procedural By-law 80-2023:

		YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN
Mayor	Comrie	X		
Councillor	Bray	X		
Councillor	Nash			X
Councillor	Woods	X		
Deputy Mayor	Joe Lamb	X		

Carried

October 21, 2024

A notification letter was sent to adjoining property owners requesting if they had any comments or concerns regarding the purchase of the municipal road allowance they should submit them by noon on Wednesday, November 6, 2024. Staff did not receive any comments.

November 19, 2024

In Closed Session, Council agreed to close and sell the Municipal Concession Road Allowance legally described as Gerard Street, Plan 53; Whitestone (PIN 52088-0610).

May 4, 2026

The Municipality received a Notice, draft By-law, and Statutory Declaration from Ben Prichard's office. The Notice was posted on the Municipal website, on the property and the public bulletin board at the Municipal Office on May 4, 2026. The notice was also published with the Parry Sound North Star online May 11, 2026.

Next Steps:

That the By-law to close and stop up those parts of the municipal concession road allowance be passed on June 16, 2026 at the Council meeting.

ATTACHMENT

Attachment 1

Report from MHBC Planning Consultants, October 15, 2024.

MUNICIPALITY OF WHITESTONE – COUNCIL			
Report Prepared For:	The Council of the Municipality of Whitestone	Owner Name:	Susan Jennings and Randy Johnson
Report Prepared By:	Jamie Robinson, MCIP, RPP Patrick Townes, BA, BEd MHBC Planning Consultants	Applicant Name:	Susan Jennings and Randy Johnson
Location:	2290 Highway 124	Application:	Municipal Road Allowance (Gerard Street, Dunchruch)
Application Number:	4939 010 009 11600	Report Date:	October 15, 2024

A. RECOMMENDATION

That the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone agree to the closure and transfer of the municipal road allowance (Gerard Street, Dunchurch) as applied for by Susan Jennings and Randy Johnson subject to the following:

1. Obtaining an appraisal of the value of the land proposed to be sold;
2. That closure of the part of the municipal road allowance requested does not remove access from any adjoining lands;
3. That the applicant pays all associated costs and fees; and
4. That all practices, policies, and procedures of the Municipality be followed for closing of Municipal Road Allowances, including notification of adjoining property owners.

B. PROPOSAL/BACKGROUND

An application to purchase the municipal road allowance has been submitted by Susan Jennings and Randy Johnson for the subject property known municipally as 2290 Highway 124. The proposed road closure and purchase is outlined in red in **Figure 1**. The subject property is located within Dunchurch Neighbourhood and in the Rural designation in the Official Plan. The subject property is outlined in red in **Figure 2**.

Figure 1: Proposed Municipal Road Allowance Closure and Purchase

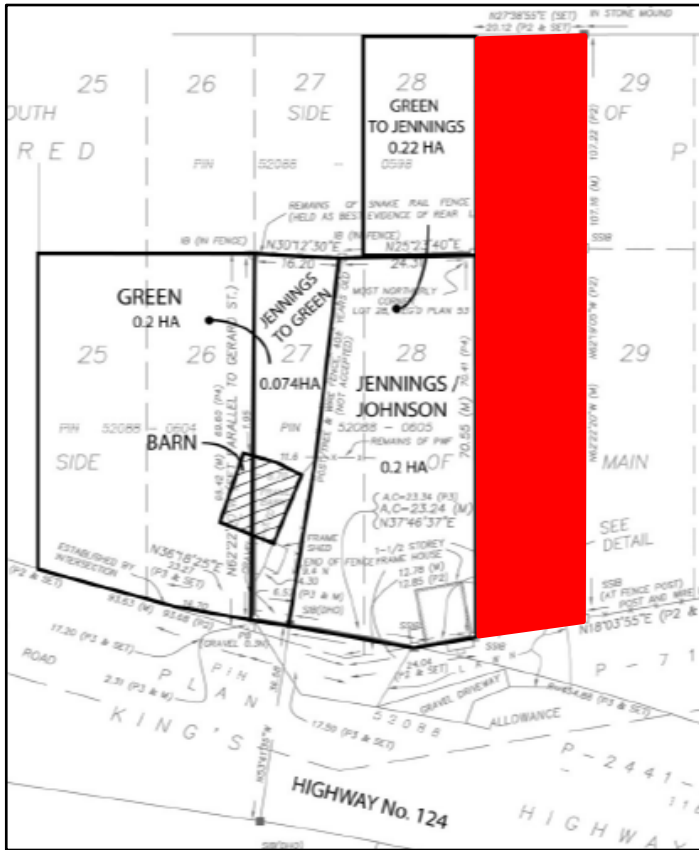


Figure 2: Subject Property



OFFICIAL PLAN

The subject property is located within the Dunchurch Neighbourhood and Rural designation in the Official Plan. Section 9.04.1 of the Official Plan speaks to the sale of municipal road allowances and states that:

9.04 Municipal Road Allowance

Improvements to municipal road allowances that are not maintained are not permitted unless the following occurs:

9.04.1 the municipality declares the road allowance surplus and the municipal road allowance is stopped up and sold in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Act; or

9.04.2 the road is brought up to a municipal standard and assumed by the Municipality for maintenance purposes; or

9.04.3 the proponents of the road allowance improvements enter into legal agreement with the Municipality that includes provisions for indemnification of liability, signage and liability insurance and

9.04.4 it has been demonstrated that the proposal conforms with Section 12.0 – Natural Heritage of the official plan. Prior to approval, the Municipality shall require an assessment by a qualified professional to demonstrate that there are no adverse environmental impacts.

9.04.5 the above policy applies to any crossing of an unopened road allowance.

9.04.6 where an abutting owner requests to use or authorize a historical use of a portion of a road allowance for any use permitted by this Plan, the municipality may consider the request subject to the following:

i) there is no immediate access use for the road allowance;

ii) the use is authorized by the municipality, that may include an agreement;

iii) the land owner is aware of the potential removal of any buildings or structures on short term notice;

iv) circulation of the request to adjacent owners that may have an interest; and

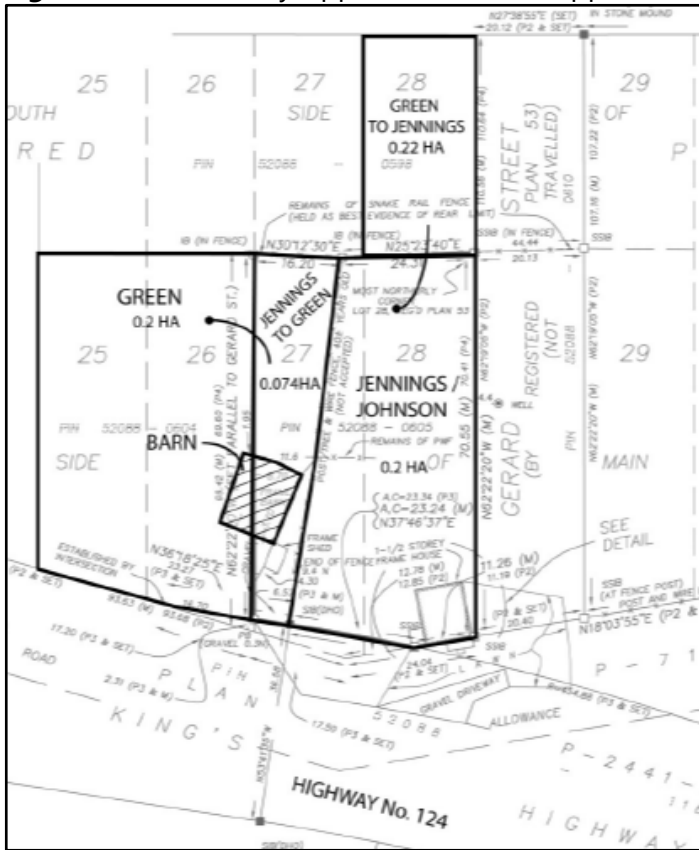
v) compliance with the zoning by-law

Any permission to authorize the use of or occupation of an unassumed road allowance is not to be interpreted to confer any road frontage compliance as otherwise required by this Plan.

In accordance with the above policies, there is general support for stopping up road allowances that do not have future purpose for public access, such is the case in this instance.

The subject property has provisional consent approval from the Parry Sound Area Board to swap land with their neighbour, which will have the effect of removing the encroachment of the neighbours' barn (**Figure 3**). Through this process they decreased their lot width and it is understood that the applicants would like to purchase the municipal road allowance in order to widen their property.

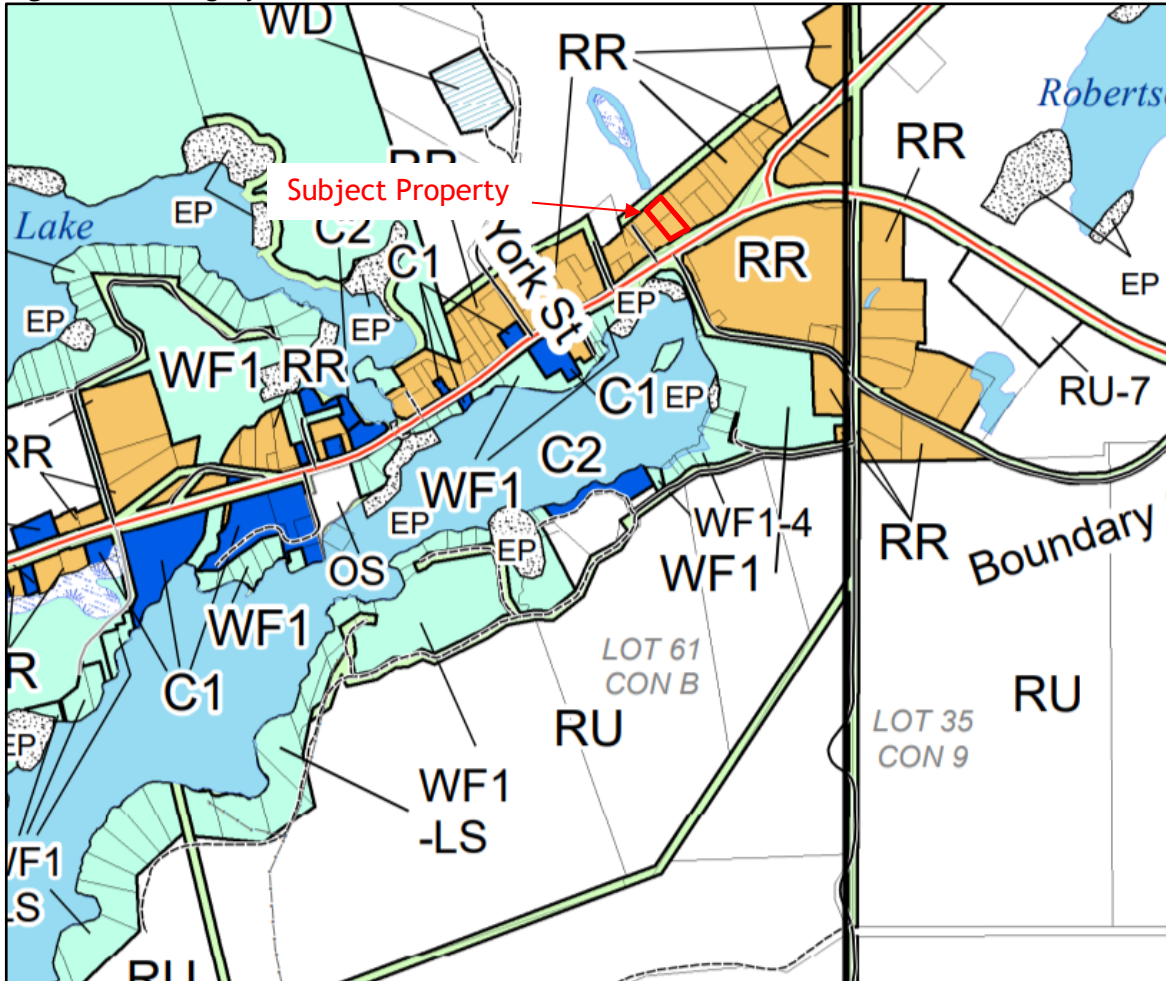
Figure 3: Provisionally Approved Consent Application Site Plan



C. ZONING BY-LAW

The subject property is zoned Rural Residential (RR) in the Whitestone Zoning By-law Schedule A, Sheet 18A (**Figure 4**). The minimum exterior side yard setback for a dwelling in the RR Zone is 9 metres. Through purchasing the municipal road allowance, the dwelling on the property will be closer in compliance with the Zoning By-law.

Figure 4: Zoning By-law Schedule A, Sheet 18A



D. SUMMARY

The application to close and purchase the municipal road allowance conforms with the Municipality of Whitestone's Official Plan and Zoning By-law. This application is recommended for approval subject to the recommended conditions in Section A of this report.

CONSENT AGENDA



DRAFT - Regular Council Meeting Minutes
Tuesday May 19, 10:00 a.m.
Dunchurch Community Centre and Zoom Video Conferencing

Present: Mayor George Comrie
Councillor Janice Bray
Councillor Joe Lamb
Councillor Scott Nash - left meeting at 1:30 p.m., returned at 2:40 p.m.,
left meeting at 3:07 p.m.
Councillor Brian Woods

Staff: Nigel Black, CAO/Clerk
Mike Huggins, Manager of Public Works
Paula Macri, Planning Assistant
Jamie Osborne, Chief Building Official
Wendy Schroeder, Deputy Clerk
Jessica Sinkowski, Treasurer / Tax Collector
Bob Whitman, Fire Chief

Invited Guests: Patrick Christie, PSAPB
Jamie Robinson, MHBC

Other Guests: 10 in person; 15 by Zoom

1. Roll Call and Call to Order 10:07 a.m.

2. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

Mayor Comrie requested that any pecuniary interest be declared, for the record.
None was declared

3. Approval of the Agenda

Resolution No. 2026-141

Moved by: Councillor Lamb

Seconded by: Councillor Bray

WHEREAS the Members of Council have been presented with an agenda for the May 19, 2026 Regular Council meeting;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda for this meeting be adopted as presented.

Carried

4. Matters Arising from Presentations and Delegations

4.1 West Parry Sound Health Centre

Resolution No. 2026-142

Moved by: Councillor Lamb

Seconded by: Councillor Bray

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone receives the information provided by the West Parry Sound Health Centre Foundation, with thanks.

Carried

4.2 Graham Keene

Resolution No. 2026-143

Moved by: Councillor Woods

Seconded by: Councillor Lamb

THAT Council for the Municipality of Whitestone receives the information provided by Mr. Keene, with thanks.

Carried

Move into Committee of the Whole

Resolution No. 2026-144

Moved by: Councillor Bray

Seconded by: Councillor Lamb

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone moves into the Committee of the Whole at 11:10 a.m. for the following matters:

5. Committee of the Whole

5.1 Consent Application B06/2026(W) – Roettger

- Report from Parry Sound Area Planning Board dated April 30, 2026

5.2 Application to Purchase Shore Road Allowance – Price

- Report from MHBC Planners for May 19, 2026 agenda

5.3 Bylaw Enforcement Process

- Report ADMIN-2026-04

Carried

Reconvene into Regular Meeting

Resolution No. 2026-145

Moved by: Councillor Lamb

Seconded by: Councillor Woods

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone reconvenes into the Regular Meeting at 11:42 a.m.

Carried

RECESS 11:45 a.m. to 11:50 a.m.

Matters Arising from Committee of the Whole

5.1 Consent Application No. B06/2026(W) – ROETTGER, Anthony

Resolution No. 2026-146

Moved by: Councillor Lamb

Seconded by: Councillor Woods

WHEREAS Patrick Christie, C.P.T., has prepared a report for the Parry Sound Area Planning Board regarding Consent Application No. B06/2026(W) dated April 30, 2026 – ROETTGER, Anthony – and has provided a copy to the Municipality of Whitestone;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone receives this report as information; and

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone recommends this Consent Application for approval in principle, subject to the following conditions:

1. **THAT** payment of a parkland dedication fee be made in accordance with the current Municipal Fees and Charges By-law;
2. **THAT** the new lot receive 911 addressing from the Municipality;
3. **THAT** the applicants enter into a Section 51(26) Consent Agreement with the Municipality of Whitestone to be registered on title, to include:
 - (i) the implementation of the septic system design and phosphorus mitigation measures from the Lake Capacity/Water Quality Impact Assessment as set out in the Michalski Nielsen Associates report dated December 3, 2025 to ensure the retention of phosphorous; and
 - (ii) recognition of the private access road for the new lot and to indemnify the Municipality for any responsibility or liability for the access or maintenance;
4. **THAT** payment of all Municipal planning consultant fees and all other fees associated with the processing of this application be paid.

Recorded vote as per Procedural By-law 80-2023 Section 3.19

	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN
<u>2</u> Councillor Bray	X		
<u>3</u> Councillor Lamb	X		
<u>4</u> Councillor Nash	X		
<u>1</u> Councillor Woods	X		
<u>5</u> Mayor Comrie	X		

Carried

5.2 Application to Purchase and Close Shore Road Allowance – PRICE, David and Jennifer

Resolution No. 2026-147

Moved by: Councillor Woods

Seconded by: Councillor Bray

WHEREAS an application has been submitted by David Price and Jennifer Price for the closing and acquisition of the shore road allowance fronting on Parcel 12153 N/S, Lot 8, Plan M357, in the geographic Township of Burton, now in the Municipality of Whitestone.

WHEREAS MHBC Planning Limited have provided a report for the May 19, 2026 agenda; and

WHEREAS there are no Official Plan conflicts, environmental concerns or planning issues with respect to this application;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone approves in principle, the closure and acquisition of the shore road allowance fronting on Parcel 12153 N/S, Lot 8, Plan M357, in the geographic Township of Burton, now in the Municipality of Whitestone, as applied for by David Price and Jennifer Price, subject to:

- 1) Practices, procedures and fees of the Municipality for closing of Shore Road Allowances.

Recorded vote as per Procedural By-law 80-2023 Section 3.19

		YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN
<u>1</u>	Councillor Bray	X		
<u>2</u>	Councillor Lamb	X		
<u>3</u>	Councillor Nash	X		
<u>4</u>	Councillor Woods	X		
<u>5</u>	Mayor Comrie	X		

Carried

5.3 By-law Enforcement Process

Resolution No. 2026-148

Moved by: Councillor Bray

Seconded by: Councillor Woods

THAT the Council the Municipality of Whitestone receives Report ADMIN-2026-04 (By-law Enforcement Process) for information; and

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone direct administration to proceed with development and presentation to Council of a By-law Enforcement Policy based on the

content of this report and any additional feedback received today, to be adopted at a future meeting of Council.

Carried

Move into Public Meeting

Resolution No. 2026-149

Moved by: Councillor Lamb

Seconded by: Councillor Woods

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone moves into a Public Meeting at 11:57 a.m.

Carried

6. Public Meeting agenda:

6.1 Call to Order

- Introductions were made by the Chairperson - Council and staff

6.2 Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof – none declared

6.3 Meeting Protocol

- The Chairperson noted that the recording of the Zoom meeting will record those in attendance. Those in attendance showing a phone number only were asked to please advise of their name for the record.
- The Chairperson asked that all comments be addressed through the Chairperson and that the person making comments should state their name before speaking.

6.4 Notice

The Chairperson asked the Clerk how the Notice was posted

6.5 Discussion:

6.5.1 Proposed Zoning By-law Amendment - Short Term Rentals

- Report from MHBC Planners for May 19, 2026 agenda

6.6 Adjournment

Reconvene into Regular Meeting

Resolution No. 2026-150

Moved by: Councillor Lamb

Seconded by: Councillor Bray

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone reconvenes into the Regular Meeting at 1:26 p.m.

Carried

Clerk's Note: Councillor Nash left the meeting at 1:30 p.m.

RECESS 1:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Matters Arising from the Public Meeting

6.1 Proposed Zoning By-law Amendment – Short Term Rentals

Resolution No. 2026-151

Moved by: Councillor Bray

Seconded by: Councillor Woods

THAT Council receives the Planning Report dated May 19, 2026, respecting the Short Term Rental By-law for information; and,

THAT Council directs staff to prepare a Recommendation Planning Report to review and respond to the comments that are received on the By-law at the Statutory Public Meeting, to be presented at a subsequent Council Meeting.

Carried

7 Consent Agenda

Resolution No. 2026-152

Moved by: Councillor Lamb

Seconded by: Councillor Bray

WHEREAS the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone has reviewed the Consent Agenda as presented in the May 19, 2026 agenda package,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone hereby approves the following Council Meeting Minutes:

7.1 Council Meeting Minutes

7.1.1 Regular Council Meeting Minutes – April 21 2026

7.2 Council Committee and Board Minutes

7.2.1 Belvedere Heights Board of Management – February 25, 2026

7.2.2 Belvedere Heights Board of Management – March 25, 2026

7.2.3 North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit – February 25, 2026

Carried

8 Accounts Payable

Resolution No. 2026-153

Moved by: Councillor Lamb

Seconded by: Councillor Woods

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone receives for information the Accounts Payable listing in the amount of \$336,698.22 for the period ending April 30, 2026.

Carried

9. Staff Reports

- 9.1 Report PW-2026-01
Contract Award – Supply and Apply Calcium Chloride

Resolution No. 2026-154

Moved by: Councillor Bray

Seconded by: Councillor Woods

THAT the Council the Municipality of Whitestone receives Report PW-2026-01 (Tender Award for the Supply and Application of Calcium Chloride) for information; and

THAT Council accept the tender submitted by Pollard Distribution Inc. for the 2026 Dust Control Program in the amount of \$65,310.80 plus HST, and that the 2026 dust control budget be increased by \$8,310.80 to accommodate the additional program costs.

Carried

- 9.2 Report PW-2026-02
Contract Award – Supply of Granular Material

Resolution No. 2026-155

Moved by: Councillor Lamb

Seconded by: Councillor Woods

THAT the Council the Municipality of Whitestone receives Report PW-2026-02 (Tender Award for the Supply, Delivery and Spread of Gravel Materials) for information; and

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone hereby approves and awards the contract for the supply, delivery and spreading of 7,950 tonnes of granular materials to Greens Haulage, in the amount of \$155,650.00 plus HST.

Carried

- 9.3 Report FIRE-2026-02
Fire and Rescue Services Q1 2026

Resolution No. 2026-156

Moved by: Councillor Bray

Seconded by: Councillor Woods

THAT the Council the Municipality of Whitestone receives Report FIRE-2026-02 Fire Services Q1 2026, for information.

Carried

- 9.4 Report PLN-2026-02
Planning Services 2026, Q1

Resolution No. 2026-157

Moved by: Councillor Bray

Seconded by: Councillor Lamb

THAT the Council the Municipality of Whitestone receives Report PLN-2026-02 Planning Services 2026, Q1, for information.

Carried

9.5 Report BLDG-2026-02
Building Services Q1

Resolution No. 2026-158

Moved by: Councillor Bray

Seconded by: Councillor Woods

THAT the Council the Municipality of Whitestone receives Report BLDG-2026-02 Building Services Q1 2026, for information.

Carried

Clerk's Note: Councillor Nash rejoined the meeting at 2:40 p.m.

9.6 Report FIN-2026-11
Insurance Renewal Update

Resolution No. 2026-159

Moved by: Councillor Woods

Seconded by: Councillor Lamb

THAT The Council of the Municipality of Whitestone hereby receives for information report FIN-2026-11, 2026-2027 Municipal Insurance Renewal – Limited Term Agreement and Optional Umbrella Liability Coverage; and

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone authorizes staff to proceed with the three-year Limited Term Agreement for the Municipality's Primary Municipal General Liability coverage, locking the annual primary liability premium at \$21,515 plus applicable taxes for each of the next three policy years; and

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone authorizes staff to purchase the optional Umbrella Liability Layer 2 coverage at an additional annual premium of \$2,655 plus applicable taxes, increasing the Municipality's total liability limit to \$50,000,000; and

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone authorizes staff to administer the municipal insurance renewals under the three-year Limited Term Agreement period, provided the renewals are consistent with the terms outlined in this report and remain within the approved annual budget; and

THAT staff report back to Council prior to the expiry of the Limited Term Agreement to review renewal options, including the potential to go to market.

Amendment proposed by Councillor Lamb

Resolution No. 2026-160

Moved by: Councillor Lamb

Seconded by: Councillor Bray

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone amends the motion above to remove paragraphs 2, 4 and 5.

Carried

Resolution No. 2026-159 as amended

Moved by: Councillor Woods

Seconded by: Councillor Lamb

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone hereby receives for information report FIN-2026-11, 2026-2027 Municipal Insurance Renewal – Limited Term Agreement and Optional Umbrella Liability Coverage; and

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone authorizes staff to purchase the optional Umbrella Liability Layer 2 coverage at an additional annual premium of \$2,655 plus applicable taxes, increasing the Municipality's total liability limit to \$50,000,000.

Carried

10. By-laws – None

Clerk's note: Councillor Nash left the meeting at 3:07 p.m.

11. Business Matters

11.1 Report ADMIN-2026-03

- Building Report / Green Initiatives (deferred from April 21 Regular Council Meeting)

Resolution No. 2026-161

Moved by: Councillor Lamb

Seconded by: Councillor Woods

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone receives for information Report ADMIN-2026-03 Green Initiatives Budget; and

THAT Council authorizes administration to proceed with the proposed Green Initiatives spending as proposed in this report for 2026.

Carried

11.2 June 2026 Senior's Month Proclamation

Resolution No. 2026-162

Moved by: Councillor Lamb

Seconded by: Councillor Woods

WHEREAS, Seniors' Month is an annual nation-wide celebration; and

WHEREAS, Seniors have contributed and continue to contribute immensely to the life and vibrancy of the Whitestone community; and

WHEREAS, Seniors continue to serve as leaders, mentors, volunteers, and important and active members of this community; and

WHEREAS, their contributions past and present warrant appreciation and recognition and their stories deserve to be told; and

WHEREAS, the health and well-being of seniors is in the interest of all and further adds to the health and well-being of the community; and

WHEREAS, the knowledge and experience seniors pass on to us continues to benefit all;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT I, Mayor George Comrie on behalf of Whitestone Council, do hereby proclaim the month of June 2026 as 'Seniors' Month' in the Municipality of Whitestone and encourage all citizens to recognize and celebrate the accomplishments of our seniors.

Carried

11.3 Mayor's Monarch Pledge – request of the Whitestone Environmental Stewardship Committee

Resolution No. 2026-163

Moved by: Councillor Woods

Seconded by: Councillor Bray

WHEREAS the monarch butterfly is an iconic North American species whose multigenerational migration and metamorphosis from caterpillar to butterfly has captured the imagination of millions of people; and

WHEREAS both the western and eastern monarch populations have seen significant declines with less than one percent of the western monarch population remaining, while the eastern population has fallen by as much as ninety percent; and

WHEREAS the Municipality of Whitestone recognizes that human health ultimately depends on well-functioning ecosystems and that biodiverse regions can better support food production, healthy soil and air quality and can foster healthy connections between humans and wildlife ;and

WHEREAS cities, towns and rural areas play a critical role in helping to save the monarch butterfly, and the Municipality of Whitestone is eager to participate in the National Wildlife Federation's Mayors' Monarch Pledge; and

WHEREAS, every resident of the Municipality of Whitestone can make a difference for the monarch by preserving and planting native and nectar plants to provide habitat for the monarch and pollinators;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Municipality of Whitestone, does hereby proclaim **The Monarch Pledge** in the Municipality of Whitestone, and encourages all residents to participate in monarch butterfly conservation.

Carried

11.4 Whitestone Environmental Stewardship Committee

- Terms of Reference update

Clerk's Note: This item was deferred to the June 16, 2026 Regular Council Meeting

11.5 District of Parry Sound Municipal Association Spring Meeting

Resolution No. 2026-164

Moved by: Councillor Bray

Seconded by: Councillor Lamb

THAT the following be registered for the District of Parry Sound Municipal Association Spring Meeting being held May 29, 2026 at the Kearney Community Centre:

- Mayor Comrie
- Deputy Mayor Joe Lamb

Carried

11.6 2026 Budget Amendments

- Memorandum from Treasurer Jessica Sinkowski

Clerk's Note: This item was not moved.

11.7 Water monitoring

- Memorandum from Councillor Nash

Clerk's Note: This item was deferred to the June 16, 2026 meeting.

11.8 Highway 520 Conditions

Verbal report – Councillor Lamb

Resolution No. 2026-165

Moved by: Councillor Lamb

Seconded by: Councillor Bray

WHEREAS the Municipality of Whitestone relies on Highway 520 as a critical transportation corridor for residents, emergency services, school transportation, and local economic activity; and

WHEREAS the current condition of Highway 520 has deteriorated significantly, including but not limited to severe pavement degradation, potholes, shoulder erosion, drainage issues, and winter maintenance challenges, resulting in unsafe driving conditions; and

WHEREAS these conditions pose increased risks to motorists, hinder the movement of emergency vehicles, and negatively impact the economic and social well-being of Whitestone and surrounding rural communities; and

WHEREAS rural and northern municipalities depend on the Province of Ontario to maintain provincial highways to a safe and reliable standard, recognizing that local municipalities do not have the authority or financial capacity to undertake such repairs; and

WHEREAS Council has received ongoing concerns from residents, businesses, and visitors regarding the safety and drivability of Highway 520, demonstrating the urgent need for provincial intervention;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone urgently requests the Ministry of Transportation (MTO) to prioritize and undertake the necessary repairs, resurfacing, and safety improvements to Highway 520 at the earliest opportunity; and

THAT the Ministry be asked to provide Council with an anticipated timeline for repair work, including any planned interim safety measures; and

THAT this resolution be forwarded to the Minister of Transportation Prabmeet Singh Sarkaria, MPP for Parry Sound–Muskoka Graydon Smith, the District of Parry Sound Municipal Association, and all neighbouring municipalities similarly affected, for their support.

Carried

12 Correspondence

Resolution No. 2026-166

Moved by: Councillor Lamb

Seconded by: Councillor Bray

WHEREAS the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone has reviewed the Correspondence Items as listed on page 6 of the April 21, 2026 Council Meeting agenda,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receives the correspondence items for information, with the following extracted for further discussion / action:

Item		Action
D - WahwashKesh Conservation Association	Request for donation for Hobolink on Lake WahWashKesh	Approval of \$500 donation – see motion below
F – Canadore College	Parry Sound campus initiatives	- general discussion

R – Whitestone Conservation Association	FoodCycler program response	- representative of WCA to present at the June 16 meeting
H – Heather Chambers	T-ball in Whitestone	- update provided to Council; league is up and running with the help of the rec committee

Carried

Matters Arising from Correspondence:

Resolution No. 2026-167

Moved by: Councillor Lamb

Seconded by: Councillor Bray

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone approves the donation of \$500.00 to the WahWashKesh Conservation Association (WWKCA) for the maintenance of the HoboLink; and

THAT staff are directed to allocate the funds from an appropriate budget line.

Carried

13. Councillor Items

Councillor Woods:

- the library’s 50th anniversary open house was held Saturday May 16 and was well-attended
- Bear-proof garbage bins have been installed at the Gooseneck Lake boat launch and the Waterfront Park, and community feedback has been very positive.
- Public Works staff have done a great job with roads maintenance and their work is appreciated

14. Questions from the Public - None

Move into Closed Session

Resolution No. 2026-168

Moved by: Councillor Lamb

Seconded by: Councillor Bray

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone moves into the Closed Session at 4:41 p.m. for the following matters:

15. Closed Session

15.1 Minutes from the Regular Council Meeting Closed Session – April 21 2026

15.2 Senior of the Year 2026

15.3 A proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board, pursuant to the Municipal Act, Section 239(2)(c):

- Correspondence from Ben Prichard, Lawyer dated April 22, 2026

Carried

Recording paused

Reconvene into Regular Meeting

Resolution No. 2026-169

Moved by: Councillor Bray

Seconded by: Councillor Lamb

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone reconvenes into the Regular Meeting at 5:14 p.m.

Carried

Recording resumed

Matters Arising from Closed Session

15.1 Closed session minutes Regular Council Closed Session April 21 2026

Resolution No. 2026-170

Moved by: Councillor Bray

Seconded by: Councillor Lamb

THAT Council for the Municipality of Whitestone receives the Regular Council Closed Session minutes from April 21, 2026.

Carried

15.2 Senior of the Year 2026

This item was discussed in Closed Session.

15.3 A proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board, pursuant to the Municipal Act, Section 239(2)(c):

This item was discussed in Closed Session.

16. Confirming By-law

Resolution No. 2026-171

Moved by: Councillor Woods

Seconded by: Councillor Bray

THAT By-law No. 22-2026 being the Confirmatory By-law for the Regular Council Meeting of the Municipality of Whitestone on May 19, 2026 is hereby enacted this 19th day of May, 2026.

Carried

17. Adjournment

Resolution No. 2026-172

Moved by: Councillor Lamb

Seconded by: Councillor Woods

WHEREAS the business of this Meeting has concluded;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting be adjourned at 5:17 p.m. until the Regular Council Meeting of Tuesday June 16, 2026 at 10:00 a.m. or at the call of the chair.

Carried

George Comrie

Mayor

Nigel Black

CAO / Clerk

7.2

Committee and Board Minutes

**WHITESTONE PUBLIC LIBRARY AND TECHNOLOGY CENTRE
LIBRARY BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

DATE AND TIME	April 20, 2026; 6:00 PM
LOCATION	Whitestone Public Library and Virtual
ATTENDEES	A. Anklewicz, J. Davis, C. Gorrie M. Johnson, C. Lamb, J. Lamb, P. Woehl Staff: E. Fincham
REGRETS	A. Taylor
CALL TO ORDER	P. Woehl called the meeting to order at 6:03 PM.

DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

2026-07 Moved: J. Lamb

Carried Seconded: J. Davis

Be it resolved that the Agenda for this meeting be approved as amended.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

2026-08 Moved: M. Johnson

Carried Seconded: C. Gorrie

E. Fincham updated the board on the Reading Dragons partnership program with Magnetawan and McKellar. Be it resolved that the Consent Agenda be approved.

NEW BUSINESS

None

BUSINESS ARISING

Board Recruitment

P. Woehl discussed the presentation by A. Pilon. The board discussed calling potential board members for 1:1 discussions, attending road association meetings, an open house for potential board members in August, and the OLS updates to the Governance Hub.

E. Fincham to share information from the OLS on recruitment at the next board meeting.

A. Anklewicz announced that his house is being listed and he will be resigning from the board when he moves out of the municipality.

P. Woehl announced that she will be stepping down as chair when the new board is appointed.

HR Committee

2026-09 Moved: A. Anklewicz
Carried Seconded: C. Lamb
Be it resolved that the HR Committee is dissolved.

Fundraising and Special Events

Library's 50th 2026: May 16 Open House
Committee to meet at 3:00 PM on April 30, 2026. C. Gorrie will pick up flyers to distribute throughout the community. J. Davis confirmed that Whitestone Woods will be donating \$5000 to the cost of a laser cutter. J. Lamb called to thank them for the donation. J. Davis to invite directly to the Open House.

Budget 2026

J. Lamb noted that the budget is being finalized on April 21, 2026.

CHAIR REPORT

P. Woehl announced that she will be attending the "You Make a Difference" workshop through the Agricultural Society on May 2, 2026 at the Dunchurch Community Centre.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND INQUIRIES BY A BOARD MEMBER

C. Lamb will be attending the OLS Board Assembly meeting on Tuesday, May 5, 2026. C. Lamb spoke to T. Stephens regarding wooden leaves for the Giving Tree. E. Fincham to see if he would like to register as a municipal volunteer.

UNFINISHED/ONGOING BUSINESS

- Strategic Plan

QUESTION PERIOD FOR THE GENERAL PUBLIC

None

CLOSED SESSION

None

Next meeting to be held at 6:00 PM on May 11, 2026 at the Whitestone Public Library.

ADJOURNMENT

2026-10 Moved: C. Lamb
Carried Seconded: J. Lamb
Be it resolved that the meeting adjourned at 7:04 PM.

911 Management Committee - MINUTES

Date:

May 21, 2026

Location:

Firehall @ 4 Church Street, Parry Sound, ON

Teams Link:

Meeting ID: 213 436 269 187 Passcode: Aj9yf2Zy

Present:

Dave Thompson, Town of Parry Sound - Chair; Roshan Kantiya - McKellar Township; Matthew Thomas - Manager of EMS; Liam Thompson - The Archipelago; Ann MacDiarmid, Mayor - Seguin Township; Bob Whitman - Municipality of Whitestone; Gord Harrison - Carling Township; Phaedra Van Buuren - 911/Bell Service Representative; Will McPherson - Wasauksing First Nation; Stephanie Hunter Leggett - PS Dispatch; Mike Kekkonen - McKellar Township; Shelley Van Erp (OPP); Matt Roberts (OPP)

Regrets:

Sean Carroll, Seguin Township - Vice Chair; Helena Wall (OPP); Joe Lamb, Councillor - Municipality of Whitestone; Patrick Shoebottom - McDougall Township; Angela Del Rosario - Ministry of Health; Alex Lee - Ministry of Health; Rhonda Schneider - PS Dispatch; Dave Marlin - Britt; Rob Morrison - McKellar Township;

Recording:

Sheri Skinner, Administrative Assistant

911 Management Committee - MINUTES

1. Open Meeting @ 10:00am

2. Roll Call

Reminder: voting members are one delegate from each Municipality, the Chair and Vice Chair

3. Agenda

3.1 Additions to Agenda

6. Update with regard to Next Generation 911

3.2 Prioritization of Agenda

3.3 Adoption of Agenda

Moved by Liam Thompson

Seconded by Mike Kekkonen

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the 911 Committee does hereby adopt the agenda of May 21, 2026 as presented.

carried

3.4 Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof

4. Minutes and Matters Arising from Minutes

4.1 Adoption of Minutes

Moved by Gord Harrison

Seconded by Liam Thompson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the 911 Committee does hereby adopt the minutes of November 27, 2025 as presented.

carried

911 Management Committee - MINUTES

5. Adoption of the 2025 Financial Statements

Presentation and overview by McKellar Treasurer, Roshan Kantiya, on the 2025 Financial Statements.

No discussion by the Committee members on the 2025 Financial Statements that were presented.

Resolution

That the 911 Committee accepts the 2025 Financial Statement as presented.

Moved by Ann MacDiarmid

Seconded by Mike Kekkonen

Carried

6. Dave Thompson updated the Committee on topics discussed from a recent seminar he attended with regards to the implementation of Next Gen 911 which included lack of preparation, penalties for late transitions and he confirmed 'our area' is prepared to move over successfully.

Phaedra Van Buuren also confirmed that the OPP migration testing with Bell Canada will be on August 24th after a short delay due to firmware testing and Parry Sound Dispatch will be circuit installed on November 2nd and then transitioned.

ACTION: Dave to contact Phaedra towards the end of September for any updates.

7. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn

Moved by Gord Harrison

Seconded by Liam Thompson

Carried

Next 911 Committee Member Meeting is November 19, 2026 @ 10:00am

Town of Parry Sound EMS Advisory Committee

Open Minutes

Date:

May 28, 2026

Time:

6:30pm

Location:

(on-line) ZOOM Meeting and on-line streaming of the meeting please click on the link below.

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC4QrR6HjwibWOJRbLwnjcFQ/videos>

Members Present:

Jamie McGarvey - chairperson, Scott Sheard, Pearl Ivens, Shelly Foote, Dan Robertson
Ann MacDiarmid

Regrets:

Joel Constable

Present:

Dave Thompson, Director of Development and Protective Services

Recording:

Sheri Skinner, Administrative Assistant

Guests:

Matt Thomas, Manager EMS

1. Agenda

1.1 Additions to Agenda

1.2 Prioritization of Agenda

1.3 Adoption of Agenda

Moved by Shelly Foote

Seconded by Dan Robertson

That the May 28, 2026 Parry Sound District Emergency Medical Services Committee Meeting Agenda be approved.

carried

1.4 Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof

2. Minutes and Matters Arising from Minutes

2.1 Adoption of Minutes

Moved by Pearl Ivens

Seconded by Scott Sheard

That the Minutes of the February 26, 2026 meeting of the Parry Sound District Emergency Medical Services Committee be approved as circulated.

carried

3. Correspondence

3.1 WPSHC PS Ambulance Service - 2025 - Financial Statements

4. Deputations

5. Emergency Services Director's Report

Moved by Ann MacDiarmid

Seconded by Scott Sheard

That the Emergency Services Director's Report dated May 28, 2026 be accepted as submitted.

carried

6. Reports

6.1 EMS Statistical Report - March 2026

6.2 EMS Night Call Statistics - March 2026

6.3 EMS Vehicle Inventory - March 2026

Dave Thompson provided a descriptive overview of the various reports attached.

Resolution

Moved by Shelly Foote

Second by Dan Robertson

EMS Committee members have received reports 6.1, 6.2, 6.3 as listed above.

carried

7. Ratification of Matters from Closed Agenda

8. Other Business

8.1 DT RR Burks Falls Renovations Update - 2026

Town of Parry Sound EMS Advisory Committee

Open Minutes

Resolution

Moved by Scott Sheard

Seconded by Pearl Ivens

That the EMS Advisory Committee receive the report on the Burks Falls EMS base update.

carried

9. Adjournment @ 6:52pm

Moved by Ann MacDiarmid

Seconded by Dan Robertson

carried

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

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Bank Code - AP - AP-GENERAL OPER

COMPUTER CHEQUE

Payment # Invoice #	Date	Vendor Name GL Account	GL Transaction Description	Detail Amount	Payment Amount
37891 0096636084	05/14/2026	Bell Mobility 16-212 - Fire - Radio Tower & Ai 11-210-2 - A/R HST Receivable 99-999-1 - HST (Statistical) Non-	Fire Tower HST Tax Code HST Tax Code	144.63 15.98 18.48 NL	160.61
37892 16425 16430	05/14/2026	Canadian Tire 16-404-3 - 2020 Freightliner Sn 11-210-2 - A/R HST Receivable 99-999-1 - HST (Statistical) Non- 16-252 - Station 2 - Minor Purch 11-210-2 - A/R HST Receivable 99-999-1 - HST (Statistical) Non-	Supplies HST Tax Code HST Tax Code Supplies HST Tax Code HST Tax Code	203.28 22.45 25.97 NL 141.86 10.82 12.51 NL	225.73 152.68
				Payment Total:	378.41
37893 100060	05/14/2026	Sound Software 16-115 - Admin - Computer Supl 11-210-2 - A/R HST Receivable 99-999-1 - HST (Statistical) Non-	Domain Name HST Tax Code HST Tax Code	60.95 6.74 7.79 NL	67.69
37894 177408	05/14/2026	Bell Canada - Public Access 16-787 - Recreation - Public Pay 11-210-2 - A/R HST Receivable 99-999-1 - HST (Statistical) Non-	Pay Telephone HST Tax Code HST Tax Code	50.88 5.62 6.50 NL	56.50
37895 May 11 2026	05/14/2026	Jasper Keck 16-303 - Roads-Office-Supplies/ 11-210-2 - A/R HST Receivable 99-999-1 - HST (Statistical) Non-	Work Boots HST Tax Code HST Tax Code	251.85 27.81 32.17 NL	279.66
37896 May 15 2026	05/20/2026	Donald Morton 15-330 - Roads Revenue	Return of Entrance Permit C	750.00	750.00
37897 May 1 2026	05/20/2026	David Kowalchuk 12-843 - Unapplied Tax Receipt:	Tax Payments Refunded	1,300.00	1,300.00
37898 May 13 2026	05/20/2026	Scott Nash 16-091 - Council - Travel 16-092 - Council - Miscellaneous 16-092 - Council - Miscellaneous 11-210-2 - A/R HST Receivable 99-999-1 - HST (Statistical) Non-	FONOM Meeting- Travel KM FONOM Meeting- Meals FONOM Meeting- Meals HST Tax Code HST Tax Code	1,004.48 71.82 138.58 7.52 8.70 NL	1,222.40
37899 308368023	06/04/2026	Catalis Technologies Canada 16-161 - Web Site - Maintenance 11-210-2 - A/R HST Receivable 99-999-1 - HST (Statistical) Non-	2026 Website Maintenance HST Tax Code HST Tax Code	7,520.00 830.61 960.69 NL	8,350.61
37900 May 2026	06/04/2026	Christine Carey 12-380 - Road Damage Deposit	Return Road Damage Depc	1,000.00	1,000.00
37901 47648-W6M5Z7	06/04/2026	Federation Of Canadian 16-103 - Admin - Membership/Si 11-210-2 - A/R HST Receivable 99-999-1 - HST (Statistical) Non-	2026 FCM Membership HST Tax Code HST Tax Code	480.07 53.03 61.33 NL	533.10
37902	06/04/2026	Michael Serre			

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Invoice #		GL Account			
May 2026 Reimt	Accrual	15-720 - Licences/Permits	Refund Inactive Permit Fee	200.00	200.00
37903	06/04/2026	Shari Ivins			
20260604-01		11-511 - Taxes Receivable - Cui	Refund for Customer #3115	925.53	
		11-570 - Int Receivable - Curren	Refund for Customer #3115	54.43	979.96
Total Computer Cheque:					15,278.94

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Payment #	Date	Vendor Name	GL Transaction Description	Detail Amount	Payment Amount
Invoice #		GL Account			
3712	05/15/2026	Air Automotive Tracking			
WS2605		16-310 - Roads-Supplies GPS M	May Wireless	254.40	
		11-210-2 - A/R HST Receivable	HST Tax Code	28.10	
		99-999-1 - HST (Statistical) Non-	HST Tax Code	32.50	NL 282.50
3713	05/15/2026	A.J. Stone Company Ltd.			
10081584-0		19-213 - Fire - Air Packs & Multi	Supplies	20,899.51	
		11-210-2 - A/R HST Receivable	HST Tax Code	2,308.43	
		99-999-1 - HST (Statistical) Non-	HST Tax Code	2,669.94	NL 23,207.94
3714	05/15/2026	Brandt Sudbury			
152001895		16-421 - 2010 Grader - Mainten:	Parts	7,665.33	
		11-210-2 - A/R HST Receivable	HST Tax Code	846.67	
		99-999-1 - HST (Statistical) Non-	HST Tax Code	979.26	NL 8,512.00
152500469		16-426-1 - 2022 Backhoe Manit	Repairs	3,052.19	
		11-210-2 - A/R HST Receivable	HST Tax Code	337.12	
		99-999-1 - HST (Statistical) Non-	HST Tax Code	389.92	NL 3,389.31
152500470		16-421 - 2010 Grader - Mainten:	Repairs	6,577.39	
		11-210-2 - A/R HST Receivable	HST Tax Code	726.50	
		99-999-1 - HST (Statistical) Non-	HST Tax Code	840.27	NL 7,303.89
Payment Total:					19,205.20
3715	05/15/2026	Carrier Emergency Vehicles			
02555		16-248-1 - Station 1 - Pumper #:	Supplies	526.76	
		11-210-2 - A/R HST Receivable	HST Tax Code	58.18	
		99-999-1 - HST (Statistical) Non-	HST Tax Code	67.29	NL 584.94
3716	05/15/2026	Canadian Union of Public			
Apr 2026		12-338 - CUPE-Union Dues	April 2026 CUPE Remittanc	962.07	962.07
3717	05/15/2026	Dean's Auto Care Ltd			
5-5-7		16-775 - 2016 Facilities Truck - I	Repairs	800.60	
		11-210-2 - A/R HST Receivable	HST Tax Code	88.43	
		99-999-1 - HST (Statistical) Non-	HST Tax Code	102.28	NL 889.03
5-5-8		16-775 - 2016 Facilities Truck - I	Repairs	1,854.93	
		11-210-2 - A/R HST Receivable	HST Tax Code	204.88	
		99-999-1 - HST (Statistical) Non-	HST Tax Code	236.97	NL 2,059.81
Payment Total:					2,948.84
3718	05/15/2026	Fire Marshal's Public Fire			
IN171526		16-202 - Fire - Training	Hazardous Material	129.21	
		11-210-2 - A/R HST Receivable	HST Tax Code	5.55	
		99-999-1 - HST (Statistical) Non-	HST Tax Code	6.42	NL 134.76
IN171500		16-202 - Fire - Training	Supplies	85.58	
		16-205 - Fire - Ambulance Disp:	Supplies	447.74	
		11-210-2 - A/R HST Receivable	HST Tax Code	53.14	

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		99-999-1 - HST (Statistical) Non-	HST Tax Code	61.46 NL	586.46
				Payment Total:	721.22
3719	05/15/2026	Glen Martin Limited			
433766		16-702 - Dunchurch Hall - Suppl	Supplies	363.86	
		16-741 - Dun Dome - Supplies	Supplies	363.88	
		16-303 - Roads-Office-Supplies/	Supplies	363.86	
		11-210-2 - A/R HST Receivable	HST Tax Code	120.57	
		99-999-1 - HST (Statistical) Non-	HST Tax Code	139.45 NL	1,212.17
3720	05/15/2026	Janet Jackson			
Apr 30 2026		16-798 - After School Program	Apr 28- Apr 30 ASP	173.55	173.55
May 7 2026		16-798 - After School Program	May 5- May 7 extra day ASF	229.25	229.25
				Payment Total:	402.80
3721	05/15/2026	Local Authority Services Ltd.			
MGBP0000538C		16-110 - Admin - Office Supplies	Supplies	235.63	
		11-210-2 - A/R HST Receivable	HST Tax Code	26.02	
		99-999-1 - HST (Statistical) Non-	HST Tax Code	30.10 NL	261.65
3722	05/15/2026	Magnetawan Building Centre Ltd			
104-130837		16-466 - Auld Landfill - Supplies	Supplies	324.11	
		16-446 - York Landfill - Supplies	Supplies	324.11	
		11-210-2 - A/R HST Receivable	HST Tax Code	6.74	
		99-999-1 - HST (Statistical) Non-	HST Tax Code	7.80 NL	654.96
3723	05/15/2026	Moore Propane Limited			
9022057		16-329 - Garage - Heating	Liquid Propane - Garage	508.54	
		11-210-2 - A/R HST Receivable	HST Tax Code	56.17	
		99-999-1 - HST (Statistical) Non-	HST Tax Code	64.97 NL	564.71
9022058		16-704 - Dunchurch Hall - Heatii	Liquid Propane - CC	321.21	
		11-210-2 - A/R HST Receivable	HST Tax Code	35.47	
		99-999-1 - HST (Statistical) Non-	HST Tax Code	41.03 NL	356.68
				Payment Total:	921.39
3724	05/15/2026	Munisoft			
AR5034		16-104 - Admin - Training Exper	Munisoft Training Reschedu	30.00	30.00
3725	05/15/2026	Near North Industrial Solution			
107183		16-703 - Dunchurch Hall - Bld M	Credit for Supplies	-12.21	
		11-210-2 - A/R HST Receivable	HST Tax Code	-1.35	
		99-999-1 - HST (Statistical) Non-	HST Tax Code	-1.56 NL	-13.56
107074		16-703 - Dunchurch Hall - Bld M	Supplies	12.21	
		11-210-2 - A/R HST Receivable	HST Tax Code	1.35	
		99-999-1 - HST (Statistical) Non-	HST Tax Code	1.56 NL	13.56
107182		16-703 - Dunchurch Hall - Bld M	Supplies	45.15	
		11-210-2 - A/R HST Receivable	HST Tax Code	4.99	
		99-999-1 - HST (Statistical) Non-	HST Tax Code	5.77 NL	50.14
				Payment Total:	50.14
3726	05/15/2026	Sands Canada Inc.			
00733252		16-271 - Defibrillator Expense	Supplies	12.18	
		11-210-2 - A/R HST Receivable	HST Tax Code	1.35	
		99-999-1 - HST (Statistical) Non-	HST Tax Code	1.56 NL	13.53
3727	05/15/2026	SignCraft Canada Inc.			
3631		16-265 - Fire Rating Signs (3)	Signs	488.45	
		11-210-2 - A/R HST Receivable	HST Tax Code	53.95	

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Invoice #		GL Account				
		99-999-1 - HST (Statistical) Non-	HST Tax Code	62.40	NL	542.40
3728	05/15/2026	Metroland Media Group Ltd.				
7781250		16-108 - Admin - Advertising	Advertising - Gravel Tender:	80.39		
		11-210-2 - A/R HST Receivable	HST Tax Code	8.88		
		99-999-1 - HST (Statistical) Non-	HST Tax Code	10.27	NL	89.27
3729	05/15/2026	Paul Trudeau				
May 2026		16-303 - Roads-Office-Supplies/	Boot Allowane	254.39		
		11-210-2 - A/R HST Receivable	HST Tax Code	28.10		
		99-999-1 - HST (Statistical) Non-	HST Tax Code	32.50	NL	282.49
3730	05/15/2026	Whitmell, Ron				
May 6 2026		16-501-1 - Staking Fees	Staking Fees - Lashbrook	123.00		123.00
3731	05/19/2026	DataFix				
11580		16-115 - Admin - Computer Supp	Election Management Syste	1,679.04		
		11-210-2 - A/R HST Receivable	HST Tax Code	185.46		
		99-999-1 - HST (Statistical) Non-	HST Tax Code	214.50	NL	1,864.50
3732	05/19/2026	Georgian Bay Propane Inc				
190925		16-337 - Bridges/Culverts-Good	Rental	48.84		
		11-210-2 - A/R HST Receivable	HST Tax Code	5.40		
		99-999-1 - HST (Statistical) Non-	HST Tax Code	6.24	NL	54.24
3733	05/19/2026	Glen Martin Limited				
433766-1		16-702 - Dunchurch Hall - Suppl	Supplies	66.49		
		11-210-2 - A/R HST Receivable	HST Tax Code	7.34		
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434092		16-741 - Dun Dome - Supplies	Supplies	92.46		
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			Payment Total:			176.50
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673807		16-394-1 - 2018 Dodge Ram M	Credit for return	-251.88		
		11-210-2 - A/R HST Receivable	HST Tax Code	-27.82		
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6726109		16-394-1 - 2018 Dodge Ram M	Supplies	61.55		
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		99-999-1 - HST (Statistical) Non-	HST Tax Code	7.86	NL	68.35
6737068		16-421 - 2010 Grader - Mainten	Supplies	12.87		
		11-210-2 - A/R HST Receivable	HST Tax Code	1.42		
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6735712		16-421 - 2010 Grader - Mainten	Supplies	63.60		
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		99-999-1 - HST (Statistical) Non-	HST Tax Code	8.13	NL	70.63
6833587		16-402 - 2015 Freightliner Tand	Supplies	379.07		
		16-404-3 - 2020 Freightliner Sn	Supplies	379.06		
		11-210-2 - A/R HST Receivable	HST Tax Code	83.74		
		99-999-1 - HST (Statistical) Non-	HST Tax Code	96.85	NL	841.87
6833307		16-404-3 - 2020 Freightliner Sn	Supplies	162.18		
		16-784 - Mower Expense	Supplies	61.14		
		11-210-2 - A/R HST Receivable	HST Tax Code	24.67		
		99-999-1 - HST (Statistical) Non-	HST Tax Code	28.53	NL	247.99
6837289		16-784 - Mower Expense	Supplies	15.42		

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3735	05/19/2026	Kidd's Home Hardware			
2990824		16-320 - Garage - Mtc/Supplies/	Supplies	29.17	
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		99-999-1 - HST (Statistical) Non-	HST Tax Code	3.73	NL 32.39
2991641		16-703 - Dunchurch Hall - Bld M	Supplies	7.62	
		16-153 - Office - Janitorial Suppl	Supplies	7.61	
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3737	05/19/2026	My-Tech Information Technology			
Apr 30 2026		16-115 - Admin - Computer Supp	IT Support	1,169.43	
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3738	05/19/2026	Near North Industrial Solution			
107402		16-421 - 2010 Grader - Mainten	Supplies	9.89	
		11-210-2 - A/R HST Receivable	HST Tax Code	1.09	
		99-999-1 - HST (Statistical) Non-	HST Tax Code	1.26	NL 10.98
3739	05/19/2026	Near North Lab Inc			
2601510		16-778 - Water Maintenance	Water Testing	93.21	
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3740	05/19/2026	Paola Macri			
May 7 2026		16-102 - Admin - Travel Expens	Mileage - Training - Electior	334.34	334.34
May 7 2026B		16-110 - Admin - Office Supplies	Office Supplies	59.98	59.98
				Payment Total:	394.32
3741	05/19/2026	Ricoh Canada Inc.			
SCO95264788		16-113 - Admin - Office Equipme	Copier Usage	384.95	
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0631912026051		16-109 - Admin - Telephone	Long Distance	6.31	
		16-237 - Station 1 - Telephone	Long Distance	1.16	
		16-803 - Library - Expenses	Long Distance	0.50	
		16-720 - Maple Is. Hall - Teleph	Long Distance	0.01	
		11-210-2 - A/R HST Receivable	HST Tax Code	0.88	
		99-999-1 - HST (Statistical) Non-	HST Tax Code	1.02	NL 8.86
3743	05/19/2026	Town of Parry Sound			
IVC0000000242	Accrual	16-273 - Animal Control	West Parry Sound Dog Pou	1,385.66	1,385.66
3744	05/19/2026	Valley Blades Limited			
S104588		16-421 - 2010 Grader - Mainten	Parts	3,965.03	
		11-210-2 - A/R HST Receivable	HST Tax Code	437.95	

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May 14 2026		16-102 - Admin - Travel Expensi	FONOM Meeting - Travel E:	313.90	
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		16-092 - Council - Miscellaneous	FONOM Meeting - Travel E:	1,244.56	
		11-210-2 - A/R HST Receivable	HST Tax Code	137.47	
		99-999-1 - HST (Statistical) Non-	HST Tax Code	159.00 NL	2,043.41
3746	05/25/2026	Freightliner North Bay			
18578IN		16-404 - 2017 Freightliner Single	Parts	119.18	
		11-210-2 - A/R HST Receivable	HST Tax Code	13.17	
		99-999-1 - HST (Statistical) Non-	HST Tax Code	15.23 NL	132.35
3747	05/25/2026	Jenn Gerlach			
3025		16-108 - Admin - Advertising	May Newsletter 2026	350.00	350.00
3748	05/25/2026	Moore Propane Limited			
163008263		16-256 - Station 2 - Heating	Liquid Propane - Ardbeg Fir	117.59	
		11-210-2 - A/R HST Receivable	HST Tax Code	12.99	
		99-999-1 - HST (Statistical) Non-	HST Tax Code	15.02 NL	130.58
3749	05/25/2026	North Bay Parry Sound District			
May 2026		16-549 - Health Unit Operating (May 2026 Levy	2,921.10	2,921.10
3750	05/25/2026	Muskoka Auto Parts Limited			
976087/3		16-784 - Mower Expense	Parts	41.27	
		11-210-2 - A/R HST Receivable	HST Tax Code	4.56	
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3751	05/25/2026	OMERS			
April 2026		12-339 - OMERS	April 2026 OMERS	16,100.70	16,100.70
3752	05/25/2026	Purolator Courier Ltd			
525225850		16-210 - Fire - Miscellaneous	Courier Servies - AJ Stone	5.66	
		11-210-2 - A/R HST Receivable	HST Tax Code	0.62	
		99-999-1 - HST (Statistical) Non-	HST Tax Code	0.72 NL	6.28
3753	05/25/2026	SignCraft Canada Inc.			
3660		16-484-3 - Whitestone Environm	Sign for Trash and Recyceli	259.49	
		11-210-2 - A/R HST Receivable	HST Tax Code	28.67	
		99-999-1 - HST (Statistical) Non-	HST Tax Code	33.16 NL	288.16
3754	05/25/2026	Valley Blades Limited			
S104588B		16-421 - 2010 Grader - Mainten:	Parts	365.91	
		11-210-2 - A/R HST Receivable	HST Tax Code	40.42	
		99-999-1 - HST (Statistical) Non-	HST Tax Code	46.75 NL	406.33
3755	06/08/2026	Nigel Black			
May 2026 Exp		16-102 - Admin - Travel Expensi	Mileage DPSMA Meeting	73.73	73.73
3756	06/08/2026	George Comrie			
May 2026 Exp		16-091 - Council - Travel	Mileage DPSMA Meeting	124.10	124.10
3757	06/08/2026	Hicks Morley LLP			
717877	Accrual	16-120 - Admin - Legal Expense	Review Independent Contra	1,495.87	
		11-210-2 - A/R HST Receivable	HST Tax Code	165.23	

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		99-999-1 - HST (Statistical) Non-	HST Tax Code	136.50 NL	1,186.50
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		99-999-1 - HST (Statistical) Non-	HST Tax Code	102.38 NL	889.88
845371	Accrual	16-120 - Admin - Legal Expense	Legal Advice	908.21	
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		99-999-1 - HST (Statistical) Non-	HST Tax Code	116.03 NL	1,008.53
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3758	06/08/2026	Jessica Sinkowski			
May 2026 Exp		16-102 - Admin - Travel Expense	Mileage Oct 2025 to May 2026	1,103.76	1,103.76
3759	06/08/2026	Joseph Lamb			
May 2026 Exp		16-091 - Council - Travel	Mileage PSPB Business	58.40	
		16-091 - Council - Travel	Mileage DPSMA Meeting	109.50	167.90
May 2026 Reimt	Accrual	15-720 - Licences/Permits	Refund Inactive Permit Fee	200.00	200.00
			Payment Total:		367.90
3760	06/08/2026	Municipal Insurance Services			
Mar 6 2026		16-206-1 - Fire Insurance Helipad	2026/27 Helipad Renewal	2,797.20	
		11-300 - Prepaid	2025/26 Credit Twist Proper	-2,270.16	
		11-300 - Prepaid	2025/26 Credit Overpayer	-1,891.80	
		11-300 - Prepaid	2026/27 Insurance Renewal	166,575.48	
		11-300 - Prepaid	2025/26 Credit	-135.00	165,075.72
3761	06/08/2026	Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada			
00289354		16-101 - Admin- Benefits	EAP	42.74	
		11-210-2 - A/R HST Receivable	HST Tax Code	4.72	
		99-999-1 - HST (Statistical) Non-	HST Tax Code	5.46 NL	47.46
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Report prepared for Council June 10, 2026

Jessica Sinkowski

Jessica Sinkowski, Treasurer/Tax Collector

STAFF REPORTS



Municipality of Whitestone

Report to Council

Prepared for: Council

Department: Finance

Agenda Date: June 16, 2026

Report No: FIN-2026-12

Subject:

2026 Budget Amendment – Gravel Resurfacing

Recommendation:

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone hereby receives Report FIN-2026-12 2026 Budget Amendment – Gravel Resurfacing for information; and

THAT Council approves a 2026 budget amendment to increase the Gravel Resurfacing Capital Project budget from \$170,000 to \$185,000; and

THAT the amended capital project be funded \$65,000 from the tax levy and \$120,000 from the Northern Ontario Resource Development Support Program grant funding; and

THAT the \$105,000 in Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund (OCIF) funding originally allocated to the project remain in deferred revenue until an eligible capital project is identified in 2027 or a future budget year.

Background:

The Municipality has historically budgeted annually for gravel resurfacing. For the years 2021 through 2025, the annual gravel resurfacing budget was \$220,000 and was funded through a combination of \$100,000 from the municipal tax levy and \$120,000 from the Northern Ontario Resource Development Support Program, commonly referred to as NORDS.

Historically, this budget was included within the operating budget and was used for both larger gravel resurfacing projects and smaller patching or maintenance-related work.

At the time the 2026 Budget was prepared, confirmation had not yet been received that the NORDS program would continue for 2026. As 2025 was understood to be the final year of the grant program at that time, the 2026 Budget was prepared without NORDS funding.

To maintain the Municipality's historical \$100,000 levy contribution toward gravel resurfacing, the 2026 Budget was structured as follows:

- \$35,000 remained in the operating budget for smaller gravel patching and maintenance work, funded from the tax levy; and
- \$170,000 was included in the capital budget for larger gravel resurfacing work, funded \$65,000 from the tax levy and \$105,000 from Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund funding.

Following approval of the 2026 Budget, the Municipality received confirmation that the NORDS program would continue for 2026 and that the Municipality would receive \$120,000, consistent with prior years.

Analysis:

As NORDS funding has now been confirmed for 2026, staff are recommending that Council amend the 2026 Budget to allocate the full \$120,000 in NORDS funding to the Gravel Resurfacing Capital Project.

The proposed amendment would increase the capital project budget from \$170,000 to \$185,000, funded as follows:

Funding Source	Approved 2026 Budget	Proposed Amendment
Tax Levy	\$65,000	\$65,000
OCIF Funding	\$105,000	\$0
NORDS Funding	\$0	\$120,000
TOTAL BUDGET	\$170,000	\$185,000

The \$35,000 operating budget for smaller gravel patching and maintenance work would remain unchanged and continue to be funded from the tax levy.

This amendment maintains the Municipality's historical \$100,000 total levy contribution toward gravel resurfacing activities, consisting of \$35,000 in operating and \$65,000 in capital. It also ensures that the newly confirmed NORDS funding is applied to eligible gravel resurfacing work in 2026.

The Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund funding originally allocated to the project would no longer be required for this capital project and would remain in deferred revenue until an eligible capital project is identified in 2027 or a future budget year.

Financial Impact:

The proposed budget amendment does not increase the 2026 tax levy requirement. The amendment would increase the Gravel Resurfacing Capital Project budget by \$15,000, from \$170,000 to \$185,000, with the increase fully funded through NORDS funding. The \$105,000 in OCIF funding originally allocated to the project would remain in deferred revenue and be available for a future eligible capital project.

Conclusion:

Staff recommend that Council approve the proposed 2026 Budget amendment to increase the Gravel Resurfacing Capital Project budget to \$185,000 and fund the project with \$65,000 from the tax levy and \$120,000 from NORDS funding.

This amendment allows the Municipality to apply the confirmed 2026 NORDS funding to gravel resurfacing work, maintains the Municipality's historical levy contribution, and preserves OCIF funding for future infrastructure needs.

Link to Strategic Plan:

- 2. Fiscal Responsibility and Accountability
- 5. Maintenance of our Infrastructure

Respectfully submitted by:



Jessica Sinkowski
Treasurer/Tax Collector

Reviewed by:



Nigel Black
CAO/Clerk

ATTACHMENT A – 2026 Amended Capital Budget Worksheet – Gravel Resurfacing

ATTACHMENT B – Letter from Ministry of Northern Economic Development and Growth
re: NORDS Funding



2026 Capital Budget Worksheet

Requesting Department: Roads
Project Name: Gravel Resurfacing

Project Start Date: 01-Jun-26
Estimated End Date: 31-Aug-26

Project Description: Total resurfacing of the following gravel roads following the AMP study and routine patrol priorities/ grading needs.

Business Case: Following the AMP study and to finish up a roads surface after replacing culverts and doing some intensive ditching last year the following roads should be resurfaced during the upcoming gravel season.
 Balsam Rd. - Canning Rd. to Irwin Rd.
 Lorimer Lake Rd. - Highway 124 to 1 km. past the Snow plow turnaround
 Boundry Spur Rd. - Highway 124 to Highway 124
 Nelson Clelland Rd. - Highway 520 to the turnaround

How does this tie into the Strategic Plan? Maintenance of our Infrastructure

ORIGINAL BUDGET AMENDED BUDGET

Expenditure Forecast

Planning & Design		
Construction / Purchase	170,000	185,000
Furniture/Equipment		
Materials		
Contingency		
Other		
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	170,000	185,000

Funding Sources

Levy Funding	65,000	65,000
Reserves		
OCIF	105,000	
CCBF		
External Contributions		
Other - NORDS Grant		120,000
TOTAL FUNDING SOURCES	170,000	185,000

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May 14, 2026

His Worship George Comrie
Mayor
Municipality of Whitestone
mayor.comrie@whitestone.ca

Dear Mayor Comrie:

I am pleased to write to you regarding the Northern Ontario Resource Development Support (NORDS) Fund.

As outlined in the 2026 Ontario Budget, our government has now extended the NORDS Fund so it will continue to invest \$15 million annually in municipalities across Northern Ontario to help with infrastructure to enable resource development as well as offset some of the impacts that development sectors including forestry, mining, aggregates and agriculture, can have on local municipal and community infrastructure.

All 144 municipalities in Northern Ontario will continue to be eligible to receive funding under the NORDS Fund to support investments in municipal infrastructure projects. This funding will continue to complement existing funding streams available to municipalities for infrastructure projects.

We have heard from municipalities across the North, and we will continue to ensure that the NORDS Fund remains flexible, allowing municipalities to stack with other programs, carry over unused allocations year-over-year and pursue partnerships with other northern municipalities to support regional projects. As well, our government understands the importance of stable and predictable funding to municipalities, so we will maintain the same allocation for each municipality in Northern Ontario.

I also heard the requests to ensure that the program can be used to fund infrastructure related to agricultural development and I am pleased to confirm that is eligible.

I am pleased to confirm that the Municipality of Whitestone's annual allocation is \$119,391.40. This annual allocation can fund projects that began on or after April 1, 2026.

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Dustin Turner, a Northern Development Advisor from my ministry's Regional Economic Development Branch, will contact you soon to provide support, or to answer any questions you may have. Mr. Turner can also be contacted by phone at (705) 773-0703, or by email at dustin.turner@ontario.ca.

Our government remains committed to working with and supporting municipalities across Northern Ontario.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in grey ink, appearing to read 'G. Pirie', with a long horizontal line extending to the left.

The Honourable George Pirie
Minister of Northern Economic Development and Growth



Municipality of Whitestone

Report to Council

Prepared for: Council

Department: Public Works

Agenda Date: June 16, 2026

Report No: PW-2026-03

Subject:

Award of RFP 2026-02 Supply and Delivery of Two Pickup Trucks

Recommendation:

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone hereby receives Report PW-2026-02 Supply and Delivery of Two Pickup Trucks; and

THAT Council awards RFP 2026-02 to Parry Sound Chevrolet for the purchase of two pickup trucks in the total amount of \$135,000 including HST; and

THAT the Mayor and CAO/Clerk be authorized to execute any required documents to proceed with the purchase.

Background:

The Municipality issued RFP 2026-02 for the supply and delivery of two pickup trucks for the Public Works department and Fire department. Council had previously requested that staff investigate both purchase and lease options. As a result, the RFP requested purchase pricing and lease pricing, where available, so that both acquisition options could be considered.

The procurement was also subject to the applicable Buy Ontario fleet vehicle requirements for new light-duty passenger fleet vehicles. The RFP included a Buy Ontario vehicle category declaration and required submissions to be evaluated sequentially in accordance with the provincial requirements. Under the Buy Ontario fleet vehicle requirements, submissions are reviewed in the following order:

- Tier 1 – Made-in-Ontario Vehicle
- Tier 2 – Ontario Vehicle Producer Vehicle, only if no Tier 1 submission is compliant and meets the Municipality’s mandatory operational requirements
- Tier 3 – Open Vehicle Category, only if no Tier 1 or Tier 2 submission is compliant and meets the Municipality’s mandatory operational requirements

Analysis:

The Municipality received two submissions:

Bidder	Buy Ontario Category	Purchase Price Including HST	Lease Pricing Submitted	Compliance
Parry Sound Chevrolet	Tier 2	\$135,000.00	No	Yes
Bourgeois Ford North Inc.	Tier 3	\$155,014.59	Yes	Yes

The Chevrolet submission was identified as a Tier 2 – Ontario Vehicle Producer submission and met the mandatory specifications set out in the RFP. The Chevrolet dealer did not submit lease pricing and indicated that leasing was not recommended. Since the RFP requested lease pricing for comparison purposes where available, and since Chevrolet submitted a compliant purchase option, the absence of lease pricing does not affect the recommended award.

The Ford submission was identified as a Tier 3 – Open Vehicle Category submission. While Ford submitted lease pricing, the Ford purchase price was higher than the Chevrolet purchase price. In addition, because a compliant Tier 2 submission was received and met the Municipality's mandatory operational requirements, the Buy Ontario evaluation sequence requires the Municipality to proceed within Tier 2 and not move to Tier 3 for award consideration.

Staff also reviewed the lease option submitted by Ford for comparison purposes. Based on the higher purchase price and the long-term cost of the lease option, the lease option would not provide a financial advantage over the compliant Tier 2 purchase option submitted by Chevrolet.

Accordingly, staff recommend awarding the RFP to Parry Sound Chevrolet for the purchase of both pickup trucks.

Financial Impact:

The approved 2026 capital budget includes \$70,000 for purchase of the Public Works pickup truck and \$82,000 for the purchase of the Fire pickup truck.

The total purchase price submitted by Parry Sound Chevrolet is \$135,000 including applicable taxes. The net municipal cost after applicable HST rebate is estimated at \$121,571.68.

This purchase is within the approved capital budget by an estimated \$30,428.32. The remaining budget in the Fire department budget will be used for required retrofits.

Procurement Considerations:

The RFP was issued in accordance with the Municipality's procurement process. The RFP included mandatory vehicle specifications, purchase and lease pricing schedules, and Buy Ontario vehicle category declarations.

The recommended award is consistent with the RFP evaluation process and the Buy Ontario fleet vehicle requirements. The Chevrolet submission was a compliant Tier 2 submission and met the Municipality's mandatory operational requirements. As a result, Tier 3 submissions were not required to be evaluated further for award.

Conclusion:

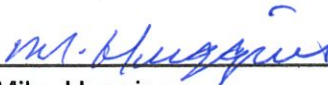
Staff recommend that Council award RFP 2026-02 to Parry Sound Chevrolet for the purchase of two pickup trucks. The Chevrolet submission met the mandatory specifications, was identified as a Tier 2 Ontario Vehicle Producer submission, and provided the lowest purchase price received.

Awarding to Chevrolet is consistent with the RFP, the Municipality's procurement process, and the applicable Buy Ontario fleet vehicle requirements.


Link to Strategic Plan:

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Respectfully submitted by:

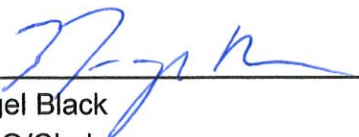


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Reviewed by:



Nigel Black
CAO/Clerk



Municipality of Whitestone

Report to Council

Prepared for: Council

Department: Public Works

Agenda Date: June 16, 2026

Report No: PW-2026-04

Subject:

Award of Tandem Axle Plow Truck Purchase – Co-Operative Purchasing

Recommendation:

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone hereby receives Report PW-2026-04 Award of Tandem Axle Plow Truck Purchase Through Canoe Procurement Group; and

THAT Council approve the purchase of one tandem axle plow truck through the Canoe Procurement Group, in accordance with Section 21 of the Municipality's Procurement Policy regarding Co-Operative Purchasing; and

THAT Council award the purchase to Freightliner North Bay in the amount of \$489,610.00 plus applicable taxes, with an estimated total municipal cost of \$498,227.14 after non-recoverable HST; and

THAT Council approve a budget amendment to increase the approved capital budget for the tandem axle plow truck from \$470,000 to \$500,000, with the additional \$30,000 to be funded from the Asset Management Reserve.

Background:

The approved 2026 Capital Budget includes \$470,000 for the replacement of a tandem axle plow truck for the Public Works Department. The Municipality participates in the Canoe Procurement Group, a co-operative purchasing program available to municipalities and other public-sector entities. Notice of the Municipality's participation in the Canoe group buying program has been posted on the municipal website. Section 21 of the Municipality's Procurement Policy permits the Corporation to enter into arrangements with government bodies, ministries, agencies, boards, corporations or authorities on a co-operative or joint basis for the purchase of goods and/or services where there are economic advantages in doing so and where such purchases comply

with the policy. Rather than issuing a separate municipal Request for Tender, staff obtained pricing through the Canoe Procurement Group from suppliers capable of providing a tandem axle plow truck meeting the Municipality's operational requirements.

Analysis:

The Municipality's Procurement Policy permits co-operative purchasing under Section 21 where there are economic advantages and the purchase complies with the policy. Staff obtained three quotations through the Canoe Procurement Group from suppliers capable of providing the required equipment. The use of Canoe provides access to competitively procured supplier contracts through a co-operative purchasing model. This approach avoids duplicating a separate public tendering process while still allowing the Municipality to obtain competitive pricing from approved suppliers.

The quotations received were as follows:

Supplier	Quote Excluding HST	Price with Non-Rebateable HST
Freightliner North Bay	\$489,610.00	\$498,227.14
Kenworth Truck Centres	\$505,030.00	\$513,918.53
International	\$516,315.55	\$525,402.70

Following review of the submissions, staff recommend awarding the purchase to Freightliner North Bay. The recommended supplier provided the lowest compliant quotation and meets the Municipality's required specifications for the tandem axle plow truck.

The purchase through Canoe is consistent with the Municipality's Procurement Policy and supports an efficient and competitive procurement process.

Asset Management Considerations:

The existing tandem axle plow truck was acquired in 2014 at a cost of approximately \$227,000. The Municipality's Asset Management Plan currently reflects a useful life of 15 years for this asset class and a replacement value of approximately \$375,000. However, staff reviewed the condition of the existing unit and determined that replacement is required ahead of the anticipated schedule. The existing truck has experienced significant reliability issues and would require approximately \$40,000 in repairs to keep it in service. Given the age, condition, repair cost, and operational importance of the vehicle, staff do not recommend continuing to invest in the existing unit. In addition, a 15-year useful life may be too generous for this type of winter control equipment and a useful life closer to 10 years may be more appropriate for future asset management planning purposes.

Financial Impact:

The approved 2026 Capital Budget includes \$470,000 for the purchase of a tandem axle plow truck. The recommended quotation from Freightliner North Bay is \$489,610.00 plus applicable taxes. After accounting for the municipal portion of non-recoverable HST, the estimated total municipal cost is \$498,227.14. The recommended purchase exceeds the approved capital budget by approximately \$28,227.14. Staff recommend that the additional cost be funded from the Asset Management Reserve and that the 2026 Capital Budget be amended accordingly.

While funds are available in the Asset Management Reserve to fund the budget shortfall for this purchase, the higher-than-anticipated replacement cost may impact future asset management funding requirements. Staff are continuing to work toward improved asset management data and long-term capital forecasting.

Conclusion:

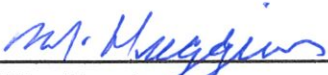
Staff recommend that Council approve the purchase of one tandem axle plow truck from Freightliner North Bay through the Canoe Procurement Group in the amount of \$489,610.00 plus applicable taxes.

The recommended purchase is consistent with the Municipality’s Procurement Policy, was supported by three quotations through Canoe, and will allow the Public Works Department to proceed with the acquisition of necessary winter control equipment.

Link to Strategic Plan:

- 2. Fiscal Responsibility and Accountability
- 5. Maintenance of our Infrastructure

Respectfully submitted by:




Mike Huggins
Manager of Public Works



Jessica Sinkowski
Treasurer/Tax Collector

Reviewed by:



Nigel Black
CAO/Clerk



Municipality of Whitestone

Report to Council

Prepared for: Council

Department: Administration

Agenda Date: June 16, 2025

Report No: ADMIN-2026-05

Subject:

2025 Legal Expenses as of December 31, 2025

Recommendation:

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone receives for information Report ADMIN-2026-05 (Legal Expenses 2025)

Analysis:

Date	Service Provider	Amount	Sub-Total	Description
Mar 16/25	Torkin Manes	\$2,199.55		WPSRCC Claim Defence
Apr 16/25	Torkin Manes	\$333.27		WPSRCC Claim Defence
May 16/25	Torkin Manes	\$599.88		WPSRCC Claim Defence
May 16/25	Torkin Manes	\$194.00		WPSRCC Claim Defence
Jun 16/25	Torkin Manes	\$4,451.50		WPSRCC Claim Defence
July 16/25	Torkin Manes	\$1,932.94		WPSRCC Claim Defence
Aug 16/25	Torkin Manes	\$8,491.41		WPSRCC Claim Defence
Sept 16/25	Torkin Manes	\$15,588.65		WPSRCC Claim Defence
July 16/25	Torkin Manes	\$1,674.46		MPA/Bolger Landing
08/07/2025	Torkin Manes	\$2,612.64		MPA/ Bolger Landing
08/07/2025	Torkin Manes	\$28.35		MPA/ Bolger Landing
08/07/2025	Torkin Manes	\$599.88		MPA/ Bolger Landing
			\$38,706.53	
May 25/25	Cunningham Swan	\$686.88		Integrity Commissioner Services/General Legal
Jun 25/25	Cunningham Swan	\$152.64		Integrity Commissioner Services/General Legal
Aug 25/25	Cunningham Swan	\$686.88		Integrity Commissioner Services/General Legal

Aug 25/25	Cunningham Swan	\$974.35	Integrity Commissioner Services/General Legal
Oct 25/25	Cunningham Swan	<u>\$915.84</u>	Integrity Commissioner Services/General Legal
			\$3,416.59
Mar 13/25	Russell Christie LLP	\$1,186.63	Planning/Bylaw Matters
June 16/25	Russell Christie LLP	<u>\$1,536.17</u>	Planning/Bylaw Matters
			\$2,722.80
Jan 31/25	Michael Skof	\$1,255.47	Zoning and Building Code Matter Before the Courts
Feb 28/25	Michael Skof	\$457.92	Zoning and Building Code Matter Before the Courts
May 31/25	Michael Skof	\$3,029.91	Zoning and Building Code Matter Before the Courts
Jun 30/25	Michael Skof	\$499.90	Zoning and Building Code Matter Before the Courts
Jul 31/25	Michael Skof	\$1,096.47	Zoning and Building Code Matter Before the Courts
Aug 30/25	Michael Skof	\$1,717.20	Zoning and Building Code Matter Before the Courts
Sept 31/25	Michael Skof	\$1,396.66	Zoning and Building Code Matter Before the Courts
Oct 31/25	Michael Skof	\$1,377.58	Zoning and Building Code Matter Before the Courts
Nov 30/25	Michael Skof	<u>\$85.22</u>	Zoning and Building Code Matter Before the Courts
			\$10,916.33
Sept 18/25	Loopstra Nixon	\$7,636.30	Enforcement of Order to Comply - Building Code
Oct 20/25	Loopstra Nixon	\$3,517.85	Enforcement of Order to Comply - Building Code
Nov 20/25	Loopstra Nixon	<u>\$1,743.66</u>	Enforcement of Order to Comply - Building Code
			\$12,897.81
Dec 30/24	Hicks Morley LLP	\$1,495.87	HR Matters
Oct 24/25	Hicks Morley LLP	\$1,068.48	HR Matters
Nov 27/25	Hicks Morley LLP	\$801.36	HR Matters
Dec 22/25	Hicks Morley LLP	<u>\$908.21</u>	HR Matters
			\$4,273.92

Dec 31/25	Weir Folds	<u>\$1,474.65</u>	FOI Request Advice
			\$1,474.65

Misc Non-Lawyer Expenses Included in Legal Matters

Jun 23/25	MHBC Planning	\$5,559.18	Zoning and Building Code Matter Before the Courts
Aug 23/25	MHBC Planning	\$1,063.39	Zoning and Building Code Matter Before the Courts
Oct 23/25	MHBC Planning	\$254.40	Zoning and Building Code Matter Before the Courts
Dec 1/25	IBW Surveyors	\$4,884.49	Survey - Grange/Food Pantry
Dec 15/25	Law N Mowers	<u>\$371.52</u>	Zoning and Building Code Matter Before the Courts
			\$12,132.98
	Total	<u><u>\$86,541.61</u></u>	

Financial:

2025 Approved Budget: \$75,000

Respectfully submitted by:



 Nigel Black
 CAO/Clerk



Municipality of Whitestone

Report to Council

Prepared for: Council

Department: Administration

Agenda Date: June 16, 2026

Report No: ADMIN-2026-06

Subject:

2026 Municipal Election – Restricted Acts of Council “Lame Duck” Periods

Recommendation:

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone does hereby receive report ADMIN-2026-06 (2026 Municipal Election – Restricted Acts of Council “Lame Duck” Periods) for information.

Background:

With 2026 being a Municipal Election year, it is important that Council is aware of the application of Section 275 of the Municipal Act, 2001, which is identified as “Restricted Acts After Nomination Day,” but more commonly known as “lame duck” provisions. Nomination day is August 21, 2026.

The Municipal Act 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25, Section 275

Restricted Acts After Nomination Day

(1) The council of a local municipality shall not take any action described in subsection (3) after the first day during the election for a new council on which it can be determined that one of the following applies to the new council that will take office following the election:

1. If the new council will have the same number of members as the outgoing council, the new council will include less than three-quarters of the members of the outgoing council.

Basis for determination

(2) If a determination under subsection (1) is made,

(a) after nomination day but before voting day, the determination shall be based on the nominations to the new council that have been certified and any acclamations made to the new council; or

(b) after voting day, the determination shall be based on the declaration of the results of the election including declarations of election by acclamation.

Restrictions

(3) The actions referred to in subsection (1) are,

- (a) the appointment or removal from office of any officer of the municipality;*
- (b) the hiring or dismissal of any employee of the municipality;*
- (c) the disposition of any real or personal property of the municipality which has a value exceeding \$50,000 at the time of disposal; and*
- (d) making any expenditures or incurring any other liability which exceeds \$50,000.*

Exception

(4) Clauses (3) (c) and (d) do not apply if the disposition or liability was included in the most recent budget adopted by the council before nomination day in the election.

Emergencies

(4.1) Nothing in this section prevents a municipality taking any action in the event of an emergency.

Analysis:

The calculation used to decide whether a council is 'lame duck' or not is by determining 3/4 or 75% of the membership of council. For a Council of five 5 members, 3/4 (or 75%) = 3.75 (rounded up to 4).

There are two potential Lame Duck Periods:

1. Nomination Day to Election Day (August 21, 2026 to October 26, 2030)

Whether a Council is considered lame duck or not for this period shall be based on the 2026 Candidate election nominations that have been certified by the Municipal Clerk. If less than 3/4 of the existing Council Members are not running for Municipal Council, the restrictions pursuant to Section 275 of the Municipal Act will apply.

As well, if 3/4 (4 members) of the existing Council have been nominated for re-election and 2 or more of the 4 are running for the position of mayor, this scenario will create a lame duck Council.

2. Election Day to the End of the Term (October 26, 2026 to November 15, 2026)

Whether a Council is considered lame duck for this period, the determination is based on the election results, declared by the Clerk shortly after the municipal election. If the election results in less than 3/4 of the incumbent Council Members returning to Council, the restrictions set out in the Municipal Act will apply.

Next Steps

Delegated Authority

To assist with continuation of municipal business during lame duck periods, many municipalities delegate authority during the restricted period to a senior officer of the Corporation, usually the

CAO. During this time the delegated authority applies to only the actions that Council has been restricted from taking as outlined under section 275 of the Municipal Act. Should Council decide to adopt a By-law delegating signing authority to the CAO, it has been included in this month's agenda.

Financial Considerations

There are no financial implications as a result of this report.

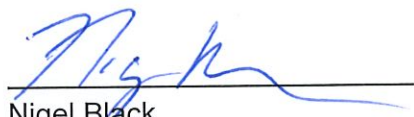
Link to Strategic Plan:

Core Values:

We will govern our actions according to the following core values:

- Accountability
- Openness and transparency

Respectfully submitted by:



Nigel Black
CAO/Clerk

Attachments: None.

BY-LAWS

**THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF WHITESTONE
BY-LAW No. 23-2026**

To Close and Stop Up That Part of the Original Concession Road Allowance being all of PIN 52088-0610, legally described as Gerard Street on Plan 53, Municipality of Whitestone, District of Parry Sound, and to sell all of PIN 52088-0610, legally described as Gerard Street on Plan 53, Whitestone

WHEREAS it is deemed expedient in the interest of the Corporation of the Municipality of Whitestone, hereinafter called the Corporation, that the original unopened concession road allowance described in Schedule A hereto be closed, and thereafter be sold and conveyed to the adjacent owners; and

WHEREAS the adjacent owners have made a request to the Corporation for the purchase of part of the said original unopened concession road allowance designated as all of PIN 52088-0610 legally described as Gerard Street on Plan 53; Whitestone; and

WHEREAS public notice of the intention of the Corporation to close the said portion of the said concession road allowance has been made in accordance the municipality's by-laws regarding the same; and

WHEREAS no persons have objected in writing to the closing or appeared before the Council claiming that his, her or its lands will be prejudicially affected by this By-law; and

WHEREAS no person uses the road allowance for motor vehicle access to or from the person's land; and

WHEREAS the road allowance does not abut land owned by the Crown in right of Canada or lead to or abut on the bridge, wharf, dock, quay or other work owned by the Crown in right of Canada;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Whitestone enacts as follows:

1. **THAT** upon and after the passing of this By-law that part of the original unopened concession road allowance described in Schedule A hereto be, and the same is hereby closed and stopped up.
2. **THAT** upon and after passing of this By-law that part of the road allowance described as all of PIN 52088-0610 being Gerard Street on Plan 53; Whitestone, be sold and conveyed by the Corporation to the adjacent owner or owners forthwith after this By-law comes into effect for other lawful consideration and the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00).
3. **THAT** the road allowance described in Schedule A hereto is declared surplus.
4. **THAT** the Mayor and Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk be and they are hereby authorized and directed to sign all such conveyances as may be necessary and expedient for carrying out the provisions of this By-law, and to affix to such conveyances the Corporate Seal of the Municipality.
5. **THAT** this By-law shall come into effect upon the date, and at the time of its passing; and
6. **THAT** By-law No. 23-2026 being a By-law to close and stop up that Part of the Original Concession Road Allowance being all of PIN 52088-0610, legally described as Gerard Street on Plan 53, Municipality of Whitestone, District of Parry Sound, and to sell all of PIN 52088-0610, legally described as Gerard Street on Plan 53, Whitestone

Mayor George Comrie

CAO/Clerk Nigel Black

Schedule 'A' to By-law 23-2026

**Being all of PIN 52088-0610,
Gerard Street on Plan 53, Municipality of Whitestone, District of Parry Sound,**

**THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF WHITESTONE
BY-LAW No. 24-2026**

**A By-law to Enter into an Agreement
for Conditions of Approval of Consent B05/2026(W)**

(Assessment Roll No. 040 001 02309 – NASH, Scott)

WHEREAS Section 9 of the *Municipal Act*, 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25 as amended provides for powers of a natural person whereby a municipality has the capacity, rights, powers and privileges of a natural person for the purpose of exercising its authority under this or any other Act;

AND WHEREAS Section 51(26) of the *Planning Act* authorizes municipalities to enter into agreements as a condition of approval of a consent;

AND WHEREAS it is deemed desirable that the Corporation of the Municipality of Whitestone enter into an agreement with Scott Nash for the purposes of fulfilling conditions of an approved Consent Application B05/2026(W);

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Whitestone hereby enacts as follows:

1. **THAT** the Mayor and CAO/Clerk of the Corporation of the Municipality of Whitestone are hereby authorized to execute under seal of the Corporation an Agreement between the Municipality of Whitestone and Scott Nash; and
2. **THAT** the said Agreement is attached hereto and shall form part of this By-law as Schedule "A"; and
3. **THAT** this By-law shall come into effect upon the date, and at the time of its passing; and
4. **THAT** By-law No. 24-2026 being a By-law to enter into an agreement with Scott Nash for the purposes of fulfilling conditions of an approved Consent Application B05/2026(W) is hereby passed this 16th day of June, 2026.

Mayor George Comrie

CAO/Clerk Nigel Black

Schedule 'A' to By-law 24-2026

CONSENT AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT made in triplicate this 16th day of June, 2026.

BETWEEN:

SCOTT NASH

hereinafter called the "Owner"
of the First Part

-and-

THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF WHITESTONE

hereinafter called the "Municipality"
of the Second Part

WHEREAS the lands affected by this Agreement are the lands described in Schedule "A" attached hereto;

AND WHEREAS Section 51(26) of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c.P.13, as amended, authorizes approval authorities and municipalities to enter into agreements as a condition of consent;

AND WHEREAS the Owners obtained, from the Parry Sound Area Planning Board (File B05-2026(W)) approval of a consent to sever the subject lands, the purpose of which is to provide for the creation of one (1) new waterfront lot fronting on Gooseneck Lake;

NOW THEREFORE, THIS CONSENT AGREEMENT WITNESSETH THAT, in the consideration of other good and valuable consideration and the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) of lawful money of Canada now paid by the Municipality to the Owners, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, the Owners and the Municipality, covenant, declare and agree as follows:

PART A – GENERAL

1. The lands to be bound by the terms and conditions of this Agreement referred to as "the subject lands" are located in the Municipality and more particularly described in Schedule "A" hereto.
2. The survey plan describing the subject lands is Reference Plan No. 42R - _____
3. This Agreement shall be registered on title to the subject lands as provided for by Section 51(26) of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, as amended, at the expense of the Owner.
4. This Agreement will not be amended or removed from the title of the subject lands except where agreed upon by the Municipality and the Owner.

PART B – PURPOSE OF THE DEVELOPMENT

5. The Owner has applied for and received approval by the Parry Sound Area Planning Board (File B05/2026(W)) approval of a consent to sever the subject lands, the purpose of which is to provide for the creation of one (1) new waterfront lot fronting on Gooseneck Lake;

PART C – SEPTIC SYSTEM DESIGN REQUIREMENTS

6. That the tile field of all future septic systems be setback a minimum of 30 metres from the high water mark of Gooseneck Lake were possible.
7. Any future septic system shall obtain a permit through North Bay-Mattawa Conservation Authority during the Building Permit Application Process with the Municipality.
8. Should “B” horizon soils be excavated during the construction of any dwellings, they should be incorporated into the base of the tile field, where possible.
9. If more imported soil is required for the construction of the tile field, soil with a minimum phosphorus retaining capability of 500 mg/kg should be incorporated, were possible.

PART D – EXPENSES TO BE PAID BY THE OWNERS

10. Every provision of this Agreement by which the Owners are obligated in any way shall be deemed to include the words “at the expense of the Owners” unless the context otherwise requires.

PART E – INDEMNIFICATION FROM LIABILITY AND RELEASE

11. The Owner covenants and agrees with the Municipality, on behalf of itself, its successors and assigns, to indemnify and save harmless the Municipality, its servants and agents from and against any and all actions, suits, claims and demands whatsoever which may arise either directly or indirectly by reason of the negligent or unlawful performance of or failure to perform any work by the Owner or on his behalf in connection with the carrying out of the provisions of this Agreement provided that such default, failure or neglect was not caused as a result of negligence or breach of this Agreement on the part of the Municipality its servants or agents.
12. The Owner further covenants and agrees to release and forever discharge the Municipality from and against all claims, demands, causes of actions, of every nature and type whatsoever that may arise either as a result of the failure of the Municipality to carry out any of its obligations under this Agreement, or, as a result of the Municipality performing any municipal work on the said lands or the adjacent properties which may damage or interfere with the works of the Owners, provided that such default, failure or neglect was not caused as a result of negligence or breach of this Agreement on the part of the Municipality, its servants or agents.

PART F – ADMINISTRATION

- 13. The Owner acknowledges that this Agreement is entered into under the provisions of Section 51(26) of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, as amended and that any expense of the Municipality arising out of the administration and enforcement of this Agreement may be recovered as taxes under Section 326 of the *Municipal Act*, 1990 as amended and further that the terms and conditions of this Agreement may be enforced under conditional building permits under the *Building Code Act* and regulations thereunder.
- 14. The Owner and the Municipality acknowledge that the provisions of Section 67 of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, as amended that provides that persons who contravene Section 51 and 52 of the *Planning Act* are liable on a first conviction to a fine of not more than twenty-five thousand dollars and on a subsequent conviction of not more than ten thousand dollars for each day or part thereof upon which the contravention has continued after the day in which the person was first convicted.
- 15. This Agreement shall ensure to the benefit of and be binding upon the respective successors and assigns of each of the parties hereto.
- 16. This Agreement shall come into effect on the date of execution by the Municipality and the Owner.

IN WITNESSETH WHEREOF the Municipality has caused their corporate seal to be affixed over the signature of the respecting signing officers.

**THE CORPORATION OF THE
MUNICIPALITY OF WHITESTONE**

Dated: 16th day of June, 2026

George Comrie, Mayor

Dated: 16th day of June, 2026

Nigel Black, CAO-Clerk

We have the authority to bind the Corporation

By the Owner on this _____ day of _____, 2026.

Witness Name

Scott Nash

Witness Signature

Schedule "A"
TO THE CONSENT AGREEMENT

BETWEEN:

THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF WHITESTONE

-AND-

SCOTT NASH

The subject lands as identified on Plan 42R-_____

Part of PIN 52248-0337

being Part Broken Lot 4, Concession 2 Burton and Part Shore Road Allowance in front of Lot 4,
Concession 2 Burton as Closed by GB89526 being Part 4, Plan 42R-21217 being
Part _____ on Plan 42R-_____

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MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor and Council

From: Paula Macri, Planning Assistant

Date: June 2, 2026

Agenda Date: June 16, 2026

Re: NASH, Scott
 Consent Application B05/2026(W)
Status of Conditions of Approval

Background

At the Council meeting of March 17, 2026, the following resolution was passed:

Resolution No. 2026-080

Moved by: Councillor Lamb

Seconded by: Councillor Woods

WHEREAS Patrick Christie, C.P.T., has prepared a report for the Parry Sound Area Planning Board regarding Consent Application No. B05/2026(W) – NASH, Scott, and has provided a copy to the Municipality of Whitestone.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone receives this report as information; and

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone recommends this Consent Application for approval in principle, subject to the following conditions:

1. **THAT** payment of a parkland dedication fee be made in accordance with the current Municipal Fees and Charges By-law;
2. **THAT** the newly created lot receive 911 addressing from the Municipality;
3. **THAT** the applicants enter into a Section 51(26) Consent Agreement with the Municipality of Whitestone to be registered on title by the applicant to implement the septic system design criteria as set out in the Official Plan; and
4. **THAT** payment of all Municipal planning consultant fees and all other fees associated with the processing of this application be paid.

Mayor Comrie relinquished the chair to move the following amendment to Item 5.2; Councillor Bray assumed the Chair:

Proposed amendment to Item 5.2

Resolution No. 2026-081

Moved by: Mayor Comrie

Seconded by: Councillor Lamb

- 5) THAT the applicant be required to make arrangements for a new private access point for the newly created lot.

Recorded vote as per Procedural By-law 80-2023 s.3.20

		YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN
<u>4</u>	Councillor Bray		X	
<u>1</u>	Councillor Lamb		X	
	Councillor Nash	Pecuniary interest - recused		
<u>2</u>	Councillor Woods		X	
<u>3</u>	Mayor Comrie	X		

Defeated

Mayor Comrie resumed the chair.

5.2 Consent Application B05/2026(W) – NASH

Resolution No. 2026-080

Moved by: Councillor Lamb

Seconded by: Councillor Woods

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Recorded vote as per Procedural By-law 80-2023 s.3.20

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<u>2</u>	Councillor Bray	X		
<u>3</u>	Councillor Lamb	X		
	Councillor Nash	Pecuniary interest - recused		
<u>1</u>	Councillor Woods	X		
<u>4</u>	Mayor Comrie		X	

Carried

On March 23, 2026, the Parry Sound Area Planning Board granted the creation of one new Waterfront lot fronting on Gooseneck Lake as applied for by Scott Nash subject to the following conditions:

Planning Board Requirements

1. That the applicant provides the Secretary-Treasurer with:

From Lawyer

- a) the original executed transfer (deed), a duplicate original and one photocopy;
- b) a schedule describing the severed parcel and naming the grantor and grantee attached to the transfer for approval purposes

From Surveyor

- c) a copy of the survey plan deposited in the Land Registry Office

Municipal Compliance Letter Requirements

1. That payment of a parkland dedication fee be made in accordance with the current Municipal fees and charges by-law;
2. That the newly created one lot receives 911 addressing from the Municipality;
3. That the applicants enter into a Section 51(26) Consent Agreement with the Municipality of Whitestone to be registered on title by the applicants to implement the septic system design criteria set out in the Official Plan; and
4. That payment of all applicable planning fees be paid to the Municipality of Whitestone.

Status of Conditions of the Parry Sound Area Planning Board approval of September 25, 2023:

1. That payment of a parkland dedication fee be made in accordance with the current Municipal fees and charges By-law.
 - Awaiting information from MPAC
2. That the newly created one lot receives 911 addressing from the Municipality;
 - Awaiting 911 address

3. That the owner enters into a 51(26) Consent Agreement with the Municipality of Whitestone to be registered on title by the applicants to implement the septic system design criteria set out in the Official Plan;
 - The Consent Agreement has been reviewed by the applicant;
4. That payment of all applicable planning fees be paid to the Municipality of Whitestone.
 - Condition satisfied.

Kindly note that the Municipality has not received deposited Reference Plan yet.

Once the Municipality receives the deposited Reference Plan, the Plan Number will be inserted on pages 1 and 4 of the Consent Agreement.

Next Steps.

That the By-law to authorize the execution of the Section 51(26) Consent Agreement be passed on June 16, 2026 at the Regular Council meeting.

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment 1

- Report from Parry Sound Area Planning Board dated March 5, 2026

Attachment 2

- Consent Agreement

PARRY SOUND AREA PLANNING BOARD

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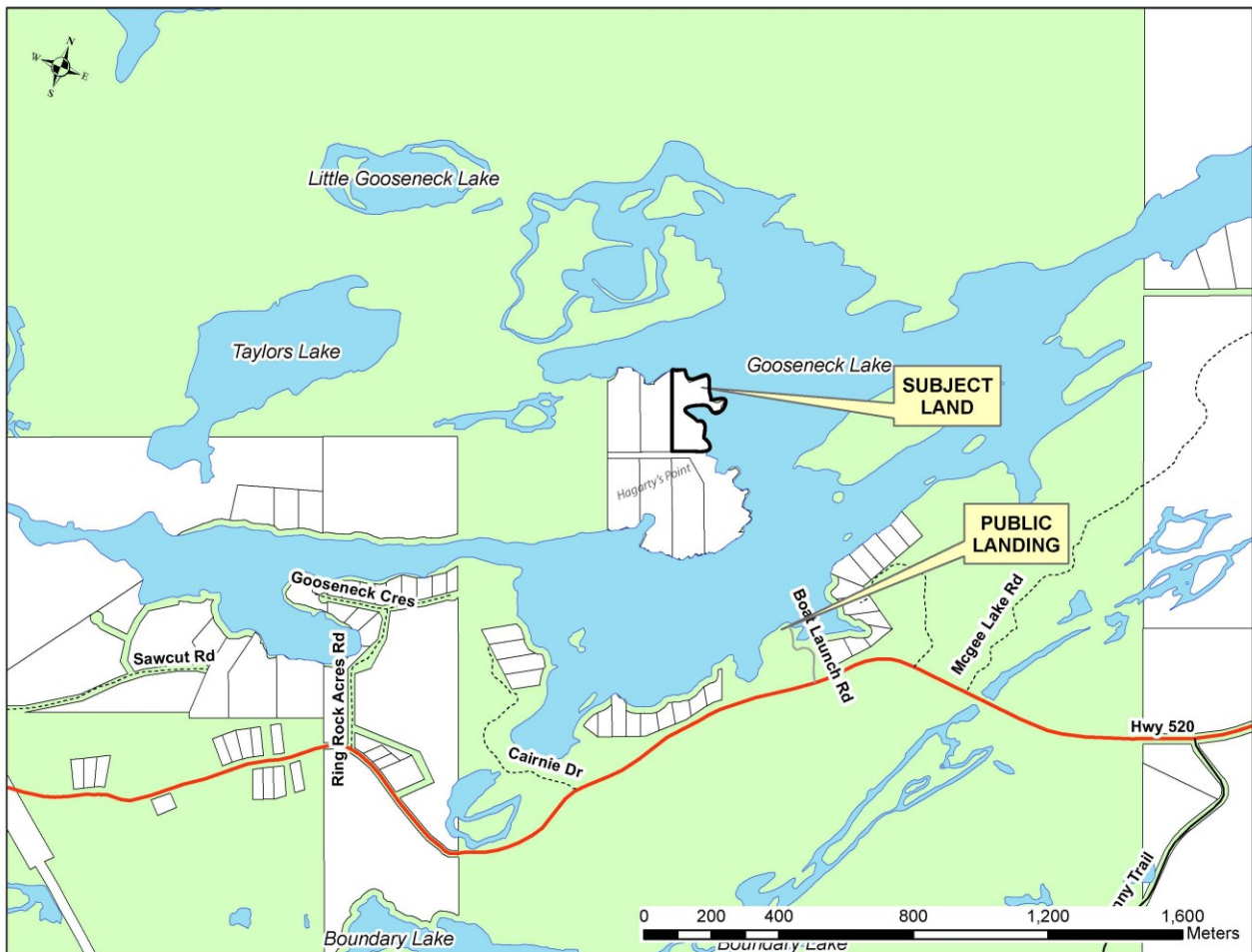
CONSENT APPLICATION NO. B05/2026(W)

**PART OF LOT 4, CONCESSION 2
GEOGRAPHIC Township OF HAGERMAN
PART 4, 42R-21217
ROLL # 493904000102309
1250WA Gooseneck Lake
Applicant: Scott Nash**

March 5, 2026

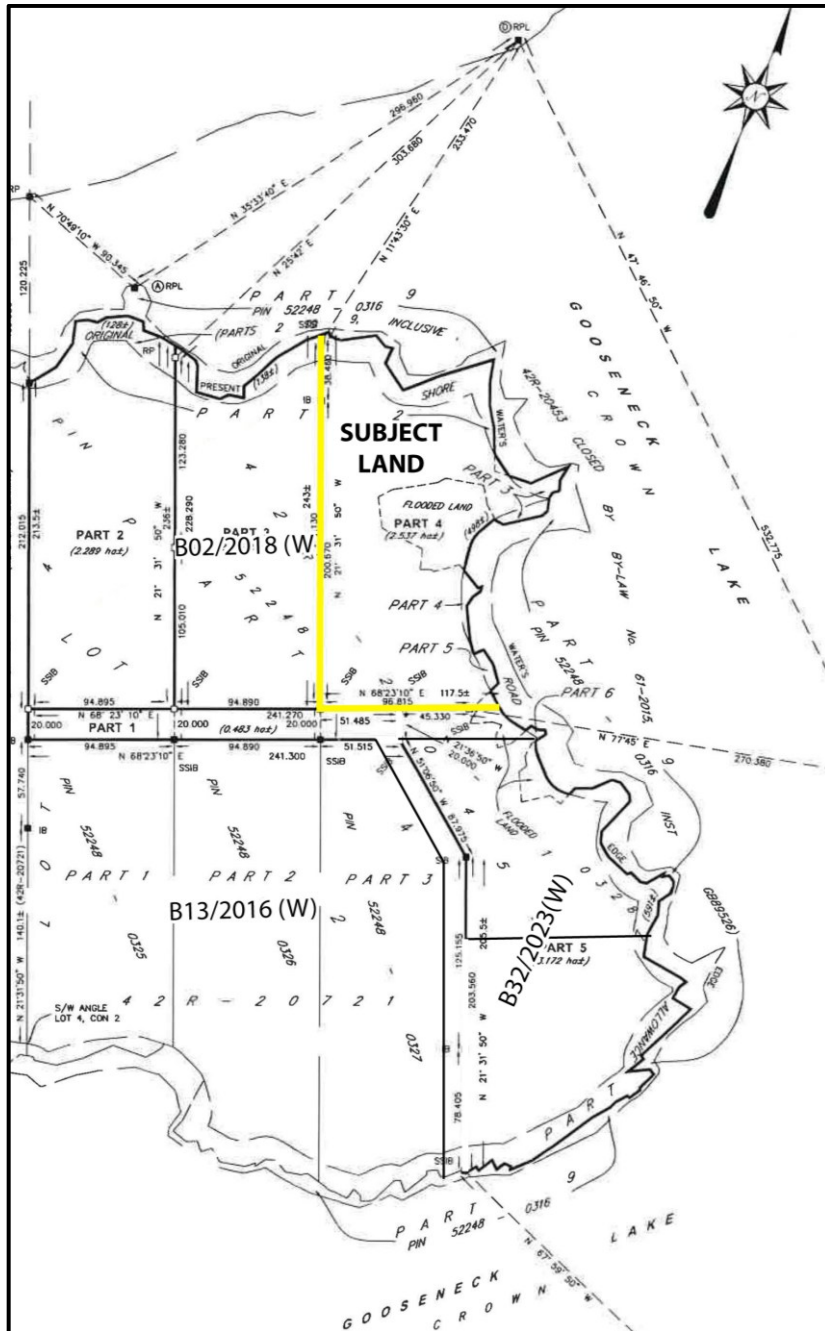
BACKGROUND / PURPOSE

Scott Nash owns a parcel on the north side of Hagarty's Point in Gooseneck Lake.



PREVIOUS CONSENTS

The Nash family have completed other severances on this point of land in the past. The history of these consent is show below.



The initial application for the creation of three lots was determined to be in conformity with the access policies of the official plan using the Gooseneck public access.

An E-mail chain from MNR staff, supporting the use of the public boat launch and a land use permit is attached.

The second application was determined to require an alternative water access arrangement using private property in contrast to the public landing.

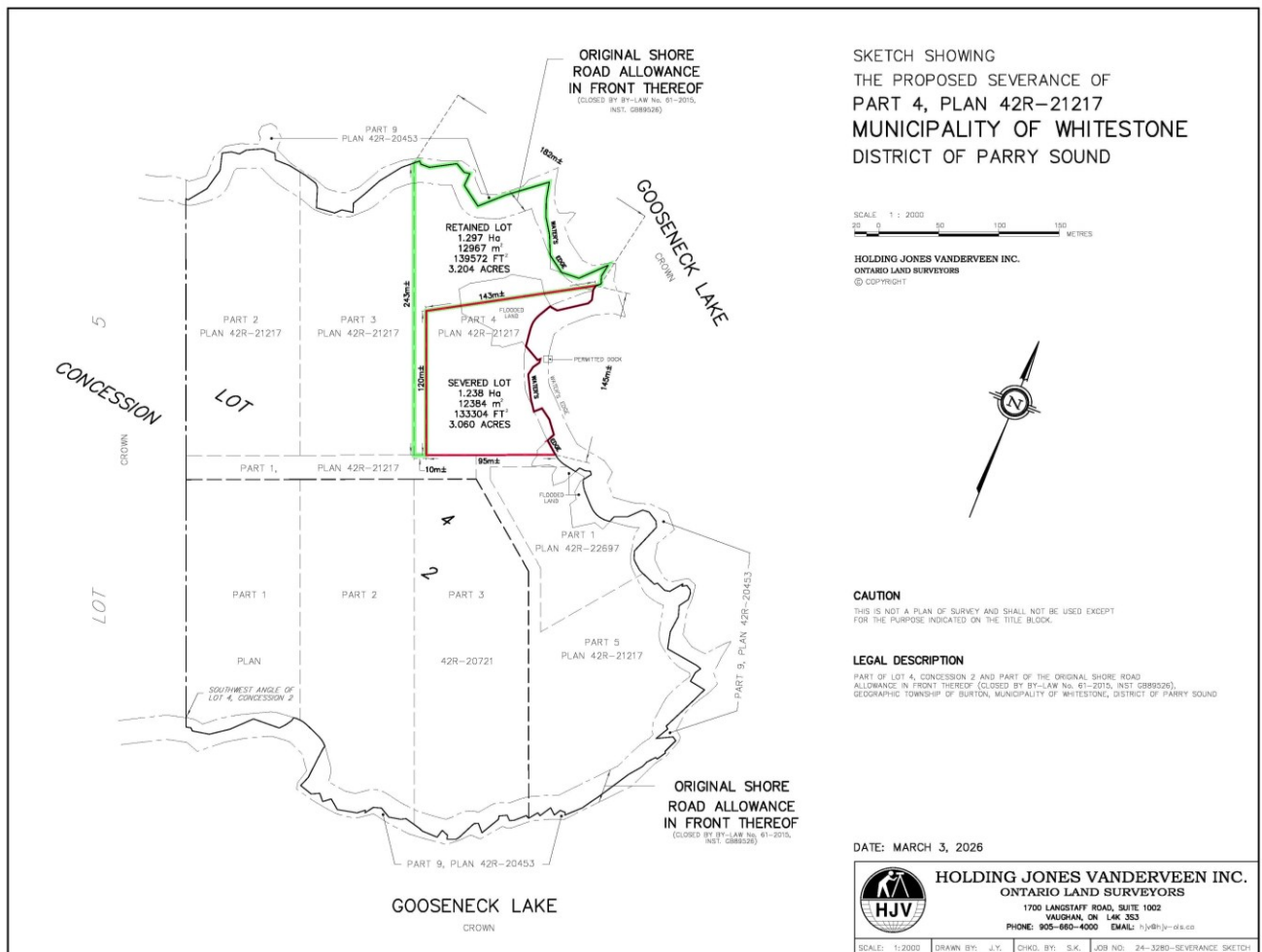
The third consent was approved with access from the public boat launch.

This public access point is proposed to be used for the new lot subject to this application.

The applicant has had planning reports done in support of these consents. These documents are not attached to this report but are available upon request.

PROPOSED CONSENT

The proposed consent is to create one (1) new water access lot as shown on the sketch below.



	Frontage (m)	Depth(m)	Area(ha)
Retain	182	±120	1.3
Sever 1	145	±96	1.2

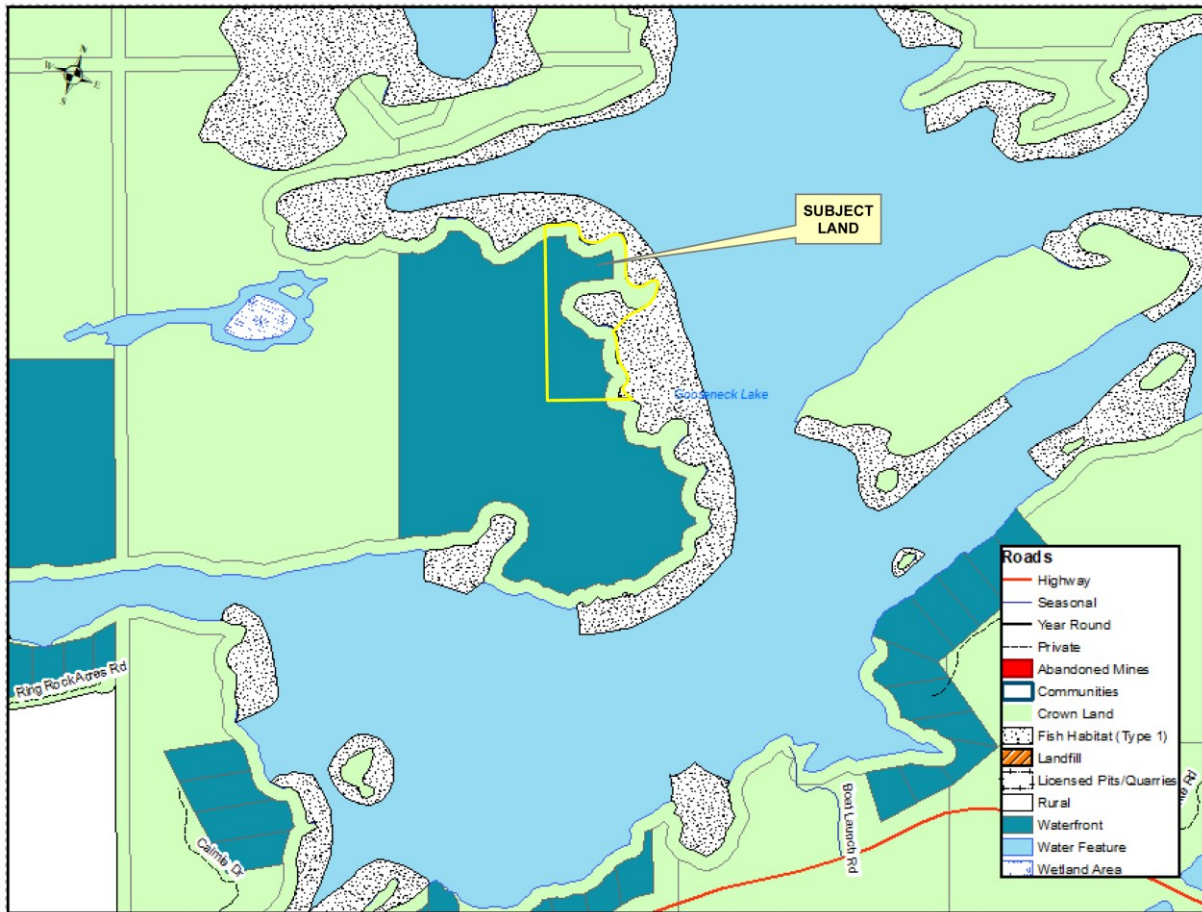
EXISTING LOT CONDITIONS

The subject lands (Part 4, plan 42R-21217) is a vacant water access lot on Gooseneck Lake. The lot is well forested. There is a low area in the centre of the shoreline that is identified as “flooded land” on the survey plan. There is an existing (permitted) dock on the proposed severed lot.



OFFICIAL PLAN

The subject lands are designated Waterfront in the Municipality's Official Plan.



The owner has had Species at Risk and Fish Habitat assessments undertaken in support of the previous consents. The scope of these studies included the subject lands. These studies are not attached to this report, but are available upon request.

A key statement from the Beacon Environmental – Scoped Environmental Assessment June 2016 states:

“The act of severing the lots would not give rise to any impacts. Mitigation associated with potential future development includes the avoidance of the species and microhabitat features and by timing any future construction activities outside of the active period for particular species as described in Appendix A.”

The report sets out methods and timing for development to avoid impacts on any endangered or threatened species that may be present on the lands.

The Beacon Environmental Assessment Report – June 2016 also recommended septic system design and phosphorus mitigation measures for any future development.

The same septic system design criteria used in previous consents will be applied as a condition of approval.

PROVINCIAL PLANNING STATEMENT (P.P.S) 2024

The subject lands are considered Rural in the P.P.S. and are subject to following policies:

2.5 Rural Areas in Municipalities

1. Healthy, integrated and viable rural areas should be supported by:
 - a) building upon rural character, and leveraging rural amenities and assets;
 - b) promoting regeneration, including the redevelopment of brownfield sites;
 - c) accommodating an appropriate range and mix of housing in rural settlement areas;
 - d) using rural infrastructure and public service facilities efficiently;
 - e) promoting diversification of the economic base and employment opportunities through goods and services, including value-added products and the sustainable management or use of resources;
 - f) providing opportunities for sustainable and diversified tourism, including leveraging historical, cultural, and natural assets;
 - g) conserving biodiversity and considering the ecological benefits provided by nature; and
 - h) providing opportunities for economic activities in prime agricultural areas, in accordance with policy 4.3.
2. In rural areas, rural settlement areas shall be the focus of growth and development and their vitality and regeneration shall be promoted.
3. When directing development in rural settlement areas in accordance with policy 2.3, planning authorities shall give consideration to locally appropriate rural characteristics, the scale of development and the provision of appropriate service levels.

Growth and development may be directed to rural lands in accordance with policy 2.6, including where a municipality does not have a settlement area.

2.6 Rural Lands in Municipalities

1. On rural lands located in municipalities, permitted uses are:
 - a) the management or use of resources;
 - b) resource-based recreational uses (including recreational dwellings not intended as permanent residences);
 - c) residential development, including lot creation, where site conditions are suitable for the provision of appropriate sewage and water services;
 - d) agricultural uses, agriculture-related uses, on-farm diversified uses and normal farm practices, in accordance with provincial standards;
 - e) home occupations and home industries;
 - f) cemeteries; and
 - g) other rural land uses.
2. Development that can be sustained by rural service levels should be promoted.
3. Development shall be appropriate to the infrastructure, which is planned or available, and avoid the need for the uneconomical expansion of this infrastructure.
4. Planning authorities should support a diversified rural economy by protecting agricultural and other resource-related uses and directing non-related development to areas where it will minimize constraints on these uses.
5. New land uses, including the creation of lots, and new or expanding livestock facilities, shall comply with the minimum distance separation formulae.

There are no inconsistencies with these policies.

ZONING BY-LAW

The subject lands are zoned Waterfront Residential 1 – Limited Services (WF1-LS)

The shoreline is entirely zoned Environmentally Protected (EP) in the zoning by-law mapping. However, on-site fish habitat assessment found numerous pockets of shoreline free of Type 1 fish habitat.

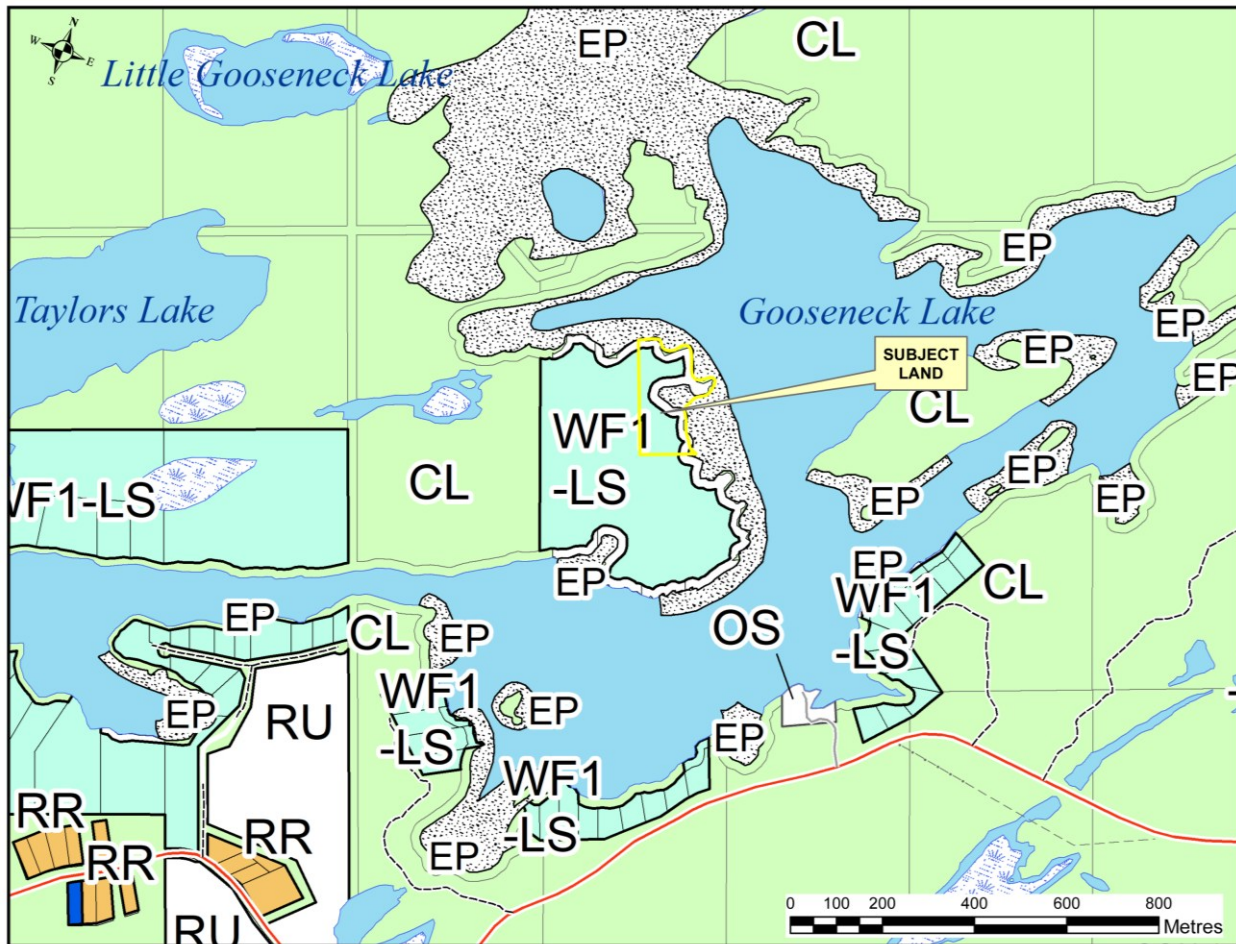


Figure 3 from the Beacon Environmental Fish Habitat Assessment (below) has had the proposed severance lines added.

The retained lot has much of its northern shoreline free of Type 1 habitat. The proposed severed lot has had its northerly lot line placed to include the required 15 metres of clear shoreline at the point to meet the zoning by-law requirement. There is also an existing, permitted dock that was placed in the middle of the proposed severed shoreline after the aerial photograph was taken.



<p>Legend</p> <p> Approximate Subject Property</p> <p>Beacon Fish Habitat</p> <p> Beacon Type 1</p> <p> Beacon Type 2</p> <p> Photograph Location and Direction</p> <p><small>NOTE The subject property delineation was digitized from file information. This drawing is for illustration purposes only and must not be used in place of surveyed information. Contains information licensed under the Open Government License - Ontario.</small></p>	<p>Existing Fish Habitat June 2015</p>		<p>Figure 3</p>	
	<p>Burton Con 2, Pt Lot 4, PCL17808 SEC NS:S PT.</p>			
	<p>UTM Zone 17 N, NAD 83</p>			
	<p>West Parry Sound Geography Network 2011 Imagery</p>			
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<p>BEACON ENVIRONMENTAL</p>		<p>Project 215095 June 2015</p>		

RECOMMENDATION

That the proposed consent to allow the creation of one (1) new water access lot on Gooseneck Lake in Part of Lot 4, Concession 2, Geographic Township of Hagerman as applied for by Scott Nash in Application No. B05/2026(W) be approved subject to the following conditions:

1. Payment of a Parkland dedication fee in accordance with the Municipality's fee By-Law;
2. Entering into a 51(26) Consent Agreement with the Municipality of Whitestone to be registered on title by the applicants to implement the septic design criteria set out in the Official Plan;
3. That the newly created lot receive 911 addressing from the Municipality of Whitestone upon request of the applicant;

Respectfully,



Patrick Christie, C.P.T.
Secretary-Treasurer
Parry Sound Area Planning Board

CONSENT AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT made in triplicate this 16th day of June, 2026.

BETWEEN:

SCOTT NASH

hereinafter called the "Owner"
of the First Part

-and-

THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF WHITESTONE

hereinafter called the "Municipality"
of the Second Part

WHEREAS the lands affected by this Agreement are the lands described in Schedule "A" attached hereto;

AND WHEREAS Section 51(26) of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c.P.13, as amended, authorizes approval authorities and municipalities to enter into agreements as a condition of consent;

AND WHEREAS the Owners obtained, from the Parry Sound Area Planning Board (File B05-2026(W)) approval of a consent to sever the subject lands, the purpose of which is to provide for the creation of one (1) new waterfront lot fronting on Gooseneck Lake;

NOW THEREFORE, THIS CONSENT AGREEMENT WITNESSETH THAT, in the consideration of other good and valuable consideration and the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) of lawful money of Canada now paid by the Municipality to the Owners, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, the Owners and the Municipality, covenant, declare and agree as follows:

PART A – GENERAL

1. The lands to be bound by the terms and conditions of this Agreement referred to as "the subject lands" are located in the Municipality and more particularly described in Schedule "A" hereto.
2. The survey plan describing the subject lands is Reference Plan No. 42R - _____
3. This Agreement shall be registered on title to the subject lands as provided for by Section 51(26) of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, as amended, at the expense of the Owner.
4. This Agreement will not be amended or removed from the title of the subject lands except where agreed upon by the Municipality and the Owner.

PART B – PURPOSE OF THE DEVELOPMENT

5. The Owner has applied for and received approval by the Parry Sound Area Planning Board (File B05/2026(W)) approval of a consent to sever the subject lands, the purpose of which is to provide for the creation of one (1) new waterfront lot fronting on Gooseneck Lake;

PART C – SEPTIC SYSTEM DESIGN REQUIREMENTS

6. That the tile field of all future septic systems be setback a minimum of 30 metres from the high water mark of Gooseneck Lake were possible.
7. Any future septic system shall obtain a permit through North Bay-Mattawa Conservation Authority during the Building Permit Application Process with the Municipality.
8. Should “B” horizon soils be excavated during the construction of any dwellings, they should be incorporated into the base of the tile field, where possible.
9. If more imported soil is required for the construction of the tile field, soil with a minimum phosphorus retaining capability of 500 mg/kg should be incorporated, were possible.

PART D – EXPENSES TO BE PAID BY THE OWNERS

10. Every provision of this Agreement by which the Owners are obligated in any way shall be deemed to include the words “at the expense of the Owners” unless the context otherwise requires.

PART E – INDEMNIFICATION FROM LIABILITY AND RELEASE

11. The Owner covenants and agrees with the Municipality, on behalf of itself, its successors and assigns, to indemnify and save harmless the Municipality, its servants and agents from and against any and all actions, suits, claims and demands whatsoever which may arise either directly or indirectly by reason of the negligent or unlawful performance of or failure to perform any work by the Owner or on his behalf in connection with the carrying out of the provisions of this Agreement provided that such default, failure or neglect was not caused as a result of negligence or breach of this Agreement on the part of the Municipality its servants or agents.
12. The Owner further covenants and agrees to release and forever discharge the Municipality from and against all claims, demands, causes of actions, of every nature and type whatsoever that may arise either as a result of the failure of the Municipality to carry out any of its obligations under this Agreement, or, as a result of the Municipality performing any municipal work on the said lands or the adjacent properties which may damage or interfere with the works of the Owners, provided that such default, failure or neglect was not caused as a result of negligence or breach of this Agreement on the part of the Municipality, its servants or agents.

PART F – ADMINISTRATION

- 13. The Owner acknowledges that this Agreement is entered into under the provisions of Section 51(26) of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, as amended and that any expense of the Municipality arising out of the administration and enforcement of this Agreement may be recovered as taxes under Section 326 of the *Municipal Act*, 1990 as amended and further that the terms and conditions of this Agreement may be enforced under conditional building permits under the *Building Code Act* and regulations thereunder.
- 14. The Owner and the Municipality acknowledge that the provisions of Section 67 of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, as amended that provides that persons who contravene Section 51 and 52 of the *Planning Act* are liable on a first conviction to a fine of not more than twenty-five thousand dollars and on a subsequent conviction of not more than ten thousand dollars for each day or part thereof upon which the contravention has continued after the day in which the person was first convicted.
- 15. This Agreement shall ensure to the benefit of and be binding upon the respective successors and assigns of each of the parties hereto.
- 16. This Agreement shall come into effect on the date of execution by the Municipality and the Owner.

IN WITNESSETH WHEREOF the Municipality has caused their corporate seal to be affixed over the signature of the respecting signing officers.

**THE CORPORATION OF THE
MUNICIPALITY OF WHITESTONE**

Dated: 16th day of June, 2026

George Comrie, Mayor

Dated: 16th day of June, 2026

Nigel Black, CAO-Clerk

We have the authority to bind the Corporation

By the Owner on this _____ day of _____, 2026.

Witness Name

Scott Nash

Witness Signature

Schedule "A"
TO THE CONSENT AGREEMENT

BETWEEN:

THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF WHITESTONE

-AND-

SCOTT NASH

The subject lands as identified on Plan 42R-_____

Part of PIN 52248-0337

being Part Broken Lot 4, Concession 2 Burton and Part Shore Road Allowance in front of Lot 4,
Concession 2 Burton as Closed by GB89526 being Part 4, Plan 42R-21217 being
Part _____ on Plan 42R-_____

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**THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF WHITESTONE
BY-LAW NO. 25-2026**

Being a By-law to Authorize the Execution of a Site Plan Control Amending Agreement between Ilona Skeba and Christopher Mario Skeba with Respect to Part Lot 10, Concession 3, Hagerman, Part 1, Plan 42R-22592, Municipality of Whitestone, District of Parry Sound

WHEREAS Section 41 of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.13, as amended, authorizes municipalities to designate site plan control areas and to enter into agreements respecting the development of lands within such areas;

AND WHEREAS the Corporation of the Municipality of Whitestone entered into a Site Plan Control Agreement with Ilona Skeba and Christopher Mario Skeba, which was registered on title as Instrument No. GB182361 on May 29, 2025;

AND WHEREAS Ilona Skeba and Christopher Mario Skeba have submitted revised site plan for the property legally described as Part Lot 10, Concession 3, Hagerman, Part 1, Plan 42R-22592, Municipality of Whitestone, District of Parry Sound, being PIN 52090-0392;

AND WHEREAS Council deems it advisable to enter into a Site Plan Control Amending Agreement with the Owners;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Whitestone enacts as follows:

1. **THAT** The Mayor and the CAO/Clerk are hereby authorized to execute the Site Plan Control Amending Agreement attached hereto as Schedule "A" and to affix the Corporate Seal of the Municipality thereto; and
2. **THAT** the Site Plan Control Amending Agreement shall be registered on title to the lands at the expense of the Owners, Ilona Skeba and Christopher Mario Skeba; and
3. **THAT** By-law No. 25-2026, is hereby passed and comes into full force and effect this 16th day of June, 2026.

Mayor

George Comrie

CAO/Clerk

Nigel Black

Schedule "A" to By-law No. 25-2026

Site Plan Control Amending Agreement
between The Corporation of the Municipality of Whitestone and
Ilona Skeba and Christopher Mario Skeba



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MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor and Council
From: Paula Macri, Planning Assistant
Date: June 2, 2026

Agenda Date: June 16, 2026
Re: SKEBA, Ilona and Chris – Site Plan Agreement
(Consent Application B43/2022(W))

Background

At its meeting held on February 18, 2025, Council passed the Site Plan Agreement By-law. The memorandum dated February 3, 2025, regarding the original Site Plan Agreement is attached for reference (Attachment 1).

The applicants have submitted a Site Plan Amendment application together with a revised site layout plan (Attachment 2). The revised plan increases the side yard setback from approximately 5 metres to 40 metres and includes a 12-foot extension to the dwelling. In Staff's opinion, these modifications represent a substantial change from the development approved under the original Site Plan Agreement.

The Site Plan Control Amending Agreement (Attachment 3) has been reviewed by the applicants' solicitor, Oldham Law Firm, and the Chief Building Official, Jamie Osborne.

The amending agreement will be registered against the lands.

Next Steps

That the By-law to authorize the execution of the Site Plan Control Amending Agreement be passed at the Regular Council meeting scheduled for June 16, 2026.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1 – Memorandum from Paula Macri, Planning Assistant, dated February 3, 2025

Attachment 2 – Revised Site Layout Plan

Attachment 3 – Site Plan Control Amending Agreement



MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor and Council

From: Paula Macri, Planning Assistant

Date: February 3, 2025

Agenda Date: February 18, 2025

Re: SKEBA, Ilona and Chris – Site Plan Agreement
(Consent Application B43/2022(W))

Background

At the Council meeting on October 4, 2022, Council approved in principle, the creation of two new waterfront lots on Lorimer Lake, accessed via a private right-of-way, as applied for by Ilona and Chris Skeba (the “applicants”). The Parry Sound Area Planning Board subsequently approved the application, subject to conditions (Attachment 1, Memorandum of Status of Approval of Conditions).

One of the conditions of approval required the owners to enter into a Site Plan Control Agreement with the Municipality. Fairholme Lake, Limestone Lake, and Lorimer Lake are designated as Site Plan Control areas in the Municipality of Whitestone, as per By-law No. 07-2017 (Attachment 2). Therefore, rather than submitting a Site Plan Application at the time of issuing the municipal compliance letter, it was deemed appropriate for the applicants to apply for a site plan at a later date.

The applicants have submitted a building permit application for Part 1, Plan 42R-22592; however, no permit will be issued until the Site Plan agreement is registered against the lands.

The site layout plan describes and illustrates the various features on the development site, including the building/septic/dock locations, driveway, lot entrances, and more (Attachment 3).

The Site Plan Control Agreement (Attachment 4) has been reviewed by the applicants’ solicitor (Oldham Law Firm) and the Chief Building Official, Jamie Osborne.

Next Steps.

That the By-law to authorize the execution of the Site Plan Agreement be passed on February 18, 2025 at the Regular Council meeting.

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment A Memorandum from Paula Macri, Planning Assistant dated November 1, 2024
Status of Approval of Conditions

Attachment B By-law No. 07-2017

Attachment C Site Layout Plan

Attachment D Site Plan Control Agreement



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MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor and Council
From: Paula Macri, Planning Assistant
Date: November 1, 2024
Agenda Date: November 19, 2024
Re: SKEBA, Ilona and Chris
Consent Application B43/2022(W)
Status of Conditions of Approval

Background

At the Council meeting of October 4, 2022, the following resolution was passed:

Resolution No. 2022-345

Moved by: Councillor Beth Gorham-Matthews

Seconded by: Councillor Joe McEwen

5.1 Consent Application B43/2022(W) – SKEBA

WHEREAS John Jackson, Planner Inc. has prepared a report for the Parry Sound Area Planning Board regarding Consent Application B43/2022(W)-SKEBA and provided a copy to the Municipality of Whitestone;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone receives this report as information;

AND THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone recommends this Consent Application for approval in principle, subject to the following conditions:

1. That payment of a parkland dedication fee be made in accordance with the current Municipal fees and charges By-law;
2. That the new lot(s) receive 911 addressing from the Municipality;
3. That the applicants enter into a Section 51.26 Consent Agreement with the Municipality of Whitestone to be registered on title, to include:
 - (i) the implementation of the mitigation measures set out in the Hutchison Environmental Sciences Report dated August 31, 2022;

- (ii) the implementation of the septic system design measures set out in the Hutchison Environmental Sciences Report dated August 31, 2022 to ensure the retention of phosphorous; and
 - (iii) recognition of the private access road for the new lots and to indemnify the Municipality for any responsibility or liability for the access or maintenance;
4. That payment of all applicable planning fees be made to the Municipality of Whitestone.
 5. That the development of the new lots be subject to site plan control.

Recorded Vote:	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN
Councillor, Beth Gorham-Matthews	X		
Councillor, Joe Lamb	X		
Councillor, Joe McEwen	X		
Mayor, George Comrie	X		

Carried

On October 17 2022, the Parry Sound Area Planning Board granted the creation of the two new waterfront lots on Lorimer Lake accessed by a private right-of-way as applied for by Ilona and Chris Skeba subject to the following conditions:

Planning Board Requirements

1. That the applicant provides the Secretary-Treasurer with:

From Lawyer:

- a) the original executed transfer (deed), a duplicate original and one photocopy;
- b) a schedule describing the severed parcel and naming the grantor and grantee attached to the transfer for approval purposes

From Surveyor

- c) a copy of the survey plan deposited in the Land Registry Office

Municipal Compliance Letter Requirements

1. That payment of a parkland dedication fee be made in accordance with the current Municipal fees and charges by-law;
2. That the new lot(s) receive 911 addressing from the Municipality;
3. That the applicants enter into a Section 51(26) Consent Agreement with the Municipality of Whitestone to be registered on title to include:
 - (i) the implementation of the mitigation measures set out in the [Hutchison Environmental Sciences Report dated August 31, 2022](#);
 - (ii) the implementation of the septic system design measures set out in the [Hutchison Environmental Sciences Report dated August 31, 2022](#) to ensure the retention of phosphorous; and
 - (iii) recognition of the private access road for the new lots and to indemnify the Municipality for any responsibility or liability for the access or maintenance;

4. That development of the new lots be subject to site plan control.

Status of Conditions of the Parry Sound Area Planning Board approval of October 17, 2022:

1. That payment of a parkland dedication fee be made in accordance with the current Municipal fees and charges By-law.
 - Awaiting payment.
2. That the new lot(s) receive 911 addressing from the Municipality;
 - Condition satisfied.
3. That the owner enters into a 51(26) Consent Agreement to include:
 - (i) the implementation of the mitigation measures set out in the [Hutchison Environmental Sciences Report dated August 31, 2022](#);
 - (ii) the implementation of the septic system design measures set out in the [Hutchison Environmental Sciences Report dated August 31, 2022](#) to ensure the retention of phosphorous; and
 - (iii) recognition of the private access road for the new lots and to indemnify the Municipality for any responsibility or liability for the access or maintenance;
 - The Consent Agreement has been reviewed by David Leeder, Senior Environmental Scientist and President of Hutchison Environmental Sciences, with respect to the septic system design measures and the retention of phosphorus. The applicants and the applicants' solicitor have also reviewed the agreement.
4. That development of the new lots be subject to site plan control.

The above noted condition of the approval required the owners to enter into a Site Plan Control Agreement with the Municipality. Rather than completing a Site Plan Agreement now, it is more appropriate to process the application and prepare the Site Plan Agreement prior to obtaining a final Building permit. The property and future development is subject to the Site Plan Control By-law which requires the agreement prior to a building permit.

At the Council meeting on October 15, 2024, the Consent Agreement was included in the agenda. Upon reviewing the draft plan, it was discovered that the lot configuration differed from the Planning Board's Decision of October 22, 2022. Since the Consent was set to lapse on October 18, 2024, and the application needed to return to the Planning Board for re-approval, the item was removed from the agenda

On September 23, 2024, the Parry Sound Area Planning Board reapproved the revised lot configuration, subject to the same conditions noted above.

Next Steps.

That the By-law to authorize the execution of the Section 51(26) Consent Agreement be passed on November 19, 2024 at the Regular Council meeting.

Attachment 1

- Report from John Jackson, Planner dated September 12, 2022



CONSENT APPLICATION NO. B43/2022(W)

PART OF LOT 10, CONCESSION 3

GEOGRAPHIC Township OF HAGERMAN

PART 1 OF 42R-20387

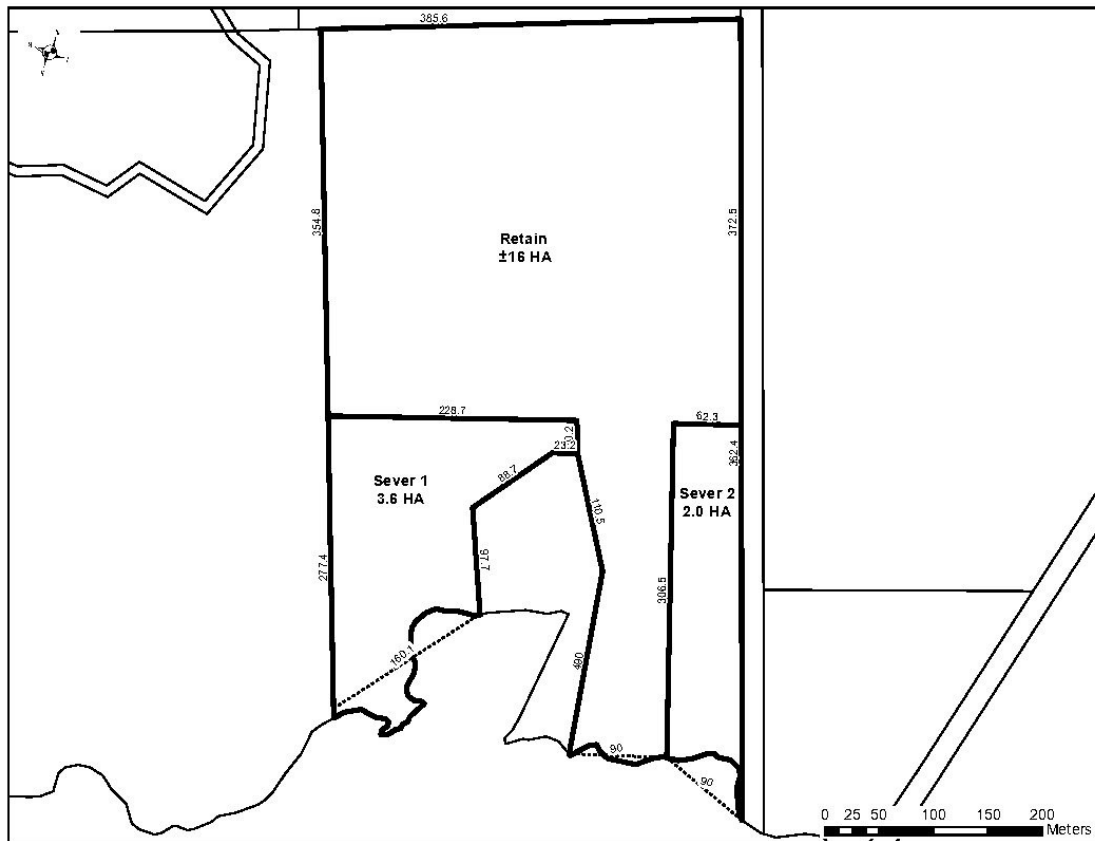
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Applicants: Ilona and Chris Skeba

September 12, 2022

PROPOSED CONSENT

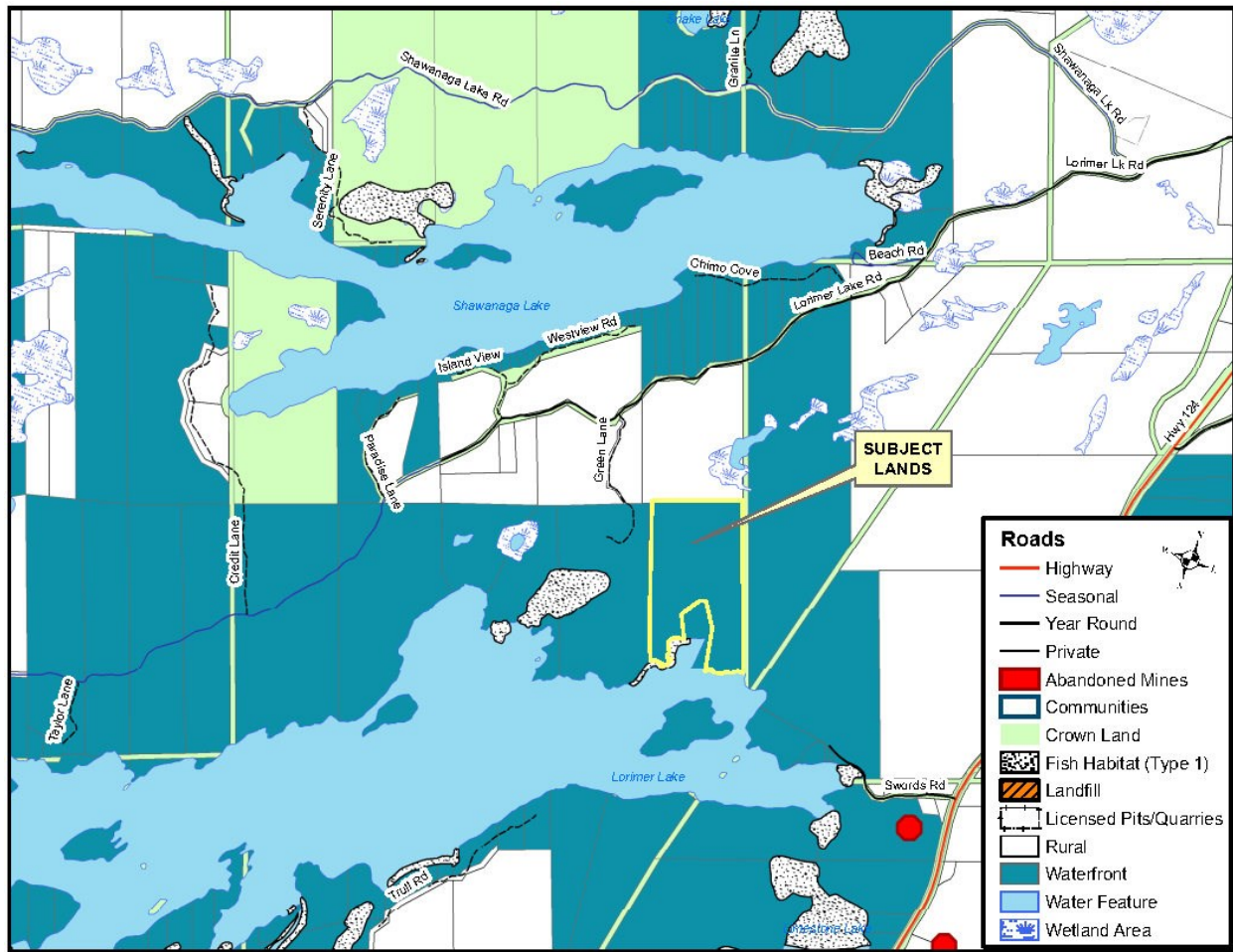
The Skebas are proposing to create two new lots on Lorimer Lake accessed off Green Lane.



The resultant lots are showing a minimum lake frontage of 90 metres and an area of 2.0 hectares.

OFFICIAL PLAN

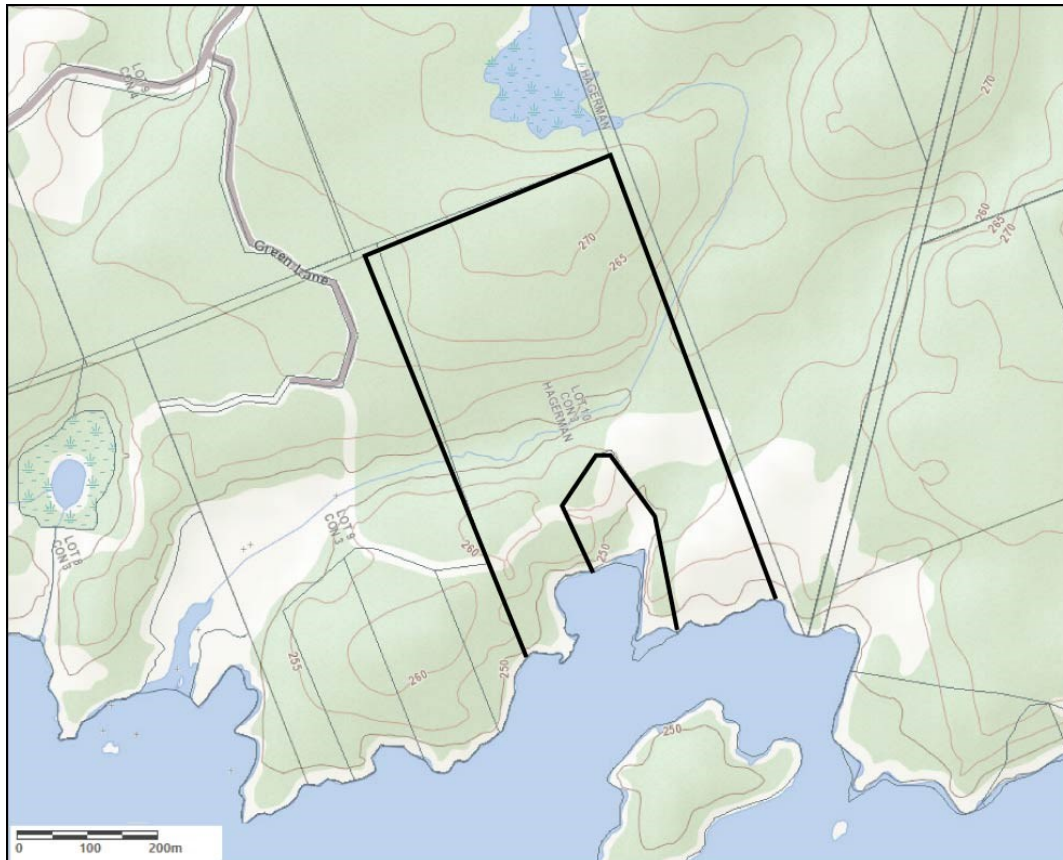
The official plan for the Municipality of Whitestone designates the subject lands as Waterfront.



There also appears to be a “band” of Fish Habitat identified along the western lot frontage where the existing development is located.



The lands have moderate slopes with few constraints to development.



LORIMER LAKE

Given the background on Lorimer Lake, the applicant has retained an environmental consultant to assess the impact of the proposed consent on the water quality of the lake. This concern has been the general theme behind a policy on the lake that has traditionally discouraged any further development on the lake.

The consultants report explains the background to the matter of nutrient inputs associated with new development. It has become clear that earlier correlation between development and water quality degradation was false. This falsehood was qualified to the heavily mineralized soils that are slightly acidic found on the Canadian Shield.

These measures have been difficult for many to understand or accept. There continues to be a notion that the best path for lake planning on trout lakes is to restrict future development. There is no longer any science to base such a policy framework.

It has been repeated many times that the most appropriate approach for planning on such lakes is to use a bio-physical approach where development is judged based upon protecting natural heritage features, recognizing physical constraints, quantifying legitimate character features.

(See Site Evaluation Report by Michaelski Nielson dated August 2015).

It is anticipated that the planning board will be receiving additional objections to further lot creation on Lorimer Lake.

RECOMMENDATION

That the consent proposing to create two new waterfront lots on Lorimer Lake accessed by a private right-of-way as applied or by Ilona and Chris Skeba in Consent Application No. B43/2022(W) be approved subject to the following conditions:

- 1) Payment of a fee in lieu of parkland in accordance with the Municipality's fee By-Law;
- 2) That the owner enters into a 51(26) consent agreement to include:
 - a) The implementation of the mitigation measures set out in the Hutchison Environmental Sciences Report dated August 31, 2022;
 - b) Recognizing the private access road to the newly created lots and limiting the liability and responsibility of the Municipality to provide for road services; and
 - c) Implementing those septic system design measures to ensure the retention of phosphorous.
- 3) 911 Addressing; and
- 4) Payment of any applicable planning fees.

Respectfully submitted,



John Jackson M.C.I.P., R.P.P.

JJ; jc

THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF WHITESTONE

BY-LAW NO. 07-2017

**Being a By-Law to designate lands adjacent to
Lorimer Lake, Limestone Lake and Fairholme Lake as a Site Plan Control Area**

WHEREAS Section 41 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, authorizes municipalities to designate site plan control areas;

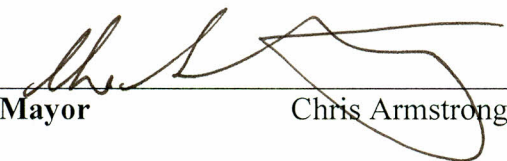
AND WHEREAS Section 21.05 of the Official Plan provides that any area within the Municipality may be designated as a site plan control area;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Municipality deems it appropriate to require the approval of site plans on Lorimer Lake, Limestone Lake and Fairholme Lake;

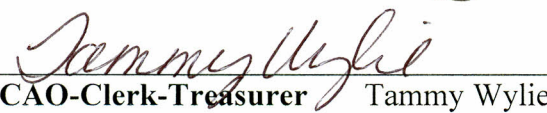
NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Whitestone hereby enacts as follows:

1. All lands in the Waterfront Residential (WF) Zone or in a Special Provision Zone adjacent to Lorimer Lake, Limestone Lake and Fairholme Lake are hereby designated as a site plan control.
2. That By-Law No. 22-2015 be repealed.
3. This By-Law shall come into force and take effect upon passage by Council.

Read a First and Second time this 18th day of April, 2017.

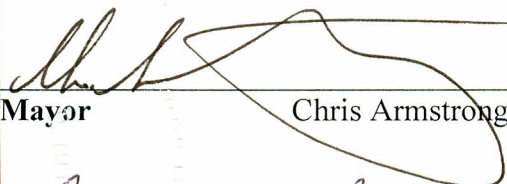


Mayor Chris Armstrong

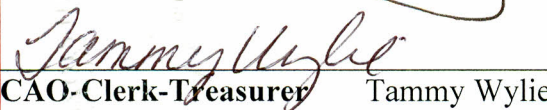


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Read a Third time and **Passed, Signed and Sealed** this 18th day of April, 2017.



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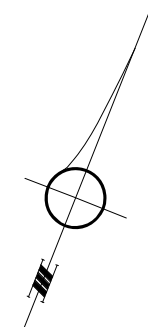
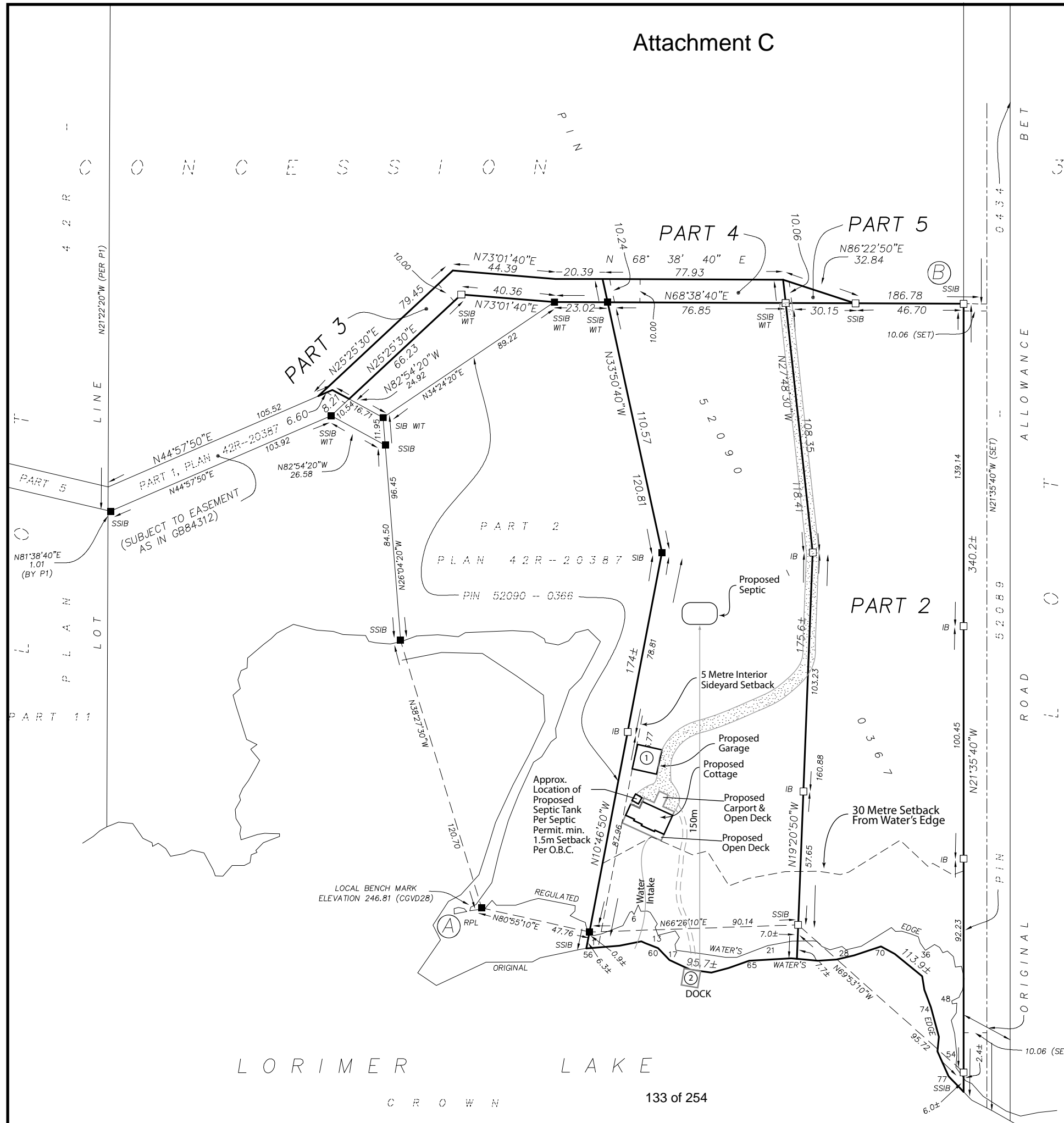


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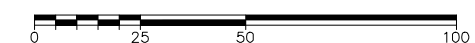
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SKEBA SITE PLAN
PROPOSED BUILDING LOCATION

PART OF LOT 10, CONCESSION 3
MUNICIPALITY OF WHITESTONE
PART 1, 42R-22592



- ① PROPOSED GARAGE 35' x 35'
- ② PROPOSED DOCK 20' x 20'



**THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF WHITESTONE
SITE PLAN AGREEMENT**

THIS AGREEMENT made in duplicate this 18th day of February, 2025.

BETWEEN:

ILONA SKEBA and CHRISTOPHER MARIO SKEBA

(Hereinafter called the "Owners")
OF THE FIRST PART,

-and-

THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF WHITESTONE

(Hereinafter called the "Municipality")
OF THE SECOND PART

WHEREAS the Owners are the Owners of those lands and premises in the Municipality of Whitestone in the District of Parry Sound being more particularly described in Schedule 'A' attached hereto;

AND WHEREAS the Municipality has enacted a Site Plan Control Area by-law pursuant to the provisions of Section 41 of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, C. P.13, as amended, which By-law affects the lands as described above;

AND WHEREAS this Agreement is being entered into by the parties hereto as a condition to the approval of the Plans and Drawings referred to in Subsection (4) of Section 41 of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, C.P. 13, as amended, and referred to in this Agreement as the Site Plan;

AND WHEREAS this Agreement is being registered against the lands as described above and the Municipality is entitled to enforce the provisions thereof against the Owners and, subject to the provisions of the Registry Act and the Land Titles Act, any and all subsequent Owners of the land in accordance with Subsection (10) of Section 41 of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, as amended;

NOW THEREFORE witnesseth that in consideration of other good and valuable consideration and the sum of TWO-----(\$2.00)-----Dollars of lawful money of Canada now paid by the Municipality to the Owners, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, the Owners and the Municipality covenant, declare and agree as follows:

SECTION I - LAND TO BE BOUND

- 1) The lands to be bound by the terms and conditions of this Agreement (hereinafter referred to as "the lands"), are located in the Municipality of Whitestone, and are more particularly described in Schedule 'A' hereto.

SECTION II - COMPONENTS OF THE AGREEMENT

- 1) The text, consisting of Sections I through VI, and the following Schedules, which are annexed hereto, constitute the components of this Agreement.
- 2) Schedule 'A' – Legal Description of the lands being developed.
- 3) Schedule 'B' – Site Layout Plan.

SECTION III - REGISTRATION OF AGREEMENT

- 1) This Agreement shall be registered on title to the said lands as provided for by Section 41(10) of the *Planning Act*, as amended, at the expense of the Owners.
- 2) The Owners agrees that all documents required herein shall be submitted in a form suitable to the Municipality and suitable for registration, as required.
- 3) The Parties agree that this Agreement must be registered against the Owner's lands within thirty (30) days of the execution thereof by the Township.

SECTION IV - BUILDING PERMITS

- 1) The Owners acknowledge and agree that no building permit will be issued for the said lands until this Agreement is registered on title to the lands described in Schedule 'A' and with the Site Layout Plan attached as Schedule "B" showing:
 - (a) all lot boundaries, adjacent rights of way, road allowances and water bodies; and
 - (b) location of proposed buildings and structures including docks, driveways, sewage and water systems, and storm water management and siltation control facilities together with zoning setbacks to the lot lines for all proposed buildings, structures and sewage systems.
- 2) The Site Plan attached as Schedule "B" and all construction arising from the issuance of a Building Permit or Permits shall be in conformity with the terms of this Agreement.
- 3) It is agreed that if the Owners fails to apply for any building permit or permits to implement this Agreement within twelve (12) months from the date upon

which such building permit would be available, then the Municipality, at its option has the right to terminate the said Agreement and require that a new Site Plan Agreement be submitted for approval and execution.

SECTION V – PROVISIONS

- 1) The Owners covenants and agrees to develop the lands in accordance with the Site Layout Plan being Schedule 'B' attached hereto, and that no work will be performed on the lands except in conformity to all provisions of this Agreement.
- 2) The OWNERS FURTHER AGREES:
 - a) to take such action as may be necessary from time to time to ensure that dust emanations from parking areas and walkways do not create any nuisance to adjacent property Owners.
 - b) to design and construct external lighting facilities on the lands and buildings so as to avoid the illumination of adjacent properties.
- 3) The Owners further agrees to construct all buildings in accordance with the provisions on Schedule 'B'. Schedule 'B' show the building envelopes and locations in which buildings are to be erected. Except for minor deviations necessitated by soil conditions, topography, to preserve mature standing trees, and deviations for structural orientation, no building will be located on the lands except in accordance with Schedule 'B'.
- 4) Minor adjustments to the requirements and provisions of this Agreement may be made subject to the approval of the Chief Building Official provided that the spirit and intent of the Agreement are maintained. Such minor adjustments shall not require an amendment to this Agreement; however, the written approval of the Chief Building Official is required before such minor adjustments can be made.
- 5) Nothing in this Agreement constitutes a waiver of the obligation of the Owners to comply with the Zoning By-law of the Municipality or any other By-laws of the Municipality or any regulations or restrictions legally imposed by any government authority or agency having jurisdiction in connection therewith.
- 6) The Owners, on behalf of themselves, their successors and assigns, hereby covenant to indemnify and save harmless the Municipality against any legal liability for losses, damages, claims, actions, demands, suits, and costs arising directly or indirectly from anything done by it or its servants, contractors or agents in connection with its performance under this Agreement.

SECTION VI - BINDING PARTIES, ALTERATION, AMENDMENT, EFFECT, NOTICE, PENALTY

- 1) This Agreement may only be amended or varied by a written document of equal formality herewith duly executed by the parties hereto and registered against the title to the lands.
- 2) Following completion of the works, the Owners shall maintain to the satisfaction of the Municipality, and at the sole expense of the Owners, all the facilities or works (including landscaping) described on Schedule 'B'.
- 3) This Agreement shall enure to the benefit of and be binding upon the respective successors and assigns of each of the parties hereto.
- 4) The Agreement shall come into effect on the date of execution by the Municipality.
- 5) Any notice required to be given pursuant to the terms hereto shall be in writing and mailed or delivered to the other at the following address:

To the OWNERS:

Ilona Skeba and Christopher Mario Skeba

Insert address:

To the MUNICIPALITY:

The Corporation of the Municipality of Whitestone
21 Church Street, Dunchurch, ON P0A 1G0

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the Owners and the Municipality have caused their corporate seals to be affixed over the signatures of their respective signing officers.

SIGNED, SEALED AND DELIVERED

in the presence of:

By the Municipality on this 18th day of February, 2025.

**THE CORPORATION OF THE
MUNICIPALITY OF WHITESTONE**

Per: _____
George Comrie, Mayor

Nigel Black, CAO/Clerk

By the Owners on this 3rd day of February, 2025.

Witness Name

ILONA SKEBA

Witness Signature

Witness Name

CHRISTOPHER MARIO SKEBA

Witness Signature

THIS IS SCHEDULE 'A' TO SITE PLAN AGREEMENT BETWEEN
THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF WHITESTONE
AND
ILONA SKEBA and CHRISTOPHER MARIO SKEBA

DESCRIPTION OF THE LANDS

The subject lands as identified on Plan 42R-22592.

Part of PIN 52090-0367 being Part Lot 10, Concession 3 Hagerman being Part 1, Plan 42R22592; T/W an Easement over Pt 1 Plan 42R2615 as in GB84309 (partially released by GB95273); T/W an easement over Pt 4 & 5 Plan 42R17134 as in GB84310; S/T an Easement over Pt 1 Plan 42R20387 in favour of Pt Lt 10 Con 3 Hagerman Pt 2 Plan 42R20387 as in GB84312; T/W a right of way over Parts 3 and 4, Plan 42R22592; Municipality of Whitestone.

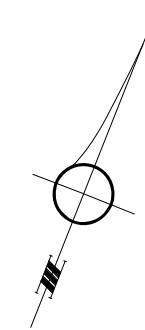
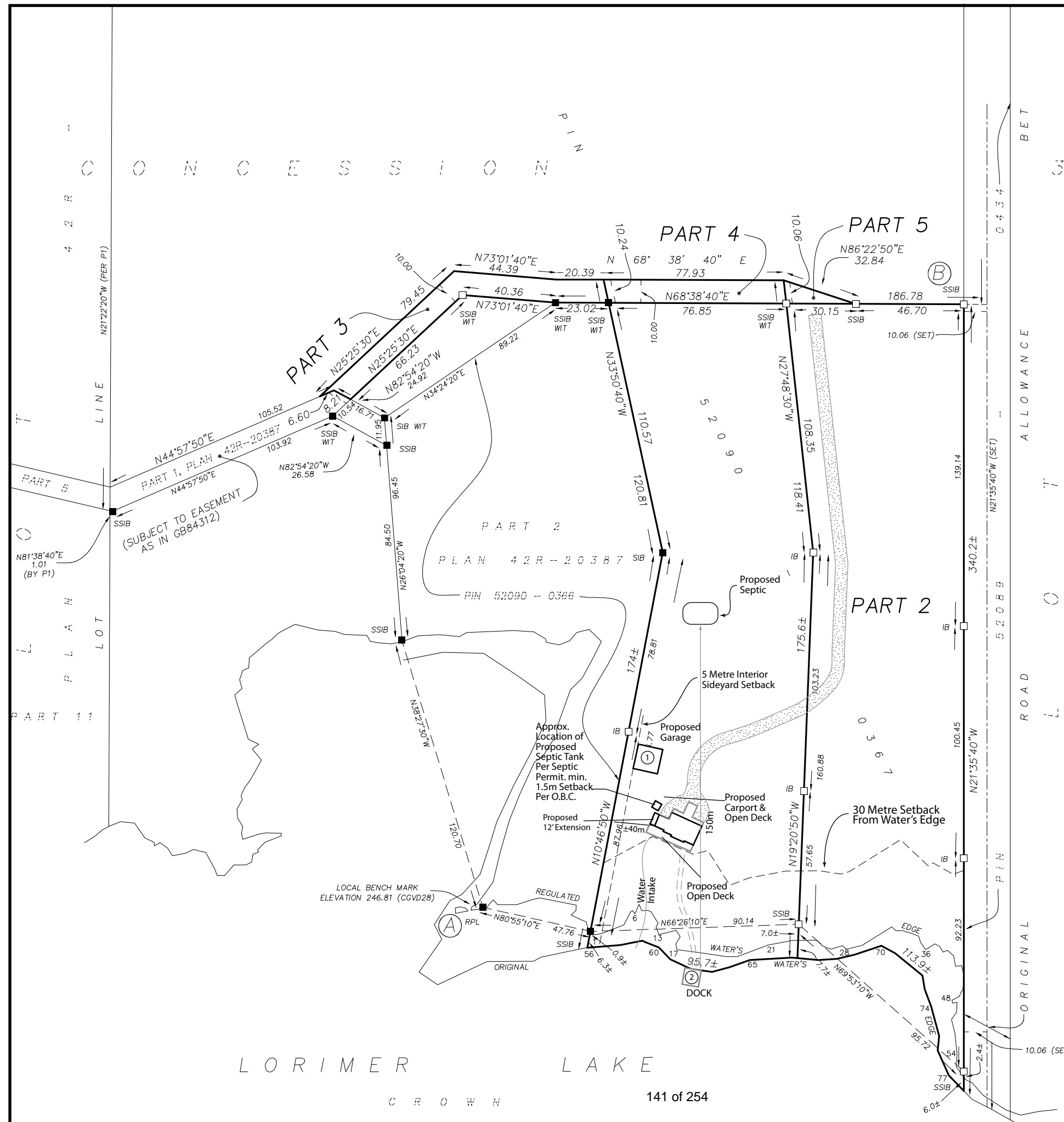
THIS IS SCHEDULE 'B' TO SITE PLAN AGREEMENT BETWEEN
THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF
WHITESTONE
AND
ILONA SKEBA and CHRISTOPHER MARIO SKEBA

The Site Layout Plan prepared by ILONA SKEBA and CHRISTOPHER MARIO SKEBA is hereby incorporated by reference and forms part of the Agreement. A copy of this Plan may be viewed at the Municipality of Whitestone municipal office.

**SKEBA SITE PLAN
PROPOSED BUILDING LOCATION**

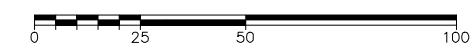
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Attachment 2 to
Paula Macri's
Memorandum
dated June 2, 2026



**ITEMS REQUIRED UNDER
SECTION 41 OF THE
PLANNING ACT**

1. NO ROAD WIDENING REQUIRED.
 2. ACCESS VIA RIGHT-OF-WAY FROM GREEN LANE.
 3. PARKING / DRIVEWAY ACCESS AS SHOWN.
 4. PATHWAYS IN FRONT YARD TO PROPOSED DOCK LOCATION.
 5. EXTERIOR LIGHTING TO BE "DARK SKY" COMPLIANT.
 6. NO FENCING REQUIRED; EXISTING VEGETATION TO BE PRESERVED OUTSIDE OF BUILDING FOOTPRINTS, DRIVEWAYS & PATHWAYS.
 7. PRIVATE GARBAGE COLLECTION
 8. EASEMENTS - NONE.
 9. GRADE ALTERATION FOR FOUNDATION(S)
DRAINAGE - NATURAL
- ① PROPOSED GARAGE 35' x 35'
- ② PROPOSED DOCK 20' x 20'



THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF WHITESTONE

By-law No. 26-2026

**Being a By-law to Delegate Certain Authorities During a
Restricted Authority "Lame Duck" Council Period**

WHEREAS Section 275 of the Municipal Act S.O. 2001, C.25 as amended provides that where three quarters (3/4) of the members of the outgoing Council of the municipality will not be returning, the following authorities of the Council will cease on Nomination Day (August 21, 2026):

1. The appointment or removal from office of any officer of the municipality;
2. The hiring or dismissal of any employee of the municipality;
3. The disposition of any real or personal property of the municipality which has a value exceeding \$50,000 at the time of disposal;
4. Making any expenditure or incurring any other liability which exceeds \$50,000;

AND WHEREAS Section 23.1 of the Act states that Council is authorized to delegate certain powers and duties; and

WHEREAS Section 5 of the Act provides that a municipality's power shall be exercised by by-law; and

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Augusta deems it expedient and necessary to delegate certain authorities for the restricted authority "Lame Duck" period, if it applies, between August 21, 2026 to November 17, 2026;

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved that the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone hereby enacts as follows that:

1. That the Chief Administrative Officer is hereby delegated authority as the financial signing authority for expenditures, outside the current approved budgets, exceeding \$50,000.
2. That the Chief Administrative Officer is hereby delegated authority, including authority to execute the agreement of purchase and sale, pertaining to the disposition of any real or personal property of the municipality which has a value exceeding \$50,000 at the time of disposal.
3. That the Chief Administrative Officer is hereby delegated authority to repeal by-laws appointing Officers of the Municipality of Whitestone which have ceased employment with the Corporation and for hiring and removal of any employee of the Corporation.
4. Should delegated authority be exercised, the sitting Council shall be informed by way of an information report at the next regularly scheduled or special meeting called for this purpose.

This by-law shall be in force and effect upon passing only in the event that in one or both of the time periods Council, as determined by the Clerk, becomes "Lame Duck" and expire on November 17, 2026.

By-law No. 26-2026 is hereby passed this 16th day of June, 2026.

Mayor

George Comrie

CAO/Clerk

Nigel Black

BUSINESS MATTERS



Council Briefing Note

For Decision: 16 June 2026

Agenda Item 11.1

Survey re Septic Systems in the Municipality of Whitestone

Purpose: *To inform discussion and future Council decisions regarding (re)inspection of septic systems within the Municipality of Whitestone.*

Motions to consider:

1. That Council authorize a survey of owners of occupied properties in the Municipality of Whitestone to be issued with the August tax bills, to obtain data for future decision making with respect to a septic system inspection program.

Prepared by: Mayor George Comrie

Background

The subject of septic system inspections has come up several times recently in our discussions concerning the Official Plan and algae blooms. Here is some background information to inform future discussions on the subject.

Governing Legislation

The Ontario Building Code Act (S.O. 1992, C23) and Regulations (O. Reg. 203/24 - the latest OBC Compendium), constitute the main governing legislation concerning septic systems in Ontario.

The details governing the design, installation, and maintenance of onsite septic systems are covered in Part 8 of the OBC. The Code recognizes 5 main classes of on-site sewage systems:

- Class 1: Chemical / composting / incinerating toilets and privies
- Class 2: Greywater leaching pits
- Class 3: Cesspools
- Class 4: Septic tanks with leaching beds (aka filter beds, tile fields)
- Class 5: Sewage holding tanks

Most systems in Whitestone will be Class 4, but some Class 1, 2, and 5 systems also exist.

Section 8.9 of the OBC sets out requirements for maintenance and operation of all on-site sewage systems. Notable subsections include:

- 8.9.1.2 General Requirements for Operation and Maintenance
- 8.9.2.2 Operation – General
- 8.9.2.3 Operation - Class 4 Sewage Systems
- 8.9.3.2 Maintenance – General
- 8.9.3.4 Maintenance – Class 4 Sewage Systems

The relevant pages from the 2024 Building Code Compendium are attached as Appendix A.

Property Owners' Responsibilities

Attached as Appendix B is a 1-page summary of *Property Owners' Responsibilities under the Ontario Building Code (OBC)* from the Ontario Onsite Wastewater Association.

Section 10.1 of the Building Code Act specifies: *"No person shall operate or maintain a sewage system or permit a sewage system to be operated or maintained except in accordance with this Act and the building code."* In other words, property owners with onsite septic systems are responsible under the law to maintain them. I suspect many ratepayers are not aware of this responsibility.

In my experience, the most important aspects of maintenance of a typical Class 4 (septic tank and leaching bed) system are:

- (i) Regular monitoring to ensure that there are no blockages in, and no effluent leaks from, the system, and initiating corrective action immediately if any problems are found;
- (ii) Ensuring that the leaching bed is not driven over, or disturbed by tree growth or erosion;
- (iii) Not increasing the volume or type of sewage beyond what the system was designed to handle;
- (iv) Having the septic tank pumped out and its effluent filter cleaned by a licensed septic system maintainer whenever the level of solids reaches one third of the working capacity of the tank.

The first three of the above activities are within the capability of most property owners; only the fourth requires specialized equipment and a licence. I think it is fair to say that mandatory septic system inspections would not be necessary in our community so long as ratepayers understand and accept their responsibilities to maintain them.

Design Approval and Inspection Authority for Septic Systems in Whitestone

The North Bay – Mattawa Conservation Authority (NBMCA) is presently the design approval and inspection authority for septic systems in Whitestone, as designated by the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing under the Building Code Act.

Some municipal building departments perform their own septic approvals and inspections. The necessary qualification for this work is passing the Ministry's examinations on Part 8 of the OBC.

To avoid conflict and confusion, the Building Code Act prescribes that, if a municipality uses a designated external authority for septic system, its building department will not perform this work.

Recently, the Ministry has indicated a willingness to permit municipalities in Parry Sound District to perform their own septic approvals and inspections.

Mandatory Septic Reinspection and/or Servicing Programs

Septic reinspection and/or servicing programs are mandatory in the following situations:

- (i) The septic system is located within 100 metres of a waterbody or drinking water source in an area designated for *source water protection* by Ministry of Environment, Conservation, and Parks (MECP) regulations. In this case, the system must be inspected, and corrected if necessary, every five years, with a record of the

inspection filed with the local septic approval authority. Notable examples of such areas are Lake Simcoe, and Callendar Bay on Lake Nipissing.

(ii) The municipality has passed a by-law mandating such a program. Examples of municipalities that have done so include:

- Township of East Gwillimbury
- Township of Central Frontenac
- Township of North Huron
- Township of Oro-Medonte
- Township of Rideau Lakes
- Tay Valley Township
- Tiny Township
- City of Vaughan
- Wellington County

In 2019, the Federation of Ontario Cottage Associations (FOCA) published a case study of four municipalities with mandatory septic re-inspection programs, a 1-page summary of which is attached as Appendix C. (If you are FOCA member, you can view the whole report, along with a host of other useful information, at <https://foca.on.ca/septic-systems>).

Proposed Action / Recommendation

Conduct a survey of owners of occupied (excluding vacant) properties in the Municipality in order to assess the overall state of septic systems in terms of their age, type, condition, and maintenance.

Survey to be substantially in the form of the attached draft, and issued by mail with the August 2026 tax bills, with a return date of no later than November 30th, 2026, and with follow up on non-responses thereafter.

Consequences and Next Steps (if motions approved)

Staff will finalize the survey for inclusion in the August mailing to ratepayers.

Data received will be analyzed in the new year to provide an aggregate picture of the status of septic systems in the Municipality, and presented to Council and the public at a future meeting.

Appendices

- Appendix A - Extracts from Ontario Building Code – Part 8
- Appendix B - Property Owners' Responsibilities – From OOWA
- Appendix C - Summary of 2019 FOCA Case Study
- Appendix D - Draft Septic System Survey

Appendix A

Extracts from Ontario Building Code – Part 8

8.8.2.1.

2024 Building Code Compendium

Ontario 

8.8.2. General Requirements

8.8.2.1. Construction Requirements

- (1) All Class 5 *sewage systems* shall be equipped with a device that shall produce an audible and visual warning alarm so located to warn that the *sewage system* is nearing capacity.
- (2) The device required in Sentence (1) shall be designed to provide suitable advance warning to the *building* occupants considering
 - (a) the total daily design *sanitary sewage* flow,
 - (b) the location of the Class 5 *sewage system*, and
 - (c) the response time of the *hauled sewage system* contractor.
- (3) Except as provided in Sentence (4), all *holding tanks* shall be provided with a vent that
 - (a) is not less than 3 in. trade size,
 - (b) terminates at least,
 - (i) 300 mm above finished grade with a vent cap, or
 - (ii) 600 mm above finished grade with a vent cap when the *holding tank* is located in an area subject to flooding, and
 - (c) terminates at least 3.5 m away from any air inlet, window, or door.
- (4) A vent from a *holding tank* may connect into the *venting system* of the *building* served by the *holding tank* provided that,
 - (a) the vent is not less than 3 in. trade size, and
 - (b) the installation of the vent shall conform to the requirements in Part 7.

8.8.2.2. Sizing of Holding Tanks

- (1) All *holding tanks* used in residential dwellings shall have a minimum 7 day holding capacity based on the total daily design *sanitary sewage* flow.

Section 8.9. Operation and Maintenance

8.9.1. General

8.9.1.1. Scope

- (1) This Section applies to the operation and maintenance of all *sewage systems*.

8.9.1.2. General Requirements for Operation and Maintenance

- (1) Every *sewage system* shall be operated and maintained so that
 - (a) the *sewage system* or any part of it shall not emit, discharge or deposit *sanitary sewage* or *effluent* onto the surface of the ground,
 - (b) *sanitary sewage* or *effluent* shall not emit, discharge, seep, leak or otherwise escape from the *sewage system* or any part of it other than from a place or part of the *sewage system* where the system is designed or intended to discharge the *sanitary sewage* or *effluent*, and
 - (c) except as provided in Sentence (2), *sanitary sewage* or *effluent* shall not emit, discharge, seep, leak or otherwise escape from the *sewage system* or any part of it into a piped water supply, well water supply, a watercourse, *ground water* or *surface water*.

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Division B – Part 8

- (2) Clause (1)(c) does not apply to the use of a *sewage system* designed and operated such that properly treated *effluent* is discharged into *soil*.

8.9.2. Operation

8.9.2.1. Scope

- (1) The requirements of this Subsection are in addition to the requirements of Subsection 8.9.1.

8.9.2.2. General

- (1) Every *sewage system* shall be operated in accordance with
- (a) the basis on which the *construction* and use of the *sewage system* was approved or required under the Act or predecessor legislation, as the case may be, and
 - (b) the requirements of the manufacturer of the *sewage system*.

8.9.2.3. Class 4 Sewage Systems

- (1) Every Class 4 *sewage system* shall be operated in accordance with the literature required by Sentence 8.6.2.2.(6).
- (2) No person shall operate a *treatment unit* other than a *septic tank* unless the person has entered into an agreement whereby servicing and maintenance of the *treatment unit* and its related components will be carried out by a person who
- (a) possesses a copy of the literature required by Sentence 8.6.2.2.(6), and
 - (b) is authorized by the manufacturer to service and maintain that type of *treatment unit*.
- (3) The person authorized by the manufacturer to service and maintain the *treatment unit* and who has entered into the agreement referred to in Sentence (2) with the person operating the *treatment unit* shall notify the *chief building official* if,
- (a) the agreement is terminated, or
 - (b) access for service and maintenance of the *treatment unit* is denied by the person operating the *treatment unit*.

8.9.2.4. Sampling of Treatment Units

- (1) Every person operating a *treatment unit* that is used in conjunction with a *leaching bed constructed as a shallow buried trench, Type A dispersal bed or Type B dispersal bed* shall
- (a) take a grab sample of the *effluent* to determine the level of CBOD₅ and suspended solids in the *effluent*,
 - (b) carry out the sampling required by Clause (1)(a) in accordance with the methods described in the APHA/AWWA/WEF, "Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater," and
 - (c) promptly submit the results of the sampling required by Clause (a) to the *chief building official*.
- (2) Except as provided in Sentence (4), the sampling required by Sentence (1) shall be conducted
- (a) initially, once during the first 12 months after the *sewage system* was put into use, and
 - (b) thereafter, once during every 12 month period, at least 10 months and not more than 18 months after the previous sampling has been completed.
- (3) The concentration of CBOD₅ and suspended solids in the grab sample described in Sentences (1) and (4) is deemed to comply with the maximum concentration requirements set out in Table 8.6.2.2. when it does not exceed 20 mg/L for each of these parameters.
- (4) If the results of the sampling required by Sentence (1) do not comply with Sentence (3), the person operating the *treatment unit* shall
- (a) resample the *effluent* in accordance with Clauses (1)(a) and (b) within 6 months after the previous sampling has been completed, and
 - (b) promptly submit the results of the resampling required by Clause (a) to the *chief building official*.

8.9.2.5. Class 5 Sewage Systems

- (1) Every Class 5 *sewage system* shall be operated in accordance with the agreement referred to in Sentence 8.8.1.2.(2).
- (2) No Class 5 *sewage system* shall be operated once it is filled with *sanitary sewage* until such time as the *sanitary sewage* is removed from the *sewage system*.

8.9.3. Maintenance**8.9.3.1. Scope**

- (1) The requirements of this Subsection are in addition to the requirements of Subsection 8.9.1.

8.9.3.2. General

- (1) Every *sewage system* shall be maintained so that
 - (a) the *construction* of the *sewage system* remains in accordance with
 - (i) the basis on which the *construction* and use of the *sewage system* was approved or required under the Act or predecessor legislation, as the case may be, and
 - (ii) the requirements of the manufacturer of the *sewage system*, and
 - (b) all components of the *sewage system* function in their intended manner.
- (2) The land in the vicinity of a *sewage system* shall be maintained in a condition that will not cause damage to, or impair the functioning of, the *sewage system*.

8.9.3.3. Interceptors

- (1) Every *grease interceptor* referred to in Article 8.1.3.1. shall be maintained in accordance with CSA B481.4, "Maintenance of grease interceptors."

8.9.3.4. Class 4 Sewage Systems

- (1) *Septic tanks* and other *treatment units* shall be cleaned whenever sludge and scum occupy one-third of the *working capacity* of the tank.

8.9.3.5. Pressurized Distribution Systems

- (1) The pressure head at the furthest point from the pump in all *distribution pipes* shall be checked for compliance with Articles 8.7.6.1. and 8.7.8.2. and the design specification at least every 36 months.

Appendix B

Property Owners' Responsibilities – From OOWA

Property Owners' Responsibilities under the Ontario Building Code (OBC)

📅 18 May 2021



Rural property owners are also private wastewater management system operators. They don't have the luxury of flushing and forgetting like their city cousins. This is because the solids that they do flush remain on their property (contained in their septic tank) and the resulting effluent is returned to the soil under their own septic leaching bed. Managing human waste is a big responsibility and the Ontario Building Code has something to say about how homeowners deal with it.

Section 10.1 of the Building Code Act specifies; "No person shall operate or maintain a sewage system or permit a sewage system to be operated or maintained except in accordance with this Act and the building code."

The owner of the property where an onsite sewage system exists or will be installed is ultimately responsible for signing the application for a building permit which certifies that the information on the permit is correct. By signing the permit they are also ensuring that the proper site evaluation is completed and they are also confirming that the design of the system complies with all the appropriate regulations.

Property owners can assign their agency over to an installer or a designer to conduct the site evaluation, design the system and install it for the purposes of applying for and obtaining the required permit **-but-** this does not absolve the owner of their roles and responsibilities under Section 1.1. of the Act.

Under subsection 8.9.3. of the OBC , property owners shall:

- maintain their system in accordance both on the basis on which the construction of the sewage system was approved and the operation and maintenance requirements of the manufacturer
- maintain the land in the vicinity of their sewage system in a condition that will not cause damage to or impair the functioning of the sewage system

In addition, the septic tanks of conventional and advanced treatment systems must be cleaned (pumped) whenever sludge and scum (solids) occupy **one-third of the working capacity of the tank**. Not sure of the capacity of your tank? Call your local regulator to find out what they have on record for your system, ask your installer or ask your pumper.

Need some guidance to make sure you are Code compliant? Call us with your questions or check out our [Homeowner Resources](#). Do the reading, have the conversations, get the work done and protect the environment and your home's infrastructure. Be onsite proud!

Portions of this post were paraphrased from the OBOA's "Ontario Building Code Course: Part 8 On-site Sewage Systems Participant Manual"

Posted in [Guidance Documents](#), [News](#), [Regulatory](#), [Septic Systems](#)

[< New Intro to OOWA Video!](#)

[OOWA's new Decentralized Wastewater Systems webpage.>](#)



Summary of 2019 FOCA Case Study

Septic Re-inspection Programs in Ontario

A FOCA Report for Community Groups (2019)

Ontario has 250,000 rural waterfront properties, and most rely on on-site wastewater treatment systems—also known as sewage systems or septic systems—to manage their household wastewater. FOCA initiated a project with partners to explore successes, challenges & lessons learned from existing municipal septic re-inspection programs across Ontario.

Top take-away: Education is key to successful sewage system management

Re-inspection statistics about the state of sewage systems across rural Ontario:

(consult the report for data sources & full details)

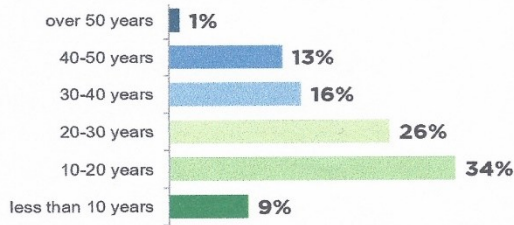
Class of Sewage Systems: among a set of 1,000 re-inspections in 2018



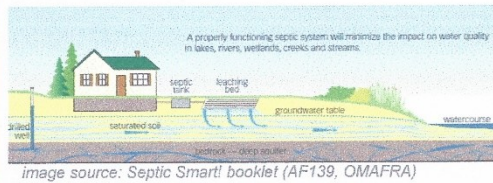
only **16%** of systems required a pump-out (solids over 1/3 of tank volume)

3/4 of major deficiencies were found in systems **30+ years old**

Age of Systems: among a set of 750 re-inspections in 2018



View the complete report online: <https://foca.on.ca/septic-systems>



Municipal Case Studies:

- Township of Leeds & the Thousand Islands
- Municipality of Callander
- Township of Rideau Lakes
- Tiny Township

	Twp. of Leeds and the Thousand Islands	Municipality of Callander	Rideau Lakes Township	Tiny Township
Location (Counties)	United Counties of Leeds & Grenville (in eastern Ontario)	Adjacent to North Bay, on south-eastern shore of Lake Nipissing	Rideau Lakes (north of Kingston, south of Perth, in eastern Ontario)	South shores of Georgian Bay
Population (2016)	9,465 (StatsCan)	3,883 (StatsCan)	10,207 (StatsCan)	11,787 "full-time residents"
# of Household sewage	3,576	226 properties, systems within 120 meters of a public/sewage flowing into	6,250 (the entire township is privately-owned)	Total 9,712 housing units, 49.6% are seasonal



Project Research Partners:



FOCA 705-749-3622 info@foca.on.ca <https://foca.on.ca>
 Federation of Ontario Cottagers' Associations Rural Ontario: we're in this, together.

Appendix D

Draft Septic Survey



Septic System Survey

This survey is designed to obtain reliable information on the state of private septic systems within the Municipality of Whitestone, for the purpose of informing policy decisions on their inspection and maintenance. The results of the survey will be shared only in aggregate, and will not be used for enforcement purposes. Every property owner in the Municipality is expected to complete the survey for each property they own by August 31st, 2026. Municipal staff will follow up with non-respondents.

The survey may be completed and submitted on-line at septic-survey@whitestone.ca. Alternatively, it may be completed on paper and returned to the Municipal Office in Dunchurch by mail or in person.

1. The Ontario Building Code Act and regulations require owners of septic systems to maintain them in good working order? Were you aware of this requirement? Yes No
2. Does your property have a septic system of any type? Yes No
If not, proceed to Question 8.
3. What type of septic system do you have? (check all that apply)
 Class 1 (outhouse / privvy) Class 1 (Chemical / incinerating / composting toilet)
 Class 2 (Greywater leaching pit) Class 4 (Septic tank with leaching bed)
 Class 5 (Sewage holding tank)
4. How do you dispose of "grey water" from sinks, dishwasher, laundry, etc.?
 Through the septic tank Separate grey water pit Onto the ground
5. If you have a Class 4 septic system, when was it installed? Don't know
 Within the past 5 years 5-10 years ago More than 10 years ago Never
6. When was the last time you had the septic tank pumped out? Don't know
 Within the past 5 years 5-10 years ago More than 10 years ago Never
7. When was the last time you had the system inspected? Don't know
 Within the past 5 years 5-10 years ago More than 10 years ago Never
8. In your opinion, should periodic septic system (re)inspections be mandatory?
 Yes, every 5 years Yes, every 10 years No, voluntary only
 Yes, whenever ownership changes Yes, if the property is rented short-term
9. Please provide the municipal address of your property:

Thank you for your cooperation in helping to protect our water resources.



Environmental Stewardship Committee (WESC)

Terms of Reference – (Updated ~~July 2024~~ April 2026)

1. Purpose

1. To address environmental items and initiatives concerns within the Municipality of Whitestone, ~~and to coordinate and assist efforts of the various conservation and lake associations within its bounds that have complementary mandates and to address environmental stewardship with the Municipality.~~

2. Key Duties and Responsibilities

1. Define common conservation environmental initiatives, issues, objectives, and priorities;
- ~~2. Define common measurements (e.g., of water quality);~~
- ~~3.2. Share their issues, knowledge, and experience;~~
- ~~4.3. Develop and maintain environmental stewardship work plans;~~
- ~~5.4. Collaborate to achieve common objectives;~~
- ~~6.5. Make recommendations to Council regarding support for new and existing conservation initiatives;~~
- ~~7.6. Measure and report progress against objectives;~~
- ~~7. Advocate and communicate to the community on environmental issues items and initiatives;~~
- ~~8.~~

3. Constituency & Qualifications of Committee ~~Members~~

1. Members to be appointed by Council as follows:
 - (i) Maximum two (2) members of Council;
 - (ii) Maximum ~~five~~ twelve (~~542~~) additional members of the public.

2. Appointees should have an interest in environmental [conservation items and initiatives](#) and should be prepared to act as liaison with, and to enlist the support of volunteers [and the public.](#) ~~within, their respective organizations.~~
3. Encouraged representation from the following:
 - a. Lake associations, conservation associations, road association, community organizations, First Nations, members of the public and [any](#) others
- a.4. [Willing to engage in committee initiatives, and work programs](#)

4. Chair-, Vice Chair and Recording Secretary

1. Chair and Vice Chair to be selected by Committee members at first meeting or upon resignation of the position and ratified by Council.
2. Duties of Chair:
 - Schedule and convene meetings of the Committee
 - Chair meetings of the Committee
 - Present brief progress / status reports to Council as appropriate or requested
 - Maintain vitality of Committee roster through succession planning.
 - Prepare meeting Agendas, ~~and solicit agenda items from members~~
3. Duties of Vice Chair:
 - Chair Committee meetings in absence of Chair
 - Assist Chair as required
 - Act in the Chair position when the Chair is absence or unable to perform their duties
4. Duties of Recording Secretary
 - Record Committee meetings via note taking
 - Submit draft meeting minutes to Municipal Staff in advance of the next meeting
 - Assist in the Teleconferencing / videoconferencing facilities when made available for members

5. Term of Appointments

1. Term of Council
2. In the event of a member's resignation or inability to serve, a replacement will be sought for the balance of the Council term.
3. No term limits will be imposed; however, succession planning will be completed at the end of each Council term.

6. Quorum

1. 50% plus 1 member

7. Meeting Frequency-, Time Commitment and Meeting Types

1. The Committee will meet in person or by teleconference as required to advance its work plan in a timely manner. [Setting the next meeting date will be an agenda item for each regular meeting.](#)

2. In addition to regularly scheduled meetings, the Committee may hold special meetings (for example, for site visits).
3. The estimated time commitment for Committee members, including preparation for meetings, is two four (24) hours per month.
4. ~~Mutually convenient~~ Meeting times will be ~~proposed~~ determined by the Chair in consultation with the Committee members for each calendar year. The proposed meeting schedule will be presented at the last meeting of the current year for the following year.
5. Audio / Videoconferencing facilities may be made available for members unable to attend in person, however ~~Audio / Videoconferencing facilities may not be made available for all meetings~~
6. The meetings if or when made available via Audio / Videoconferencing facilities, will not be recorded or videoed and Audio / Video recordings of the meeting will not be made available
7. Members are encouraged to attend meetings to the best of their abilities

8. Operational year time frame

1. January – December

9. Staff Support / Advisor(s)

1. To be determined, as required and as requested by the Committee



MEMORANDUM

To: Members of Council and Staff

From: Councillor Scott Nash

Date: May 8, 2026

**Re: Water Monitoring System – (Water Height, Temperature, Wind, Precipitation)
Gooseneck Lake and Kashageba Lake**

Background

Currently within the Municipality three (3) lakes have dams for water management. The lakes are Kashageba Lake, Gooseneck Lake and Lake Wahwashkesh.

To help assist the Municipality in data collecting of information such as water elevation changes, water and air temperature, wind speed and precipitation amounts there are remote monitoring systems such as the Onset-HOBO data logger that can be installed. The units can be remotely installed as they can run of solar and use a satellite link for data uploads.

With the changing environment water level monitoring is more important than ever, to help with future water management as also in advising the public of any changes to the water levels on the three lakes with dams.

Currently Lake Wahwashkesh does have a monitoring system that was installed by the Lake Wahwashkesh Conservation Association (WWKCA) with MNR assistance. In communication with the WWKCA, they are not interested in the Municipality taking over the existing system on a go forward based as the data is important to them.

In speaking with the Gooseneck Lake Property Owners Association (GLPOA) and also the Magnetawan Pioneers Association (MPA) there is interest in having the monitoring systems installed on Gooseneck Lake and also Kashegaba Lake.

As Council is aware the Gooseneck Lake Dam is scheduled for major work by the MNR in 2026 and the Kashegaba Dam was replaced by the MNR in the fall of 2025. Of note there is concern from users, property owners on Kashegaba Lake and Bolger Lake of the lower water level this year than previous years. The system such as the Onset-Hobo data logger could be a great assistance to help track the water level over time, along with the water/air temperature, wind speed and perception.

The units are relatively inexpensive for the initial investment and on-going monitoring.

Remote monitoring rates are as follows for a 12-month plan.

- Basic, 1 Reading per sensor per hour for \$166.00+HST for 1 year
- Standard, 1 Reading per sensor every 5 minutes for \$333.00+HST for 1 year

The cost of the Monitoring units are as follows for the Onset – HOBO system

- Data logger RX3000 4G Remote Monitoring Station \$1,609.00
- Extra Large Solar Panel \$403.00
- Complete 2M Tripod Kit \$509.00
- RX3000 Water level sensor \$271.00
- 10m RWLMOD Cable \$253.00
- MX Water Level Sensor 4m(13') \$690.00
- Temp/RH Sensor (12-bit) w/8m cable \$360.00
- Solar Radiation Sheild for use with external sensors \$128.00
- Rain Guage \$962.00
- Wind Speed and Direction Sensor Set \$1,252.00
- Full Cross Arm Kit \$178.00

The cost of the above system is \$6,781.00+HST, however if the Wind and Rain Guage options are not selected that the price per unit would be \$4,389.00+HST

Recommendations

In order to assist the Municipality in compiling data and information to assist with items such as Official Plans, Zoning By-Laws and water management, it is recommended that the Municipality purchase and install two (2) water monitoring systems which will monitor water elevation changes, water and air temperate and wind speed as Gooseneck Lake and Kashageba Lake. In addition, the Municipality follow up again with the WWKCA on taking over the operation of the unit on Lake Wahwashkesh.

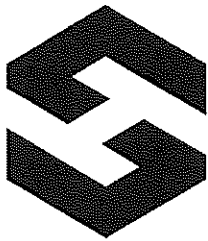
The data that is collected can be shared with a link on the Municipality's website so that residents and visitors could access the data.

Existing approved funds can be used from the 2026 Budget Line item's 16-484-6 (Lake Quality Water Testing) and 16-484-4 (Green Initiatives), so this would result in no additional cost to the Municipal Budget for the undertaking.

The two units would cost a total of \$6,781.00 to \$4,389.00 each and monitoring would cost \$166 to \$366 per unit per year depending on the data plan selected.

Attachments:

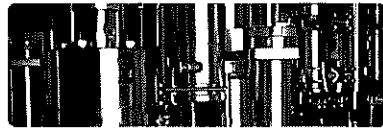
Attachment A – Onset – HOBO 7 information sheets



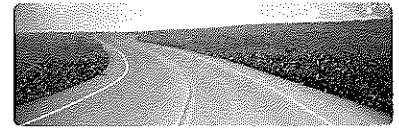
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ENVIRONMENTAL Monitoring



TEST & MEASUREMENT Instrumentation



GEOTECHNICAL & MATERIALS Testing

Quote : 379853

Contact : Scott Nash
705-346-4367 - councillor.nash@whitestone.ca

Date : 2026-05-19

Bill to : Municipality of Whitestone
21 Church St.
Dunchurch, ON

Ship to :

Here is the quote you requested:

#	Item	Description	Qty	Unit Price	Extended
RX3000 Datalogger and Accessories:					
100405 E348-RX3004-00-01		RX3000 4G Remote Monitoring Station	1	\$1,609.00	\$1,609.00
100430 E348-SOLAR-15W		Extra-Large Solar Panel 15 Watts	1	\$403.00	\$403.00
100375 E348-M-TPB-KIT		Complete 2M Tripod kit	1	\$509.00	\$509.00
Water Level Add-Ons:					
110665 E348-RXMOD-W1		RX3000 Water Level Sensor Module	1	\$271.00	\$271.00
110684 E348-CABLE-RWLMO D-010		10 m RWLMOD Cable	1	\$253.00	\$253.00
133740 E348-MX2001-04-SS-S		MX Water Level Sensor, 4m(13')	1	\$690.00	\$690.00
Temp/RH Sensor:					
142574 E348-S-THC-M008		Temp/RH Sensor (12-bit) w/ 8m Cable	1	\$360.00	\$360.00

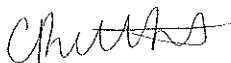
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#	Item	Description	Qty	Unit Price	Extended
100400 E348-RS3-B		Solar Radiation Shield, for use with external sensors; S-THB-M00X, S-TMA-M0XX, S-TMB-M0XX, TMCx-HB, TMCx-HD, W-TMB, and external sensors from U23-00X; NOT compatible with S-THA.	1	\$128.00	\$128.00
		Rain Gauge:			
100437 E348-S-RGB-M002		Rain Gauge (0.2mm) with 2m Cable	1	\$962.00	\$962.00
		Wind Speed & Direction Sensor:			
100453 E348-S-WSET-B		Wind Speed and Direction Sensor Set	1	\$1,252.00	\$1,252.00
100361 E348-M-CAA		Full Cross Arm Kit	1	\$178.00	\$178.00
		SubTotal			\$6,615.00
FREIGHT ZHOS-FREIGHT		Freight	1	\$80.00	\$80.00
		Subtotal			\$6,695.00
		HST 13 %			\$870.35
		Total with Taxes			\$7,565.35
		Plan Options:			
RX-BASIC E348-RX-Basic		Onset data plan - RX-Basic (Max # of Measurements - 10, Fastest Logging Interval - Every hour, Included remote access and monitoring via HOBOLink)	1	\$166.00	\$166.00
RX-STANDARD E348-RX-Standard		Onset data plan - RX-Standard (Max # of Measurements - 25, Fastest Logging Interval - Every 5 minutes, Included remote access and monitoring via HOBOLink) (Optional)	1	\$333.00	\$333.00

Thank you for contacting Hoskin Scientific! Please let me know if I can help you place this order.

If you wish to place an order with a credit card, please call in your card information to me (289-772-7138) during business hours. CC details are not kept on file.

Best regards,



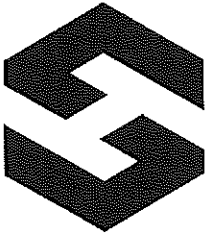
Claire Rethoret,

crethoret@hoskin.ca

PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL PRICES INCLUDED HEREIN ARE SUBJECT TO INCREASE BY IMPLEMENTATION OF TARIFFS RESULTING FROM THE CURRENT TRADE NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN CANADA, USA AND MEXICO.

Unless otherwise stated :

1. All items quoted in Canadian Dollars.
2. Quote valid for 15 days.
3. Taxes extra - if applicable.
4. F.O.B. Hoskin Scientific Ltd. Oakville, ON
5. Terms net 30 days O.A.C.



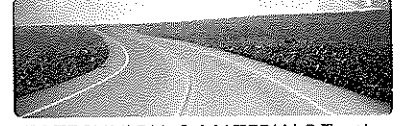
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STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SALE

1. By issuing a purchase order based on an Hoskin quote, the buyer agrees to the terms and conditions herein. Prices provided by Hoskin for a quote are applicable for 15 days from the date of the quote. Hoskin may modify the price of any quote if actual or expected delivery of an order is more than 6 months from the date of the quote.
2. Shipment terms are FOB Hoskin unless otherwise specified in the quote.
3. Order acceptance is subject to credit status.
4. Payment terms are Net 30 days from the date of invoicing. A monthly service charge of one and a half percent (1½%) will be applied against any unpaid balance after the applicable 30 days.
5. Changes to an order already accepted by Hoskin may result in additional fees. In the event of a request for change to a pending order, sufficient details will have to be provided in a timely fashion. Hoskin will then advise the client of the costs arising of such changes as soon as possible. The client will then have 30 days to accept such additional costs failing which the request for change will be non-applicable.
6. Cancellation of an order will be subject to charges by Hoskin and/or its suppliers.
7. All goods received from Hoskin must be examined immediately upon arrival and any claims arising from damage in transport or to the non-conformity of the goods delivered in relation to the order must be communicated to Hoskin within 5 days of the date of delivery.
8. Warranties and Returns
 - a. Warranties vary with each manufacturer represented by Hoskin. Standard manufacturers' warranties apply unless otherwise specified in the quote provided by Hoskin.
 - b. Hoskin will be responsible for returning defective goods to the manufacturer or having such goods repaired within the warranty period. If there is a claim for defective goods within 30 days of delivery, all transportation cost will be incurred by Hoskin. In the event that a claim for defective goods is made more than 30 days after delivery, Hoskin shall incur only the transportation cost for the return to the client of the repaired or replaced good.
 - c. A Return Authorization issued by Hoskin's customer service must accompany all goods returned, including those returned under warranty. Hoskin is under no obligations to accept goods returned without prior return authorization.
 - d. Return/restocking approval will only be considered for current standard products and within 30 days of delivery.
 - e. Returns will be subject to a minimum 20% restocking fee on the sale price of the returned goods. All transportation costs incurred by Hoskin and associated with a return will be charged to the buyer.
 - f. The buyer is responsible to ensure that the returned goods are adequately packaged and insured against damage and loss arising from transportation.
 - g. Hoskin is under no obligation to honor the warranty on an item that has been damaged, altered, or tampered without the permission of Hoskin. Hoskin is under no obligation to replace or restock an item that has been damaged, altered, or tampered with.
 - h. Hoskin accepts no liability for consequential or indirect loss or damage arising from the use of the goods sold.
9. Conditions set forth in a Purchaser's order are binding only insofar as they do not conflict with the above Hoskin' conditions of sales. In the event of a conflict, the Hoskin' conditions of sale shall prevail.
10. Estimated delivery dates are on a best effort basis only on the part of Hoskin.

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Data Loggers

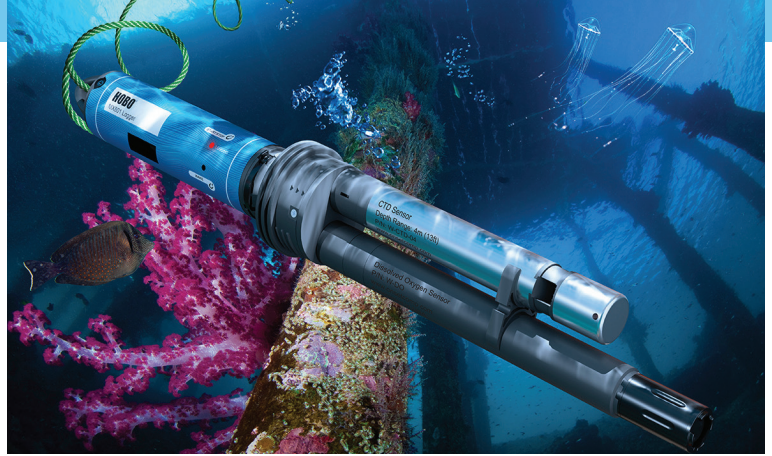
HOBO MX800 Multiparameter Water Quality Data Loggers

*The ultimate solution for collecting
critical water level & water quality data*

An affordable, highly configurable solution for monitoring water conductivity, temperature, depth, and dissolved oxygen. HOBO MX800 series Bluetooth loggers come in an easy-to-deploy fully submersible model (MX801) and a direct-read model (MX802) for convenient data offload without removing the sensor from the water.

Supported Measurements:

Water conductivity/salinity, temperature, level, and dissolved oxygen



Key Advantages

- Fast data offload via Bluetooth to HOBObconnect app
- Interchangeable sensors – swap out sensors for different applications
- Water detect feature indicates when logger was out of the water (MX801)
- Built-in barometric pressure sensor plus time-saving direct data offload without removing sensor from the water (MX802)
- Guided calibration ensures accurate data

Minimum System Requirements



HOBObconnect
See pg 43



Mobile or
Windows
device

Get more water quality measurements with one data logger

An adapter lets you attach two sensors to one MX800 logger, so you can measure dissolved oxygen, conductivity, temperature, and depth with a single platform.



CT Sensor (W-CT)



CTD Sensor (W-CTDxx)



DO Sensor (W-DO)



► For complete information and accessories, please visit: www.onsetcomp.com

Sensors

W-CT and W-CTD-xx		W-DO	
	Conductivity	Temperature	DO / Temperature
Range	Electrical conductivity and specific conductance: 0 to 100,000 μ S/cm	-20° to 50°C (-40° to 122°F), non-freezing water	0 to 60 mg/L; 0-600% Saturation / -5 to 50°C (23 to 104°F), non-freezing
Accuracy	Conductivity: +/-2% or 15 μ S/cm whichever is greater Salinity: +/-2% of reading or 0.1 PSU, whichever is greater	\pm 0.15°C (\pm 0.27°F) from 0° to 50°C (32° to 122°F)	Out-of-box: \pm 0.2 mg/L over the range of 0 to 20 mg/L; +0.1 mg/L with user calibration / 0.15°C (0.27°F)
Resolution	0.1 μ S/cm from 0 to 1,000 μ S/cm 1 μ S/cm from 1,000 to 10,000 μ S/cm 10 μ S/cm from 10,000 to 100,000 μ S/cm	0.01°C at 25°C (0.018°F at 77°F)	0.01 mg/L / 0.01°C (0.04°F)

Pressure & Depth (CTD Sensors only)

Part Number	W-CTD-01	W-CTD-02	W-CTD-03	W-CTD-01
Range	0 to 207 kPa (0 to 30 psia); 0 to 9 m (0 to 30 ft) water depth at sea level	0 to 400 kPa (0 to 58 psia); 0 to 30.6 m (0 to 100 ft) water depth at sea level	0 to 850 kPa (0 to 123.3 psia); 0 to 76.5 m (0 to 251 ft) water depth at sea level	0 to 145 kPa (0 to 21 psia); 0 to 4 m (0 to 13 ft) water depth at sea level
Water Level Accuracy*	Typical error: +/-0.05% FS, 0.5 cm (0.015 ft) water	Typical error: \pm 0.05% FS, 1.5 cm (0.05 ft) water	Typical error: \pm 0.05% FS, 3.8 cm (0.125 ft) water	Typical error: \pm 0.075% FS, 0.3 cm (0.01 ft) water
Resolution	0.21 cm (0.007 ft)	0.41 cm (0.013 ft)	0.87 cm (0.028 ft)	0.14 cm (0.005 ft)
Raw Pressure Accuracy**	\pm 0.3% FS, 0.62 kPa (0.09 psi) maximum error	\pm 0.3% FS, 1.20 kPa (0.17 psi) maximum error	\pm 0.3% FS, 2.55 kPa (0.37 psi) maximum error	\pm 0.3% FS, 0.43 kPa (0.063 psi) maximum error

Data Loggers

Part number	MX801	MX802
Operating Range	-40° to 50°C (-40° to 122°F), cannot be frozen in ice	
Transmission Range	Approximately 30.5 m (100 ft) line-of-sight	
Wireless Data Standard	Bluetooth 5	
Maximum Cable Length	N/A	120m (400 ft)
Logging Rate	5 second to 18 hours	
Water Detect	Events are logged when logger is submerged or removed from the water (MX801 only)	N/A
Time Accuracy	\pm 1 minute per month 0° to 50°C (32° to 122°F)	
Barometric Pressure (MX802 only)		
Measurement & Calibrated Range	N/A	66 to 107 kPa (9.6 to 15.5 psia), -20° to 50°C (-4° to 122°F)
Accuracy*	N/A	Typical error: \pm 0.2 kPa (0.029 psi) Maximum error: \pm 0.5 kPa (0.073 psi)
Resolution	N/A	<0.01 kPa (0.0015 psi)
Battery	Four AA, 1.5 V lithium batteries, user replaceable	
Battery Life	With W-CTD or W-CT sensors: 2 years, typical with 1-minute logging interval or slower With W-DO sensor: 1-year, typical with 5-minute logging interval or slower	
Memory	730,000 measurements, divided between channels (4 Mbyte memory)	
Materials	Outer enclosure: Polycarbonate/PBT blend with brass inserts; Interior: Polycarbonate/PBT; Gasket: Silicone foam. Cable channel: Santoprene™ TPE	
Dimensions	Logger diameter: 4.14 cm (1.63 inches), Length without sensor: 20 cm (8 inches)	
Weight	MX801 Logger: 213g (7.51 oz)	MX802 Logger: 215g (7.58 oz)
Environmental Rating	IP68; waterproof to 100m (with sensor(s) attached)	IP67, NEMA 6; Weatherproof (with cable or Termination Plug attached); this model is not waterproof
CE & UKCA Compliant	Yes	

* Pressure Accuracy: Absolute pressure sensor accuracy includes all sensor drift, temperature, and hysteresis-induced errors.

** Raw Pressure Accuracy: Absolute pressure sensor accuracy includes all sensor drift, temperature, and hysteresis-induced errors.

ONSET

HOBO[®] MX2501 Data Logger

pH and Temperature Data Logger

The HOBO MX2501 pH and Temperature Data Logger is designed for long-term monitoring of pH in estuaries, lakes, streams, rivers, and oceans. Leveraging Bluetooth Low Energy[®] (BLE) technology, the MX2501 pH Logger communicates wirelessly with the free HOBObconnect app and your mobile device, making logger setup, calibration, and data offload quick and easy. A guided pH calibration process on the HOBObconnect app makes an otherwise complicated process easier to follow. This affordable and compact logger dramatically cuts the time and effort needed to collect field data, while also offering higher resolution data. (NOTE: pH electrodes should always be stored in storage solution when not deployed.)



You can download the HOBObconnect app here:

Key Advantages:

- Guided pH calibration following on-screen prompts in HOBObconnect app
- Rugged PVC housing for deployment in both freshwater and saltwater environments
- Quick and easy data offload via Bluetooth Low Energy (BLE) to iOS and Android devices
- Water detection system for longer battery life and less maintenance
- Potentiometric pH electrode with plastic body, gel electrolyte, and double cloth junction
- User-replaceable battery, pH electrode, and anti-biofouling copper guard
- Accuracy of ± 0.10 pH units within $\pm 10^{\circ}\text{C}$ of temperature at calibration

pH Sensor

	pH	mV
Range	2.00 to 12.00 pH	-512 to 512 mV
Accuracy	±0.10 pH units within ±10°C of temperature at calibration	±0.20 mV
Resolution	0.01 pH	0.02 mV
Response Time	1 minute typical to 90% at constant temperature in stirred water	
Sample Ionic Strength	≥ 100 µS/cm	

Temperature Sensor

Range	-2° to 50°C (28.4° to 122°F)
Accuracy	±0.2°C (±0.36°F)
Resolution	0.024°C at 25°C (0.04°F at 77°F)
Response Time	7 minutes typical to 90% in stirred water

Logger

Operating Range	-2° to 50°C (28.4° to 122°F) — non-freezing
Buoyancy	Fresh water: 13.6 g (0.48 oz) negative Salt water: 19.6 g (0.69 oz) negative
Waterproof	To 40 m (131.2 ft)
Water Detection	Water conductivity level of 100 µS/cm or greater is necessary for reliable detection of water. Deionized water or water below 100 µS/cm may not be detected. The water conductivity circuit may not reliably detect water that has frozen around the electrodes, i.e. below 0°C (32°F).
Radio Power	1 mW (0 dBm)
Transmission Range	Approximately 30.5 m (100 ft) line-of-sight in air
Wireless Data Standard	Bluetooth Low Energy (Bluetooth Smart)
Logging Rate	1 second to 18 hours
Logging Modes	Fixed interval (normal, statistics) or burst
Memory Modes	Wrap when full or stop when full
Start Modes	Immediate, push button, date & time, or next interval
Stop Modes	When memory is full, push button, date & time, or after a set logging period
Time Accuracy	±1 minute per month 0° to 50°C (32° to 122°F)
Battery Type	One AA 1.5 Volt, user-replaceable
Battery Life	1 year typical at 25°C (77°F) with logging interval of 1 minute and Bluetooth Always On selected in software. 2 years typical at 25°C (77°F) with logging interval of 1 minute and Bluetooth Off Water Detect enabled in software. 3 years typical at 25°C (77°F) with logging interval of 1 minute and Bluetooth Always Off selected in software. Faster logging intervals and statistics sampling intervals, burst logging, remaining connected with the app, excessive downloads, and paging may impact battery life.

pH Electrode Typical Minimum Life 6 months in sample with ionic strength ≥ 100 µS/cm

Memory	152 KB (43,300 measurements, maximum)
Full Memory Download Time	Approximately 60 seconds; may take longer the farther the mobile device is from the logger
Dimensions	22.86 x 4.27 cm (9.0 x 1.68 inches); mounting hole 0.64 cm (0.25 inches)
Weight	268.2 g (9.46 oz)
Wetted Materials	Logger: PVC housing and sensor end cap, polycarbonate closure caps and mounting end cap with a TPE switch pH electrode: plastic-bodied with Pellon® junctions and gel electrolyte, glass pH sensor bulb



RX3000 Remote Monitoring Station

RX3000 Remote Monitoring Station

Onset's most flexible remote data logging station, the HOBO RX3000 provides instant access to site-specific environmental data anywhere, at any time, via the internet. This configurable station combines the versatility and sensor quality of more expensive systems, an onboard LCD display, and the convenience of plug-and-play operation. (See "Configure System" tab below.)



The RX3000 station is the main component of the cost-effective and scalable HOBOnet Field Monitoring System for crop management, environmental research, and greenhouse operations.



Key Advantages:

- Flexible support for a broad range of sensors
- LCD display for easy field deployment
- Cloud-based data access through HOBOLink
 - Get 24/7 web access to your data via web browser
 - Verify RX3000 system status remotely
 - Set up and manage alarm notifications over the web
 - Schedule automated delivery of data
- Plug-and-play operation
- Alarm notifications via text, email
- Rugged double-weatherproof enclosure
- Configurable from your mobile device
- Optional Analog Input, Relay, and Water Level Sensor Modules
- Remote water level and water flow monitoring with Onset's water level module (RXMOD-W1)
- Access to NEWA plant disease risk and insect pest models

HOBO RX3000 Data Logger Specifications

Operating Range	-40° to 60°C (-40° to 140°F); no remote communications for battery voltage less than 3.9 V DC
Smart Sensor Connectors	10
Smart Sensor Network Cable Length	100 m (328 ft) maximum
Smart Sensor Data Channels	Maximum of 15 (some smart sensors use more than one data channel; see sensor manual for details)
Module Slots	2
Logging Rate	1 second (RX3001 and RX3002) or 1 minute (RX3003 and RX3004) to 18 hours
Time Accuracy	±8 seconds per month in 0° to 40°C (32°F to 104°F) range; ±30 seconds per month in -40° to 60°C (-40° to 140°F) range
Battery Type/Power Source	4 Volt, 10 Ahr, rechargeable sealed lead-acid; external power required using one of these options: AC power adapter (AC-U30), solar panel (SOLAR-xW), or external power source 5 V DC to 17 V DC with external DC power cable (CABLE-RX-PWR)
Rechargeable Battery Service Life	Typical 3–5 years when operated in the temperature range -20° to 40°C (-4°F to 104°F); operation outside this range will reduce the battery service life
Memory	32 MB, 2 million measurements, continuous logging
Alarm Notification Latency	Logging interval plus 2–4 minutes, typical
Enclosure Access	Hinged door secured by two latches with eyelets for use with user-supplied padlocks
LCD	LCD is visible from 0° to 50°C (32° to 122°F); the LCD may react slowly or go blank in temperatures outside this range
Materials	Outer enclosure: Polycarbonate/PBT blend with stainless steel hinge pins and brass inserts; Inner enclosure: Polycarbonate; Gaskets: Silicone rubber; Cable channel: EPDM rubber; Cable opening cover: Aluminum with ABS plastic thumb screws; U-Bolts: Steel with zinc dichromate finish
Size	18.6 x 18.1 x 11.8 cm (7.3 x 7.1 x 4.7 in.); see diagrams on next page
Weight	2.2 kg (4.85 lb)
Mounting	3.8 cm (1.5 inch) mast or wall mount
Environmental Rating	Weatherproof enclosure, NEMA 4X (requires proper installation of cable channel system)
	The CE Marking identifies this product as complying with all relevant directives in the European Union (EU)
	RX3002: FCC ID R68XPICOW, IC ID 3867A-XPICOW RX3003: FCC ID QIPEHS6, IC ID 7830A-EHS6; approved for use in Taiwan and Japan RX3004: FCC ID QIPPLS62-W, IC ID:7830A-PLS62W
Wireless Radio	RX3003: GSM/GPRS/EDGE: Quad band 850/900/1800/1900 MHz, UMTS/HSPA+: Five band 800/850/900/1900/2100 MHz RX3004: GSM/GPRS/EDGE: Quad band 850/900/1800/1900 MHz UMTS/HSPA+: Seven band 800/850/900/1800/1900/2100 MHz LTE: Twelve Band 700/800/850/900/1800/1900/2100/2600 MHz
Antenna	RX3003: Penta band RX3004: 4G LTE

Ethernet (RX3001)

Connector One RJ45/100BaseT

Wi-Fi (RX3002)

Network Standards IEEE 802.11b/g/n

Frequency Range 2.412–2.484 GHz

Antenna Connector 1, no diversity supported

Data Rates 1, 2, 5.5, 11 Mbps (802.11b); 6, 9, 12, 18, 24, 36, 48, 54 Mbps (802.11g); 802.11n, HT20 MCS0 (6.5 Mbps) to HT20 MC87 (65 Mbps)

Number of Selectable Radio Subchannels Up to 14 channels; profiles available will include USA, France, Japan, Spain, Canada, and “Other” (multiple countries)

Radio Modulations OFDM, DSSS, DBPSK, DQPSK, CCK, 16QAM, 64QAM

Security WEP 64/128, WPA-PSK, AES end-to-end encryption, WPA2, protocols not listed are not supported

Maximum Receive Level -10 dBm (with PER <8%)

Receiver Sensitivity -72 dBm for 54 Mbps, -87 dBm for 11 Mbps, -89 dBm for 5.5 Mbps, -90 dBm for 2.0 Mbps, -92 dBm for 1.0 Mbps

Cellular (RX3003 and RX3004)

Wireless Radio

RX3003:
GSM/GPRS/EDGE: Quad band 850/900/1800/1900 MHz, UMTS/HSPA+: Five band 800/850/900/1900/2100 MHz

RX3004:
GSM/GPRS/EDGE: Quad band 850/900/1800/1900 MHz
UMTS/HSPA+: Seven band 800/850/900/1800/1900/2100 MHz
LTE: Twelve Band 700/800/850/900/1800/1900/2100/2600 MHz

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RX3003: Penta band
RX3004: 4G LTE

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S-RGB-M002

0.2 mm Rainfall (2m cable) Smart Sensor

Measures rainfall with a resolution of 0.2 mm, and 1% accuracy for rainfall rates up to 12.7 cm. The tipping bucket mechanism is mounted on a stainless-steel shaft with brass bearings. This model includes a 2m cable.

Also available in a wireless model for use with the HOBOnet Field Monitoring System.

Key Advantages:

- Measures rainfall rates up to 12.7 cm per hour
- Resolution of 0.2 mm
- Maximum of 4000 tips per interval
- 2m cable



HOBO S-RGB-M002 Sensor Specifications

Measurement range: 0–12.7 cm or 0–5 in. per hour; maximum 4000 tips per interval

Operating range: 0° to 50°C (32° to 122°F); survival -40° to 75°C (-40° to +167°)

Mechanism: Tipping bucket, stainless steel shaft with brass bearings

Resolution: 0.2 mm (S-RGB) 0.01 inch (S-RGA) models

Calibration: Requires annual calibration; can be field calibrated by user or returned to factory

Calibration accuracy: ±1.0% at up to 20 mm or 1" per hour


Housing: Aluminum housing and collector

Dimensions: 22.8 cm height x 15.4 cm diameter (9" height x 6" diameter), 154 mm receiving orifice (6.06")

Approximate weight: 1 Kg (2 lbs)

Cable lengths: 2 meter, 6.5 feet

Note: Comes with side bracket for post or tripod mount and feet for surface mount. If mounting separate from main tripod, order with 6m cable and an additional 1.5m mast. If mounting on main tripod, order with guy wire kit.

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Davis® (0.01" or 0.2 mm) Rain Gauge Smart Sensor (S-RGE-M002, S-RGF-M002) Manual



The Davis (0.01" or 0.2 mm) Rain Gauge smart sensor is designed to work with HOB0® stations. The smart sensor has a plug-in modular connector that allows it to be added easily to a HOB0 station. All sensor parameters are stored inside the smart sensor, which automatically communicates configuration information to the logger without the need for any programming or extensive user setup. **Note:** This sensor has been modified to work with Onset station loggers only.

Specifications

Measurement Range	0 to 10.2 cm (0 to 4 in.) per hour, maximum 4,000 tips per logging interval
Accuracy	±4.0%, ±1 rainfall count between 0.2 and 50.0 mm (0.01 and 2.0 in.) per hour; ±5.0%, ±1 rainfall count between 50.0 and 100.0 mm (2.0 and 4.0 in.) per hour
Resolution	0.01 in. (S-RGE-M002) or 0.2 mm (S-RGF-M002)
Calibration	Requires annual calibration; can be field calibrated
Operating Temperature Range	0° to 50°C (32° to 122°F), survival -40° to 75°C (-40° to 167°F)
Environmental Rating	Weatherproof
Housing	UV-stabilized ABS plastic
Mechanism	Tipping bucket with magnetic reed switch pivots on metal shaft
Dimensions	16.5 cm opening diameter (6.5 in.) x 24 cm (9.5 in.) high; 214 cm ² (33.2 in. ²) collection area
Weight	1.2 kg (2.7 lbs)
Bits per Sample	12
Number of Data Channels*	1
Measurement Averaging	No
Cable Length Available	2 m (6.6 ft)
Length of Smart Sensor Network Cable*	0.5 m (1.6 ft)



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* A single HOB0 station can accommodate 15 data channels and up to 100 m (328 ft) of smart sensor cable (the digital communications portion of the sensor cables).

Rain Gauge Smart Sensor

Models: S-RGE-M002
S-RGF-M002

Items required:

- Electrical tape or weather-resistant cable ties

If mounting on pole or mast:

- 7/16 inch combination wrench

If mounting on flat surface:

- Drill with 5 mm (3/16 inch) drill bit
- Adjustable wrench

Accessories:

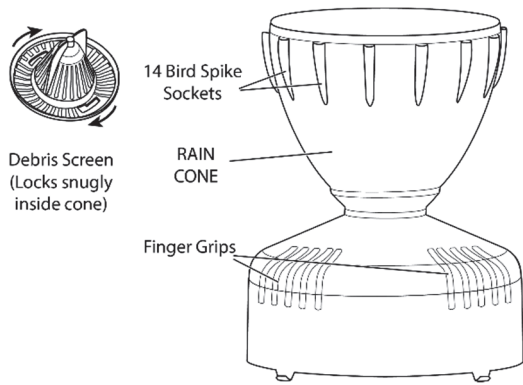
- Guy wire kit (M-GWA)
- 1.5 meter mast (M-MPB)
- Mast level (M-MLA)

Operation

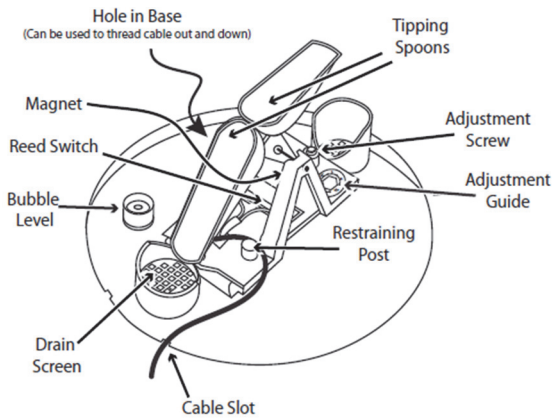
Rain enters the collector cone, passes through a debris-filtering screen, and collects in one chamber of the tipping mechanism. The tipping spoon tips when it has collected an amount of water equal to the increment in which the sensor measures (0.2 mm or 0.01 inch). As the spoon tips, it causes a switch closure and brings the second tipping spoon chamber into position. The rain water drains out through the screened drains in the base of the collector.

Components

The smart sensor includes the components shown on the diagrams on the next page. The smart sensor includes a hardware kit with the items most commonly needed for installation. The items you use from the kit depend on where you install the sensor. You may need to adapt or purchase additional hardware to fit your individual requirements.



These are the internal components on the base.



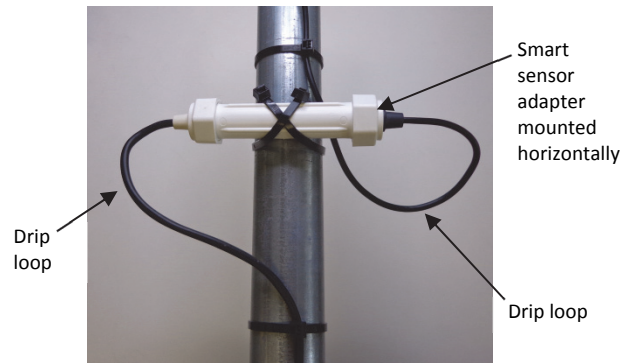
Mounting

Mounting Considerations

Use the following guidelines to determine the best location for installing the sensor.

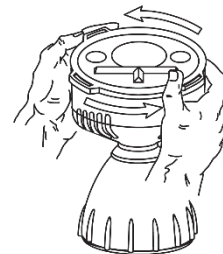
- You must mount the rain gauge smart sensor so that it is level. As built-in bubble level is attached to the base to simplify this process.
- Be sure there is an unobstructed path for water runoff from the drain screens.
- The sensor contains a magnet-operated switch that may not operate correctly if you mount the rain gauge on or near any object that is attracted to a magnet.
- Exposure to winds can reduce the measured rainfall amounts. Mount the sensor where there are no obstructions of rainfall at low angles (such as trees, houses, fences) and as low as possible out of the wind.
- If installing the sensor on a sheet metal roof, insulate the unit by making a platform out of wood. Mount the base of the rain gauge at least 4 cm (1 inch) away from any steel or iron surface and make sure the reed switch is at least 4 cm (1 inch) away from any steel or iron objects (e.g. nails).
- For the most accurate rainfall measurements, it is recommended that you mount the sensor upslope, about 3 meters (10 feet) away from the tripod, on a 1.5 meter high mounting pole (M-MPB). Alternatively, you can mount the sensor on the tripod mast.

- Tall objects can interfere with accurate rain measurements. It is recommended that you place the rain bucket away from the obstruction by a distance greater than three times the height of the obstruction. If that is not possible, raise the rain bucket as high as possible to avoid shedding.
- Avoid splashing and puddles. Be sure the gauge is high enough above any surface that rain will not splash into the top of the collector.
- Vibration can significantly degrade accuracy of the tipping bucket mechanism. In windy locations make sure that the bucket will be vibration-free. Consider using guy wires to secure a pole or tower-mounted bucket.
- To provide long-term protection from moisture entry, the smart sensor adapter must be mounted horizontally and with the cable wires routed with drip loops so that water drains away from the cable entry point as shown in the example below. When mounted properly, the housing is weatherproof (but not waterproof).

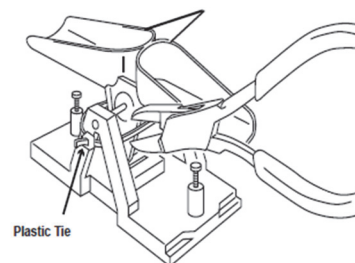


Preparing the Sensor

1. Remove the cone from the base by turning over the bucket. Rotate the base counterclockwise until the latches on the cone line up with the latch openings in the base, then lift the base off the cone.

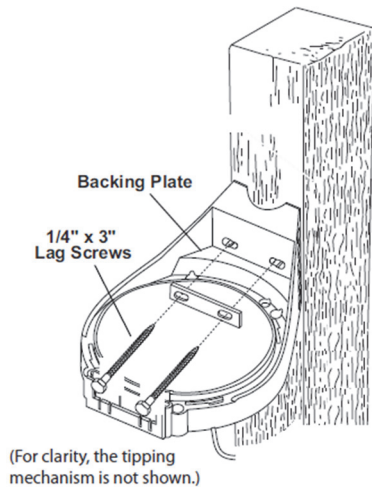


2. The tipping bucket on the base has been secured to avoid possible damage to the assembly. Carefully cut and remove the cable tie to release the bucket assembly.



Mounting on a Wooden Post or Flat Surface

1. With a 5 mm (3/16 inch) drill bit, drill two holes approximately 54 mm (2-1/8 inches) apart. Use the metal backing plate as a guide when marking the holes and a carpenter's level to ensure the holes are level.
2. Insert the 1/4 inch x 3 inch lag screws through the metal backing plate and the holes in the mounting base into the post. Make sure the base is level by checking the built-in bubble level.
3. Tighten the lag screws using an adjustable wrench or 7/16 inch wrench.



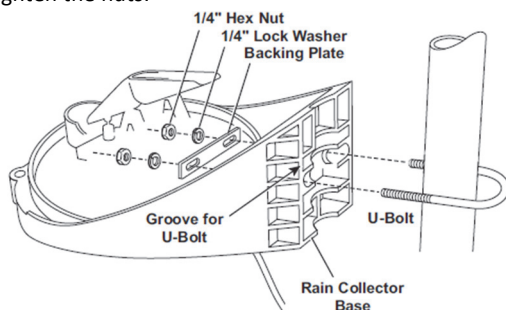
Mounting on a Pole or Mast

With the supplied U-bolt, the rain collector can be mounted on a pole having an outside diameter ranging from 32 to 44 mm (1-1/4 to 1-3/4 inch). A larger U-bolt (not supplied) can be used to mount to a pole with a maximum outside diameter of 64 mm (2-1/2 inch).

To mount on a smaller pole, obtain a U-bolt that fits the base openings but has a shorter threaded section. If the included U-bolt is used with a smaller pole, the bolt will interfere with the rain collector cone.

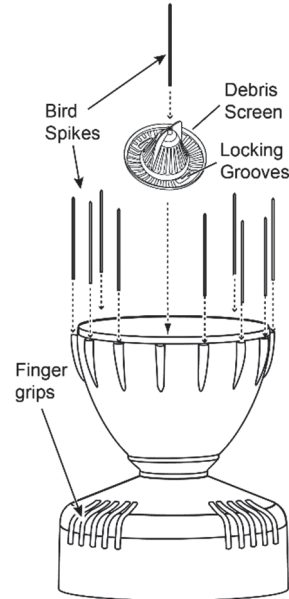
Use the built-in bubble level to ensure the sensor is level.

1. While holding the mounting base against the pole, place the two ends of a U-bolt around the pole and through the two holes in the base.
2. Slide the metal backing plate over the bolt ends as they stick out toward the rain collector cone. Secure the backing plate with a washer, a lock washer, and a hex nut on each of the bolt ends. Adjust the height of the rain collector, then tighten the nuts.



Completing the Sensor Installation

1. To use bird spikes, insert one spike into each socket around the rim of the cone. The sockets are tapered; push firmly or tap lightly with a hammer for a more secure fit. Be careful; bird spikes may be sharp. **Note:** If you choose not to install the bird spikes, we recommend that you keep the packet of spikes in case birds become a problem in the future.



2. Place the cone back onto the base by putting the latches on the cone into the latch openings in the base and rotating the cone clockwise until the latches "lock" into place. As you reattach the cone, make sure to run the cable to the cable slot in the base or the cone will not fit snugly against the base.
3. Place the debris screen, pointed end up, into the cone. The screen prevents large bits of debris from blocking the funnel hole. If bird nesting is a problem, you can place a spike in the hole on top of the debris screen. Note that using a bird spike in the debris screen may make the screen more likely to be blown over or out in a high wind gust.
4. To prevent fraying or cutting the cable where it is exposed to weather, secure it so it does not whip about in the wind. Use electrical tape or weather resistant cable ties to secure the cable. Place tape or ties approximately every 1 to 1.6 m (3 to 5 ft). Do not use metal staples to secure cables as they can cut the cables. Make sure there are drip loops on both sides of the smart sensor housing, which must also be mounted horizontally as described under *Mounting Considerations*.

Connecting the Sensor to a Station

To connect the sensor to a station, stop the station from logging and insert the smart sensor's modular jack into an available smart sensor port on the station. See the station manual for details on operating stations with smart sensors.

Maintenance

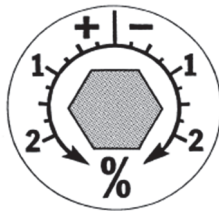
For greatest accuracy, you should thoroughly clean the smart sensor at least once or twice a year.

1. Separate the cone from the base.
2. Use a soft damp cloth to clean pollen, dirt, and other debris from the cone, cone screens, and bucket.
3. Use a pipe cleaner to clear the funnel hole in the cone and the drain screens in the base. When all parts are clean, rinse with clear water.
4. Reattach the cone and replace the screen.

Field Calibration

The sensor is calibrated at the factory so the spoons tip (and record rainfall) for each 0.2 mm or 0.01 inch of rain. To adjust the calibration slightly, use a 5 mm (3/16 inch) wrench to rotate the adjustment screws located underneath the tipping spoons (see diagram in *Components*). Do not touch the reed switch.

The adjustment guide embossed in the platform shows how far you must rotate both screws in turn to effect a 1% and a 2% change.



Moving the screws in the positive (+) direction causes the spoons to tip more times (i.e. give a larger count) for a given amount of water. Modify both adjustment screws by the same amount.

To check the accuracy of the sensor, compare it with a tube type rain gauge. Use a rain gauge with an aperture of at least 10.2 cm (4 inches). Any smaller and the readings obtained may not be accurate. Place the tube type rain gauge directly next to the smart sensor. Compare the totals on three storms to determine whether your rain collector needs calibration and by how much. Adjust the screws to fine-tune the reading for the next three storms if necessary.

Davis® Wind Speed and Direction Smart Sensor (S-WCF-M003) Manual



The Davis Wind Speed and Direction smart sensor is designed to work with HOB0® stations. The smart sensor has a plug-in modular connector that allows it to be added easily to a HOB0 station. All sensor parameters are stored inside the smart sensor, which automatically communicates configuration information to the logger without the need for any programming or extensive setup. **Note:** This sensor has been modified to work with Onset station loggers only.

Wind Speed & Direction Smart Sensor

S-WCF-M003

Items required:

- Weather-resistant cable ties or cable clips
- Electrical tape
- Handheld compass, local area map, or handheld GPS

If mounting on tripod or mast:

- Adjustable wrench

If mounting on wooden surface:

- Drill with 5 mm (3/16 inch) drill bit

Accessories:

- Grounding kit (M-GKA)

Specifications

	Wind Speed/Gust	Wind Direction
Measurement Range	0 to 76 m/sec (0 to 170 mph)	0 to 355 degrees
Accuracy	±1.1 m/sec (±2 mph) or ±5% of reading, whichever is greater	±7 degrees
Resolution	0.5 m/sec (1.1 mph)	1 degrees (0 to 355 degrees)
Starting Threshold	≤1 m/sec (2.2 mph)	1 m/sec (2.2 mph)
Measurement Definition	Cup revolutions are accumulated every three seconds for the duration of the logging interval Wind speed: Average speed for the entire logging interval Gust speed: The highest three-second wind recorded during the logging interval See <i>Measurement Operation</i> .	Unit vector averaging used; vector components for each wind measurement are calculated every three seconds for duration of logging interval (see <i>Measurement Operation</i>)
Operating Temperature Range	-40°C to 65°C (-40°F to 149°F)	
Environmental Rating	Weatherproof	
Housing	Polycarbonate wind cups	UV-resistant ABS wind vane and black-anodized aluminum anemometer arm
Bearing Type	Sealed stainless steel	
Turning Radius	108 mm (4.25 in.)	Approximately 135 mm (5.25 in.)
Dimensions	470 x 191 x 121 mm (18.5 x 7.5 x 4.75 in.)	
Weight	1.332 kg (2 lb, 15 oz)	
Bits per Sample	8 for each channel, 24 total	
Number of Data Channels*	3	
Measurement Averaging Option	Automatic averaging (see <i>Measurement Operation</i>)	
Cable Length Available	3 m (9.8 ft)	
Length of Smart Sensor Network Cable*	0.5 m (1.6 ft)	

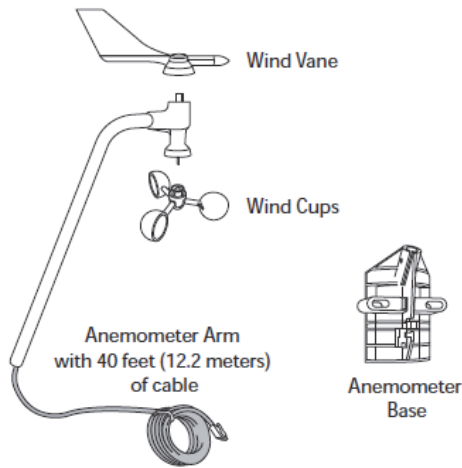


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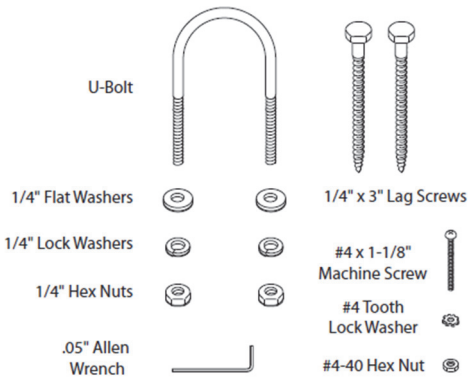
* A single HOB0 station can accommodate 15 data channels and up to 100 m (328 ft) of smart sensor cable (the digital communications portion of the sensor cables).

Components

The smart sensor includes the components shown below.



The smart sensor also includes a hardware kit with the items most commonly needed for installation as shown below. The items you use from the kit depend on where you install the sensor. You may need to adapt or purchase additional hardware to fit your individual requirements.



Assembling the Smart Sensor

Attaching the Wind Vane

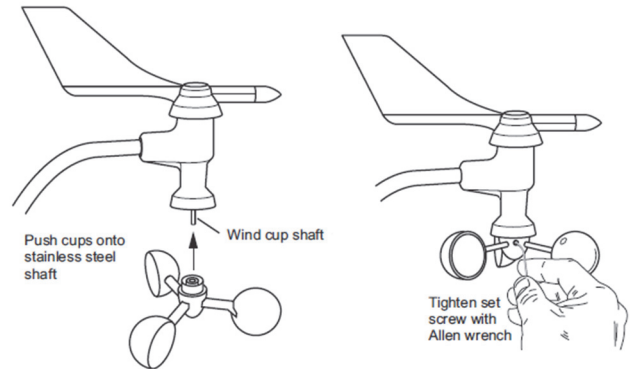
The wind direction has been calibrated in the factory so that the wind direction will be correct when the arm is installed pointing north and the vane is installed correctly.

1. Slide the wind vane onto the wind vane shaft. The shaft's cross-section is D-shaped to ensure that the anemometer is installed correctly.
2. Tighten the set screw in the wind vane with the Allen wrench.

Attaching the Wind Cups

1. Push the wind cups onto the anemometer's stainless steel wind cup shaft.

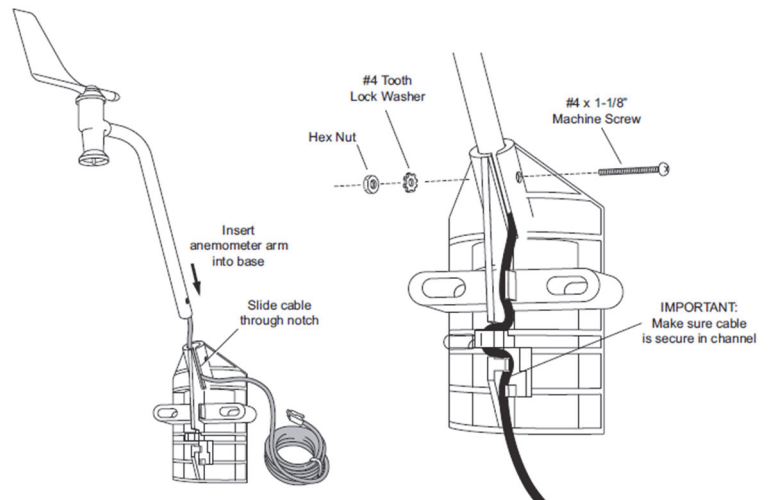
2. Slide the wind cups up the shaft as far as possible.



3. Use the Allen wrench provided to tighten the set screw on the side of the wind cups. The wind cups should drop slightly when you let go.
4. Ensure the set screw is screwed in fully and very tight. Failure to do so will cause the anemometer to function improperly.
5. Spin the wind cups; they should spin freely. If they do not spin freely, take them off and repeat these steps

Attaching the Anemometer Arm to the Base

1. Insert the anemometer arm into the base, sliding the cable through the notch in the base as shown below. Be sure to line up the small hole in the arm with the holes in the base.



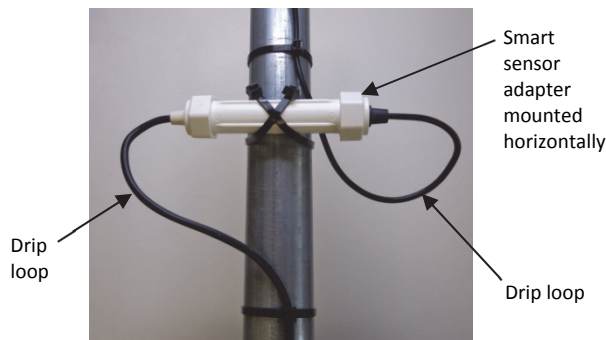
2. Insert the machine screw through the holes in the base and arm.
3. Slide the tooth-lock washer and hex nut onto the machine screw. Tighten the hex nut while holding the screw with a Phillips head screwdriver to prevent it from turning.
4. Press the sensor cable firmly and completely into the zig-zagging channel in the base, starting from the arm and progressing downward to the bottom of the base.

Mounting

Mounting Considerations

Use the following guidelines to determine the best location for installing the sensor.

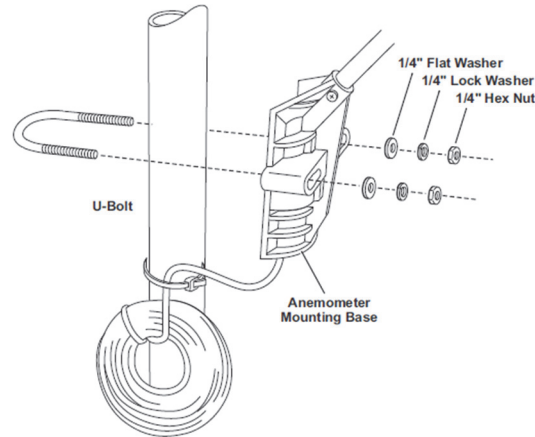
- To ensure correct orientation of the wind vane, the smart sensor must be mounted so that the anemometer arm points north. See *North Alignment* for steps on finding true north.
- For the most accurate readings, the smart sensor should be mounted 2 m (7 ft) or more above the ground and consistent with meteorological standards for the application. The smart sensor should be mounted at least 2.1 m (7 ft) above the roof line if mounted on a roof and mounted at a distance of at least five times the height of the nearest tree, building, or other obstruction. You may do this by mounting the smart sensor on an Onset tripod or mast, or a metal pipe. You may mount the smart sensor on a wooden post if it has a side facing due north for mounting.
- The tripod or mounting mast must be properly grounded. For field installations, you can use Onset's Grounding Kit (M-GKA).
- If you live in an area subject to frequent thunderstorms, installing a lightning rod nearby can reduce the risk of damage.
- Be sure to secure the sensor cable with cable ties to protect it from damage.
- Secure the mast the wind sensor is mounted on so that it does not vibrate. If you are using Onset masts or tripods, secure them with guy wires.
- The sensor can be damaged with improper handling. Store the sensor in its shipping box until you are ready to install it.
- To minimize measurement errors due to ambient RF, use the shortest possible probe cable length and keep the probe cable as far as possible from other cables carrying high frequency or high current signals.
- To provide long-term protection from moisture entry, the smart sensor adapter must be mounted horizontally and with the cable wires routed with drip loops so that water drains away from the cable entry point as shown in the example below. When mounted properly, the housing is weatherproof (but not waterproof).



Mounting on a Mast

Follow these instructions for mounting the sensor on a tripod or mast. The U-bolts included can be used for mounting the sensor on a mast or tripod with an outside diameter ranging from 32–44 mm (1.25–1.75 inches). Larger U-bolts (not supplied) can be used to mount on a mast or tripod with a maximum outside diameter of 64 mm (2.5 inches). To mount the sensor on a mast or tripod smaller than 32 mm (1.25 inches), use a U-Bolt that fits the anemometer base openings, but has a shorter threaded section.

1. Place the U-bolt around the pole so that its two ends extend through the holes in the mounting base. Loosely secure with the flat washers, lock washers, and hex nuts.

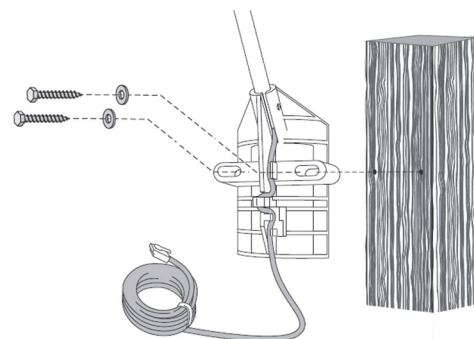


2. Raise the anemometer to the desired height on the pole and swivel it so the anemometer arm is pointing north.
3. Using an adjustable wrench or 7/16 inch wrench, tighten the hex nuts until the anemometer is firmly fastened on the pole.

Mounting on a Wooden Post or Surface

Follow these instructions for mounting the sensor on a wooden post or surface. The sensor must be mounted on the side that is facing due north (the mounting arm must point north for proper wind direction measurements).

1. Hold the anemometer base against the wood surface and use a pencil to mark the location of the two holes on the base.
2. Use a drill with a 5 mm (3/16 inch) drill bit to make pilot holes in these locations.
3. Drive the 3-inch lag screws through the holes in the anemometer base and into the wood.



Secure the Cables

To prevent fraying or cutting the anemometer cables where it is exposed to weather, secure it so it does not whip about in the wind. Use cable clips or weather resistant cable ties to secure the cable. Place clips or cable ties approximately every 1 to 1.6 m (3 to 5 ft). Do not use metal staples to secure cables as they can cut the cables. Make sure there are drip loops on both sides of the smart sensor housing, which must also be mounted horizontally as described under *Mounting Considerations*.

Connecting the Sensor to a Station

To connect the sensor to a station, stop the station from logging and insert the smart sensor's modular jack into an available smart sensor port on the station. See the station manual for details on operating stations with smart sensors.

Measurement Operation

Wind direction measurements are averaged over the logging interval or a 3-second timeframe (whichever is greater). If you set up the sensor to log faster than every 3 seconds, the same sensor reading will be recorded until a new 3-second average is calculated. For example, if the sensor is logging at a 1-second interval, the sensor will report the same wind direction (its calculated average) for three samples before calculating and reporting a new value for another three samples. Measurement averaging for this sensor is independent of the logger's measurement averaging. Therefore the automatic measurement averaging for this sensor is not affected by any sampling intervals entered for averaging on other sensors.

Direction Averaging

Unit vector averaging is used to determine wind direction because traditional averaging would produce inaccurate results. For example, three measurements of 350, 11, and 12 degrees—which are all winds from the north—averaged together would result in 126 degrees, which incorrectly indicates a southeasterly wind. Instead, the vector components (North/South and East/West) for each wind measurement are calculated every three seconds for the duration of the logging interval. At the conclusion of the logging interval, the North/South and East/West components are averaged and then re-combined to calculate the average wind direction for the logging interval.

North Alignment

The sensor must be oriented to true north to obtain meaningful data. There are two methods to align the sensor:

- Compass Alignment
- Global Positioning Satellite (GPS) alignment

Note: The magnetic declination must be known to align the direction sensor to true north using a magnetic compass. Worldwide declination information is available from the National Space Science Data Center at: <http://nssdc.gsfc.nasa.gov/space/cgm/cgm.html>.

Compass Alignment

Tools required:

- Compass
- Binoculars
- Tape (such as electrical, packing, or duct tape)

Two people are required to complete this procedure.

1. Position the wind vane so that it points in the same direction as the mounting arm. Secure the vane on the arm with a piece of tape so that the vane cannot rotate.
2. While standing 150 to 200 feet south of the sensor, use the compass to determine magnetic north. If true north is the same as magnetic north, align yourself so the compass points north and directly at the sensor. If you are in area with an east variation, align yourself so that the station is that number of degrees to the east of magnetic north. If you are in an area with a west variation, align yourself so that the station is that number of degrees to the west of magnetic north.
3. While viewing the sensor through binoculars, instruct another person to rotate the arm to point the vane north. The vane should seem to disappear from sight when properly aligned.
4. Once you've obtained the correct position, secure the sensor base and remove the tape.

GPS Alignment

Tools required:

- Handheld GPS with WAAS-enabled receiver or any similar high accuracy GPS device
- Flag, orange cone, or other temporary marker
- Laptop computer with logger software installed

This procedure requires only one person, but is easier to complete with two people. In this procedure, you will be using the GPS receiver first to create an arbitrary waypoint and then to determine the bearing from the sensor to that waypoint. You will then align the sensor so that when the vane is pointed at the waypoint, the direction reported by the logger software matches the GPS receiver's bearing to the waypoint.

1. Connect the sensor to the station and connect the station to a laptop with HOBOWare installed.
2. Pick a visible location that is at least 100 meters (110 yards) away from the sensor and walk to it. Establish a waypoint with the handheld GPS receiver. You may want to use averaging to minimize the waypoint position error if your GPS receiver is so equipped. (For best results, the estimated position error of the waypoint should be less than 10 feet if the distance to the sensor is 100 meters, and less than 20 feet for a distance of 200 meters. Mark the waypoint with a flag, orange cone, or other suitable marker. Walk back to the sensor and determine the bearing to the waypoint you just created with the GPS receiver. Again you may need to determine the average value of the bearing to keep the errors to a minimum.

3. View the current sensor readings in the software while positioning the arm. For U30-NRC or Micro Stations, select Status in HOBOWare to get the current reading. For RX3000 Stations, use the RX3000 Manager in HOBOWare to view the latest conditions. You can also check the latest reading in HOBOLink, but the data is only updated when the station connects to HOBOLink. Refer to the software user's guide or online help for details on operating HOBOWare or HOBOLink.
4. Point the sensor vane directly at the waypoint flag or marker and rotate the sensor mounting arm until the wind direction sensor value in the logger software matches the angle obtained with the GPS receiver.
5. Once the vane is in position, secure the mounting base and then double-check that the reported angle is correct.

Maintenance

The sensor does not normally require any maintenance other than an occasional cleaning. If the vane becomes dirty, rinse it with mild soap and fresh water. Do not immerse the sensor in water or use any organic solvents to clean the unit. Do not attempt to lubricate the wind cup shaft or bearings or the wind vane shaft. Natural or synthetic lubricants will inhibit the normal operation of the anemometer.

Verifying Sensor Accuracy

It is recommended that you check the accuracy of the sensor annually. The sensor cannot be calibrated. If the smart sensor is not providing accurate data, then it is damaged or possibly worn out if it has been in use for several years.

Specifications	Wind Speed/Gust (S-WSB-M003)	Wind Direction (S-WDA-M003)
Measurement Range	0 to 76 m/s (0 to 170 mph)	0 to 355 degrees, 5 degree dead band
Maximum Wind Speed Survival	76 m/sec (170 mph)	67 m/sec (150 mph)
Accuracy	± 1.1 m/s (2.4 mph) or ± 4% of reading whichever is greater	± 5 degrees
Resolution	0.5 m/s (1.1 mph)	1.4 degrees
Starting Threshold	1.0 m/s (2.2 mph)	1.0 m/s (2.2 mph)
Measurement Definition	Cup revolutions are accumulated every three seconds for the duration of the logging interval. Wind speed is the average speed for the entire logging interval. Gust speed is the highest three-second wind recorded during the logging interval.	Unit vector components of wind direction are accumulated every three seconds for duration of logging interval. Average direction is calculated from the average of these.
Operating Temperature Range	-40°C to +75°C (-40°F to +167°F)	-40°C to +70°C (-40°F to +158°F)
Environmental Rating	Weatherproof	Weatherproof
Service Life	Greater than 5 years typical	4 to 6 years typical depending upon environmental conditions
Housing	Three cup polycarbonate anemometer: Modified Teflon® bearings and hardened beryllium shaft with ice shedding design	Injection-molded housing and vane, static dissipating base, lead-free silicon bronze nose, and aluminum mounting rod.
Bearing Type	Modified Teflon® bearings	two shielded stainless steel ball bearings
Turning Radius	9.5 cm (3.75 in.)	Approximately 13.5 cm (5.25 in.)
Dimensions	41 x 16 cm (16 x 6.5 in.) including 1.27 cm (0.5 in) diameter mounting rod; 5.5 cm (2.1 in.) drip overhang	46 x 20 cm (18 x 8.5 in) including 1.27 cm (0.5 in) diameter mounting rod, 2.5 mm (0.1 in) drip overhang
Weight	Approximately 700 g (1.5 lbs)	Approximately 370 g (13 oz)
Number of Data Channels	2	1
Measurement Averaging Option	No	Automatic averaging (see Measurement Definition)
Cable Length Available	3.5 m (11.5 ft)	3.5 m (11.5 ft)
Length of Smart Sensor Network Cable	0.5 m (1.6 ft)	0.5 m (1.6 ft)
CE	The CE Marking identifies this product as complying with all relevant directives in the European Union (EU)	The CE Marking identifies this product as complying with all relevant directives in the European Union (EU)
Part Number	S-WSB-M003	S-WDA-M003

ONSET WINDSPEED AND DIRECTION SENSORS



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CARRIED: ^A ✓
DEFEATED:

Committee and Council Meeting

Resolution No.: 2026-35

Title: Township of The Archipelago

Date: May 20, 2026

Moved by: Councillor Hamer

Second by: Councillor Blower

THAT the Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of McDougall supports the attached resolution of the Township of The Archipelago, that supports the Province's consideration of funding an in-hospital MRI for the West Parry Sound Health Centre; and

FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Sylvia Jones, Minister of Health for Ontario and Deputy Premier, the Honourable Graydon Smith, Associate Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing and MPP for Parry Sound Muskoka, Chief Adam Pawis of Shawanaga First Nation, Chief Warren Tabobondung of Wasauksing First Nation, Mayors and Reeve of Parry Sound District, FONOM, AMO, and OSUM.

Mayor



**The Corporation of The Township of The Archipelago
Council Meeting**

Agenda Number: 15.11.
Resolution Number 26-048
Title: West Parry Sound Health Centre - MRI Machine
Date: Friday, March 13, 2026

Moved by: Councillor Sheard
Seconded by: Councillor Cade Fraser

WHEREAS the Parry Sound District municipalities and institutions manage the delivery of key services with dramatic seasonal population increases from over 46,000 permanent residents to over 100,000 seasonal residents during peak months, aging population, and major northern highways through our territory; and

WHEREAS the West Parry Sound Health Centre (WPSHC) successfully underpins the municipalities of West Parry Sound and their residents with efficient and effective integrated medical services; and

WHEREAS the WPSHC is one of only five medium-sized hospitals in Ontario without a magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) capability and missing a fundamental component of modern acute care; and

WHEREAS an in-hospital, fully provisioned diagnostic service provides a standard of safe, integrated, and predictable care for our rural, northern communities, and recognizes the additional pressure of major highway transportation routes throughout our district; and

WHEREAS in-hospital, fully provisioned MRI diagnostic service will attract first-rate medical resources to WPSHC; and

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario is currently in the process of adding 50 new MRI machines to 43 hospitals across the province to address these gaps.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of The Archipelago (The Archipelago) supports the Province's consideration of funding an in-hospital MRI, fully integrated into the WPS healthcare system; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that The Archipelago asserts that the implementation of an integrated in-hospital MRI is the only financially responsible and safe model for rural and northern residents; and

FINALLY BE IT RESOLVED that this resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Sylvia Jones, Minister of Health for Ontario and Deputy Premier, the Honourable Graydon Smith, Associate Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing and MPP for Parry Sound Muskoka, Chief Adam Pawis of Shawanaga First Nation, Chief Warren Tabobondung of Wasauksing First Nation, Mayors and Reeve of Parry Sound District, FONOM, AMO, and OSUM.

Carried



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Box 608, Little Current, POP 1K0
705-368-3500

June 3, 2026

Please see attached a motion passed unanimously by our Council regarding the need of our health care system.

Resolution No. 133-06-2026

Moved by: D. Orr

Seconded by: G. Williamson

Whereas the Canadian Center for Policy Alternatives (CCPA) has conducted research which unequivocally identifies that Ontario Hospitals are underfunded by the Government of Ontario;

And Whereas the CCPA study, Failure by Design, clearly identifies that smaller and rural hospitals are disproportionately disadvantaged by the underfunding;

And Whereas as a direct result of the underfunding Emergency Department wait times for an initial physician assessment have increased to 4.5 hours in 2024 – 2025 from 2.7 hours in 2020 – 2021;

And Whereas 90 percent of patients spend on average 44 hours in the emergency department waiting to be admitted when further care is required;

And Whereas the Provincial Government increased total health care spending from 7.4 percent of GDP in 2014 to only 7.6 percent of GDP by 2023, which did not keep pace with raising health care costs:

Therefore be it resolved that the Council for the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands request that the Province of Ontario provide immediate and sustained funding to improve hospital finances and capacity, which as per the recommendations in the CCPA study, would require an immediate injection of \$3.2 billion supported by annual increases of 6% per year thereafter.

Carried

We would appreciate your support by forwarding your supporting motion on to the Provincial Government.

Thank you



Honourable Doug Ford,
Premier of Ontario
Via Email:
premier@ontario.ca

Honourable Sylvia Jones
Deputy Premier of Ontario
and Minister of Health
Via Email:
sylvia.jones@ontario.ca

Township of Puslinch
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May 25, 2026

Honourable Marjorie
Michel, Minister of Health
Via Email:
hcminister.ministresc@hc-
sc.gc.ca

The Ontario Medical
Association
Via Email: info@oma.org

RE: Township of Puslinch Support Resolution No.2026-128, Regarding Consent item 6.8
Western Ontario Wardens' Caucus Finlay's Law on Emergency Room Reform

Please be advised that Township of Puslinch Council, at its meeting held on May 6, 2025
considered the aforementioned topic and subsequent to discussion, the following was resolved:

Resolution No. 2026-128:

Moved by Councillor Bailey and
Seconded by Councillor Sepulis

That the Consent Agenda item 6.8 be received; and

**Whereas Council supports the WOWC resolution that Council direct staff to send a
support resolution accordingly.**

CARRIED



As per the above resolution, please accept a copy of this correspondence for your information and consideration.

Sincerely,

Justine Brotherston
Municipal Clerk

CC:
The Ontario Hospital Association (OHA)
The Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)
Ontario Big City Mayors
Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus



Monday, April 20, 2026

Premier of Ontario
Hon. Doug Ford
Legislative Building, Queen's Park
Toronto ON M7A 1A1
Sent via email: premier@ontario.ca

Re: Support of Finlay's Law on Emergency Room Reform

At its regular meeting on April 10, 2026, the Western Ontario Wardens' Caucus adopted the following motion in support of Finlay's Law on Emergency Room Reform:

#11 Moved by D. Bailey seconded by B. Clark:

WHEREAS growing pressures across the Ontario healthcare system are increasing patient volumes in emergency rooms (ER), requiring more complex care, and contributing to longer patient wait times in ERs for residents in Ontario's largest municipalities; and

WHEREAS Health Quality Ontario data from October 2025 reports that patients needing admission to the hospital waited an average of 19-20 hours, with high-urgency patients waiting close to 5 hours on average to be seen by a physician; and

WHEREAS in December 2023, the Auditor General of Ontario reported that significant hospital staffing shortages were reducing access to timely emergency care; and

WHEREAS the Financial Accountability Office of Ontario reported in March 2023 that ER wait times were increasing significantly with the longest wait times recorded in over 15 years and that provincial funding was \$21.3 billion short to maintain current health programs through 2028; and

WHEREAS according to the Ontario Hospital Association (OHA), Ontario has had the lowest per capita hospital expenditure in Canada since 2018; and

WHEREAS according to the OHA, approximately 4,200 alternate level care (ALC) patients remain in acute beds (40% awaiting long term care), worsening ER delays; and

WHEREAS Canadian ER researchers have highlighted that between 8,000 and 15,000 Canadians die prematurely as a result of ER overcrowding; and

WHEREAS reports of patients dying in crowded ERs across Canada are increasing, such as 16-year-old Finlay van der Werken who waited over 8 hours in an Oakville ER without being seen by a physician and tragically passed away on February 9, 2024 from pneumonia that developed into sepsis; and

WHEREAS ER delays are contributing to excessive ambulance offload times, adding undue strain on response capacity of municipal paramedic services across Ontario; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government has taken important steps to improve health care in Ontario, however additional funding and staffing resources for hospitals to reduce ER wait times and increase capacity to provide timely access to care for all patients in ER's remains critical; and

WHEREAS despite growing concerns regarding staffing shortages in and closures of ERs across Ontario, as well as failure to meet federal standards such as the Canadian Triage and Acuity Scale, the Provincial Government continues to receive full contributions of Canada Health Transfers from the federal government.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Western Ontario Wardens Caucus calls on the Provincial Ministry of Health to take immediate action to reduce ER wait times with consideration for the importance of enhanced ER triage protocols and increased funding to strengthen emergency readiness;

AND THAT the Western Ontario Wardens Caucus calls on the Provincial Ministry of Health to introduce Finlay's Law to ensure that no child in Ontario is left without timely emergency medical care in hospitals by:

- Setting legal maximum ER wait times for children under 18 (e.g., physician assessment within 2 hours, admission within 8 hours).
- Mandating safe pediatric nurse-to-patient and physician-to-patient ratios in emergency settings.
- Establish independent oversight to audit hospitals, investigate pediatric ER deaths, and enforce compliance.
- Mandate public, independent, and timely (within 1 year) inquiry by the Chief Coroner of Ontario of every pediatric death in an ER waiting area.
- Fund better pediatric emergency readiness, including staffing, training and infrastructure

AND THAT the Western Ontario Wardens Caucus calls on the Federal Ministry of Health to enforce the principles and requirements of the Canada Health Act through its spending power of Canada Health Transfers to Ontario by:

- monitoring compliance to national health standards, such as Canadian Triage and Acuity Scale (CTAS) in ERs;
- and establishing and ensuring compliance with a new sepsis care

AND THAT a copy of this resolution be sent to the Premier of Ontario, the Ontario Minister of Health, the Federal Minister of Health, the Ontario Medical Association (OMA), the Ontario Hospital Association (OHA), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO).

Carried.

Please contact the office if you require any further information.

Yours sincerely,



Marcus Ryan
Chair, Western Ontario Wardens' Caucus

cc.
Hon. Marjorie Michel, Federal Minister of Health
Hon. Sylvia Jones, Ontario Minister of Health
Ontario Medical Association
Ontario Hospital Association
Association of Municipalities of Ontario
Ontario Big City Mayors
Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus
Western Ontario Municipalities

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MEMORANDUM TO: Heads of Council - Ontario Municipalities

DATE: May 22, 2026

FROM: Tom McKinlay,
Assistant Deputy Attorney General

RE: **Follow-up to Updates to “Tailgate Event” Permits** under
the *Liquor Licence and Control Act, 2019*

Further to my earlier letter dated January 13, 2026, I am writing to provide clarification regarding bring-your-own event permits.

What is the change?

Recent amendments to Ontario Regulation 747/21 (Permits) under the *Liquor Licence and Control Act, 2019* (LLCA) introduce a new bring-your-own event permit. This change expands what was previously called the tailgating permit.

This permit allows individuals aged 19 and older to bring and consume their own liquor within a designated area of a cultural or community event that has been approved by a municipality **or** held in connection with, and in proximity to, a professional, semi-professional or post-secondary sporting event.

What action should municipalities take?

Municipalities have the option to designate community or cultural events as eligible for the new bring-your-own event permit. **Importantly, municipalities are not required to designate any events as eligible.**

Event organizers who are interested in the bring-your-own permit will need to approach the municipality where they would like to hold the event and seek designation as a community or cultural event. The government recognizes that municipalities are best positioned to understand local needs and contexts, and therefore to determine whether and how to designate eligible events.

Municipalities may establish their own local processes to determine which events qualify and the form of the municipal designation.

There would be two routes a municipality could take:

- Review each request on a case-by-case basis before their council or;
- Delegate the authority to designate events to a municipal official, such as the clerk

Municipalities that do not wish to allow bring-your-own events may choose to express their position by way of a resolution.

These amendments do not affect existing municipal approval requirements for events held on municipal property (e.g., parks).

What about events tied to sporting events?

Unlike the cultural or community permitting process, bring-your-own events that are held in proximity to a professional, semi-professional or post-secondary sporting event are unchanged and do not require a designation by the responsible municipality.

What action do organizers take once a municipality designates their event as community or cultural?

It is up to event organizers to confirm with the responsible municipality that their event qualifies as a designated cultural or community event.

Once confirmed, organizers may apply for a bring-your-own event permit through the [iAGCO portal](#). **The AGCO will issue a permit only where the applicant provides proof of municipal designation.**

Why did the Government make this change?

This change is intended to provide greater flexibility for some event organizers, potentially reducing costs and increasing attendance. For example, a movie screening in a municipal park may invite more of a “picnic atmosphere” and thus, organizers may prefer the bring-your-own permit.

The province recognizes that this permit may not be relevant to all. Events that rely on alcohol sales and do not use a bring-your-own model may continue to operate as usual.

What considerations were made for safety?

All permitted events will continue to be subject to the existing health and safety requirements under the LLCA. Permit-holders are responsible for ensuring these standards and requirements.

What if I still have questions?

If you have any questions about these regulatory changes, please contact Armina Samadi, Director, Agency and Tribunal Relations Branch at Armina.Samadi@ontario.ca.

If you have any questions about AGCO permits and the application process, please contact Ruxandra Ilicea, Senior Eligibility Officer at Ruxandra.Ilicea@agco.ca.

Yours truly,



Tom McKinlay
Assistant Deputy Attorney General

c: Armina Samadi
Director, Agency and Tribunal Relations Branch, Ministry of the Attorney General

Leslie Fenton
Director, Corporate Affairs, Governance and Agency Oversight, AGCO

The Council of the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville

Resolution No. CC-098-2026

Date: May 21, 2026

Moved by Alic Hoogenboom

Seconded by Michael Cameron

WHEREAS municipalities are responsible for the planning, construction, operation, rehabilitation, and replacement of critical public infrastructure; and

WHEREAS municipal engineers play a key role in supporting safe, reliable, and cost-effective infrastructure systems for residents and businesses; and

WHEREAS the Municipal Engineers Association has raised concerns and recommendations regarding the Province's proposed harmonization of municipal road construction standards, which have implications for municipal operations, long-term asset management, and financial sustainability; and

WHEREAS the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville supports advocacy that promotes effective infrastructure planning, responsible funding frameworks, and realistic implementation requirements for municipalities;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville supports the Municipal Engineers Association's position regarding the Province's proposed harmonization of municipal road construction standards, particularly the concerns about the exemption approval process, mandatory annual reporting, lack of clarity around governance/co-stewardship, and the need for meaningful municipal consultation before implementation proceeds; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Council urges the Province of Ontario to engage with municipalities and the Municipal Engineers Association to implement practical solutions that reflect municipal capacity, infrastructure needs, and local government realities; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this resolution be circulated to the Minister of Transportation, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Minister of

Infrastructure, the local Member of Provincial Parliament (MPP), the Municipal Engineers Association (MEA), the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA), and Ontario municipalities.

Carried Defeated Deferred


Corinna Smith-Gatcke, Warden



Date: 13 May 2026

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Moved By: Deputy Mayor Netty McEwen

Seconded By: Councillor John van Klaveren

Support for Sustainable Provincial Grant Funding for Fire Services in Ontario

WHEREAS Municipal fire services in Ontario operate under legislative authority established by the province through statutes, regulations, codes, and prescribed standards governing training, equipment, certification, inspection, and operational requirements;

AND WHEREAS municipalities are responsible for implementing and maintaining compliance with these provincially mandated requirements primarily through local property taxation;

AND WHEREAS current provincial fire service grant programs are available to both full-time and volunteer fire departments across Ontario and are distributed through competitive application processes that may not fully reflect the differing financial and administrative capacities of urban and rural municipalities, highlighting the need for a more balanced approach to funding that supports all fire services equitably;

AND WHEREAS volunteer firefighters represent approximately **70–75% of firefighters in Ontario**, protecting the majority of communities across the province and, particularly in rural areas, are frequently **the first emergency responders to arrive on scene ahead of other emergency services**;

AND WHEREAS other provincially regulated emergency services, including policing and paramedic services, receive stable and predictable provincial funding contributions or cost-sharing arrangements;

AND WHEREAS the absence of a comparable and stable funding model for fire services creates a structural imbalance between provincial regulatory authority and municipal financial responsibility;

AND WHEREAS reliance on competitive funding creates budget uncertainty, limits long-term financial planning, and may not reflect the actual operational needs of fire services, contributing to instability, reduced preparedness and the reduction of services within a critical emergency response sector;

AND WHEREAS stable and predictable funding is essential to maintain emergency preparedness, firefighter safety, service sustainability, and equitable protection for residents regardless of municipal size or tax base;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT

The Council of the Town of Plympton-Wyoming respectfully calls upon the Province of Ontario to **transition the current practice of competitive provincial fire service grant programs into a permanent, stable, and predictable non-competitive provincial funding program** that supports municipalities in meeting provincially legislated fire protection requirements;

AND FURTHER THAT this funding be structured to provide equitable and predictable annual support for **operational readiness and training costs associated with volunteer, composite and full-time fire departments across Ontario**;

AND FURTHER THAT the annual value of this funding be reviewed and adjusted to more appropriately reflect the level of provincial funding support currently provided to other provincially regulated emergency services, including policing and paramedic services;

AND FURTHER THAT this resolution be circulated for endorsement to:

- The County of Lambton
- Lambton County Fire Chiefs Association
- All municipalities
- Ontario Association of Fire Chiefs
- Ontario Professional Fire Fighters Association
- Ontario Volunteer Fire Fighters Association
- Association of Municipalities of Ontario
- Rural Ontario Municipal Association

AND FURTHER THAT, upon endorsement, this resolution be submitted to:

- Steve Pinnsoneault MPP Lambton-Kent-Middlesex
- Bob Bailey MPP Sarnia-Lambton
- The Honourable Michael Kerzner, Minister of the Solicitor General
- The Honourable Kinga Surma, Minister of Infrastructure
- The Honourable Rob Flack, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
- The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario

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Carried

Defeated

Deferred



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MOVED BY:

- Jason Cote
 Marc Lepine
 Ray Maltais
 Bert McDowell

SECONDED BY:

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RESOLUTION # 26 – 061

Date: April 13, 2026

WHEREAS the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) provide policing services to both organized municipalities and unorganized territories across the Province of Ontario;

AND WHEREAS organized municipalities receiving OPP policing services are billed under the OPP Municipal Policing Billing Model, which includes a base service cost and additional costs related to calls for service;

AND WHEREAS unorganized townships and territories contribute to policing costs through provincial taxation mechanisms and pay only a base rate while receiving OPP policing services;

AND WHEREAS residents of unorganized territories receive comparable OPP policing services to those provided in organized municipalities;

AND WHEREAS recent increases in OPP policing costs have placed a growing and disproportionate financial burden on organized municipalities and their taxpayers;

AND WHEREAS municipalities have limited revenue tools and must rely primarily on property taxation to fund essential services such as policing;

AND WHEREAS the current funding structure creates an inequitable situation in which organized municipalities are required to subsidize a larger share of policing costs while similar services are provided in unorganized territories at a significantly lower contribution level;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Baldwin calls upon the Province of Ontario to conduct an immediate review of the OPP Municipal Policing Billing Model and the policing funding structure for unorganized territories



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AND FURTHER THAT the Province be requested to implement a fair and equitable funding model that ensures all communities receiving OPP policing services contribute appropriately to the cost of those services;

AND FURTHER THAT the Province be requested to consult with municipalities, particularly those in Northern Ontario, regarding the financial impacts of OPP policing costs and the current inequities in the system;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Minister of the Solicitor General, the local Member of Provincial Parliament, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM), the Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association (NOMA), and neighbouring municipalities for their support.


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CAO/Clerk – Administrator/Treasurer
Holly Zahorodny

I DECLARE THIS RESOLUTION

- Carried
 Defeated
 Deferred



Mayor

RECORDED VOTE		
	For	Against
V. Gorham	—	—
J. Cote	—	—
M. Lepine	—	—
R. Maltais	—	—
B. McDowell	—	—

From: Cazabon, Ginette <Ginette.Cazabon@canadorecollege.ca>

Sent: Tuesday, May 12, 2026 9:20 AM

Subject: Media release: Canadore College Taking Steps to Strengthen Long-Term Sustainability

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

May 12, 2026

North Bay, ON - Canadore College has announced a series of organizational changes to ensure it continues delivering high-quality education, including workforce reductions, service adjustments, and the winding down of its West Parry Sound campus.

While provincial announcements and advocacy efforts, including the Province's investment to support the long-term sustainability of the postsecondary sector, are positive, Canadore continues to face the impacts of lower enrolment and increased financial pressures.

"These are not decisions we make lightly," said Dr. Sandra Efu. "They are necessary to ensure we are focusing our resources where they can have the greatest impact and to ensure Canadore remains strong, sustainable, and responsive to student and labour market needs into the future."

The College recently concluded a Voluntary Retirement and Voluntary Departure Incentive Program (VRVDIP), which helped reduce the overall number of impacted positions.

Canadore confirmed that it will continue to review its staffing levels and academic programming as part of ongoing strategic enrolment planning.

The College remains committed to students at the West Parry Sound campus and will ensure they are supported through to graduation, with minimal disruption to their ability to continue and complete their programs at the West Parry Sound campus.

Canadore is grateful for its longstanding partnership with the Parry Sound community and the many local learners, organizations, and partners who have contributed over the years.

Looking ahead, Canadore will continue to strengthen its programs and align with evolving workforce needs to ensure its long-term sustainability. As a critical driver of job training, the College will continue to support economic development and innovation across Northern Ontario.

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Canadore College trains people through applied learning, leadership, and innovation. It provides access to over 80 full-time quality programs, has outstanding faculty, and offers success services to students from across Ontario, Canada, and around the world. Approximately 1,000 students graduate from Canadore each year, and they join 90,000 alumni working across the globe. Canadore receives less than 50 per cent of its traditional funding from the provincial Ministry of Colleges, Universities, Research Excellence and Security and relies on its own innovation and entrepreneurial endeavours and generous donors for the balance.



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Office of the Mayor

May 26, 2026

Canadore College Board of Governors
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Via email: brdofgov@canadorecollege.ca;
Sandra.Efu@canadorecollege.ca

Dear Board of Governors Chair Jake Lacourse;
all Board Governors;
President & CEO, Dr. Sandra Efu,

Canadore College's May 12, 2026, announcement to close its Parry Sound Campus came shortly after the provincial funding announcement on May 1, 2026 that the province was providing Canadore with \$44.4 million over 4 years to protect post-secondary students' access to education in order for them to launch successful careers.

The West Parry Sound community was shocked and surprised by Canadore's decision following the provincial funding announcement and prompted Parry Sound Town Council to pass a Resolution on May 19, 2026 stating the decision to close the Parry Sound Campus was short-sighted and premature.

Council's Resolution is attached. It sets out concerns around removing access to post-secondary education as it's a critical component of regional economic development, workforce retention, healthcare capacity, skilled trades development and community resilience.

We would appreciate dialogue with Canadore's President and the Board of Governors regarding opportunities for Canadore's Parry Sound campus to remain open. We look forward to your response.

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Sincerely,



Jamie McGarvey, Mayor

CH/rj
Encl.

cc. Minister of Colleges, Universities, Research Excellence and Security, the Honourable Nolan Quinn;
Minister of Education, the Honourable Paul Calandra;
Minister of Rural Affairs, the Honourable Lisa Thompson;
Nipissing MPP, Vic Fedeli;
Parry Sound/Muskoka MPP Graydon Smith;
West Parry Sound Health Centre;
Lakeland Longterm Care;
Belvedere Heights Home for the Aged;
West Parry Sound municipalities;
area First Nations;
Parry Sound Area Community Business and Development Centre;
Parry Sound Area Chamber of Commerce;
FedNor representative, Noel Walker;
NOHFC representative Dustin Turner



THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF PARRY SOUND
RESOLUTION IN COUNCIL

NO. 2026 - 065

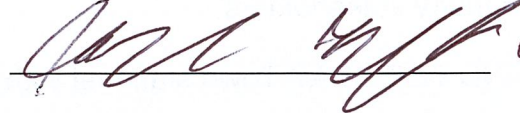
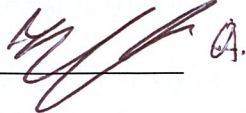
DIVISION LIST

YES NO

DATE: May 19, 2026

Councillor	G. ASHFORD	_____	_____
Councillor	J. BELESKEY	_____	_____
Councillor	P. BORNEMAN	_____	_____
Councillor	B. KEITH	_____	_____
Councillor	D. McCANN	_____	_____
Councillor	C. McDONALD	_____	_____
Mayor	J. McGARVEY	_____	_____

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WHEREAS access to post-secondary education is a critical component of regional economic development, workforce retention, healthcare capacity, skilled trades development and community resilience;

AND WHEREAS the Town of Parry Sound demonstrated its commitment to the importance of post secondary education by investing in the purchase of property for Canadore to establish a campus in Parry Sound and also assisting with obtaining investment and other infrastructure funding;

AND WHEREAS the Canadore College Campus in Parry Sound has served an important role in supporting workforce development, post-secondary education, and economic growth within the Town of Parry Sound and the broader West Parry Sound district;

AND WHEREAS the campus has provided critical local access to nursing and Personal Support Worker (PSW) education programs that support recruitment and retention efforts at the West Parry Sound Health Centre, Lakeland Long Term Care, Belvedere Heights, other healthcare providers in the region and social service agencies such as the District Social Services Administration Board (DSSAB), The Friends, etc.;

AND WHEREAS rural and Northern Ontario communities continue to face significant labour shortages across multiple sectors including healthcare, skilled trades, construction, manufacturing, tourism, hospitality, and transportation;

AND WHEREAS maintaining local access to post-secondary education and workforce training opportunities is essential to attracting and retaining young people, supporting employers, and ensuring the long-term economic sustainability of the district;

AND WHEREAS there is significant potential for the Canadore College Campus to evolve into a regional workforce development hub through expanded partnerships with municipalities, national defence, employers, economic development organizations, and industry stakeholders;

AND WHEREAS Town staff met with a Vice President of Canadore College in the spring of 2025 and were assured the colleges long term plan was to keep the Parry Sound campus open;

AND WHEREAS Canadore's Parry Sound Campus Administrator has only been in the position a short time, nine (9) months;

AND WHEREAS Canadore's new president only recently started at Canadore College, January 27, 2026;

AND WHEREAS the provincial government announced Friday May 1st that it will be providing \$44.4 million to [Canadore College](#) over the next four years to protect post-secondary students' access to education in order for them to launch successful careers;

AND WHEREAS the Town of Parry Sound has a Coast Guard base that is a significant operational hub serving the Great Lakes and with the Coast Guard now being part of National Defense, creating new opportunities for Canadore College and the Parry Sound area;

AND WHEREAS opportunities exist for Canadore to support the Coast Guard's move under National Defence by also collaborating with the Parry Sound Area Municipal Airport and the two (2) flight schools and maintenance facilities that currently operate at the airport;

AND WHEREAS Canadore College has four (4) campuses, three (3) of which are in North Bay and only one (1) campus is outside North Bay in Parry Sound;

AND WHEREAS centralizing services into one location does a disservice to the community being served, negatively impacts education participation rates as many such as single parents, caregivers and others simply cannot take courses in North Bay;

AND WHEREAS neither the Town of Parry Sound nor the West Parry Sound area have representation on Canadore's Board of governors and there has been no meaningful consultation prior to the decision to close the campus;

AND WHEREAS historically West Parry Sound has experienced limited growth, but the Town of Parry Sound and the area have had a significant increase in economic growth in recent years creating opportunities to develop sector-specific programming and training initiatives tailored to regional labour market demands, including but not limited to:

- Skilled trades and apprenticeship preparation programs
- Supporting National defence as the Coast Guard Base is now under National Defence
- Supporting home construction through carpentry, electrical, plumbing, and HVAC certification pathways
- Tourism and hospitality workforce development
- Entrepreneurship and small business management courses
- Remote learning and hybrid workforce training initiatives
- Short-term micro-credential programs aligned with regional employer needs

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the decision to close Canadore's campus in Parry Sound is short sighted and premature;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Town of Parry Sound formally urges Canadore College to reconsider the decision to close Canadore's Parry Sound Campus and work collaboratively with regional partners to explore opportunities for the revitalization, expansion, and long-term sustainability of the campus;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Parry Sound encourages Canadore College, area municipalities, First Nations, local businesses, healthcare organizations, and community stakeholders to engage in collaborative discussions regarding the future of post-secondary education and workforce development opportunities within West Parry Sound;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Chair of Canadore's Board of Governors, Jake Lacourse and the other board members; the president of Canadore College, Doctor Sandra Efu; the Minister of Colleges, Universities, Research Excellence and Security, the Honourable Nolan Quinn; the Minister of Education, the Honourable Paul Calandra; the Minister of Rural Affairs, the Honourable Lisa Thompson; Nipissing MPP, Vic Fedeli; Parry Sound/Muskoka MPP Graydon Smith; the West Parry Sound Health Centre; Lakeland Longterm Care; Belvedere Heights Home for the Aged; West Parry Sound municipalities; area First Nation; the Parry Sound Area Community Business and Development Centre; the Parry Sound Area Chamber of Commerce; FedNor representative, Noel Walker and the NOHFC representative Dustin Turner.



Mayor Jamie McGarvey



PARRY SOUND AREA

COMMUNITY BUSINESS & DEVELOPMENT CENTRE INC.

A Community Futures Development Corporation

June 8, 2026

Canadore College Board of Governors
100 College Drive
P.O. Box 5001
North Bay ON P1B 8K9

Via email: brdofgov@canadorecollege.ca
Sandra.Efu@canadorecollege.ca

Dear Chair Lacourse, Members of the Board of Governors, and Dr. Sandra Efu:

On behalf of the Parry Sound Area CB&DC Community Futures, we are writing regarding the decision to close Canadore College's Parry Sound Campus.

For nearly four decades, our organization has worked alongside businesses, entrepreneurs, municipalities, First Nations, community organizations, and regional partners to support economic development throughout the Parry Sound area. Through this work, we have seen firsthand the challenges our rural communities face in attracting and retaining skilled workers, supporting business growth, and building long-term economic resilience.

We recognize that post-secondary institutions across Ontario are facing significant financial and operational pressures, and that difficult decisions are sometimes necessary.

However, we believe the future of the Parry Sound Campus should be viewed not only through the lens of current utilization, but through the opportunities it represents for our region. From a community economic development perspective, we are concerned that our region may be losing a valuable community asset whose future potential has not yet been fully realized.

In spring 2025, our organization participated in a series of workforce planning focus groups led by Canadore College and The Labour Market Group. These discussions brought together employers and community partners to identify anticipated workforce needs over the next five to ten years and explore how education and training could better align with future labour market demands. The process reflected a shared commitment to ensuring the Parry Sound Campus could evolve to meet emerging community and workforce needs while supporting the long-term vitality of the region.

Those discussions demonstrated that local stakeholders continue to see significant value in the campus and its potential contribution to workforce development, healthcare capacity, entrepreneurship, and economic growth.

Beyond its educational role, the campus represents an important piece of community infrastructure. It contributes to workforce development, supports employer recruitment and retention efforts, and creates pathways for residents to live, learn, and work within the region. Local access to post-secondary education also plays an important role in retaining students, young



people, and future workers within our communities. When students are required to leave the region to pursue education and training opportunities, many establish careers and lives elsewhere, reducing the likelihood that they will return to live and work in our communities.

At a time when communities across our area are working to address labour shortages, support business growth, attract investment, and strengthen essential services, the loss of this asset raises significant concerns about future economic and community development opportunities. The value of the campus should therefore be measured not only by the programs delivered today, but also by its capacity to support the workforce, businesses, and economic opportunities our communities will need tomorrow.

Given the time and effort invested by community partners in exploring the future of the campus, and the opportunities identified through those discussions, we would welcome greater clarity regarding how those considerations informed this decision and whether alternative models or partnership opportunities were considered before determining the campus's future.

We respectfully encourage Canadore College to continue working with municipalities, First Nations, employers, healthcare providers, community organizations, and regional partners to explore opportunities that build upon the vision, partnerships, and momentum generated through these discussions.

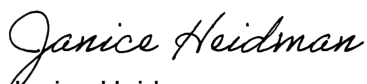
While we recognize the challenges facing colleges today, we believe the future potential of the Parry Sound Campus and its contribution to our region warrant further consideration before that opportunity is lost. We encourage Canadore College to carefully consider the broader workforce, economic development, and community impacts of this decision and to continue working with local partners to explore opportunities that preserve the long-term value of this important community asset.

We remain hopeful that a path forward can be identified that supports both the needs of Canadore College and the long-term interests of the communities it serves.

Sincerely,



Bob Griffiths
Chair, Board of Directors



Janice Heidman
Executive Director
Parry Sound Area CB&DC Community Futures

This letter has also been shared with the Ministers of Colleges and Universities, Education, and Rural Affairs; the Members of Provincial Parliament for Nipissing and Parry Sound–Muskoka; area municipalities and First Nations; regional healthcare partners; FedNor; the Northern Ontario Heritage Fund Corporation; The Labour Market Group; and the Parry Sound Area Chamber of Commerce.



Dear Ms. Heidman and Mr. Griffiths,

Thank you for sharing your concerns regarding Canadore College's decision to wind down operations at the West Parry Sound campus.

We recognize the impact of this decision and the importance of Canadore's long-standing relationship with the Parry Sound community. Like colleges across Ontario, we are facing sustained enrolment pressures and rising costs, requiring difficult decisions to ensure the College's long-term sustainability and continued delivery of high-quality programming.

A range of options was considered, including alternative delivery models and partnerships. Ultimately, this decision reflects the need to align programming with current and projected demand while maintaining strong, sustainable offerings across our campuses.

We met with Mayor McGarvey and members of the Parry Sound Town Council yesterday and reiterated our commitment to supporting learners from Parry Sound through flexible delivery options, pathways, and direct supports to help them continue their education with minimal disruption. Parry Sound remains an important part of the region we serve, and we will continue to explore opportunities to support learners and partners in the community.

Ginette Cazabon

Manager, Office of the President

Executive Assistant to the President

Secretary of the Board of Governors

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**CORPORATION OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF NORTH GLENGARRY
Council Meeting**

Resolution # 10

Date: Monday May 25, 2026

Moved by: Jamie MacDonald

Seconded by: Carma Williams

THAT the Council of the Township of North Glengarry support the Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus resolution 2026-03: Ontario Most Outdated Property Reassessment in Canada: A Call to Return to Property Tax Reassessment Cycle, as presented.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this resolution be circulated to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario; the Honourable peter Bethlenfalry, Minister of Finance; EOWC Members of Provincial Parliament; the Association of Municipalities of Ontario; the Rural Ontario Municipal Association; the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation; the Ontario Big City Mayors; the Western Ontario Wardens 'Caucus; the Mayors and Regional Chairs of Ontario; the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities; and all EOWC municipalities."

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MAYOR / DEPUTY MAYOR

Deputy Mayor: Carma Williams

Councillor: Jacques Massie

Councillor: Brian Caddell

Councillor: Jeff Manley

Councillor: Michael Madden

Councillor: Gary Martin

Mayor: Jamie MacDonald

YEA

NEA

**Resolution 2026-03: Ontario Most Outdated Property Reassessment in
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Date: May 8, 2026

Moved by: Warden Jennifer Murphy, County of Renfrew

Seconded by: Warden Robert Mullin, County of Hastings

WHEREAS the Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus (EOWC) serves over 1.1 million residents across 13 upper-tier and single-tier municipalities, encompassing a total of 103 municipalities in Ontario;

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NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the EOWC formally requests that the Government of Ontario commit to a clear and prompt return to the property tax reassessment cycle;

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Carried

Signed by:

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EOWC Chair Bonnie Clark
info@eowc.org

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Carried

Signed by:



EOWC Chair Bonnie Clark
info@eowc.org



Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin

Council Resolution

Date: May 27, 2026

Request for Provincial Review of CVA-Based Apportionment for Shared Municipal and Provincially Mandated Services

Resolution Number: 2026-173

Moved By: Mayor Gould

Seconded By: Councillor Manson

WHEREAS many provincially mandated services, shared municipal services, and board-imposed levies are apportioned among municipalities using Current Value Assessment (CVA) or weighted assessment formulas; and

WHEREAS CVA-based apportionment formulas are intended to reflect municipal assessment capacity, but often do not adequately account for population, service access, geographic isolation, infrastructure constraints, or the differing realities of small and rural municipalities; and

WHEREAS municipalities with significant industrial assessment, utility corridors, resource infrastructure, protected lands, seasonal properties, or large geographic areas may experience disproportionately high per-resident levy impacts despite limited local services and lower resident incomes; and

WHEREAS some municipalities contribute substantially toward regional services such as long-term care, policing, conservation authorities, social services, and other provincially mandated boards and agencies, while residents may have limited local access to those services due to geography, travel distance, or service availability; and

WHEREAS increasing levy pressures are creating significant financial strain for small and rural municipalities and their residents;

NOW THEREFOR BE IT RESOLVED THAT The Council of the Municipality of Calvin requests that the Province of Ontario, including the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing and the Minister of Finance, undertake a review of policies, legislation, and regulations governing the use of Current Value Assessment (CVA) and weighted assessment as the basis for apportioning provincially-mandated levies and shared municipal service costs;

AND THAT the Province consider developing fairer and more balanced apportionment models which may include:

- hybrid formulas incorporating both CVA and population;
- consideration of service access and service availability;
- household count or permanent population metrics;
- ability-to-pay considerations for small and rural municipalities;
- rurality and geographic isolation factors; and
- measures to limit disproportionate per-resident levy impacts on smaller municipalities; and


AND THAT the Province work with the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA), rural municipalities, municipal service boards, and regional service providers to develop best practices and model apportionment frameworks for shared municipal services and provincially mandated boards;

AND THAT this resolution with the mayor's report attached, be circulated to:


- the Premier of Ontario;
- the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing;
- the Minister of Finance;
- The Minister of Rural Affairs
- the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO);
- the Rural Ontario Municipal Association
- local Member of Provincial Parliament;
- all Ontario municipalities;
- and relevant municipal service boards and associations for consideration and support.

Result: Carried

CERTIFIED to be a true copy of
Resolution No. 2026-173 passed by the Council of
The Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin
on the 26th day of May, 2026.



Trish Araujo
Deputy Clerk



Report to Council by: Mayor Richard Gould Date: May 26, 2026

Subject: Request for Provincial Review of, and Change to CVA-Based Apportionment

The purpose of this report is to provide background information and supporting rationale for the attached resolution requesting that the Province of Ontario review the use of Current Value Assessment (CVA) and weighted assessment formulas as the basis for apportioning costs for provincially-mandated services, regional boards, and shared municipal services.

The report focuses on the growing financial impacts that CVA-based apportionment can have on small and rural municipalities, particularly where assessment values do not accurately reflect resident income levels, service access, or local municipal capacity.

Many shared municipal services and provincially-mandated boards in Ontario allocate costs among participating municipalities using Current Value Assessment (CVA) or weighted assessment formulas.

Examples include: Long-Term Care facilities; District Social Services Administration Boards (DSSAB); policing costs; conservation authorities; health and social service boards; and School boards and other regional service arrangements.

Under these formulas, municipalities with higher assessment values contribute a larger percentage of overall costs.

The intent of the current CVA-based apportionment is only a reflection of the municipalities "ability to pay." However, in many rural municipalities, assessment values do not accurately represent:

- or the actual level of services available within the municipality
- resident income levels;
- local economic strength;
- access to services;
- population density;
- transportation challenges.

As a result, some rural municipalities experience disproportionately high levy impacts on a per-household or per-resident basis.

Rural and Northern Municipal Realities

Small rural municipalities often differ significantly from urban centres in both geography and service availability.

In many cases:

- residents must travel substantial distances to access healthcare and government services;
- municipalities may lack public transit;
- municipalities may not have local hospitals, long-term care homes, or other major services;
- populations may be older and more geographically dispersed;
- infrastructure costs may be high due to large geographic areas and low population density.

At the same time, rural municipalities may contain:

- pipelines;
- hydro corridors;
- industrial infrastructure;

- protected lands;
- provincial parks;
- seasonal properties;
- or large acreages.

These features can substantially increase municipal assessment values while providing little indication of the financial capacity of local residents. This creates a disconnect between the assessed property value; and actual household ability to absorb increasing levy costs.

The Municipality of Calvin is a small rural municipality with approximately 230 households.

A significant portion of municipal assessment is influenced by industrial infrastructure, including a major pipeline corridor. The municipality also contains multiple provincial parks and large acreages, much of which limits future residential or commercial development opportunities.

Many residents live on inherited rural properties and have fixed or modest incomes. While assessment values may appear significant on paper, they do not necessarily reflect disposable household income or enhanced municipal service levels.

The Township has no hospital, no long-term care facility, no public transit, and limited local health and social service infrastructure.

Despite these limitations, the Township contributes toward many regional services through CVA-based apportionment formulas.

Cassellholme Capital Cost Example

The attached Appendix "A" illustrates the distribution of Cassellholme redevelopment capital costs among participating municipalities using:

- the current CVA formula;
- a household-based formula; and
- a hybrid formula combining CVA and household count.

The analysis demonstrates substantial differences in per-household impacts between municipalities.

Under the current CVA model:

- Calvin households contribute approximately \$393.89 per household;
- South Algonquin contributes approximately \$377.48 per household;
- Mattawan contributes approximately \$283.74 per household.

By comparison:

- Mattawa contributes approximately \$94.50 per household;
- Chisholm contributes approximately \$193.18 per household;
- North Bay contributes approximately \$203.56 per household.

Under a purely household-based model, the contribution would be approximately \$209.09 per household across all municipalities.

The analysis suggests that CVA-based formulas can create substantial disparities in per-household costs between municipalities, particularly in smaller rural communities where industrial or resource-based assessment inflates municipal valuation figures.

Hybrid and Alternative Models

The report recommends that the province review whether the current reliance on CVA alone remains the most equitable method of apportionment in all circumstances.

Alternative approaches could include:

- hybrid formulas combining CVA and household count;
- formulas incorporating permanent population;
- service availability considerations;
- rurality and geographic isolation factors;
- ability-to-pay considerations;
- or mechanisms to limit disproportionate impacts on smaller municipalities.

The attached example demonstrates that even a partial hybrid approach can reduce extreme disparities while still recognizing assessment capacity.

Broader Provincial Relevance

This issue extends beyond the Municipality of Calvin.

Many rural Ontario municipalities face similar circumstances where; industrial assessment; utility corridors, hydro infrastructure, pipelines, resource lands, or protected lands, increase municipal assessment values without proportionally increasing local service access or household financial capacity.

As provincial and regional levy pressures continue to rise, concerns regarding the fairness and sustainability of existing apportionment models are likely to become increasingly significant for rural municipalities across Ontario.

Conclusion

The current use of CVA and weighted assessment formulas was developed to reflect municipal assessment capacity. However, the growing divergence between assessment values and the realities facing many rural municipalities suggests that a provincial review is warranted.

The Municipality of Calvin is requesting that the Province of Ontario review the use of CVA-based apportionment for provincially-mandated and shared municipal services and consider more balanced approaches that better reflect:

- household impacts;
- rural realities;
- service access;
- and municipal capacity.
- The attached resolution seeks to initiate that broader provincial discussion.
- Recommendation:

That Council adopt the attached resolution requesting a provincial review of Current Value Assessment (CVA)-based apportionment formulas for shared municipal and provincially-mandated services.

Appendix A:

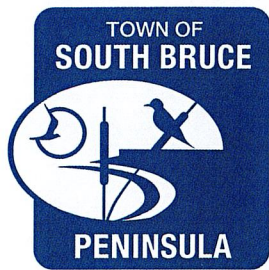
Distribution of Capital cost for Cassellholme construction:

This chart shows the distribution of costs based on current CVA, Per Household, and a Hybrid of 75% per household and 25% CVA.

Municipality	Households	Current CVA			Per Household			Hybrid 75/25		
		Current CVA Pct	Current CVA Annual	Per household	Household based PCT	Household Based Annual	by household only	Hybrid PCT	Hybrid Annual	hybrid by household
North Bay	23470	79.187%	\$4,777,615.40	\$203.56	81.34%	4,907,375.69	209.09	80.8000%	4,874,935.62	207.71
East Ferris	1890	7.742%	\$467,100.64	\$247.14	6.55%	395,182.79	209.09	6.8480%	413,162.25	218.60
South Algonquin	530	3.316%	\$200,065.32	\$377.48	1.84%	110,818.45	209.09	2.2066%	133,130.17	251.19
Bonfield	890	3.237%	\$195,298.99	\$219.44	3.08%	186,091.37	209.09	3.1225%	188,393.27	211.68
Papineau-Cameron	405	1.726%	\$104,135.33	\$257.12	1.40%	84,682.03	209.09	1.4842%	89,545.35	221.10
Chisholm	510	1.633%	\$98,524.33	\$193.18	1.77%	106,636.63	209.09	1.7338%	104,608.55	205.11
Calvin	227	1.482%	\$89,414.00	\$393.89	0.79%	47,463.75	209.09	0.9605%	57,951.31	255.29
Mattawa	860	1.347%	\$81,269.00	\$94.50	2.98%	179,818.62	209.09	2.5721%	155,181.22	180.44
Mattawan	70	0.329%	\$19,861.73	\$283.74	0.24%	\$14,636.40	209.09	0.2642%	15,942.73	227.75
TOTAL	28852		\$6,033,284.73		99.99%	\$6,032,705.73	209.09	1.00	6,032,850.48	

Totals 65693 \$6,033,284 \$6,033,333 \$6,033,333

Total Capital rebuild cost is and estimate of \$121,000,000 plus \$110,000,000 interest, minus the \$50,000,000 arranged by the province to be divided in each of the first years of the loan. This is a Total of \$181,000,000. Divided over the next 30 years this equals \$6,033,333 per year.



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Excerpt from Council Meeting Minutes – June 2, 2026

19. Notice of Motion – Deputy Mayor Hull – Affirming Outdoor Education as an Essential Part of Public Education in Ontario

Deputy Mayor Hull explained the importance of outdoor education and how this motion is in response to the closure of the Toronto District School Board outdoor education centre. He explained that he is asking for the Parks, Recreation and Culture Department to be mindful of outdoor nature-related opportunities for citizens; he is not asking for a formal report.

Discussion included staff evaluation and making a change to the motion to recognize the work staff currently undertake regarding outdoor opportunities.

R-151-2026

It was **Moved** by C. Hull, **Seconded** by J. Kirkland and **Carried**

Whereas outdoor and experiential education provides students with critical opportunities to improve mental health, physical well-being, environmental literacy, teamwork, leadership, resilience, and academic engagement;

And whereas access to nature and outdoor learning opportunities should not depend on a family's income, geography, or ability to afford private camps, cottages, or outdoor recreation;

And whereas many students, especially those living in urban communities, rely on publicly funded school programs as their primary opportunity to experience forests, trails, waterways, dark skies, overnight camping, and land-based learning;

And whereas closures of Outdoor Education Centres risk creating long-term negative consequences for student wellness, environmental stewardship, and equitable access to experiential learning opportunities;

And whereas knowledgeable and experienced outdoor education staff are essential to delivering safe, inclusive, and curriculum-based learning experiences;

And whereas municipalities that benefit from tourism connected to parks, trails, and natural spaces depend on environmentally responsible stewardship by visitors.

Therefore be it resolved that the Town of South Bruce Peninsula requests the Province of Ontario to:

1. Recognize outdoor education as an essential educational service and commit to equitable access for all Ontario students, and
2. Halt the closure of outdoor education centres and restore stable funding for programming across Ontario;

And that the Town's Parks, Recreation and Culture Department continues to evaluate how it can increase nature-related educational opportunities for citizens of all ages and abilities;

And further that this motion be forwarded to the Bluewater District School Board Trustees, MPP Paul Vickers, the Ontario Minister of Education MPP Paul Calandra, AMO, ROMA, The Council of Outdoor Educators of Ontario, and all other municipalities across Ontario.

Village of Merrickville Wolford

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May 26, 2026

Re: OPP Detachment Board Resolution of Support - Traffic Calming & Speeding Mitigation Techniques

Please be advised that the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford, at its Regular Meeting on May 25, 2026, passed the following motion pertaining to the OPP Detachment Board Resolution of Support - Traffic Calming & Speeding Mitigation Techniques:

Resolution #: R-24-05-25-26
Moved by: Councillor Maitland
Seconded by: Councillor Ireland

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford receive for information the resolution from the Municipality of North Grenville, Merrickville-Wolford Village OPP Detachment Board dated May 7, 2026 regarding traffic calming and speeding mitigation techniques;

AND THAT Council endorse and support the resolution from the OPP Detachment Board and direct staff to circulate the resolution of support to Premier Doug Ford, the Minister of Transportation, the Minister of Finance, MPP Steve Clark, AMO, ROMA, all Ontario Police Service Boards, and all 444 Municipalities in Ontario.

Carried.

If you have any questions regarding the above resolution, please do not hesitate to contact me by email at clerk@merrickville-wolford.ca.

Thank you.



Julia McCaugherty-Jansman
Clerk



May 7, 2026

Traffic Calming/Speeding Mitigation Techniques

The North Grenville, Merrickville-Wolford Village OPP Detachment Board, at its Meeting on May 7, 2026, passed the following motion with the request for municipal support:

Moved by: Ian Fraser

Seconded by: Jim Goodman

WHEREAS history demonstrates that speeding and public safety concerns are increasing across Ontario;

WHEREAS the Provincial government has shown interest and allocated financial resources to certain municipalities to implement alternative measures to photo radar, reaffirming its ongoing commitment to addressing public safety issues;

WHEREAS this commitment currently applies only to municipalities utilizing photo radar as a deterrent;

AND WHEREAS such funding support would assist municipalities with limited financial resources in protecting their citizens - especially seniors and school-aged children.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Grenville 1 OPP Detachment Board respectfully request North Grenville and Merrickville-Wolford Councils advocate that the province expand its stated interest and financial commitment to include all municipalities in Ontario, adopting a province-wide approach to public safety and thereby ensuring the well-being of all Ontarians;

AND THAT this resolution be sent to the following:

Premier Doug Ford

Minister of Transportation

Minister of Finance

MPP Steve Clark

AMO

ROMA

All Ontario Police Service Boards

And all 444 Municipalities in Ontario

Carried.

June 1, 2026

The Honourable Doug Ford
Premier of Ontario
Via Email: premier@ontario.ca

Re: Changes to Ontario's Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act

Please be advised the Council of the Municipality of Chatham-Kent, at its regular meeting held on May 25, 2026 supported the attached resolution from the Town of Bruce Mines (Appendix A) and the County of Prince Edward (Appendix B) regarding the above noted matter.

Sincerely,

Judy Shantz

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Judy Shantz, CMO
Director Municipal Governance/Clerk

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Attorney General
Information and Privacy Commissioner of Ontario
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO),
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MAYOR: LORY PATERI
MUNICIPAL CLERK: JUDY DAVIS

May 14, 2026

Sent by email: Doug.fordco@pc.ola.org

The Honourable Doug Ford
Premier of Ontario
Legislative Building, Queen's Park
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

Dear Honourable Doug Ford,

Re: Bill 97, Plan to Protect Ontario Act (Budget Measures), 2026 – Schedule 7

At its Regular Meeting held on May 4, 2026, the Council of the Town of Bruce Mines reviewed the changes introduced through Schedule 7 of Bill 97, which amends the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA).

At that meeting, Council adopted a resolution expressing concern regarding these amendments and their impact on transparency and public access to information.

Enclosed is a copy of the resolution supported by Bruce Mines Council.

Sincerely,

Tarra Lapensee
Deputy Clerk
info@brucemines.ca
705-785-3493

cc:

The Honourable Doug Downey, Attorney General of Ontario
The Honourable Bill Rosenberg, Member of Provincial Parliament
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)
Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM)
Information and Privacy Commissioner of Ontario, Patricia Kosseim
All Ontario Municipalities

WHEREAS THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION AND PROTECTION OF PRIVACY ACT (FIPPA) RECEIVED ROYAL ASSENT IN 1987, COMING INTO FORCE ON JANUARY 1, 1988; AND

WHEREAS THE MUNICIPAL FREEDOM OF INFORMATION AND PROTECTION OF PRIVACY ACT (MFIPPA) RECEIVED ROYAL ASSENT IN 1990, COMING INTO FORCE ON JANUARY 1, 1991; AND

WHEREAS BOTH ACTS PROVIDE THE PUBLIC WITH A LEGAL RIGHT OF ACCESS TO GOVERNMENT-HELD INFORMATION, REFLECTING THE PRINCIPLE THAT SUCH INFORMATION BELONGS TO THE PUBLIC UNLESS THERE IS A VALID REASON TO WITHHOLD IT; AND

WHEREAS THE INFORMATION AND PRIVACY COMMISSIONER OF ONTARIO HAS REINFORCED THAT ACCESS TO INFORMATION IS “ESSENTIAL TO THE HEALTHY FUNCTIONING OF A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY” AND TO TRANSPARENT GOVERNANCE; AND

WHEREAS BILL 97 (2026): PLAN TO PROTECT ONTARIO ACT (BUDGET MEASURES) RECEIVED ROYAL ASSENT ON APRIL 24, 2026, INTRODUCING SIGNIFICANT CHANGES TO FREEDOM OF INFORMATION RULES, INCLUDING NEW EXEMPTIONS FOR MINISTERS’ OFFICES; AND

WHEREAS RECORDS HELD BY THE PREMIER, CABINET MINISTERS, PARLIAMENTARY ASSISTANTS, AND THEIR OFFICES ARE NO LONGER SUBJECT TO FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUESTS AND ARE NO LONGER CONSIDERED FOI-ELIGIBLE RECORDS; AND

WHEREAS COUNCIL IS OF THE OPINION THAT THE PASSAGE OF BILL 97 REPRESENTS A STEP BACKWARD FROM LONG-STANDING PROVINCIAL COMMITMENTS TO OPENNESS, TRANSPARENCY, AND ACCOUNTABILITY;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES FORMALLY EXPRESSES ITS CONCERN WITH THE PASSAGE OF BILL 97 (2026) AND FINDS THAT IT CONSTITUTES A REGRESSION FROM ESTABLISHED PRINCIPLES OF TRANSPARENT GOVERNANCE; AND

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL URGES THE GOVERNMENT OF ONTARIO TO REPEAL THIS PROVISION OF THE LEGISLATION; AND

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT A COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION BE FORWARDED TO THE PREMIER OF ONTARIO, DOUG FORD; THE ATTORNEY GENERAL OF ONTARIO, DOUG DOWNEY; THE MEMBER OF PROVINCIAL PARLIAMENT, BILL ROSENBERG; THE ASSOCIATION OF MUNICIPALITIES OF ONTARIO (AMO); THE FEDERATION OF NORTHERN ONTARIO MUNICIPALITIES (FONOM); AND THE INFORMATION AND PRIVACY COMMISSIONER OF ONTARIO, PATRICIA KOSSEIM, AND THAT IT BE CIRCULATED TO ALL MUNICIPALITIES IN ONTARIO.



From the Office of the Clerk
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May 18, 2026

Please be advised that during the regular Council meeting of May 12, 2026 the following resolution regarding reinstating the requirements for compliance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act was carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-208

DATE: May 12, 2026

MOVED BY: Councillor MacNaughton

SECONDED BY: Councillor Branderhorst

WHEREAS all residents of Ontario have the right to fair, open and democratic government; and,

WHEREAS all elected representatives, municipal and provincial alike, in Ontario have a duty to faithfully execute the powers and trust placed in them and willingly swear an oath to this effect and are subject to fair public scrutiny; and,

WHEREAS the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA) and the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (MFIPPA) are essential tools to protect Ontarians against privacy breaches, and abuses of power; and,

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario enacted Bill 97, the Plan to Protect Ontario Act (Budget Measures), 2026, which received Royal Assent on April 24, 2026, and introduced significant amendments to both FIPPA and MFIPPA to alter statutory timelines and privacy governance frameworks;

WHEREAS the amendments introduced via Bill 97 have created a jurisdictional imbalance by excluding records held by provincial Ministers, their offices, and staff from the application of FIPPA, while maintaining the statutory responsibilities and administrative burdens for municipal elected officials and staff under MFIPPA, thereby establishing higher standards for transparency and personal record accountability for municipal governments;

WHEREAS excluding members of the highest offices and their staff from reasonable public access requests and records retention creates security concerns, reinforces the appearance of self-dealing and is contrary to the public interest,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Prince Edward County Council call on the Province to reinstate requirements for compliance with FIPPA to ensure that the Premier, Ministers, and their staff are subject to proper and fair public scrutiny like all other elected representatives in Ontario; and

THAT the Government of Ontario implement recommendations of the Information and Privacy Commissioner of Ontario to increase and ensure proper security, record keeping and democratic accountability; and

THAT this resolution be circulated to Premier Doug Ford, Minister of Finance Bethlenfalvy, Bay of Quinte MPP Tyler Allsopp, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) and the 444 municipalities of Ontario.

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Yours truly,



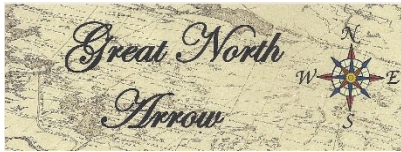
Catalina Blumenberg, **CLERK**

cc: Mayor Steve Ferguson, Councillor MacNaughton, Councillor Branderhorst

Good Morning Council,

We are very appreciative of Whitestones support and generosity, we are very excited this year. This year we have almost half of the team filled with players from Whitestone!

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Thank You

Thank you for your
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Sincerely,

The Commencement Committee

May 24, 2026

To: Municipal Leaders of West Parry Sound

Subject Final Update from Parents for Parry Sound



Dear Mayors, Councillors, and Municipal Leaders,

On behalf of Parents for Parry Sound, we want to sincerely thank each of you for the support, advocacy, and leadership you have shown throughout this process.

When our group formed in August 2025, we were simply a small group of concerned parents looking for answers about the ongoing delays, lack of transparency, and growing concerns surrounding education in West Parry Sound. We never imagined how much this movement would grow, nor how strongly our municipalities would stand behind students, families, and staff.

Without your support, we would not have gotten as far as we did.

From passing municipal resolutions demanding accountability and timelines, to standing alongside us publicly, advocating directly to the Ministry of Education, engaging with media, and helping amplify the concerns of our community beyond what parents alone could achieve — your collective voices made a difference.

Together, our community accomplished things many believed were impossible:

- Bringing provincial attention to the Near North District School Board;
- Securing extensive media coverage across Northern Ontario and beyond;
- Pushing for and ultimately seeing a provincial governance review initiated;
- Elevating longstanding concerns from staff, families, and municipalities that had gone unheard for years;
- Advocating for transparency surrounding enrolment projections, capacity concerns, and the future of education in West Parry Sound;
- Creating opportunities for direct conversations with provincial leadership, including Minister Paul Calandra and MPP Graydon Smith;
- And most importantly, ensuring that students remained at the centre of the conversation.

While there have been some positive developments — including increased communication and changes in leadership — many concerns still remain. The long-term capacity needs of our region, the loss of McDougall Public School, and the ongoing disruptions students have faced continue to weigh heavily on families and staff.

After many months of advocacy, meetings, media interviews, letters, research, and community organizing, we have come to the decision to formally shut down Parents for Parry Sound and step away from the group.

We feel we have taken this as far as we can as parents and volunteers. Advocacy at this level has required an extraordinary amount of time, energy, and emotional investment, and we believe the responsibility for ensuring quality education in West Parry Sound must now remain with elected officials, municipal leaders, the Ministry of Education, and the Near North District School Board itself.

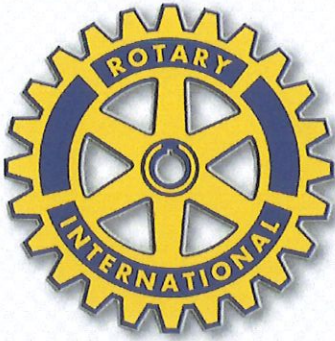
We encourage you to continue fighting for our students and our communities. The work is not finished, and the need for strong local leadership remains critical. West Parry Sound deserves equitable funding, transparent decision-making, safe learning environments, and long-term planning that reflects the realities of our growing region.

We are incredibly proud of what our community accomplished together. Parents, teachers, municipal leaders, students, and residents came together respectfully, passionately, and persistently to demand better — and that should never be forgotten.

Thank you again for standing with us and with the students of West Parry Sound.

With sincere gratitude,

Amy Black, Vicki Christie & Shane Reynolds
Parents for Parry Sound



Municipality of Whitestone

21 Church St.

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Thank you once again for your generous contribution of \$500.00 to Rotary's annual 3-Pitch Tournament. Following an enjoyable day of baseball, friendly competition at the Silent Auction, delicious burgers from the barbecue and refreshments at the Clam Digger's Café, your support will enable us to provide meaningful funding to the West Parry Sound Health Centre.

Your sponsorship also allows Rotary to continue supporting important local community projects. We extend our sincere appreciation—this tournament would not be possible without the commitment of sponsors such as yourself.

We hope you and your staff will be able to attend the event.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Mary Lynne Black".

Mary Lynne Black

Treasurer of The Rotary Club of Parry Sound est 1936

WHITESTONE ROD & GUN CLUB EST. 2006

Municipality of Whitestone
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Attention: Municipality of Whitestone Council
RE: 2026 Contribution to Whitestone Rod & Gun Club

Dear Council,

On behalf of the volunteer club members at the Whitestone Rod & Gun Club please accept our appreciation for your support of our clubs' efforts in the community of Whitestone.

We look forward to continuing with our work in the community and working with the municipality, council and other local clubs to explore opportunities to continue to enhance the life and well-being of the community members of the Municipality of Whitestone.

Sincerely,



[Kevin Kelly \(May 7, 2026 13:09:13 EDT\)](#)

Kevin Kelly
President
Whitestone Rod & Gun Club

KK/ph

From: Community.Relations@HydroOne.com
To: mayor.comrie@whitestone.ca Cc: nigel.black@whitestone.ca
Sent: Thursday, May 28th 2026, 17:14
Subject: Hydro One - Meter Replacements (Municipality of Whitestone)

Good afternoon Mayor Comrie,

I hope this finds you well. I am writing to let you know that Hydro One will begin making upgrades to electricity meters in your community in the upcoming weeks.

Meters play a crucial role in ensuring a consistent, dependable energy supply. Hydro One is replacing the electricity meters to prepare for growing electricity needs within your community. In the future, these new meters are expected to provide more precise detection of outages to enable faster and more efficient power restoration.

There will be no additional charges to residents for the meters or their installation and we will notify customers directly in advance of their scheduled meter replacement. Further details about this work can be found at: [Electricity meter replacement | Hydro One](#).

If you have any questions, I'd be happy to set up a quick call to provide a further overview.

Kind regards,

Sofia Holowatsky (she/her)

Community Relations

Hydro One Networks Inc.

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From: Brad Klinck<>

Sent: Wednesday, June 3, 2026 4:49:22 p.m.

To: councillor.nash@whitestone.ca <councillor.nash@whitestone.ca>

Subject: Kashegaba and Bolger Water Levels

Greetings Councillor Nash,

I'm writing to you to share with you my concerns regarding the water levels on Kashegaba and Bolger lakes. I own two properties on Kashegaba and having sustainable water levels is critical to accessing to these. Unfortunately, it appears that the engineer who designed the new dam did not properly consider the height needed to maintain the water levels to where they had been historically, and it is rapidly becoming an issue. The new dam is very well built, but with the changes to the design of the dam - an 11' spillway to a 50' spillway and reducing the overall height - we are quickly losing water at an unprecedented rate.

My family has owned property on these lakes for over a hundred years and the current water levels are what we would normally see in August during an extremely dry year, not in June when the water should be 18" to 24" higher. My family and I are extremely concerned about our access going forward, along with the impact this will have on our lake's health and that of the flora and fauna that depend on it. My parents are now in their 80's and depend on being able to use our pontoon boat to access our cottage as they can no longer get in and out of smaller tin boats due to mobility issues. If the water continues to go down, being able to navigate through the creek will become an issue and will severely limit their access or pose a safety concern if they are forced to use smaller tin boats to get through the creek.

I was up numerous time over the winter and saw firsthand how much snow their was, along with the heavy rains after the ice went out, and the lakes should be at their normal spring levels, even with the past two weeks being drier. The water level when the ice went out was at least a 16" or more below the normal level we've seen each year when up at the same time.

The only thing that has changed is the new dam.

I greatly appreciate your attention to this matter and I know that many of the cottagers on these lakes are also very concerned. I hope that Council is able to take this matter forward quickly in order to find a resolution as I fear that the longer this takes to get resolved, the greater the damage to the lakes will be.

Sincerely,

Brad Klinck

From: Mike Patterson <>

Sent: Thursday, June 4, 2026 8:34:01 a.m.

To: councillor.nash@whitestone.ca <councillor.nash@whitestone.ca>

Subject: Concerning water levels - Bolger and Kashegaba Lakes

Councillor Nash

I'm writing because I'm concerned about what appears to be a significant drop in water levels on the lake since the new dam was completed.

I want to be clear that I'm not an engineer or a scientist, and I'm not claiming to know exactly what's causing it. I'm simply sharing what I'm seeing as a waterfront property owner. My dock is sitting at some of the lowest spring water levels I can remember seeing in years. Normally, this time of year is when water levels are at or near their highest after spring runoff, but that doesn't seem to be the case right now.

What makes this more confusing is that, from what I can find, our area hasn't experienced an unusual lack of precipitation over the past several years. In fact, some recent years were wetter than average. That doesn't necessarily mean precipitation and lake levels should match exactly, but it does make me wonder whether the operation of the new dam could be having an impact.

I'm not looking to point fingers or assign blame. I would simply like to understand what is happening and whether the current water levels are what was expected when the dam project was designed and approved.

I would appreciate it if Council could provide residents with some information regarding how water levels are being managed, what the target levels are, and whether any monitoring has been done to compare current conditions with historical levels.

I suspect I'm not the only resident who has noticed the change, and I think some transparency and communication on the issue would go a long way toward addressing concerns.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I look forward to hearing any information Council may be able to provide.

Sincerely,

Mike Patterson

From: DOUGLAS HAY <>
Sent: Thursday, June 4, 2026 7:45:05 a.m.
To: councillor.nash@whitestone.ca <councillor.nash@whitestone.ca>
Subject: Kashe Dam and Water Levels

To Councillor Nash

My name is Douglas Hay, I am an owner of ----- . I just wanted to reach out to you with our concern over the water levels in Bolger and Kashe. The construction of the new dam on Kashe was welcome news to our lake community, however it seems that miscalculations on the height of the new dam and the width of the spillway have been made. Our water levels are significantly lower than the historical averages for our lake system. At this time of the year our water levels are around 18 inches lower than they should be. The water levels are what we would expect in late July and into August. This is of great concern for all the cottagers on Bolger and Kashegaba as we have not even entered the hot and dry part of the summer season. For those of us who have to travel Bolger Creek to get to our cottage properties it is of serious concern. For the moment we are able to travel the creek without any problems but with the hot part of the summer around the corner we are very concerned about our ability to get our cottage properties. I respectfully ask if you would look into the situation we are facing, with the MNR. I cannot help but feel that we are going to have difficulty travelling Bolger Creek this summer especially if we experience any significant weeks of no rain and drought conditions.

Again, it would be greatly appreciated if you would be able to look into this situation with the relevant authorities.

Best Regards, Douglas Hay

From: Dale Duffy <>

Sent: Wednesday, June 3, 2026 4:08:27 p.m.

To: councillor.nash@whitestone.ca <councillor.nash@whitestone.ca>

Subject: Dam on Kashegagamog Lake

Attention: Council of Municipality of Whitestone

I am writing to you with the hopes of some answers or resolution to the concerns I have in regards to the construction of the new dam placed between Kashegaba and Whites Lakes last fall of 2025. When the construction was completed last year, my children and I went to view it and immediately saw a problem with the amount of water being released. Mind you we are not engineers, so we waited till this spring to see how it fared. We checked it out on the Victoria Day weekend. First thing we noticed before we went to the dam was that we had a hard time navigating through the creek because of the low water. Second thing was that our dock on Portage Bay was at least two feet above the top of my boat and it was very difficult for me to get out of the boat. My floating dock that attaches to the main dock was not able to be attached. In over seventy years of coming to the cottage, I have never seen this happen. When we went to check the dam out, we couldn't believe the amount of water pouring out of the dam. We had substantial snow and plenty of rain this year to replenish our lake and this dam has failed miserably. i have to wonder how much research was done in preparation of engineering the plans for this dam? Previous dams have been adequate and probably were constructed with common sense, whereas this one is A BIG FAIL. Who should be accountable for this mistake? I can't imagine what this will do to our wildlife and ecosystem. Our family has been here for over a hundred years and I would like my children and grandchildren to enjoy our beautiful retreat, but that won't happen if we can't navigate a small boat through the creek or use our dock, or fish because you are destroying their habitat or swimming in a clean lake.

Thank you for your attention to this matter and I hope to get a response.

Dale Duffy

From: Erik gurr <>

Sent: Friday, June 5, 2026 1:34:52 p.m.

To: councillor.nash@whitestone.ca <councillor.nash@whitestone.ca>

Subject: Kasha dam

> Good afternoon Nash

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> Hope all is well!

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> I have property on Bolger Lake. In the fall the dam on Kasha Lake was replaced. Since then the water levels are drastically lower than previous years. I was shocked to find that the water level is already at late summer levels as we come out of spring. I am concerned about the low water levels causing algae blooms and other micro organism problems in the water. Additionally, the lake is warming at a faster rate. It's already 5 or 6 degrees warmer now versus this time last year. With the lower water level I believe it could also create a negative impact on the spawning grounds of pickerel and pike. Lastly, I am concerned about my property access and the value of it with the level of change we have already experienced in the short time since the dam work being completed.

> Do you know why the dam was installed lower than before? Is there currently any action in place to rectify what I can only assume is a mistake at its current level?

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> I appreciate your time and look forward to hearing from you.

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> Erik Gurr

Sent from my iPhone

From: Sue Jennings <>
Sent: Monday, June 8, 2026 11:15:03 p.m.
To: Scott Nash <councillor.nash@whitestone.ca>
Subject: Low Water Levels on Bolger, Kashegaba & Whites Lakes

Councillor Nash;

In a followup to our previous email involving the MPA board and yourself, I want to reiterate our concerns in that email as well as a few more. This reflects our individual concerns as property owners.

We own a 13 acre block with frontage on Bolger Creek as well as Portage Bay, Kashegaba Lake. As you know, we expressed concern after travelling into the property for the first time this season to hook up our dock. It is clear that the water level is about 12-18" low for the first week of June. We had to tilt our pontoon boat motor over those many areas of the creek that are tricky, something not normally done till late summer. When we arrived on the Portage Bay side, our dock was drifting severely to the east and we had to really pull in the anchor chains to reposition it. And the ramp floater is resting on rock - again, not normally an issue until later August. I've included a picture of the dock - this time of year the ramp is normally coming down toward the dock at a high angle. We actually did not adjust our chains last year or the year before. A marked difference. The second picture shows a rock in the creek that most clearly shows the high water mark is about 18" or more above the water. The third pic shows the pebble shoreline below the trestle (our property borders it to the east), not normally so visible till later summer.

When we were surveyed by the MNR before dam construction, we indicated we wanted the water level to remain as is. This is not what has happened, and our access is at risk. My other concern is that this will also raise water temperature on the creek and lakes and degrade water quality as a result. This early in the season there is not much vegetation in the creek and so it will heat quickly.

There is no likelihood that with warming, that the water levels will maintain this current level. That is completely unrealistic and we don't support waiting to see what happens later on before taking some action here. That seems dangerous to recover from - ecologically and from a safe access position. We fear losing the use of the pontoon boat to reach the property, something that we value because Randy has spinal fusion now and lacks mobility, and because we have very young grandchildren.

We request that the municipality intervenes and supports our position that the dam be quickly fixed. It is our belief it is too low, with too large of a spillway, based on assessments from neighbours who have seen it. We purchased this property five years ago and we fear this change in water level and quality will also affect our property value.

Regards,
Randy Johnson & Susan Jennings
Portage Bay, Kashegaba Lake



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Many immigrants came from the British Isles to work
our lands.*

May 13, 2026

Municipality of Whitestone
21 Church St.
Dunchurch, ON POA 1E6

Dear Mayor Comrie and Council,

On behalf of the West Parry
Sound District Museum I
would like to thank you for
your donation of \$2,000.
5% of your contribution will
be set aside for future
Capital Expenses + the
remainder will be used for
2026 operational costs.

The West Parry Sound
District Museum Relies
on the generosity of
donors such as
yourself and is
grateful for your support.

Thank you once again,

Sincerely,

Nadine Hammond
Curator Manager

June 5, 2026

Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
Via Email

Re: Modernizing Ontario's Invasive Plants Rules to Protect Taxpayers, Municipal Lands, Agriculture, Natural Heritage and Local Gardens

Please be advised that Council of the Town of Halton Hills at its meeting of Monday June 1, 2026, adopted Resolution No. 2026-0107 regarding Modernizing Ontario's Invasive Plants Rules to Protect Taxpayers, Municipal Lands, Agriculture, Natural Heritage and Local Gardens.

Attached for your information is a copy of Resolution No. 2026-0107.

Respectfully,



Melissa Lawr, AMP, Dipl.M.A.
Deputy Clerk – Legislation

cc. Ontario Minister of Natural Resources
Ontario Minister of Agriculture, Food and Agribusiness
Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Ontario Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks
Federal Minister of Environment and Climate Change
Federal Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food
Halton area MPs and MPPs
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Ontario Invasive Plant Council
Landscape Ontario
Canadian Nursery Landscape Association
All Ontario municipalities



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Resolution No.: 2026-0107

Title: Modernizing Ontario's Invasive Plants Rules to Protect Taxpayers, Municipal Lands, Agriculture, Natural Heritage and Local Gardens

Date: June 1, 2026

Moved by: Councillor J. Brass

Seconded by: Councillor C. Garneau

Item No. 12.3

WHEREAS invasive plants, shrubs, vines, groundcovers, ornamental species, seeds and nursery stock can cause significant damage to municipal infrastructure, roadsides, stormwater systems, parks, trails, natural heritage areas, agricultural lands, woodlots, shorelines, private property and local biodiversity;

AND WHEREAS Ontario municipalities and conservation authorities are estimated to spend approximately \$50.8 million annually managing invasive species, and the average annual cost per Ontario municipality has been estimated at \$218,148, with approximately 80% of expenditures directed toward control and management rather than prevention; (Invasive Species Centre)

AND WHEREAS these costs are ultimately borne by local taxpayers, conservation authorities, property owners, farmers, volunteers and community groups who are often left to manage invasive species after they have already been introduced, sold, planted, escaped cultivation and spread;

AND WHEREAS the Province of Ontario, through the Invasive Species Act, 2015, which allows species to be listed as prohibited or restricted, and which can make it illegal to import, possess, transport, propagate, buy, sell, lease or trade listed invasive species; (Invasive Species Centre)

AND WHEREAS the concern is not with plants that are already clearly prohibited or restricted, but with invasive species and seeds and nursery stock that may

continue to be sold or distributed before modernized provincial rules, public guidance and retail practices have fully caught up with current science and local experience;

AND WHEREAS garden centres, nurseries, landscape suppliers, seed distributors, online retailers, landscapers and residents all have an important role to play in preventing the spread of invasive plants before they become a costly municipal and environmental problem;

AND WHEREAS the Ontario Invasive Plant Council's Grow Me Instead program promotes native and non-invasive alternatives for healthy, diverse and wildlife-friendly gardens, and its updated Southern Ontario guide includes additional invasive plants and alternatives to help residents, gardeners and landscapers make better choices; (Ontario Invasive Plant Council)

AND WHEREAS recent local reporting in Halton Hills has highlighted the importance of choosing native alternatives to invasive garden plants, including through Grow Native Halton and the Ontario Invasive Plant Council's Grow Me Instead resources;

AND WHEREAS the continued sale and distribution of invasive ornamental plants undermine the work of municipalities, conservation authorities, environmental organizations, horticultural societies, local volunteers and residents who are investing time and taxpayer dollars to remove and manage these same species;

AND WHEREAS prevention at the point of sale is more cost-effective, more practical and more respectful of taxpayers than asking municipalities and property owners to pay for removal after invasive species have spread across property lines and municipal boundaries;

AND WHEREAS invasive plants do not recognize municipal boundaries, and effective prevention requires coordinated action by the Province of Ontario, the Government of Canada, municipalities, conservation authorities, Indigenous communities, agricultural organizations, the nursery and landscape sector, retailers, landowners and residents;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Town of Halton Hills respectfully request that the Province of Ontario, in consultation with municipalities, AMO, ROMA, conservation authorities, the Ontario Invasive Plant Council, Indigenous communities, agricultural organizations, environmental organizations, horticultural societies, the nursery and landscape sector, garden centres and other relevant stakeholders, undertake a review and modernization of Ontario's invasive plant regulatory framework;

AND FURTHER THAT this review include consideration of expanding and regularly updating the list of prohibited and restricted invasive plant species, including invasive plants, shrubs, vines, groundcovers, ornamental species,

seeds and nursery stock that pose a risk to Ontario's natural heritage, agriculture, municipal infrastructure, parks, trails, roadsides, stormwater systems and private property;

AND FURTHER THAT the Province of Ontario be requested to prohibit the sale, distribution, propagation and trade of listed invasive plant species through garden centres, nurseries, landscaping suppliers, online retailers, seed distributors and other commercial pathways;

AND FURTHER THAT the Province of Ontario be requested to develop clear labelling, public education and retailer guidance requirements so that residents, gardeners, landscapers and retailers can easily identify invasive species and choose native or non-invasive alternatives;

AND FURTHER THAT the Province of Ontario be requested to work with the nursery, garden centre and landscape sectors on a practical transition plan that supports compliance, protects small businesses, promotes native and non-invasive alternatives, and prevents invasive plants from continuing to enter communities through ordinary consumer purchases;

AND FURTHER THAT the Government of Canada be requested to review and strengthen, where appropriate, federal import, border, labelling and online sales rules related to invasive plants, seeds and nursery stock entering Canada, so that provincial prevention efforts are not undermined by interprovincial or international trade;

AND FURTHER THAT the Province of Ontario and Government of Canada be requested to support municipalities, conservation authorities and community partners with stronger prevention tools, updated science-based lists, public education materials and funding programs that prioritize prevention over costly long-term control and removal;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, the Ontario Minister of Natural Resources, the Ontario Minister of Agriculture, Food and Agribusiness, the Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Ontario Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, the federal Minister of Environment and Climate Change, the federal Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food, Halton-area MPs and MPPs, the Region of Halton, HRFA, OFA, Conservation Halton, Credit Valley Conservation, Grand River Conservation Authority, AMO, ROMA, FCM, the Ontario Invasive Plant Council, Landscape Ontario, the Canadian Nursery Landscape Association, and all Ontario municipalities for their consideration and support.



Mayor Ann Lawlor

From: Bonnie de Wal < >
Sent: June 8, 2026 11:51 AM
To: info@whitestone.ca; councillor.lamb@whitestone.ca; mike.huggins@whitestone.ca
Subject: Shakell Road Reconstruction

The Owners of property on Shakell Road have been included in the distribution of this email..

Please include the following, in the next scheduled Whitestone Council Meeting correspondence, for attention.

Open letter from Shakell Road, Limestone Lake property Owners

“Without Prejudice”

Dear Councillors,

Many residents from Shakell Road have expressed concern over the state of the road for the past few years and have had conversations with several Whitestone Municipality representatives., including Joe Lamb and Mike Huggins.

A brief chronological history of the issue.

The original road was built as asphalt, a condition of building lot approvals. Via discussions with a previous Whitestone Public works employee, it was revealed that the road was prepared with Open-Graded /Porous Asphalt and that the standard required should have been a higher grade, more resistant to deformation and rutting.

Several years ago, rocks began to migrate to the surface, which created issues to navigation and certainly created snow plowing difficulties.

This was ultimately attended to, followed by varying efforts to patch the road where potholes and severe degradation appeared.

We are advised that Shakell Road was identified in the 2021 Asset Management Plan, as requiring replacement with a “full rebuild”, but continues to not be identified as a priority. It has been noted that \$170k was scheduled in the original 2026 draft budget.

Since that time the response to complaints surrounding the dangerous nature of the culvert erosion, at the entrance to Shakell Road, and the risk of injury to people, and damage to vehicles, has been the subject of minor patching in 2024 and more robust patching in 2025. There are several culverts that require attention which are sinking and creating large divots. Heavy rains are causing flooding on the road due to lack of capacity or blockages.

People have been forced to drive on the wrong side of the road to avoid potholes and loose asphalt, resulting in oncoming pedestrians and traffic being precariously close to incurring accidents. This is not only dangerous but creates a potential liability to the Municipality.

In May 2026, following severe weather, issues were drawn to the attention of public works, indicating that portions of the road had been damaged to the point of not being navigable. These reparations have been somewhat attended to but were due to the road not being up to standard of tolerance.

Mike Huggins has been very responsive to any identified issues; and while this attention has been appreciated, the patchwork and temporary nature of the repairs, completed with equipment that is not capable of creating more permanent solutions, are far from up to standard and are insufficient to return the road to an acceptable state of safety. With the state of the road, a slurry seal treatment, which only provides fixes to minor pavement distresses, would not be feasible as a solution.

We were advised that while the 'full rebuild' remains on the agenda, it has continued to be postponed for other priorities. While we understand that this is a matter which the council needs to deal with, part of the explanation for the roadway not being given priority, was that there are a low number of lots on the road. Continuing to adhere to this logic could result in the required repairs never being executed on our road. Since the municipality decided to modify the regulations to suddenly permit the development of multiple back lots, there are now approximately 17 taxpaying owners on a roadway that is under one kilometre long.

Property owners on Shakell, purchased their lots, on a paved road, and built with an expectation that maintenance of the road would not degrade the values of our properties, when left in an unacceptable condition.

As taxpayers in the Municipality, a list of which you can access from your tax records, and considering that the work has been identified as required since 2021, we look forward to some assurance that the budget for the coming year, will ensure that this work is a scheduled project, with the appropriate culvert reparations, base and binder course review, along with the asphalt surface course application, and will be executed promptly.

Let us know if you require any more details and we look forward to further discussion on the matter.

Sincerely,

Owners at Shakell Road at Limestone Lake

Submitted with input and on behalf of owners by Bonnie & Ernie de Wal

17 Shakell Rd, Dunchurch.

> On Jun 8, 2026, at 10:27 AM, Catharina BOWERS wrote:

> Hello Joe, further the my request last week of the Hwy 520 being repaired, I am happy to report the highway has been fixed and people in Ardbeg are happy, except for the darn railway track that has not improved in all the years I have lived here (2017).

> I have written CN...and below is the letter that I sent to them.

> Since it is a dangerous crossing I am advised and according to my research, in dangerous situations, CN Police need to be advised. I will do that immediately after sending this email.

> If you think this also needs to be filed with Council, please bring it forward.

> Kindest Regards,

> Cat

> Email to CN Public Inquiry Line

> To: contact@cn.ca

> Cc: info@whitestone.ca

> Subject: Dangerous condition of the CN Railway crossing in Ardbeg, Ontario

> Dear CN Public Inquiry Line,

> I am writing to express my serious concern about the dangerous condition of the CN Railway crossing in Ardbeg, Ontario, and to request a clear timeline for when it will be repaired. Given the ongoing safety risk, I am also reporting this matter to CN Police.

> Drivers are effectively forced to cross the tracks in the oncoming lane to avoid the worst of the damage. This has been the case for so long that many people have become accustomed to doing it, but that does not make it acceptable. It is dangerous and, in my view, an accident waiting to happen. I fear it is only a matter of time before there is a head-on collision.

> My concern is for the safety of residents, cottagers, and first responders who rely on this crossing. In the nine years that I have lived in Maple Island, the crossing was already rough in 2017, and today it is downright dangerous. I must travel to Ardbeg at least once a month, and this railway crossing is something I dread every month. It also causes repeated damage to the undercarriages of vehicles, resulting in ongoing repair costs for those who must use this route.

> The people of Ardbeg have been more than patient. The highway itself has been repaired, yet residents are still waiting to know when the crossing will be made safe and smooth enough to use without risking vehicle damage or personal injury. We have asked when repairs can be expected, but too often the response has been promises that have not materialized.

> This situation now requires immediate attention before a preventable collision or emergency access failure occurs.

> Please advise what action CN is taking to address this issue and when repairs are expected to be completed. I request a written reply within the next 10 business days.

> Sincerely,

> Rev. Catharina Bowers

> Maple Island, Ontario