

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NORTH GLENGARRY**

**Regular Meeting of Council**

**Minutes**

Monday, February 23, 2026, at 6 p.m.

Council Chambers

3720 County Road 34

Alexandria, Ontario K0C 1A0

**PRESENT:** Mayor: Jamie MacDonald  
Deputy Mayor: Carma Williams  
Councillor: Jacques Massie  
Councillor: Jeff Manley  
Councillor: Brian Caddell  
Councillor: Michael Madden  
Councillor: Gary Martin

**ALSO PRESENT:** CAO/Clerk: Michael Fawthrop  
Deputy Clerk: Jena Doonan  
Director of Public Works: Timothy Wright

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair called the meeting to order at 6:38pm

**2. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

N/A

**3. ACCEPT THE AGENDA (Additions/Deletions)**

**Resolution No. 1**

**Moved by:** Jacques Massie

**Seconded by:** Brian Caddell

**THAT** the Council of the Township of North Glengarry accepts the agenda of the Regular Meeting of Council on Monday, February 23, 2026.

**Carried**

**4. ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

**Resolution No. 2**

**Moved by:** Brian Caddell

**Seconded by:** Jeff Manley

**THAT** the minutes of the following meeting(s) be adopted as circulated.

Regular Meeting of Council Minutes – Monday February 9, 2026

**Carried**

**5. DELEGATIONS**

SDG Libraries update - Director of Library Services: Rebecca Luck

*Director of Library Services Rebecca Luck updated Council on the library's 2025 and current services.*

**6. STAFF REPORTS**

a. Administrative Department

i.AD 2026-04: Civil Marriage Solemnization – Rescind By-law 33-2024

**Resolution No. 3**

**Moved by:** Jeff Manley

**Seconded by:** Michael Madden

**THAT** Council of the Township of North Glengarry Receives Staff report AD 2026- 04: Civil Marriage Solemnization – Rescind By-law No. 33-2024; and

**THAT** Council approves By-law No. 15-2026, being a By-law to rescind By- law 33-2024 and authorize the Civil Marriage Solemnization Service and Issuance of Marriage Licenses in the Township of North Glengarry.

**AND THAT** By-law No. 15-2026 be read a first second and third time and enacted in open Council this 23rd day of February 2026.

**Carried**

d. Public Works Department

i.PW 2026-04: Drinking Water System Reports 2025

**Resolution No. 4**

**Moved by:** Michael Madden

**Seconded by:** Gary Martin

**THAT** the Council of the Township of North Glengarry receives Staff Report No. PW 2026-04: Annual Drinking Water System Summary Reports for 2025 for information purposes only.

**Carried**

ii.PW 2026-05: Maxville Lagoons 1st Quarter Update

**Resolution No. 5**

**Moved by:** Gary martin

**Seconded by:** Carma williams

**THAT** the Council of the Township of North Glengarry receives report PW-2026-05: Maxville Lagoons 1st Quarter Update for information purposes only.

***Please note: Additional Documentation for Staff Reports – Received at the Meeting***  
*Council received additional information from staff during the meeting, including an EVB PowerPoint presentation regarding the Maxville Lagoon – First Quarter, which was received and presented at the meeting and retained with the final agenda package*

**Carried**

7. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None

8. **CONSENT AGENDA**

**Resolution No. 6**

**Moved by:** Carma Williams

**Seconded by:** Jacques Massie

**THAT** the Council of the Township of North Glengarry receives the item(s) from the consent agenda for information purposes only.

**Carried**

9. **NEW BUSINESS**

OCIF Funding

**Resolution No.7**

**Moved by:** Michael Madden

**Seconded by:** Carma Williams

**WHEREAS** the Township of North Glengarry acknowledges that municipal infrastructure—including roads, bridges, and water and wastewater systems—underpins public safety, economic vitality, and quality of life in Ontario’s rural and small urban communities; and

**WHEREAS** the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund (OCIF) was created in 2015 to assist small and rural municipalities facing infrastructure deficits that exceed their local revenue capacities; and

**WHEREAS** in 2022, the Government of Ontario committed to increase the annual OCIF envelope from \$100 million to \$400 million over a five-year term, with that commitment scheduled to expire at the end of fiscal 2026; and

**WHEREAS** fixed funding levels amid rising labour, materials, and climate resilience costs have eroded the purchasing power of the \$400 million envelope, jeopardizing municipalities’ ability to deliver and sustain essential services without incurring unsustainable debt; and

**WHEREAS** predictable, multi-year funding indexed to real-world cost drivers is critical for municipalities to develop, finance, and execute long-term asset management plans, reduce emergency repairs, and leverage complementary federal and private infrastructure financing; and

**WHEREAS** the Township of North Glengarry requires a steadfast provincial partner to extend and enhance OCIF beyond 2026, ensuring infrastructure resilience, fiscal sustainability, and equitable access for all small and rural municipalities;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

1. The Township of North Glengarry calls upon the Government of Ontario to extend the annual OCIF envelope at not less than \$400 million beyond its current five-year term ending in 2026, with no reductions in subsequent provincial budgets.
2. The Province be requested to index the total annual OCIF envelope—and each individual municipal allocation—to the Ontario Consumer Price Index (CPI), calculated on a calendar-year basis and disbursed in the first quarter of each fiscal year.
3. The Ministry of Infrastructure establish a new five-year OCIF funding framework that guarantees annual envelopes and allocation percentages by municipality, enabling long-term capital planning and stable cash-flow management.

4. The Province undertake a formal review of the OCIF allocation formula at least once every four years, incorporating current municipal asset management data, demographic projections, climate resilience metrics, and rural equity considerations.
5. A dedicated contingency reserve equal to 5 percent of the annual OCIF envelope be created within the fund to address extraordinary cost escalations, emergency repairs, or project overruns without reallocating core funding.
6. The Ministry of Infrastructure publish an annual OCIF performance report—including program disbursements, allocation adjustments, and reserve expenditures—in a transparent, publicly accessible online dashboard.

**FURTHER THAT** the Council of the Township of North Glengarry supports the September 29, 2025 resolution of the Township of Edwardsburgh Cardinal, the October 20, 2025 resolution of the Municipality of South Huron, and the November 19, 2025 resolution of the Township of Pulsinch regarding the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund (OCIF); and

**FURTHER THAT** this supporting resolution and the originating correspondence be circulated to the Premier of Ontario, the Leader of the Official Opposition, the Minister of Infrastructure, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), and all Ontario municipalities.

**Carried**

#### 10. NOTICE OF MOTION

##### **Next Regular Meeting of Council**

Monday March 9, 2026, at 6 pm. in the Council Chambers, 3720 County Road 34, Alexandria, Ontario

**Note:** Meeting are subject to change and cancellation

#### 11. QUESTION PERIOD

Questions are to be in relation to the items presented on this agenda. Limit of one question per person and subsequent questions will be at the discretion of the Mayor/Chair.

#### 12. CLOSED SESSION

#### 13. CONFIRMATION BY-LAW

##### **Resolution No.8**

**Moved by:** Jeff Manley

**Seconded by:** Michael Madden

**THAT** the Council of the Township of North Glengarry adopts by-law 17-2026, being a by-law to adopt, confirm, and ratify the matters dealt with by Resolution; and

**THAT** by-law 17-2026 be read a first, second and third time and enacted in Open Council this the 23rd day of February 2026.

**Carried**

#### 14. ADJOURMENT

##### **Resolution No. 9**

**Moved by:** Jacques Massie

**Seconded by:** Carma Williams

**THERE** being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

**Carried**

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CAO/Clerk/Deputy Clerk

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Mayor/Deputy Mayor