



Regular Council Meeting Highlights – September 1, 2026

Council met on September 1 to review the 2027 budget planning survey, municipal financial and operational updates, infrastructure matters, recreation activities, and items affecting Township services and the community.

Key Decisions

- Reviewed the draft 2027 Budget Engagement Survey, including questions on budget priorities, infrastructure borrowing, and reasonable municipal tax increases.
- Received an update on the well at White Lake Park and authorized utilizing the second well on the property.
- Reviewed options for the future use of the Township-owned inflatable obstacle course, including the regulatory and operational requirements for continued use.
- Approved recognition of National Dental Care Day and added the proclamation to the Township's Flag Etiquette & Proclamation Policy.

Infrastructure & Public Works

- Received the June and July Public Works Activity Report, including updates on road resurfacing, dust control, pothole repairs, roadside maintenance, drainage, and entrance culvert work.
- Received an update on the White Lake Park well project.

Recreation & Community Services

- Received the August Recreation and Maintenance Department Activity Report, including updates on recreation programming, facilities, parks, and community activities.
- Directed staff to Investigate a paid parking program for non-residents at Burnstown Beach.

Financial Highlights

- Reviewed the July 2026 Financial Overview, including operating expenditures, capital projects, reserves, and provincial and federal funding.
- Continued planning for the 2027 municipal budget through resident engagement and the upcoming Budget Engagement Survey.

Public Safety & Community Information

- Received an update regarding 2027 OPP municipal policing costs. The Province has announced that OPP-policed municipalities will not see their total policing costs increase by more than 11% compared with 2026, excluding additional policing services under separate agreements. Directed staff to circulate a letter asking to have costing model investigated.
- Received information from the Renfrew County and District Health Unit regarding seasonal food sales at farmstead properties and applicable food safety requirements.

Looking Ahead

Council continues to focus on responsible financial planning, maintaining infrastructure, delivering community services, and engaging residents in the 2027 budget process.

The next Regular Council Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 15, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.

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