



The Corporation of the Township of Perry

MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL

Tuesday September 29th, 2026

7:00 p.m.

Perry Township Fire Department
(64 Old Government Road, Emsdale, ON)

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

In Attendance:

Fire Hall:

Acting Mayor Joe Lumley
Councillors: Margaret Ann MacPhail, Paul
Sowrey
Beth Morton, Clerk-Administrator
Erica Cole, Deputy Clerk

Absent:

Mayor Norm Hofstetter, Councillor Jim
Cushman

**Members of the Fire
Department & Public:**

See Sign In Sheet

Opening Comments

Acting Mayor Lumley called the meeting to order at approximately 6:58 p.m.

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

Nil

Acting Mayor Lumley opened the meeting by welcoming everyone in attendance. He outlined that the Fire Chief and Deputy Fire Chief would not be attending at their discretion to allow for free flow of communication between Council and the firefighters.

Items reviewed during the meeting included an update on the potential reboot of a Fire Association to continue the growth of fundraising and community engagement, training updates, progress of the DZ Driver Training program, regional training nights, the decommissioned Novar Fire Hall, recruitment classes, the new Novar Outdoor Rink, and future tools and resource needs.

The firefighters expressed their appreciation to Council for all of the support they have received for fire services. Council is very proud of the firefighters and appreciate their dedicated service.

The firefighters did request that once the new Term of Council begins, a tour of the Fire Hall and a meet & greet with Council and firefighters would be most welcomed.

The Meeting adjourned at approximately 7:58 p.m.

Dated this 7th day of October, 2026.

"Originally Signed"

Joe Lumley, Acting Mayor

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Beth Morton, Clerk-Administrator