

The Municipal Act, 2001, Section 241(2): The Head of Council or other presiding officer may expel or exclude from any meeting any person who has been guilty of improper conduct at the meeting.

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ALBERTON AGENDA – REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Thursday, September 18, 2025 - 7:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

- 1. ADDED ITEMS
- 2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA
- 3. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

(Members having a conflict must complete and file a Disclosure Form with the Clerk at the start of the meeting or upon arrival)

- 4. MINUTES PREVIOUS MEETING
 - 4.1 Minutes of the July 17th, 2025, regular Council meeting
- 5. DELEGATIONS, DEPUTATIONS and PRESENTATIONS
 - 5.1 No items.
- 6. FINANCES AND ACCOUNTS
 - 6.1 Accounts Payable for July and August including online bill payments and Visa payments, Council, Payroll
 - 6.2 Financial Reports for Prior Month:
 - 6.2.1 Revenues and Expenditures to August 31, 2025
 - 6.2.2 Financial Reports to August 31, 2025
 - 6.2.3 Monthly Investment Funds Summary to August 31, 2025

7. REPORTS OF MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

7.1 ROADS, PARKS AND GROUNDS

- 7.1.1 Road and Park Superintendent's written July & August Report
- 7.1.2 Park and Grounds update
- 7.1.3 Road asphalt emulsion project and update

7.2 VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

- 7.2.1 Fire Chief's written July & August Report
- 7.2.2 Update on draft revisions of Open Air Burning and Burn permit processes
- 7.2.3 Set meeting date for annual review of municipal emergency management program
- 7.2.4 Resolution to go in-camera, as permitted under Section 239 (2)(d), labour and employee negotiations, the general nature thereof is to review a Volunteer Fire Department new member application

7.3 CBO/BY-LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

- 7.3.1 CBO's Alberton Monthly Building Reports for July & August 2025
- 7.3.2 CBO's AMBIS Monthly Building Report for July & August 2025

7.4 CAO/CLERK-TREASURER/TAX COLLECTOR

- 7.4.1 CAO/Clerk-Treasurer's Report
- 7.4.2 Rink Roof Project Update & Celebration
- 7.4.3 Property Tax Report and Arrears
- 7.4.4 Vehicle & Equipment Report

7.5 MAYOR/COUNCIL REPORTS

- 7.5.1 Verbal Report Mayor Ford
- 7.5.2 Verbal Report Councillor Glowasky
- 7.5.3 Verbal Report Councillor Spuzak
- 7.5.4 Verbal Report Councillor Dennis
- 7.5.5 Verbal Report Councillor Spence

8. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND BOARDS:

8.1 RAINY RIVER DISTRICT MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION:

- 8.1.1 Verbal Report by Councillor Spuzak
- 8.1.2 Update of the District Community Safety and Well Being Plan Clerk to share verbal update

8.2 District of Rainy River Services Board (D.R.R.S.B.):

- 8.2.1 Verbal Report by Mayor Ford
- 8.2.2 DRRSB Highlights memo of the July 17, 2025, Board meeting

8.3 JOINT HEALTH & SAFETY COMMITTEE:

8.3.1 Written report of September 9, 2025

8.4 RECREATION COMMITTEE:

8.4.1 Recreation Committee Verbal Report - Councillor Glowasky

8.5 NOMA BOARD:

- 8.5.1 Northern Ontario Municipal Association (NOMA) media release dated July 28th, 2025, from NOMA & Thunder Bay Chamber of Commerce on the U.S. Decision to raise Softwood Lumber Duties
- 8.5.2 NOMA media releases dated August 5, 2025, and September 5th welcoming Federal Measures to Support and Transform Canada's Softwood Lumber Industry and Prime Ministers Bold Industrial Strategy
- 8.5.3 NOMA Save the Date correspondence dated August 6, 2025, regarding the 2026 NOMA and AGM Conference to be held April 22-24, 2026, in Thunder Bay
- 8.5.4 NOMA Priorities at the AMO 2025 Conference media release dated August 20, 2025
- 8.5.5 NOMA release dated August 27, 2025 and September 11th, calling on the federal and provincial governments to make the modernization of Highway 11/17 the Trans Canada through Northern Ontario a priority project

8.6 Rainy River District West O.P.P. Detachment Board

8.6.1 Agenda of the June 27th, 2025, meeting

9. OLD BUSINESS:

9.1 No items.

10. NEW BUSINESS:

- 10.1 O.P.P. Municipal Policing Bureau Memo received July 16, 2025, regarding Distribution of Police Record Check Revenue to Municipalities ceasing by 2028
- 10.2 Review a new accessible Application Form for Subdivision or Condominium
- 10.3 Solar project information regarding proposed projects in the Rainy River District
- 10.4 Adopt a Site Plan Control By-law and Schedules
- 10.5 Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP) letter and information received August 22, 2025, outlining the recent updates to MECP's compliance policy regarding new process for referring

- low-risk incidents to more appropriate regulatory authorities, including municipalities and changes to responsibilities between MECP and municipalities
- 10.6 Provincial Offences Administration (POA) Municipal Partners First and Second Quarter Reports prepared by and received from the Town of Fort Frances
- 10.7 Draft By-law to prohibit excessive idling of vehicles

10.8 Requests for Support:

- 10.8.1 City of St. Catherines regarding support for the Elect Respect Pledge
- 10.8.2 Township of Armour regarding a standard and balanced governance model for Family Health Teams in Ontario
- 10.8.3 Canadian Heritage River Systems Request for Support for designation of the waterway extending from the mouth of the Kaministiquia River at Lake Superior to the outflow of the Rainy River at Lake of the Woods

11. PLANNING:

11.1 Clerk to provide verbal update from FOTENN regarding drafts and next steps of new Official Plan and Zoning By-law

12. INFORMATION and PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- 12.1 Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Agribusiness August & September 2025 Newsletters
- 12.2 Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) News, Information and Updates
- 12.3 Municipality of Tweed correspondence received July 23, 2025, regarding pressing challenges facing small, rural and northern communities
- 12.4 Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA) Newsletters for July and August 2025
- 12.5 Spruce River Construction Management & Engineering Information letter dated July 23, 2025
- 12.6 Ontario Human Rights Commission (OHRC) memo dated July 29, 2025, regarding their announcement of new Executive Director for the OHRC
- 12.7 Ontario Ombudsman memo received July 31, 2025, inviting participation to help shape the Ombudsman's Indigenous Services Plan and July and August Newsletters
- 12.8 Ministry of Natural Resources memo received August 11, 2025, regarding proposed updates to operational policies under the *Aggregate Resources Act*
- 12.9 Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing memo received August 12, 2025, regarding proposed updated guidance to support population and growth forecasts
- 12.10 Ministry of Natural Resources memo received August 13, 2025, regarding proposed regulations to support the implementation of the proposed *Geologic Carbon Storage Act, 2025*
- 12.11 Air Passenger Service Feasibility Study for Northwestern Ontario communities, focus group discussions and online survey information provided by the Town of Fort Frances
- 12.12 Ontario Human Rights Commission media release dated August 18th, 2025, regarding recommendations to Bill 33, prioritizing a human rights-based approach to school safety, prioritizing the voices of those most affected and student wellbeing
- 12.13 CarbonFree Renewable Energy Proposal, Notice of Community Engagement Session and Public Meeting September 24, 2025
- 12.14 Ontario One Call New Cost Recovery Fee Model Stakeholder Consultation Memo dated September 3rd, 2025

13. IN CAMERA - CLOSED MEETING SESSION

- 13.1 Resolution to go in-camera as permitted under Section 239 for one item under Section 239 (2) (d) Labour relations and employee negotiations; the general nature thereof is possible shared recruitment and training of a casual officer for community safety and well-being.
- 13.2 Resolution to return to open session.

14. ADJOURNMENT

- 14.1 By-law to confirm proceedings of current meeting
- 14.2 Adjournment