

# Corporation of the Township of Chisholm

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## **MINUTES** **COUNCIL MEETING** **TUESDAY, APRIL 14, 2026 7:00 PM**

### **1. CALL TO ORDER & ACKNOWLEDGE FIRST NATIONS PEOPLES AND LAND**

*"We respectfully acknowledge that we are on the traditional territory of the Anishinaabe Peoples, in the Robinson-Huron and Williams Treaties areas. We wish to acknowledge the long history of First Nations and Metis Peoples in Ontario and show respect to the neighbouring Indigenous communities. We offer our gratitude for their care for, and teachings about, our earth and our relations. May we continue to honor these teachings."*

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Gail Degagne, in Council Chambers at 7:05 p.m., with Councillors, Bernadette Kerr (online), Claire Riley, Nunzio Scarfone, and Paul Sharp. Staff member present was Acting Clerk, Jessica Laberge, OS Shawn Hughes.

### **2. NOTIFICATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

### **3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**Resolution 2026-62** Moved by Paul Sharp and Seconded by Claire Riley: Be it resolved that the Agenda for this meeting be adopted as printed. 'Carried'

### **4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES** – March 24, 2026 Regular Council Meeting

**Resolution 2026-63** Moved by Bernadette Kerr and Seconded by Paul Sharp: Be it resolved that the Minutes of the March 24, 2026 Regular Council Meeting, be adopted as printed and circulated. 'Carried'

### **5. APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS** – March 2026

**Resolution 2026-64** Moved by Claire Riley and Seconded by Nunzio Scarfone: Be it resolved that the March 2026 Payroll in the amount \$ 37,550.95 and the General Accounts Report in the amount of \$209,699.12 paid in accordance with the approved budget and delegated authority, be received.

### **6. PRESENTATION AND DELEGATIONS**

### **7. OPEN FORUM**

### **8. MAYOR STAFF COMMITTEE AND GOVERNMENT REPORTS**

**Resolution 2026-65** Paul Sharp and Bernadette Kerr: Be it resolved that the following Staff, Committee and Correspondence reports be received:

Mayor and Council Reports

- Mayor – General Update

Staff Reports

- Tax Arrears Report (Encl.)

Committee Reports

- Minutes, April 8, 2026, Finance Committee
- DRAFT Minutes, March 16, 2026, Powassan Public Library

- Minutes, February 19, 2026, Casselholme
- East Ferris, Notice of Public Meeting, Proposed Amendment to the Zoning By-law
- Township of Calvin, Mayor Report, Re: Laurentian Escarpment
- Media Release, City of North Bay, Re: Laurentian Escarpment

Correspondence

- Letter, Min. of Northern Economic Development and Growth
- Letter, CN, Re: Changes to CN's Three-Year Rail Network Plan
- AMO Policy Update, March 31, 2026
- 2026 OSUM Conference
- Resolution, Oro Medonte, Provincial Legislation Amendments, Health and Safety Concerns AORS.
- Resolution, Sarnia Ontario Re: Mayoral Authority and Municipal Police Budget Sustainability **'Carried'**

**9. REVIEW BUDGET REPORT** – Printed April 10, 2026 (Encl.)

**Resolution 2026-66 Moved by Claire Riley and Seconded by Paul Sharp:** Be it resolved that the Budget Report printed April 10, 2026, be received. **'Carried'**

**10. PUBLIC WORKS REPORTS**

(a) Memo to Council from OS Shawn Hughes Re: Activity Report (Encl.)

**Resolution 2026-67 Moved by Bernadette Kerr and Seconded by Nunzio Scarfone:** Be it resolved that the Activity Report from Operations Superintendent Shawn Hughes, dated March 6, 2026, to April 10, 2026, be received. **'Carried'**

**11. NEW BUSINESS**

(a) 2026 FONOM Conference (Encl.)

**Resolution 2026-68 Moved by Paul Sharp and Seconded by Nunzio Scarfone:** Be it resolved that the Council approves the attendance of no one to the FONOM Conference May 11 -13, 2026 in Timmins. **'Carried'**

(b) Near North Crime Stoppers, Charity Golf Tournament (Encl.)

**Resolution 2026-69 Moved by Paul Sharp and Seconded by Claire Riley:** Be it resolved that the Council approves a donation of \$150, for the Near North Crime Stoppers Charity Golf Tournament. **'Carried'**

**12. ADJOURNMENT**

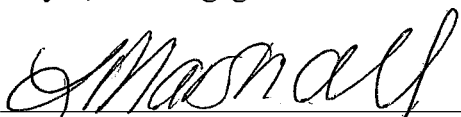
(a) By-law 2026-12 being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council meeting.

**Resolution 2026-70 Moved by Bernadette Kerr and Seconded by Nunzio Scarfone:** Be it resolved that by-law 2026-12, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council at the April 14, 2026, Council meeting, be read a first, second, and third time and passed this April 14, 2026. **'Carried'**

(b) Resolution re: Adjournment.

**Resolution 2026-71 Moved by Claire Riley and Seconded by Paul Sharp:** Be it resolved that the Council now adjourn this meeting. Time: **'Carried'**

  
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 Mayor, Gail Degagne

  
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 CAO Clerk Treasurer, Lesley Marshall