



The Corporation of the Township of Perry

REGULAR MEETING
Wednesday March 4th, 2026
7:00 p.m.

Municipal Office and Electronic Attendance
(1695 Emsdale Road, Emsdale, ON)

Any and all Minutes are to be considered Draft until approved by Council at a Regular Meeting of Council

In Attendance:

Council Chambers:

Mayor Norm Hofstetter
Councillors: Paul Sowrey, Margaret Ann MacPhail, and Joe Lumley
Beth Morton, Clerk-Administrator
Kim Seguin, Treasurer-Tax Collector
Mike Wilmon, CBO/By-law Enforcement Officer

Electronic Attendance:

Councillor Jim Cushman
Randy McLaren, Working Roads Supervisor

Members of the Public:

Nil

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

Nil

Resolution No. 2026-086

Moved by: Paul Sowrey

Seconded by: Joe Lumley

Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Perry approves the Minutes of the following Meeting as presented:

- 3.1 Special Meeting Minutes of Wednesday, February 18, 2026 for Preliminary Budget Discussions
- 3.2 Regular Meeting Minutes of Wednesday, February 18, 2026
- 3.3 Public Meeting Minutes of Wednesday, February 18, 2026 for Zoning By-law Amendment - Part of Lot 5, Concession 8, in the Township of Perry, designated as Part 1 on Plan 42R-15044 – Fern Glen Road

Carried

Resolution No. 2026-087

Moved by: Margaret Ann MacPhail

Seconded by: Joe Lumley

Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Perry hereby approves the Addendum to Include Agenda Item 9.9 on the March 4th, 2026 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried

Resolution No. 2026-088

Moved by: Paul Sowrey

Seconded by: Margaret Ann MacPhail

Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Perry hereby receives and approves the Minutes and/or Reports from the following Municipal Boards and Committees:

- 5.1. EMS Advisory Committee**
 - 5.1.1 February 2026 Minutes
- 5.2. District of Parry Sound Social Services Administration Board**
 - 5.2.1 December 2025 Minutes
 - 5.2.2 January 2026 Minutes
 - 5.2.3 January 2026 CAO Report
 - 5.2.4 February 2026 CAO Report
- 5.3. Eastholme Levy Information Package 2026**
 - 5.3.1 Board Motion 2026
 - 5.3.2 Levy Calculation 2026
 - 5.3.3 Budget Summary 2026
 - 5.3.4 Levy Appointment Schedule 2026
 - 5.3.5 Financial Statement 2025
- 5.4. Almaguin Community Economic Development (ACED) Committee**
 - 5.4.1 January 2026 Minutes
 - 5.4.2 January and February 2026 DoED Report
- 5.5. Perry Township Recreation and Culture Committee**
 - 5.5.1 February 2026 Minutes – Draft
- 5.6. Perry Township Public Library Board**
 - 5.6.1 February 2026 Minutes
 - 5.6.2 February 2026 CEO Monthly Report
- 5.7. Board of Health for North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit**
 - 5.7.1 Board of Health November 2025 Meeting Minutes
 - 5.7.2 Board of Health January 2026 Meeting Minutes
 - 5.7.3 Finance and Property Committee Minutes – January 2026
 - 5.7.4 Medical Officer of Health Report – January 2026
 - 5.7.5 Medical Officer of Health Report – February 2026
- 5.8. Almaguin Highlands OPP Service Board**
 - 5.8.1 February 2026 DRAFT Minutes
- 5.9. Kearney Perry Joint Waste Management Committee**
 - 5.9.1 February 2026 DRAFT Minutes
 - 5.9.2 Proposed 2026 Budget

Carried

Resolution No. 2026-089

Moved by: Joe Lumley

Seconded by: Margaret Ann MacPhail

Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Perry has received and accepts the Monthly Reports, as circulated, from the following Municipal Departments:

- 6.1. Fire Department**

- 6.1.1. February 2026 Fire Chief/Training Report
- 6.2. By-law Enforcement Department**
 - 6.2.1. January & February 2026 Monthly Reports
- 6.3. Building Department**
 - 6.3.1. January & February 2026 Monthly Reports
- 6.4. Transfer Station**
- 6.5. Public Works**
- 6.6. Finance Department**
- 6.7. Planning**

Carried

Resolution No. 2026-090

Moved by: Paul Sowrey

Seconded by: Margaret Ann MacPhail

Be it resolved that By-law 2026-19 "Being a By-law to authorize the acquisition of lands from The United Church of Canada legally described as LT 17 RCP 314; S/T PE2371; PERRY, being all of PIN 52166-0547 (LT)." be given first and second reading.

Carried

Resolution No. 2026-091

Moved by: Margaret Ann MacPhail

Seconded by: Joe Lumley

Be it resolved that By-law 2026-19 "Being a By-law to authorize the acquisition of lands from The United Church of Canada legally described as LT 17 RCP 314; S/T PE2371; PERRY, being all of PIN 52166-0547 (LT)." be given third and final reading and enacted in open Council.

Carried

Resolution No. 2026-092

Moved by: Paul Sowrey

Seconded by: Joe Lumley

Be it resolved that By-law 2026-20 "Being a By-law to authorize the acquisition of lands from Trustees of the Emsdale Congregation of the United Church of Canada legally described as BLK C PL 75; PERRY, being all of PIN 52166-0489 (LT)." be given first and second reading.

Carried

Resolution No. 2026-093

Moved by: Paul Sowrey

Seconded by: Margaret Ann MacPhail

Be it resolved that By-law 2026-20 "Being a By-law to authorize the acquisition of lands from Trustees of the Emsdale Congregation of the United Church of Canada legally described as BLK C PL 75; PERRY, being all of PIN 52166-0489 (LT)." be given third and final reading and enacted in open Council.

Carried

Resolution No. 2026-094

Moved by: Margaret Ann MacPhail

Seconded by: Joe Lumley

Be it resolved that By-law 2026-21 "Being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Perry." be given first and second reading.

Carried

Resolution No. 2026-095

Moved by: Joe Lumley

Seconded by: Paul Sowrey

Be it resolved that By-law 2026-21 "Being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Perry." be given third and final reading and enacted in open Council.

Carried

Resolution No. 2026-096

Moved by: Paul Sowrey

Seconded by: Margaret Ann MacPhail

Be it resolved that By-law 2026-22 "Being a By-law to amend By-law No. 2014-21, as amended, the Zoning By-law for the Township of Perry with respect to lands legally described as Part of Lot 5, Concession 8, in the Township of Perry, designated as Part 1 on Plan 42R-15044." be given first and second reading.

Carried

Resolution No. 2026-097

Moved by: Joe Lumley

Seconded by: Paul Sowrey

Be it resolved that By-law 2026-22 "Being a By-law to amend By-law No. 2014-21, as amended, the Zoning By-law for the Township of Perry with respect to lands legally described as Part of Lot 5, Concession 8, in the Township of Perry, designated as Part 1 on Plan 42R-15044." be given third and final reading and enacted in open Council.

Carried

Resolution No. 2026-098

Moved by: Margaret Ann MacPhail

Seconded by: Paul Sowrey

Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Perry hereby approves the Health and Safety Report dated March 4th, 2026.

Carried

Resolution No. 2026-099

Moved by: Margaret Ann MacPhail

Seconded by: Joe Lumley

Whereas the Council of the Township of Perry receives a request from the Almaguin Pride Network for a donation, as per the Township of Perry Donation Policy, to support 3 events that are planned in 2026 (Grease Girl Workshop in Emsdale in March, the 4th Annual Pride Party in June & Karaoke Night in October). These events are open to all residents within the Township and Almaguin Highlands;

Be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Perry hereby support a donation to Almaguin Pride Network in the amount of \$150.

Carried

Resolution No. 2026-100

Moved by: Joe Lumley

Seconded by: Paul Sowrey

Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Perry hereby provide direction on the 2026 Draft 2 Budget.

Carried

Resolution No. 2026-101

Moved by: Margaret Ann MacPhail

Seconded by: Paul Sowrey

Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Perry hereby approve Change Order 4 for Contract 2025-011 with Greystone Project Management Inc to delay the 2.5% maintenance holdback to the release date of the 10% holdback due under the Construction Act.

Carried

Resolution No. 2026-102

Moved by: Joe Lumley

Seconded by: Margaret Ann MacPhail

Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Perry hereby receive the Report for the executed Site Plan Agreement between the Township and Mike Krause for lands legally described as Lots 25 and 26, Plan M-59, Township of Perry.

Carried

Resolution No. 2026-103

Moved by: Paul Sowrey

Seconded by: Joe Lumley

Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Perry hereby receive the 2026 O. Reg 284/09 Report presented outlining the impact of the proposed 2026 Budget.

Carried

Resolution No. 2026-104

Moved by: Paul Sowrey

Seconded by: Margaret Ann MacPhail

Whereas the Township of Perry has received a letter from the Town of Parry Sound, along with other municipalities requesting support for improved school bus safety initiatives and the expansion of stop-arm camera programs;

Now therefore be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Perry hereby supports the resolution passed by the Town of Parry Sound advocating for enhanced provincial support for school bus safety and stop-arm camera systems;

And further that Council directs staff to forward a letter to Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, Prabmeet Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation, the Hon. Graydon Smith, MPP Parry Sound-Muskoka, and all Ontario municipalities for support.

Carried

Item 9.7 Discussion – Draft Live Fire Training Unit

Resolution No. 2026-105

Moved by: Margaret Ann MacPhail

Seconded by: Joe Lumley

Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Perry hereby receive the update from the Clerk-Administrator on the Temporary Radar Speed Sign installed on Hwy 518 E at the entrance to Kearney.

Carried

Resolution No. 2026-106

Moved by: Margaret Ann MacPhail

Seconded by: Paul Sowrey

Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Perry hereby authorize the Working Roads Supervisor to review and approve reduced load exemptions for the Novar Rink Project to travel from Boundary Road and McCrandle Street to 54 McCrandle Street, subject to:

- Favourable weather and road conditions;
- Deliveries coordinated in advance;
- Authority to suspend approvals immediately if road damage risk increases.

Carried

Resolution No. 2026-107

Moved by: Joe Lumley

Seconded by: Paul Sowrey

Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Perry hereby receives Correspondence Items 10.1 to 10.30 as outlined in the Agenda of Wednesday March 4th, 2026.

Carried

The Meeting adjourned at approximately 8:05 p.m.

Dated this 18th day of March, 2026.

“ Original signed by Norm Hofstetter ”

Norm Hofstetter, Mayor

“ Original signed by Beth Morton ”

Beth Morton, Clerk-Administrator