



The Corporation of the Township of White River

Minutes for the Regular Meeting of Council for August 13, 2025

Present:

Council:	Tara Hart	Mayor
	Dwijen Bharad	Councillor
	Rodney Swarek	Councillor
	Rob Sedore	Councillor
	Raymond St. Louis	Councillor
Staff:	Renée Berube	Deputy Clerk
	Whitney Roussy	Administrative Assistant
	Kim Morgan	Deputy Treasurer

Public: None

1. **Call meeting to order**

Mayor Hart called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

2. **Declaration of Conflict of Interest/Pecuniary Interest** None

3. **Adoption of Agenda**

Resolution No. 2025-110

Moved by: Councillor Sedore

Seconded by: Councillor Bharad

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Township of White River approves the agenda for the Regular Meeting of August 13, 2025, as circulated.

Carried

4. **Delegations/Presentations (none scheduled)**

5. **Adoption of Minutes of Prior Council Meetings (Open Session)**

Resolution No. 2025-111

Moved by: Councillor St Louis

Seconded by: Councillor Sedore

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for The Corporation of the Township of White River adopt the minutes for the open session of the Regular Council meeting of July 16, 2025, as circulated

6. **Business Arising from Minutes**

No business arising from the minutes was raised.

7. **Departmental Reports**

7.1 **Receive Departmental Reports Resolution**

Resolution No. 2025-112

Moved by: Councillor Sedore
Seconded by: Councillor St Louis

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Township of White River receive the departmental reports listed in item 7 of this evening's agenda.

Carried

7.2 Community Beautification Committee
N/A

7.3 Economic Development Committee
N/A

7.4 Water/Sewer/Public Works/Parks & Rec
N/A

7.5 Fire Department
Ready for Fireworks Friday August 15th and the BBQ Saturday August 16th

7.6 CAO/Deputy Clerk Report

The Deputy Clerk and the Acting CAO/Clerk overviewed their report for Council

7.7 Council reports

Mayor Hart met with Terry Sheehan (MP) in July discussing tariffs, tourism, and highway safety. Reiterating points of interest, including highway lighting on the corridor.

Aug 7th did two CTV interviews, one for Mayor's corner airing towards the end of August and one highlighting the importance of the forest industry to White River, Government support including the impact of tariffs.

Mayor Hart and Councillor Bharad will be attending the AMO conference starting August 18th.

The Northeast Superior Mayors Group is meeting in White River in September.

8. Correspondence

8.1 OPP

9. Resolutions

9.1 Disbursements

Resolution No. 2025-113

Moved by: Councillor Swarek
Seconded by: Councillor Bharad

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Township of White River approves the disbursements as of August 13, 2025, in the amount of \$212,126.23, as circulated

Carried

Resolution No. 2025-114

Moved by: Councillor St Louis
Seconded by: Councillor Sedore

WHEREAS the Council for the Township of White River approves the authorization of borrowing upon amortizing debentures in the principal amount of \$890,000.00 towards the cost of the Fire Truck Pumper

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law 2025-14 come into effect on date of passage

Carried

Resolution No. 2025-115

Moved by: Councillor Swarek
Seconded by: Councillor Bharad

WHEREAS the Council for the Township of White River approves the authorization of borrowing upon amortizing debentures in the principal amount of \$928,976.00 towards the cost of the Fire Hall Addition

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law 2025-15 come into effect on date of passage.

Carried

Resolution No. 2025-116

Moved by: Councillor St Louis
Seconded by: Councillor Swarek

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law 2025-16, being a By-law to establish Tax Ratios for the year 2025, be read a First, Second, Third and Final time this 13th day of August 2025.

Carried

Resolution No. 2025-117

Moved by: Councillor St Louis
Seconded by: Councillor Bharad

WHEREAS Council was presented with the proposed 2025 Operating Budget

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Township of White River hereby approves the 2025 operating budget with the Municipal Levy of \$2,086,528.85 which represents a 7% increase over the 2024 Operating Budget;

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law 2025-17, being a By-law to fix rates of taxation for all property classes for the year 2025, be read a First, Second, Third and Final time this 13th day of August 2025.

Recorded Vote: Requested by Mayor Hart
Mayor Hart in Favour
Councillor Bharad in Favour
Councillor St Louis in Favour
Councillor Sedore in Favour
Councillor Swarek in Favour

Carried

10. Other Business

10.1 Budget

11. Closed Session

Resolution No. 2025-118

Moved by: Councillor Bharad
Seconded by: Councillor Swarek

BE IT RESOLVED that the time being 8:10 p.m. the Council for the Corporation of the Township of white River close the next portion of the meeting to the public.

Carried

Resolution No. 2025-119

Moved by: Councillor St Louis
Seconded by: Councillor Sedore

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the time being 8:24 p.m. the Council for the Corporation of the Township of White River rise from Closed Session and report in Open Session.

Carried

Resolution No. 2025-120

Moved by: Councillor Swarek
Seconded by: Councillor Bharad

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Council for the Township of White River approves the Closed Session minutes of the Council meeting held on July 16, 2025, as circulated.

Carried

12. Adjournment

Resolution No. 2025-121

Moved by: Councillor Swarek

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this meeting be adjourned at 8:25 pm

Carried

13. Next Meeting

The next Council Meeting is the Regular Meeting on September 10, 2025.



Mayor



Acting CAO/Clerk