

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NORTH GLENGARRY

Regular Meeting of Council

Minutes

Monday January 26, 2026 at 6 p.m.

Council Chambers

3720 County Road 34

Alexandria, Ontario K0C 1A0

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

REGRETS: Councillor At Large Jacques Massie

ALSO PRESENT: Interim CAO/Clerk: Timothy Simpson
Deputy Clerk: Jena Doonan
Director of Community Services: Stephanie MacRae
Director of Building, Planning & By-law: Jacob Rheume
Fire Chief: Matthew Roy

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

2. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

Councillor Brian Caddell declared a pecuniary interest to Section 6(b)(i) 2026 Community Grant Funding, as he is a member of the organization.

3. ACCEPT THE AGENDA (Additions/Deletions)

Resolution No. 1

Moved by: Carma Williams

Seconded by: Jeff Manley

THAT the Council of the Township of North Glengarry accepts the agenda of the Regular Meeting of Council on Monday January 26, 2026.

Carried

4. ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Resolution No. 2

Moved by: Michael Madden

Seconded by: Brian Caddell

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

Regular Meeting of Council Minutes – Monday January 12, 2026

Carried

5. DELEGATIONS

None

6. STAFF REPORTS

a. Administration Department

AD 2026-02: Bill 68 Response-Changes to Conservation Authorities Act

Resolution No. 3

Moved by: Micheal Madden

Seconded by: Jeff Manley

WHEREAS the Conservation Authorities Act (1946) enables municipalities to establish local conservation authorities, and when municipalities choose to form such authorities, they assume responsibility for governance and funding through the appointment of a Board of Directors and the provision of an annual levy to cover expenses;

AND WHEREAS the municipalities within Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry (SDG) established South Nation Conservation (SNC) in 1947 and the Raisin Region Conservation Authority (RRCA) in 1963;

AND WHEREAS local municipalities currently provide between 25% and 50% of total conservation authority funding, while the Province of Ontario provides approximately 3%;

AND WHEREAS municipalities have governed their respective conservation authorities for decades, tailoring programs and services to local watershed needs, maintaining accountable service standards, and ensuring fair and predictable costs for ratepayers;

AND WHEREAS conservation authorities collectively own and manage thousands of acres of land, much of which was donated by local residents and entrusted to conservation authorities as a personal legacy for long-term protection, stewardship, and the public good, with the expectation that such lands would be cared for by locally governed conservation authorities;

AND WHEREAS Bill 68 (Schedule 3) proposes the creation of the Ontario Provincial Conservation Agency, a Crown corporation that would assume governance responsibilities and consolidate Ontario's 36 conservation authorities into seven regional authorities, with municipal cost apportionment yet to be defined;

AND WHEREAS the Province already possesses the authority to establish overarching legislation, regulations, and standards through the Conservation Authorities Act and the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Township of North Glengarry calls on the Government of Ontario to maintain local, independent, municipally governed, watershed-based conservation authorities to ensure strong local representation in decisions related to municipal levies, community-focused service delivery, and the protection and management of conservation lands;

AND FURTHER THAT while the Township of North Glengarry supports provincial goals for consistent permit approval processes, shared services, and digital modernization, imposing a new top-down agency structure without strong local accountability and governance risks creating unnecessary cost, red tape, and bureaucracy, thereby undermining efficiency and responsiveness to local community needs;

AND FURTHER THAT the Township of North Glengarry supports efforts to balance expertise, capacity, and program delivery across the province, and requests that the Province work collaboratively with municipalities and local conservation authorities to determine the most effective level of strategic consolidation to achieve both provincial and local objectives.

Carried

AD 2026-03: Lease Agreement with City of Cornwall – Alexandria EMS Base

Resolution No. 4

Moved by: Brian Caddell

Seconded by: Jeff Manley

THAT the Council of the Township of North Glengarry receives Staff Report AD 2026- 03: Lease Agreement with City of Cornwall – Alexandria EMS Base; and

THAT Council pass By-law No. 06-2026, being a By-law to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to complete a 5-year lease agreement with the City of Cornwall for the Cornwall/SDG EMS base.

THAT By-law 06-2026 be read a first, second and third time and enacted in open Council this 26th day of January 2026.

Carried

b. Customer Service Department

Resolution No. 5

i. CS-2026-02: Community Grant Program Funding

Moved by: Jeff Manley

Seconded by: Gary Martin

THAT the Council of the Township of North Glengarry receives Staff Report No. CS-2026-02: 2026 Community Grant Program Funding; and

THAT Council approves the following grants:

Name of Organization	Financial Amount	In Kind Amount
Alexandria Lions Club	\$ 3,500.00	-
Caddell Productions	\$ 500.00	\$ 2,269.00
Dutch King's Day	\$ 2,000.00	-
Glengarry Photo Club	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,492.00
Glengarry Historical Society	\$ 300.00	\$ 468.00
Glengarry Pipe Band	\$ 2,000.00	-
Kenyon Agricultural Society	\$ 2,500.00	-
Sons of Scotland	\$ 2,823.13	-
Maxville & District Chamber of Commerce	\$ 1,000.00	-
Sunshiners Social Club	\$ 1,850.00	\$ 1,227.00

For a total of \$17,473.13 in funding and \$5,456.00 of in-kind support; and

THAT Council directs the Arts, Culture and Heritage Committee to proceed with the second intake for remaining funds under the Community Grant Program.

Carried

ii. CS-2026-03: Bell Cell License Renewal Agreement

Resolution No. 6

Moved by: Gary Martin

Seconded by: Carma Williams

THAT the Council of the Township of North Glengarry receives Staff Report No. CS-2026-03 Bell Cell License Renewal Agreement; and

THAT Council receives By-law 05-2026, being a by-law to enter into a license agreement with Bell Mobility Incorporated; and

THAT By-Law 05-2026 be read a first, second, and third time and enacted in Open Council this 26th day of January, 2026.

Carried

iii. CS-2026-04: 2026 Meet me on Main Street Dates

Resolution No. 7

Moved by: Carma Williams

Seconded by: Jacques Massie

THAT the Council of the Township of North Glengarry receives Staff Report No. CS-2026-04:2026 Meet Me on Main Street Event Dates; and

THAT Council approve the following schedule for the 2026 Meet Me on Main Street events:

Friday, May 22, 2026 – Glen Robertson

Saturday, June 6, 2026 – Dunvegan

Thursday, July 9, 2026 – Maxville

Thursday, July 23, 2026 – Alexandria

Carried

c. Building, Planning & By-law Department

i. BP 2026- 01: Review of Dog Catcher Services and Kennel Operations

Resolution No. 8

Moved by: Brian caddell

Seconded by: Jeff Manley

THAT the Council of the Township of North Glengarry receives Staff Report BP 2026-01: Review of Dog catcher services and kennel Operations for information purposes; and

THAT Council endorse Option 4 – Hybrid Dog Control Service Delivery with the Township of Russell, as the preferred option to balance public safety, legislative compliance, staff capacity, and financial sustainability; and

THAT staff be authorized to negotiate the terms of an agreement with the Township of Russell for overflow, aggressive dogs, and after-hours coverage, and present a draft for Council review.

d. Fire Department

- i. FD 2026-01: Fire Protection Grant Agreement

Resolution No. 9

Moved by: Jeff Manley

Seconded by: Michael Madden

THAT Council of the Township of North Glengarry receives Staff Report No. FD 2026-01: Fire Protection Grant Agreement; and

THAT Council pass By-law No. 07-2026, being a By-law to authorize a Transfer Payment Agreement between His Majesty the King in right of the Province of Ontario, represented by the Minister of the Solicitor General for the Province of Ontario (the “Ministry”) and the Township of North Glengarry (the “Municipality”) related to funding provided under the Fire Protection Grant; and

THAT By-law 07-2026 be read a first, second and third time and enacted in open Council this 26th day of January 2026.

Carried

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

8. CONSENT AGENDA

Resolution No. 10

Moved by: Michael Madden

Seconded by: Gary Martin

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

EOHU Policy Review Support - shared commercial kitchens by multiple food businesses

Resolution No. 11

Moved by: Jamie MacDonald

Seconded by: Carma Williams

THAT the Council of the Township of North Glengarry endorses the correspondence from Bridget Trepanier dated January 13th and directs the CAO/Clerk to forward correspondence to the EOHU indicating support for the development/implementation of guidelines/policies regarding the shared use of commercial kitchens.

10. NOTICE OF MOTION

Next Regular Meeting of Council

Monday February 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

Resolution No. 12

Moved by: Brian Caddell

Seconded by: Jeff Manley

Proceed "In closed Session"

As this matter deals with a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board they may be discussed in closed session under sections 239 (2)(c) of the *Ontario Municipal Act*); and

As this matter deals with labour relations or employee negotiations they may be discussed in closed session under sections 239 (2)(d) of the *Ontario Municipal Act*);

Carried

Rise and Report

Resolutions No. 13

Moved by: Brian Caddell

Seconded by: Jeff Manley

THAT the Council of the Township of North Glengarry rise and report from the Closed Session held on Monday, January 26, 2026, and that the Regular Council Meeting resume at 7:26 p.m.; and

THAT the Council of the Township of North Glengarry approve the salary grid for non-union staff and the remuneration for volunteer firefighters for 2025 and 2026; and

THAT Council directs staff to proceed as discussed in Closed Session.

AND THAT The Mayor and Clerk are authorized to execute any necessary documents.

Carried

13. CONFIRMATION BY-LAW

Resolution No. 14

Moved by: Jeff Manley

Seconded by: Michael Madden

THAT the Council of the Township of North Glengarry adopts by-law 09-2026, being a by-law to adopt, confirm, and ratify the matters dealt with by Resolution; and

THAT by-law 09-2026 be read a first, second and third time and enacted in Open Council this the 26th day of January 2026.

Carried

14. ADJOURMENT

Resolution No. 15

Moved by: Michael Madden

Seconded by: Gary Martin

THERE being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

Carried

CAO/Clerk/Deputy Clerk

Mayor/Deputy Mayor