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**Regular Council Meeting Minutes
Tuesday July 21 2026, 10:00 a.m.
Dunchurch Community Centre and Zoom Video Conferencing**

Present: Mayor George Comrie
Councillor Janice Bray
Councillor Joe Lamb
Councillor Scott Nash
Councillor Brian Woods

Staff: Nigel Black, CAO/Clerk
Mike Huggins, Manager of Public Works
Paula Macri, Planning Assistant
Wendy Schroeder, Deputy Clerk
Bob Whitman, Fire Chief

Invited Guests: Patrick Christie, PSAPB
Jamie Robinson, MHBC
Austin Toth, Presenter
Leah Toth, Presenter
Tony Stephens, Presenter
Rob Dryer, Presenter

Other Guests: 4 in person; 7 by Zoom

1. Roll Call and Call to Order 10:03 a.m.

2. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

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

3. Resolution No. 2026-215
Moved by: Councillor Lamb
Seconded by: Councillor Bray

WHEREAS the Members of Council have been presented with an agenda for the July 21 2026 Regular Council meeting;

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

4. Presentations and Delegations

- 4.1 Cancer Care at Huntsville Memorial Hospital Site
- 4.2 McKellar / Whitestone Lions Club bottle shed collection

Matters Arising from Presentations and Delegations

4.1 Resolution No. 2026-216

Moved by: Councillor Bray

Seconded by: Councillor Woods

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone receives the information provided by Austin Toth regarding the Cancer Care Clinic at the Huntsville Memorial Hospital; and

THAT Council of the Municipality of Whitestone calls upon the Government of Ontario, the Ministry of Health and Ontario Health to retain cancer care services in Huntsville; and

THAT Council authorizes the collection of petition signatures to be available to the public at the municipal office; and

THAT this resolution be circulated to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier, the Honourable Sylvia Jones, Deputy Premier and Minister of Health, the Honourable Graydon Smith, MPP Parry Sound Muskoka, the Honourable Scott Aitchison, MP Parry Sound Muskoka..

Carried

4.2 Resolution No. 2026-217

Moved by: Councillor Lamb

Seconded by: Councillor Bray

THAT Council for the Municipality of Whitestone receives the information provided by Tony Stephens from the McKellar / Whitestone Lions Club, with thanks; and

THAT Council waive stipulation 6 "Organizations may at their discretion utilize funds to support charitable initiatives outside of Whitestone, for an amount not to exceed 10% of the annual revenue received from the Bottle Shed returns..." and that the McKellar / Whitestone Lions Club be authorized to support charitable initiatives outside of Whitestone for an amount not to exceed ___% of the annual revenue received from the Bottle Shed returns.

Amendment proposed by Councillor Nash

Resolution No. 2026-218

Moved by: Councillor Nash

Seconded by: Councillor Woods

THAT this matter is deferred to the August 18 Regular Council Meeting to allow staff to bring back an amended Bottle Shed Protocol.

Recorded vote requested by Councillor Nash

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

Defeated

4.2 Resolution No. 2026-217

Moved by: Councillor Lamb

Seconded by: Councillor Bray

THAT Council for the Municipality of Whitestone receives the information provided by Tony Stephens from the McKellar / Whitestone Lions Club, with thanks; and

THAT Council waive stipulation 6 "Organizations may at their discretion utilize funds to support charitable initiatives outside of Whitestone, for an amount not to exceed 10% of the annual revenue received from the Bottle Shed returns..." and that the McKellar / Whitestone Lions Club be authorized to support charitable initiatives outside of Whitestone for an amount not to exceed 30% of the annual revenue received from the Bottle Shed returns.

Recorded vote requested by Councillor Nash

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

Carried

5. Committee of the Whole

Resolution No. 2026-219

Moved by: Councillor Lamb

Seconded by: Councillor Nash

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone moves into Committee of the Whole at 11:04 a.m. for the following matters:

5.1 Application to Purchase and Close Municipal Road Allowance – Disley, Steven and Monica

- Report from MHBC, Planners for the July 21, 2026 agenda

5.2 Application to Purchase Shore Road Allowance – Marsh

- Report from MHBC Planners for July 21, 2026 agenda

5.3 Consent Application B10/2026(W) – Duda, Robert (1569329 Ontario Inc.)

- Report from Parry Sound Area Planning Board dated June 8, 2026

5.4 Consent Application B11/2026(W) – Moffat, William and Tamara

- Report from Parry Sound Area Planning Board dated July 7, 2026

Carried

Reconvene into Regular Meeting

Resolution No. 2026-220

Moved by: Councillor Bray

Seconded by: Councillor Lamb

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone reconvenes into the Regular Meeting at 12:30 p.m.

Carried

Matters Arising from Committee of the Whole

5.1 Resolution No. 2026-221

Moved by: Councillor Lamb

Seconded by: Councillor Nash

WHEREAS an application has been submitted by Steven and Monica Disley to stop-up, close and purchase a portion of the unopened municipal road allowance located between 22201 Wah-Wash-Kesh Lake and 22251 Wah-Wash-Kesh Lake legally described as RDAL BTN LT 30 AND LT 31 CON 8 MCKENZIE ABUTTING PT 1 42R2706; WHITESTONE (PIN 52249-0318); and

WHEREAS MHBC Planning Limited have provided a report for the July 21 2026 agenda;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone stop-up, close and sell a portion of the unopened municipal road allowance described above, subject to being satisfied that the application meets the following:

1. Obtaining an appraisal of the value of the land proposed to be sold;
2. That the unopened municipal road allowance does not become a separately conveyable lot and that it be merged with the applicant's property by whatever means determined to be appropriate by the municipal solicitor; and,
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.

Amendment proposed by Council:

Resolution No. 2026-222

Moved by: Councillor Lamb

Seconded by: Councillor Woods

THAT the line "agrees in principal to stop-up..." to the line "**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone stop-up..."; and

THAT "taking into consideration the value it would add to the existing lots" be added to the end of condition 1; and

THAT the following conditions be added:

5. **THAT** the sale be subject to the successful negotiation of a price; and

6. **THAT** the sale be subject to acquisition of the shore road allowance of the properties, subject to the Municipality's procedures for acquisition of shore road allowances.

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				

5.1 Resolution No. 2026-221 as amended

Moved by: Councillor Lamb

Seconded by: Councillor Nash

WHEREAS an application has been submitted by Steven and Monica Disley to stop-up, close and purchase a portion of the unopened municipal road allowance located between 22201 Wah-Wash-Kesh Lake and 22251 Wah-Wash-Kesh Lake legally described as RDAL BTN LT 30 AND LT 31 CON 8 MCKENZIE ABUTTING PT 1 42R2706; WHITESTONE (PIN 52249-0318); and

WHEREAS MHBC Planning Limited have provided a report for the July 21 2026 agenda;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone agrees in principal to stop-up, close and sell a portion of the unopened municipal road allowance described above, subject to being satisfied that the application meets the following:

1. Obtaining an appraisal of the value of the land proposed to be sold, taking into consideration the value it would add to the existing lots;
2. That the unopened municipal road allowance does not become a separately conveyable lot and that it be merged with the applicant's property by whatever means determined to be appropriate by the municipal solicitor; and,
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;
5. That the sale be subject to the successful negotiation of a price;
6. That the sale be subject to acquisition of the shore road allowances of the properties, subject to the Municipality's procedures for the acquisition of a shore road allowance.

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				

5.2 Resolution No. 2026-223

Moved by: Councillor Nash

Seconded by: Councillor Woods

WHEREAS an application has been submitted by Jamie Marsh, Teresa Winship, William Marsh, Michael Marsh and Daniel Marsh for the closing and acquisition of the shore road allowance fronting on Part of Lot 29, Concession 4, in the geographic Township of McKenzie, now in the Municipality of Whitestone; and

WHEREAS MHBC Planning Limited have provided a report for the July 21, 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 Part of Lot 29, Concession 4, in the geographic Township of McKenzie, now in the Municipality of Whitestone, as applied for by Jamie Marsh, Teresa Winship, William Marsh, Michael Marsh and Daniel Marsh, subject to:

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

Deferred

5.3 Resolution No. 2026-224

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 dated June 8, 2026 regarding Consent Application B10/2026(W) – Duda, Robert (1569329 Ontario Inc.) 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 two new lots receive 911 addressing from the Municipality;
3. **THAT** the newly created lots be rezoned from Rural (RU) Zone to the Rural (RR) Zone – Limited Services;
4. **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 include the recognition of the private access road for the two new lots and to indemnify the

- Municipality for any responsibility or liability for the access or maintenance of the road;
5. **THAT** all applicable Planning Board fees be paid to the McKellar/Whitestone Planning Board; and
 6. **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
4	Councillor Bray	X		
1	Councillor Lamb	X		
2	Councillor Nash	X		
3	Councillor Woods	X		
5	Mayor Comrie	X		

Carried

5.4 Resolution No. 2026-225

Moved by: Councillor Nash

Seconded by: Councillor Bray

WHEREAS Patrick Christie, C.P.T., has prepared a report for the Parry Sound Area Planning Board dated July 7, 2026 regarding Consent Application B11/2026(W) – Moffat, William and Tamara 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 receives 911 addressing from the Municipality;
3. **THAT** a notation be placed on title to the severed lot of the adjacent (M1) industrial property and the (M2) sand pit on the nearby lands;
4. **THAT** all applicable Planning Board fees be paid to the McKellar/Whitestone Planning Board; and
5. **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
3	Councillor Bray	X		
4	Councillor Lamb	X		
1	Councillor Nash	X		
2	Councillor Woods	X		
5	Mayor Comrie	X		

Carried

6. Public Meeting - None

7. Resolution No. 2026-226

Moved by: Councillor Bray

Seconded by: Councillor Lamb

WHEREAS the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone has reviewed the Consent Agenda as presented in the July 21 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 – June 16 2026

AND that Council receives for information the following Council Committee and Board Minutes:

7.2.1 Parry Sound Area Planning Board – May 25 2026

7.2.2 Belvedere Heights – April 22 2026

7.2.3 District of Parry Sound Social Services Board – May 14 2026

7.2.4 North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit – April 22 2026

Carried

AND that Council approve the following Support Resolutions:

7.3.1 Resolution No. 2026-227

Moved by: Councillor Bray

Seconded by: Councillor Lamb

THAT Council of the Municipality of Whitestone supports the Province's consideration of funding an in-hospital MRI for the West Parry Sound Health Centre; and

THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Sylvia Jones, Minister of Health for Ontario and Deputy Premier, and the Honourable Graydon Smith, Associate Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing and MPP for Parry Sound Muskoka.

Carried

7.3.2 Resolution No. 2026-228

Moved by: Councillor Bray

Seconded by: Councillor Woods

THAT Council of the Municipality of Whitestone supports the Town of Plympton-Wyoming's request 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

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

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

THAT a copy of this resolution be sent to the Honourable Graydon Smith, Associate Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing and MPP for Parry Sound Muskoka and the Honourable Michael Kerzner, Solicitor General for Ontario.

Carried

7.3.3 Resolution No. 2026-229

Moved by: Councillor Woods

Seconded by: Councillor Lamb

THAT Council of the Municipality of Whitestone supports the Town of Parry Sound's resolution and believes the decision to close the Canadore campus in Parry Sound is short-sighted and premature; and

THAT Council 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

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

THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Chair of Canadore's Board of Governors, Jake Lacourse; the president of Canadore College, Doctor Sandra Efu; the Minister of Education, the Honourable Paul Calandra; and the Honourable Graydon Smith, Associate Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing and MPP for Parry Sound Muskoka.

Carried

7.3.4 Resolution No. 2026-230

Moved by: Councillor Lamb

Seconded by: Councillor Bray

THAT Council of the Municipality of Whitestone supports the Township of Glengarry's support of the Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus call to return to property tax reassessment cycle; and

THAT the Province provide a defined timeline and transparent plan for implementing future reassessments on a regular and predicable basis; and

THAT the Government of Ontario work in coordination with the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) to ensure properties are reassessed in an accurate and timely manner; and

THAT a copy of this resolution be sent to the Honourable Graydon Smith, Associate Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing and MPP for Parry Sound Muskoka; and the Honourable Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance.

Carried

8. Resolution No. 2026-231

Moved by: Councillor Lamb

Seconded by: Councillor Nash

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone receives for information the Accounts Payable listing in the amount of \$1,025,851.53 for the period ending July 14 2026.

Carried

9. Staff Reports

9.1 Resolution No. 2026-232

Moved by: Councillor Lamb

Seconded by: Councillor Woods

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone receives Report PW-2026-05 (Sale and Removal of Scrap Metal Stockpiles) for information; and

THAT Council approves the sale and removal of accumulated scrap metal stockpiles located at the Municipal landfill sites to All Ontario Recycling at a minimum rate of \$200.00 per tonne based on certified scale weights, with the purchaser responsible for all loading, transportation, and associated removal costs.

Carried

9.2 Resolution No. 2026-233

Moved by: Councillor Lamb

Seconded by: Councillor Nash

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone receives Report PW-2026-06 Award of RFT 2026-05 – Supply and Application of Slurry Seal for information; and

THAT Council awards the contract for the Supply and Application of Slurry Seal to Duncor Enterprises Inc. in the amount of \$155,946 plus applicable taxes, as the lowest compliant bidder.

Carried

9.3 Resolution No. 2026-234

Moved by: Councillor Nash

Seconded by: Councillor Woods

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone receives Report PW-2026-07 Award of RFT 2026-06 – Supply and Application of Surface Treatment for information; and

THAT Council awards the contract for the Supply and Application of Surface Treatment to Duncor Enterprises Inc. in the amount of \$92,134.00 plus applicable taxes, as the lowest compliant bidder; and

THAT Council approves a 2026 budget amendment to increase the Gravel to Hardtop – Aulds Road project budget from \$35,000 to \$47,000, funded from Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund (OCIF) deferred revenue; and

THAT Council approves a budget amendment to decrease the ¼" Chip Seal – Farleys Road project budget from \$52,500 to \$51,000, funded from Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund (OCIF) deferred revenue.

Carried

9.4 Resolution No. 2026-235

Moved by: Councillor Lamb

Seconded by: Councillor Bray

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone receives for information Report ADMIN-2026-07 (After School Program 2025-2026 School Year Update).

Carried

9.5 Resolution No. 2026-236

Moved by: Councillor Lamb

Seconded by: Councillor Woods

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone receives for information Report ADMIN- 2026-08 Twist Parking; and

THAT Council of the Municipality of Whitestone directs staff to prepare an Amendment to the Bylaw No. 33-2024 to include the Twist Property as a designated parking location; and

THAT Council of the Municipality of Whitestone authorizes the immediate use and signage of the Twist Property as a Municipal Parking lot.

Withdrawn

9.6 Resolution No. 2026-237

Moved by: Councillor Lamb

Seconded by: Councillor Bray

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone receives for information report ADMIN- 2026- 09 (Purchase and installation of web camera in the village); and

THAT Council directs staff to purchase and install the REOLINK _____ web camera, and provide a live feed on the Municipality's website.
Withdrawn

9.7 Resolution No. 2026-238

Moved by: Councillor Bray

Seconded by: Councillor Lamb

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone receives for information Report ADMIN- 2026-10 Fees and Charges By-law Amendment (Building); and

THAT Council directs staff to proceed with the notice and adoption process for the Draft By-law (as amended) to read

Schedule D Building Department Rate and Fees,

Line 16, Building without a permit:

- Fees Doubled or Minimum fee of \$750 (whichever is greater)

Adding Line 25, Annual Maintenance Fee

Description – Applies to permits older than 5 years as of January 1 (charged annually)

Amounts:

Commercial	\$750
Dwellings & Additions	\$750
Accessory Structures	\$300
Decks	\$200
Docks and Other Misc. Permits	\$150

Recorded vote requested by Councillor Nash

		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

9.8 Resolution No. 2026-239

Moved by: Councillor Bray

Seconded by: Councillor Lamb

THAT the Council of the of the Municipality of Whitestone receives for information report ADMIN- 2026-11 (West Parry Sound Joint Election Compliance Audit Committee); and

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone approves the reappointment of Judy Keown, Larry Simons and Peter Spadzinski as Members of the West Parry Sound Joint Election Compliance Audit Committee for the 2026-2030 Committee term.

Carried

9.9 Resolution No. 2026-240

Moved by: Councillor Lamb

Seconded by: Councillor Woods

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone receives for information Report ADMIN-2026-12 (Traffic Safety Measures); and

THAT Council appoint Councillor Janice Bray as the advocate for advancing this issue; and

THAT this report and resolution be sent to the Honourable Graydon Smith, Associate Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing and MPP for Parry Sound Muskoka, and the Honourable Prabmeet Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation, and

THAT a meeting is scheduled between Councillor Bray and Minister Smith to discuss Council's concerns and potential projects; and

THAT staff are directed to get quotes from an engineering firm for traffic study; and

THAT staff are directed to continue to work with MTO re sidewalk costs, and other traffic calming measures.

Amendment proposed by Councillor Nash

Resolution No. 2026-241

Moved by: Councillor Nash

Seconded by: Councillor Woods

THAT Councillor Nash also be appointed as advocate for advancing the issue.

Carried

9.9 Resolution No. 2026-240 as amended

Moved by: Councillor Lamb

Seconded by: Councillor Woods

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone receives for information Report ADMIN-2026-12 (Traffic Safety Measures); and

THAT Council appoint Councillors Janice Bray and Scott Nash as the advocates for advancing this issue; and

THAT this report and resolution be sent to the Honourable Graydon Smith, Associate Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing and MPP for Parry Sound Muskoka, and the Honourable Prabmeet Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation, and

THAT a meeting is scheduled between Councillor Bray and Minister Smith to discuss Council's concerns and potential projects; and

THAT staff are directed to get quotes from an engineering firm for traffic study; and

THAT staff are directed to continue to work with MTO re sidewalk costs, and other traffic calming measures.

Carried

10. By-laws – None

11. Business Matters

11.1 Resolution No. 2026-242

Moved by: Councillor Woods

Seconded by: Councillor Bray

WHEREAS Rail Safety Week is to be held across Canada from September 21 to 27 2026;

WHEREAS 252 railway crossing and trespassing incidents occurred in Canada in 2025; resulting in 69 avoidable fatalities and 60 avoidable serious injuries;

WHEREAS, educating and informing the public about rail safety (reminding the public that railway rights-of-way are private property, enhancing public awareness of the dangers associated with highway rail grade crossings, ensuring pedestrians and motorists are looking and listening while near railways, and obeying established traffic laws) will reduce the number of avoidable fatalities and injuries cause by incidents involving trains and citizens; and

WHEREAS Operation Lifesaver is a public/private partnership whose aim is to work with the public, rail industry, governments, police services, media and others to raise rail safety awareness;

WHEREAS CN and Operation Lifesaver have requested Council adopt this resolution in support of its ongoing efforts to raise awareness, save lives and prevent injuries in communities, including the Municipality of Whitestone;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone support national Rail Safety Week from September 21 to 27 2026.

Carried

11.2 Discussion only

11.3 Resolution No. 2026-243

Moved by: Councillor Lamb

Seconded by: Councillor Nash

THAT Council of the Municipality of Whitestone approves the Thrift Shop's expenditure of \$3666.72 for the purchase of clothing racks.

Carried

11.4 Resolution No. 2026-244

Moved by: Councillor Lamb

Seconded by: Councillor Bray

THAT Council for the Municipality of Whitestone receives for information the Memorandum from CAO/Clerk Black dated July 21, 2026.

Carried

Curfew taken at 5:34 p.m.

Resolution No. 2026-245

Moved by: Councillor Lamb

Seconded by: Councillor Bray

WHEREAS Section 6.5.2 Daytime meetings (commencing prior to 4:00 p.m.) of the Municipality of Whitestone Procedural By-law No. 80-2023, being a By-law to establish protocols governing the proceedings of Council, Committee and Boards of the Corporation of the Municipality of Whitestone, states:

No item of business may be dealt with at a Council meeting after seven (7.0) hours of the meeting unless authorized by a resolution supported by a majority of the Members present, to allow an additional agreed upon length of time.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone hereby continues the July 21 2026 Regular Council Meeting past the allotted time of seven (7.0) hours and continues for an additional 1 hour.

Carried

12. Resolution No. 2026-246

Moved by: Councillor Lamb

Seconded by: Councillor Woods

WHEREAS the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone has reviewed the Correspondence Items as listed on page 6 of the July 21 2026 Council Meeting agenda and selected the following items for action:

- 1 Resident – Dave Hicks Parking By-law concern (Councillor Nash)(Mayor Comrie)
- 2 Township of Perry Support to retain cancer care services in Huntsville [delegation to Whitestone Council scheduled for July 21] (Councillor Bray)

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| 3 | Village of Burks Falls | Support to retain cancer care services in Huntsville [delegation to Whitestone Council scheduled for July 21] (Councillor Bray) |
| 4 | Town of Parry Sound | Expression of Interest in Purchasing Canadore College building (Councillor Bray) |
| 5 | Minister of Northern Economic Development and Growth | Northern Ontario Heritage Fund resources available for projects (Councillor Bray) |
| 6 | Town of Whitby | Review of the Ontario Land Tribunal and Enhancing Deference to Municipal Planning Decisions (Mayor Comrie) |
| 7 | Peterborough County | Provincial Action on the Accuracy of Municipal Voters' Lists (Mayor Comrie) |
| 8 | Township of Puslinch | Supporting use of Administrative Monetary Penalty (AMP) for zoning by-law contraventions (Mayor Comrie) |
| 9 | Ministry of Municipal Affairs Housing | Official Name Change from Parry Sound Area Planning Board to McKellar/Whitestone Planning Board (Mayor Comrie) |
| 10 | Resident Jacqueline Head | Discussion re Bolger Lake level |

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council proposes the following actions for

Item 1: discussed; Council will not reconsider parking by-law.

Items 2 and 3: Resolution of support made under Agenda Item 4: Presentations and Delegations

Item 4: for information and possible correspondence to follow at a future meeting

Item 5: for discussion purposes only

Item 6: for information only

Item 7: for information only

Item 8: for information only

Item 9: for information only

Item 10: for discussion only

Carried

13. Councillor Items

Councillor Lamb:

- asked about the status of the Procurement By-law and a Grant Writing RFP; to be brought back to Council
- spoke about signage at Indian Narrows – either remove or improve to clarify parking

Councillor Nash:

- agreed that signs should correspond to the Traffic and Parking By-law
- asked about fire department vehicles using the public works fuelling station
- WESC will get three more garbage cans installed in the municipality
- asked if the rec committee budget would allow for improvement to Maple Island Commons
- By-law enforcement officer contract to be reviewed as one-year anniversary is up
- Shore-dockers have been found at Labrash Lake; reminder that shore-dockers are not permitted in Whitestone
- construction on the Gooseneck Lake dam has started; can we tie that in to the Auld's Road culvert work
- status of the ARIS application

Councillor Woods:

- attended the Whitestone Lake Public School graduation with Councillor Lamb and Mayor Comrie; good to see Council there to celebrate the kids
- attended the Parry Sound High School graduation and handed out the Louise Woods bursary award to Grace Fuscaldo
- reminder that there are more people moving around the area, so traffic needs to be aware and slow down
- Thanks to the public works crew for the good work on the ball diamond and the boat launches

Councillor Bray

- information about the Whitestone Nurse Practitioner-Led Clinic can be found in the Whitestone Conservation Association (WCA) Welcome to Whitestone Community Directory
- The Clinic is telling people they are at their capacity and not accepting new clients
- August 1 long weekend has a yard and bake sale at Knox United Church fundraiser; the library's giant book sale fundraiser is the same Saturday

14. Questions from the Public – None

Second curfew taken at 6:31 p.m.

Resolution No. 2026-247

Moved by: Councillor Bray

Seconded by: Councillor Woods

WHEREAS Section 6.5.2 Daytime meetings (commencing prior to 4:00 p.m.) of the Municipality of Whitestone Procedural By-law No. 80-2023, being a By-law to establish protocols governing the proceedings of Council, Committee and Boards of the Corporation of the Municipality of Whitestone, states:

No item of business may be dealt with at a Council meeting after seven (7.0) hours of the meeting unless authorized by a resolution supported by a majority of the Members present, to allow an additional agreed upon length of time.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone hereby continues the July 21 2026 Regular Council Meeting past the allotted time of seven (7.0) hours and continues for an additional 1 hour.

Carried

15. Resolution No. 2026-248

Moved by: Councillor Lamb

Seconded by: Councillor Bray

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone moves into the Closed Session at 6:33 p.m. for the following matters:

15.1 Minutes from the Regular Council Meeting Closed Session – June 16 2026

15.2 Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees, pursuant to Ontario Municipal Act, Section 239. (2) (b)

- Volunteer Appointment to Whitestone Fire and Rescue Services

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 relating to Shore Road Allowance purchase

15.4 Advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose, pursuant to Ontario Municipal Act, Section 239 (2) (d)

- Memorandum from CAO/Clerk Black

Carried

Recording paused

Reconvene into Regular Meeting

Resolution No. 2026-249

Moved by: Councillor Bray

Seconded by: Councillor Woods

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone reconvenes into the Regular Meeting at 7:16 p.m.

Carried

Recording resumed

15.1 Resolution No. 2026-250

Moved by: Councillor Lamb

Seconded by: Councillor Bray

THAT Council for the Municipality of Whitestone approves the Regular Council Closed Session minutes from June 16 2026.

Carried

15.2 Resolution No. 2026-251

Moved by: Councillor Bray

Seconded by: Councillor Woods

THAT Council for the Municipality of Whitestone approves the appointment of Christopher Alder as a probationary Firefighter/First Responder in training, with the Whitestone Fire Rescue Department; and

THAT subject to completion of mandatory training and one year of successful probation, Christopher Alder will be a permanent (volunteer) Firefighter/First Responder with the Whitestone Fire Rescue Department.

Carried

15.3 Discussion only; no resolution put

15.4 Discussion only; no resolution put

16. Resolution No. 2026-252

Moved by: Councillor Lamb

Seconded by: Councillor Nash

THAT By-law No. 29-2026 being the Confirmatory By-law for the Regular Council Meeting of the Municipality of Whitestone on July 21 2026 is hereby enacted this 21st day of July 2026.

Carried

17. Resolution No. 2026-253

Moved by: Councillor Lamb

Seconded by: Councillor Bray

WHEREAS the business of this Meeting has concluded;

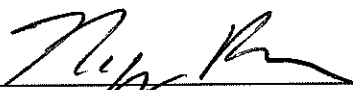
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting be adjourned 7:20 p.m. until the Regular Council Meeting of Tuesday August 18 2026 at 10:00 a.m. or at the call of the chair.

Carried



George Comrie

Mayor



Nigel Black

CAO / Clerk