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, April 16, 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 March 19th, 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 April 7, 2026
5.1.3 Rink and Park update
5.1.4 Culvert replacement on Frog Creek Road, a shared roadway, review quotes for Engineering Services to prepare Drawings for culvert replacement
5.1.5 Schedule date for a Spring Roads Tour
5.1.6 Final Report for the Pothole Prevention and Repair Program (PRPP)
5.1.7 Current Replacement Value Report for Ministry of Infrastructure

5.2 VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

5.2.1 Fire Chief's written report
5.2.2 Emergency Management Ontario (EMO) Amethyst Sector April 2026 Newsletter and Flood Preparedness Information
5.2.3 Units 9-1 and 9-6 maintenance update
5.2.4 Ministry of Natural Resources – New Regulations under the Wildland Fire Management Act, received March 30th, 2026, and effective April 1st, 2026

5.3 CBO/By-Law ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

5.3.1 CBO's Alberton Monthly Building Reports for March 2026
5.3.2 CBO's AMBIS Monthly Building Reports for March 2026
5.3.3 Next AMBIS Partners Meeting

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 Community Clean-up idea
5.4.4 Ministry of Finance correspondence received March 27, 2026, regarding information and changes to modernize the administration of Education Property Tax remittances, with changes to take effect in 2028
5.4.5 Ethernet Switch replacement
5.4.6 EASE Grant 2026 Application period now open

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 Highlights Memo of March 19, 2026, Board Meeting
6.2.3 DRRSB March 2026 Newsletter

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 March 13th-April 10th, 2026
6.4.2 NOMA Board of Directors January 27th, 2026, meeting minutes
6.4.3 NOMA memorandum received March 27, 2026; Ontario 2026 Budget Highlights
6.4.4 NOMA Media Release of April 2nd, 2026 – NOMA Raises Concerns Over Proposal to Eliminate Federal Gas Tax, Citing Risks to Municipal Infrastructure and Northern Highways

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 March 30th, 2026, meeting

7. DEPUTATIONS, PETITIONS and PRESENTATIONS (5:30 p.m. Scheduled start time or as soon as possible thereafter)

7.1 Presentation of the 2025 Ontario Provincial Police (O.P.P.) Detachment Report, OPP Inspector Jim Mills and Staff Sarjeant Dereck McLean

8. FINANCES AND ACCOUNTS

8.1 Accounts Payable for March, including online bill payments, Visa payments, Council and Payroll
8.2 Financial Reports for Prior Month:
8.2.1 Revenues and Expenditures to March 31, 2026
8.2.2 Financial Reports to March 31, 2026
6.2.3 Monthly Investment Funds Summary to March 31, 2026

9. OLD BUSINESS

9.1 No items

10. NEW BUSINESS:

10.1 By-law to adopt an Election-Related Resources Policy
10.2 By-law to adopt an Election Recount Policy
10.3 By-law to adopt a 2026 Municipal Election Voting Method, Paper Ballot and alternate voting method, Vote-by-Mail

10.4 Hon. Robert Flack, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing letter and information dated April 1, 2026, Bill 98 the Building Homes and Improving Transportation Infrastructure Act, 2026, including descriptions of the proposals included in the bill.

10.5 Canada Summer Jobs 2026 Funding Approval Notification from Member of Parliament M. Powlowski, received April 7th, 2026

10.6 By-law to participate in a Joint Compliance Audit Committee regarding Municipal Elections

10.7 Written correspondence from Hon. George Pirie, Minister of Northern Economic Development and Growth regarding a campaign to highlight Northern Ontario

10.8 By-law to authorize for certain acts during the 2026 "Lame Duck" period

10.9 Municipal Engineers Association (MEA) Correspondence received April 10, 2026, regarding the Province's plan to Harmonize Ontario Provincial Standards

10.10 **Requests for Support:**

10.10.1 City of Sarnia regarding Requesting the Province consider giving municipal councils more authority to adjust Police Service Budget Proposals to reduce Municipal Financial Vulnerability

10.10.2 Township of Oro-Medonte and the Ontario Association of Road Supervisors regarding provincial support in advancing measures to strengthen protections for municipal workers and contractors

10.10.3 County of Prince Edward requesting the Province provide financial assistance to municipalities to offset all additional costs directly and demonstrably incurred as a result of compliance with the *Community Safety and Policing Act* and not general increases to police budgets

11. PLANNING:

11.1 Staff Report regarding a Site Plan Application from Clearview Co-op for a Cardlock Fuel Station

12. INFORMATION and PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS:

12.1 Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)'s Newsletters and updates March 13th, to April 9th, 2026

12.2 Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Agribusiness April 2026 newsletters

12.3 Northwestern Health Unit – Local Health Matters Newsletter received March 23, 2026

12.4 Ontario Ombudsman March 2026 newsletter

12.5 Ontario Energy Board – Generic Review of the Model Franchise Agreement for Natural Gas

12.6 Correspondence received March 9, 2026, from Mayor Patricia Quinn of the Municipality of Larder Lake to Premier Ford and Minister Sarkaria regarding School Bus Safety and Stop-Arm Camera Systems

12.7 Public Meeting Invitation from CarbonFree, Tuesday, May 5, 2026, from 6:00 to 8:00 pm at the East End Hall in Fort Frances (address clarified for East End Hall as: 1227 Fifth St E, Fort Frances)

13. IN CAMERA – CLOSED MEETING SESSION

13.1 No items

14. ADJOURNMENT

14.1 By-law to confirm proceedings of current meeting

14.2 Adjournment