



**DRAFT - Regular Council Meeting Minutes**  
**Tuesday June 16, 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  
Carrie Campbell, Enliven Cancer Care  
Blair Douglas, Enliven Cancer Care  
Margaret Dailey-Plouffe, Whitestone Conservation Association  
Jessie McKinnon, Enliven Cancer Care  
Jamie Robinson, MHBC

**Other Guests:** 3 in person; 8 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.  
Councillor Nash declared a pecuniary interest with Item 10.2 - a By-law to enter into an Agreement for Conditions of Approval of Consent B05/2026(W) – (NASH)

**3. Resolution No. 2026-173**  
**Moved by:** Councillor Lamb  
**Seconded by:** Councillor Nash

**WHEREAS** the Members of Council have been presented with an agenda for the June 16, 2026 Regular Council meeting;

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

**Carried**

**4. Presentations and Delegations**

- 4.1 Whitestone Conservation Association
- 4.2 Enliven Cancer Care

## Matters Arising from Presentations and Delegations

### 4.1 Resolution No. 2026-174

**Moved by:** Councillor Lamb

**Seconded by:** Councillor Woods

**THAT** the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone receives the information provided by Margaret Dailey-Plouffe on behalf of the Whitestone Conservation Association (WCA), with thanks; and

**THAT** Council approve a \$2,500 donation to the WCA, designated as a grant for the FoodCycler® program.

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**

### 4.2 Resolution No. 2026-175

**Moved by:** Councillor Nash

**Seconded by:** Councillor Woods

**THAT** Council for the Municipality of Whitestone receives the information provided by representatives from Enliven Cancer Care, with thanks; and

**THAT** Council approve a \$2500 donation to Enliven Cancer Care.

Recorded vote requested by Councillor Nash

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

**Carried**

## 5. Resolution No. 2026-176

**Moved by:** Councillor Lamb

**Seconded by:** Councillor Bray

**THAT** the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone moves into the Committee of the Whole at 10:59 a.m. for the following matters:

- 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

**Carried**

***Recess 11:45 a.m. to 11:55 a.m.***

**Resolution No. 2026-177**

**Moved by:** Councillor Bray

**Seconded by:** Councillor Nash

**THAT** the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone reconvenes into the Regular Meeting at 12:41 p.m.

**Carried**

**Matters Arising from Committee of the Whole**

5.1 **Resolution No. 2026-178**

**Moved by:** Councillor Lamb

**Seconded by:** Councillor Woods

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone directs staff to prepare a revised Planning Report taking into consideration the discussion in Committee of the Whole.

**Carried**

5.2 **Resolution No. 2026-179**

**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 May 15, 2026 regarding Consent Application B09/2026(W) – SAMOTIK, Zdzislaw and provided a copy to the Municipality of Whitestone;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone receives this memorandum 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 three new lots receive 911 addressing from the Municipality;
3. **THAT** the newly created lot(s) be rezoned from Rural (RU) Zone to the Rural (RU) – Limited Services Zone;

4. **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 include the recognition of the private access road for the three 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 Parry Sound Area 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
<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**

- 5.3 **Resolution No. 2026-180**  
**Moved by:** Councillor Woods  
**Seconded by:** Councillor Bray

**THAT** the Council the Municipality of Whitestone receives for information (i) the letter dated June 3, 2026 from Mayor Comrie to Adam Wakefield of the Ministry of Natural Resources, (ii) the response dated June 8th from Mr. Wakefield, and (iii) the letter from Graham Keene.

**Carried**

- 5.3 **Resolution No. 2026-181**  
**Moved by:** Councillor Nash  
**Seconded by:** Councillor Woods

**THAT** Council of the Municipality of Whitestone ask staff to bring back a memorandum with information related to the WahWashKesh dam and advise re. possible consultants for dam discussions.

**Carried**

**Move into Public Meeting**

6. **Resolution No. 2026-182**  
**Moved by:** Councillor Bray  
**Seconded by:** Councillor Lamb

**THAT** the Council moves into a Public Meeting at 1:00 p.m.

**Carried**

**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 and if any letters or related correspondence have been received in regards to:

- Purchase of Municipal Concession Road Allowance – Jennings/Johnson

6.5 **Discussion:**

6.5.1 Purchase of Municipal Concession Road Allowance – Jennings/Johnson

- Memorandum from Paula Macri, Planning Assistant

6.6 **Adjournment**

**Resolution No. 2026-183**

**Moved by:** Councillor Bray

**Seconded by:** Councillor Woods

**THAT** the Council reconvenes into the Regular Meeting at 1:11 p.m.

**Carried**

**Matters Arising from Public Meeting**

6.1 **Resolution No. 2026-184**

**Moved by:** Councillor Lamb

**Seconded by:** Councillor Bray

**THAT** Council of the Municipality of Whitestone receives the Memorandum dated June 2 2026 from Paula Macri Planning Assistant, for information.

**Carried**

7. **Resolution No. 2026-185**

**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 June 16, 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 – May 19 2026

and receives for information the following:

- 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

**Carried**

- 8. **Resolution No. 2026-186**  
**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 \$272,939.47 for the period ending June 9 2026.

**Carried**

- 9.1 **Resolution No. 2026-187**  
**Moved by:** Councillor Bray  
**Seconded by:** Councillor Nash

**THAT** the Council the Municipality of Whitestone 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 (NORDS) 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.

**Carried**

- 9.2 **Resolution No. 2026-188**  
**Moved by:** Councillor Lamb  
**Seconded by:** Councillor Nash

**THAT** the Council the Municipality of Whitestone 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.

**Carried**

**9.2 Resolution No. 2026-189**

**Moved by:** Councillor Nash

**Seconded by:** Councillor Lamb

**THAT** the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone directs staff to determine best options to dispose of the two pickup trucks being replaced by the new trucks, including the wholesale and retail value of both vehicles.

**Carried**

**9.3 Resolution No. 2026-190**

**Moved by:** Councillor Lamb

**Seconded by:** Councillor Woods

**THAT** the Council the Municipality of Whitestone 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.

**Carried**

**9.4 Resolution No. 2026-191**

**Moved by:** Councillor Woods

**Seconded by:** Councillor Lamb

**THAT** the Council the Municipality of Whitestone receives ADMIN-2026-05 (Legal Expenses 2025).

**Carried**

**9.5 Resolution No. 2026-192**

**Moved by:** Councillor Bray

**Seconded by:** Councillor Nash

**THAT** the Council the Municipality of Whitestone receives Report ADMIN-2026-06 (2026 Municipal Election – Restricted Acts of Council “Lame Duck” Periods) for information.

**Carried**

10.1 **Resolution No. 2026-193**  
**Moved by:** Councillor Lamb  
**Seconded by:** Councillor Bray

**THAT** By-law 23-2026, being a By-law to Close, Stop Up and Sell a Concession Road Allowance, (JENNINGS/JOHNSON) is hereby passed this 16th day of June 2026.

**Carried**

**Clerk's note: Councillor Nash declared a pecuniary interest in the following item and did not participate in the conversation.**

10.2 **Resolution No. 2026-194**  
**Moved by:** Councillor Lamb  
**Seconded by:** Councillor Woods

**THAT** By-law 24-2026, being a By-law to enter into an Agreement for Conditions of Approval of Consent B05/2026(W) – (NASH), is hereby passed this 16th day of June 2026.

**Carried**

10.3 **Resolution No. 2026-195**  
**Moved by:** Councillor Lamb  
**Seconded by:** Councillor Bray

**THAT** By-law 25-2026, being a By-law to Amend Site Plan Agreement (SKEBA), is hereby passed this 16th day of June 2026.

**Carried**

10.4 **Resolution No. 2026-196**  
**Moved by:** Councillor Bray  
**Seconded by:** Councillor Lamb

**THAT** By-law 26-2026, being a By-law to Delegate Authority during 'Lame Duck' Period, is hereby passed this 16th day of June 2026.

**Carried**

**Recess 3:30 p.m. to 3:35 p.m.**

11.1 **Resolution No. 2026-197**  
**Moved by:** Councillor Lamb  
**Seconded by:** Councillor Bray

**THAT** the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone receives for information the Briefing Note from Mayor Comrie; and

**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.

**Carried**

11.2 **Resolution No. 2026-198**  
**Moved by:** Councillor Woods  
**Seconded by:** Councillor Nash

**THAT** the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone receives for information the proposed revised Whitestone Environmental Committee Terms of Reference dated April 2026; and

**THAT** the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone approves the Whitestone Environmental Committee revised Terms of Reference.

**Carried**

11.3 **Resolution No. 2026-199**  
**Moved by:** Councillor Lamb  
**Seconded by:** Councillor Nash

**WHEREAS** Council Members of the Municipality of Whitestone have received the report on Water Monitoring System; and

**WHEREAS** Council Members of the Municipality of Whitestone recognise that dams are located on three (3) lakes within the Municipality of Whitestone; being Gooseneck Lake, Kashegaba Lake and Lake Wahwashkesh; and

**WHEREAS**, the water elevation on the lakes can fluctuate due to water flows and water sheds, and that having water elevation, and temperature monitoring, is important for monitoring water elevations and the gathering of information for public safety;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT**, the Council of the Municipal of Whitestone directs the Municipality of Whitestone to undertake the purchase process and installation for two (2) Water Monitoring systems for Kashegaba Lake and Gooseneck Lake; and

**THAT** the digital information gathered from the Monitoring Systems, be posted on the Municipal website for public access and use; and

**THAT** the funding for the purchase come from the 2026 Approved Budget, through Budget Line Items 16-484-6 (Lake Quality Water Testing) and 16-484-4 (Green Initiatives).

Recorded vote requested by Councillor Nash

		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**

11.3 **Resolution No. 2026-200**

**Moved by:** Councillor Bray

**Seconded by:** Councillor Lamb

**THAT** the council of the Municipality of Whitestone directs staff to ensure the water at the public beach is tested by a laboratory once per week.

**Carried**

12. **Resolution No. 2026-201**

**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 June 16 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
A	McDougall Township	Support for hospital to purchase MRI	Support motion to be brought to July meeting
F	Plympton-Wyoming	Support for sustainable provincial grant funding for fire services	Support motion to be brought to July meeting
I	Town of Parry Sound	Objection to school closure	Motion objecting to closure to be brought to July meeting
J	Township of North Glengarry	Return to property tax reassessment cycle	Support motion to be brought to July meeting
M	North Grenville-Merrickville Wolford OPP Board	Requesting province fund traffic-calming and speeding mitigation methods	Report to be brought to Council
Q	Parents for Parry Sound	Update regarding group status	Spoken to at meeting
U	Whitestone Residents	Concerns with the dam on Kashegaba Lake	MNR indicates they will review files
Y	Catharina Bowers	Railway crossing Highway 520 at Ardbeg	Public Works to contact CN safety division

**Carried**

**Curfew taken at 5:56 p.m.**

**Resolution No. 2026-202**

**Moved by:** Councillor Bray

**Seconded by:** Councillor Lamb

**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 June 16 2026 Regular Council Meeting past the allotted time of seven (7.0) hours and continues for an additional 1.5 hour(s).

**Carried**

**13. Councillor Items**

Councillor Lamb:

- The food pantry accepts non-perishable items only; requested that signage be posted to indicate this.
- Requests a Report to Council outlining the cost of installing a webcam at the Municipal Office.
- Requests clarification regarding longer-term parking arrangements at the Twist property.
- Requests the opportunity to review the newsletter and any accompanying materials prior to distribution.
- Staff to bring a Report to Council presenting a plan for managing the metal collected at the landfill site.
- Staff area asked to confirm whether the two community light signs comply with the Municipality's By-law Regulating Light Pollution.

Councillor Nash

- Thanks staff for work they are doing on Shawanaga Lake Road
- Asked if a light has been installed at the food pantry
- Asked about a policy for when residents want to post on Municipal bulletin boards
- Discussed Shakell Road maintenance
- Discussed planned roadwork activities on the Bunny Trail

Councillor Woods

- Reiterated concerns about the community light signs compliance with By-law Regulating Light Pollution

Mayor Comrie

- Reminder that there is an official opening of the Community Food Pantry on Saturday June 20, now that a new sign, parking, walkway and lighting have been installed

**14. Questions from the Public - None**

- 15. Resolution No. 2026-203**  
**Moved by:** Councillor Bray  
**Seconded by:** Councillor Lamb

**THAT** the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone moves into the Closed Session at 6:26 p.m. for the following matters:

- 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)
- Library Board Resignation

**Carried**

***Recording paused***

**Reconvene into Regular Meeting**

- Resolution No. 2026-204**  
**Moved by:** Councillor Lamb  
**Seconded by:** Councillor Woods

**THAT** the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone reconvenes into the Regular Meeting at 6:35 p.m.

**Carried**

***Recording resumed***

- 15.1 **Resolution No. 2026-205**  
**Moved by:** Councillor Bray  
**Seconded by:** Councillor Lamb

**THAT** Council for the Municipality of Whitestone approves the Regular Council Closed Session minutes from May 19 2026.

**Carried**

- 15.2 **Resolution No. 2026-206**  
**Moved by:** Councillor Lamb  
**Seconded by:** Councillor Woods

**THAT** Council for the Municipality of Whitestone receives the verbal update from CAO/Clerk Black, regarding a legal matter.

**Carried**

15.3 **Resolution No. 2026-207**  
**Moved by:** Councillor Lamb  
**Seconded by:** Councillor Bray

**THAT** Council for the Municipality of Whitestone receives the resignation of Adam Ankiewicz from the Board of the Whitestone Public Library and Technology Center, and thanks him for his dedicated service to the community.

**Carried**

16. **Resolution No. 2026-208**  
**Moved by:** Councillor Bray  
**Seconded by:** Councillor Nash

**THAT** By-law No. 27-2026 being the Confirmatory By-law for the Regular Council Meeting of the Municipality of Whitestone on June 16 2026 is hereby enacted this 16th day of June 2026.

**Carried**

17. **Resolution No. 2026-209**  
**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 6:39 p.m. until the Regular Council Meeting of Tuesday July 21 2026 at 10:00 a.m. or at the call of the chair.

**Carried**

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**George Comrie** **Mayor**

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**Nigel Black** **CAO / Clerk**