



The Corporation of the Township of White River

Minutes for the Regular Meeting of Council on January 14, 2026

Present:

Council:	Tara Hart	Mayor
	Dwijen Bharad	Councillor
	Rodney Swarek	Councillor – arrived 7:15 pm
	Rob Sedore	Councillor
	Raymond St. Louis	Councillor
Staff:	Whitney Roussy	CAO
	Renee Berube	Deputy Clerk

Public: None

1. **Call meeting to order**

Mayor Hart called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

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

3. **Adoption of Agenda**

Resolution No. 2026-01

Moved by: Councillor St Louis
Seconded by: Councillor Sedore

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Township of White River approves the Agenda for the Regular Council Meeting of January 14, 2026, as circulated.

Carried

4. **Delegations/Presentations**

None Scheduled

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

Resolution No. 2026-02

Moved by: Councillor Sedore
Seconded by: Councillor St Louis

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 December 10, 2025, as circulated.

Carried

6. **Business Arising from Minutes**

No business arising from the minutes was raised.

7. **Departmental Reports**

7.1 Receive Departmental Reports Resolution

Resolution No. 2026-03

Moved by: Councillor St Louis

Seconded by: Councillor Sedore

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
N/A

7.6 CAO/ Clerk Report
The CAO/Clerk overviewed report for Council.

7.7 Council reports
Mayor Hart attended the mayor’s meeting which focused on Ministry of Transportation issues, including highway maintenance standards, classifications, upgrades, signage, particularly for Hwy 17, 129 and Sultan Road 101.
Discussion on OPP board. White River detachment building will remain open and maintained. Looking for an active board representative.
The NFMC board needs Township representative on board.

8. **Correspondence**

- 8.1 Email: Thunder Bay Municipal League
- 8.2 Email: Noma Save the Date
- 8.3 Email: FONOM

9. **Resolutions**

9.1 Disbursements

Resolution No. 2026-04

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 December 31, 2025, in the amount of \$544,562.05 as circulated

Carried

Resolution No. 2026-05

Moved by: Councillor Sedore
Seconded by: Councillor Bharad

WHEREAS the Township of White River may be required to borrow from time to time to meet, until taxes are collected, the current expenditures of the Corporation for 2026;

AND WHEREAS the Mayor and CAO/Treasurer are authorized to borrow by way of promissory note, from the Bank of Montreal, a sum not to exceed in aggregate \$500,000.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that By-law 2026-01, being a By-law to set borrowing parameters for the Township of White River to be read a first and second time.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that By-law 2026-01, being a By-law to set borrowing parameters for the Township of White River be read a third and final time.

Carried

Resolution No. 2026-06

Moved by: Councillor St Louis
Seconded by: Councillor Sedore

WHEREAS Section 317(1) provides that the Council of a local municipality may, in a given year, before the adoption of the estimates for the year, pass a By-law to levy on the whole of the assessment for real property according to the last revised assessment roll, a sum not to exceed that which would be 50% of last years billed taxes for all classes

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that By-law 2026-02, being a by-law to provide for an interim tax levy be read a first and second time

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that By-law 2026-02, being a by-law to provide for an interim tax levy be read a third and final time

Carried

10. **Other Business**

- 10.1 Project Tracker
- 10.2 Lighting project
- 10.3 Lagoon/Water Treatment Plant
- 10.4 Heritage Bark Pile

11. **Closed Session**

None scheduled

12. Adjournment

Resolution No. 2026-07

Moved by: Councillor Swarek

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this meeting be adjourned at 7:55 pm
Carried

13. Next Meeting

The next Council Meeting is the Regular Meeting on January 28, 2026.



Mayor



CAO/Clerk