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, March 19, 2026 – 4:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We show our respect and acknowledge we are gathered on Treaty 3 Territory, the traditional territory of Indigenous peoples since time immemorial. We are grateful for the opportunity to live, work and learn on this land and we are committed to a future where all people can walk together in friendship, peace and respect.

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 January 15th, 2026, regular Council meeting

5. REPORTS OF MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

5.1 ROADS, PARKS and GROUNDS

5.1.1 Road and Park Superintendent's written report
5.1.2 Joint Health & Safety Committee written report of February 6, 2026
5.1.3 Rink and Park update
5.1.4 Culvert replacement on Frog Creek Road, a shared roadway, execute Agreement between Township of Alberton and the Ministry of Transportation
5.1.5 Planning and scheduling for 2026 road calendar
5.1.6 Ministry of Transportation, Municipal Standards Harmonization Office, information on the proposed Minister's regulation regarding the harmonization of municipal road construction standards

5.2 VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

5.2.1 Fire Chief's written report
5.2.2 Emergency Management Ontario (EMO) Amethyst Sector February and March 2026 Newsletters
5.2.3 FirePro2 program information and pricing for Core and Standard Modules
5.2.4 Hazmat Awareness, Hazmat Operations and Firefighter Level 1 course approval for Alberton Volunteer Fire Department members
5.2.5 Update on the Rainy River Mutual Aid Committee's review of the current Automatic Aid Agreement
5.2.6 Alberton Volunteer Firefighter Personal Protection Equipment (PPE) 2026 replacement needs
5.2.7 Unit 9-4 maintenance update

5.3 CBO/By-Law ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

5.3.1 CBO's Alberton Monthly Building Reports for January and February 2026
5.3.2 CBO's AMBIS Monthly Building Reports for January and February 2026

5.4 CAO/CLERK-TREASURER/TAX COLLECTOR

5.4.1 CAO/Clerk-Treasurer's Report

5.4.2 Property Tax Report and Arrears
5.4.3 Information on Municipal Environment Assessment Regulation changes and new process information
5.4.4 Voting method options for the 2026 municipal election

5.5 MAYOR/COUNCIL REPORTS

5.5.1 Verbal Report – Mayor Ford
5.5.2 Verbal Report - Councillor Glowasky
5.5.3 Verbal Report – Councillor Spuzak
5.5.4 Verbal Report – Councillor Dennis
5.5.5 Verbal Report – Councillor Spence

6. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND BOARDS:

6.1 RAINY RIVER DISTRICT MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION:

6.1.1 Verbal Report by Councillor Spuzak

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

6.2.1 Verbal Report by Mayor Ford
6.2.2 DRRSB 2026 Budget and 4.63% increase to municipal levies
6.2.3 DRRSB Highlights Memo of January 15, 2026, Board Meeting

6.3 RECREATION COMMITTEE:

6.3.1 Recreation Committee Verbal Report - Councillor Glowasky

6.4 NOMA BOARD:

6.4.1 Northern Ontario Municipal Association (NOMA) Communications Jan 15th- Mar 12th 2026
6.4.2 NOMA Board of Directors November 26th, 2025, meeting minutes
6.4.3 NOMA Notice of Annual General Meeting, Thursday, April 23, 2026, 5:00 p.m. Thunder Bay

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

6.5.1 Minutes of the December 15th, 2025, meeting and agenda package of the January 19th, 2026, meeting
6.5.2 2026 Annual Billing Overview for Ontario Provincial Police

7. DEPUTATIONS, PETITIONS and PRESENTATIONS

7.1 2025 Audited Financial Statements Presentation, MNP, Jeff Savage, Partner

8. FINANCES AND ACCOUNTS

8.1 Accounts Payable for January and February, including online bill payments, Visa payments, Council and Payroll
8.2 Financial Reports for Prior Month:
8.2.1 Revenues and Expenditures to February 28, 2026
8.2.2 Financial Reports to February 28, 2026
6.2.3 Monthly Investment Funds Summary to February 28, 2026

9. OLD BUSINESS

9.1 No items

10. NEW BUSINESS:

10.1 Staff Report 2026 Balanced Budget and Budget Exclusions related to Ontario Regulation 284/09, 2026 Budget
10.2 By-law to adopt the 2026 Budget
10.3 By-Law to adopt Estimate of All Sums
10.4 By-law to adopt 2026 Tax rates and provide for penalty and interest
10.5 Riverside Health Care, Lights, Camera, Diagnosis Campaign request for financial donation
10.6 By-law to adopt an updated Process, Procedure and fillable Form for Integrity Commissioner Inquiry Requests
10.7 By-law to appoint Integrity Commissioner

10.8 By-law to adopt User Fees and Building Fees
10.9 Rainy River Future Development Corporation, Request for Financial Support, per capita contribution
10.10 Written correspondence from Ross and Linda Keeler regarding Frog Creek Road

10.11 **Requests for Support:**
10.11.1 Town of Fort Frances regarding dedicated annual funding for small and regional airports
10.11.2 Township of Assignack regarding supporting efforts to retain LifeLab locations in northern Ontario
10.11.3 City of Peterborough regarding sustainable funding for Police Services
10.11.4 Emo-LaVallee Community Centre Annual Sponsorship Program received February 5, 2026

11. PLANNING:

11.1 Review comments and suggestions received from the preliminary Provincial One Window's Review of the draft Official Plan and next steps
11.2 2026 Agricultural Impact Assessment's updated Guidance Document to support municipalities in Meeting the agriculture impact assessment requirements of the Provincial Planning Statement, 2024
11.3 Preliminary review of a Site Plan Application from Clearview Co-op

12. INFORMATION and PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS:

12.1 Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)'s Newsletters and updates Jan 11th to March 12th, 2026
12.2 Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Agribusiness February and March 2026 newsletters
12.3 Environment and Climate Change Canada correspondence of January 13, 2026, advising all reporting requirements for Phases 2 and 3 of the Federal Plastics Registry will be delayed
12.4 Municipalities Under Pressure One Year Later: An Update on the Human and Financial Cost of Ontario's Homelessness Crisis Report, in collaboration with Association of Municipalities (AMO, the Ontario Municipal Social Services Association and the Northern Ontario Service Deliverers Association
12.5 NOSM University President and Vice-Chancellor January 2026 newsletter, received January 27, 2026
12.6 Riverside Health Care information sheet on Medically Stable Patient Transport service
12.7 Ontario Human Rights Commission Newsletter dated February 5, 2026
12.8 Ministry of Natural Resources communication dated March 2, 2026, regarding proposed updates to the Province's Black Bear Management Approach
12.9 Ontario Ombudsman February 2026 newsletter
12.10 Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA) February 2026 Board highlights newsletter
12.11 Ministry of Natural Resources 2026-2027 Annual Work Schedule for the Boundary Waters Forest communication received March 4th, 2026
12.12 Northwestern Health Unit (NWHU) invitation to participate in a municipal focus group to gather information to inform the NWHU's strategic planning process
12.13 Public Meeting Invitation from CarbonFree, Tuesday, May 5, 2026, from 6:00 to 8:00 pm at the East End Hall in Fort Frances

13. IN CAMERA – CLOSED MEETING SESSION

13.1 Resolution to go in-camera as permitted under Section 239 (2) (e) litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board; the general nature thereof relates to Ontario Aboriginal Housing Support Services v. Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) *et al*, (*et al* includes multiple municipalities of which Alberton is one), position and communication necessary for that purpose
13.2 Return to open session

14. ADJOURNMENT

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