



The Corporation of the Township of White River

Minutes for the Regular Meeting of Council on November 12, 2025

Present:

Council:	Tara Hart	Mayor
	Dwijen Bharad	Councillor
	Rodney Swarek	Councillor
	Rob Sedore	Councillor
	Raymond St. Louis	Councillor
Staff:	Whitney Roussy	Administrative Assistant
	Marilyn Lethbridge	Acting CAO/Clerk
Public:	Angelo Bazzoni	
	Isabel Chiccoine	
	Nicole Simpson	

1. Call meeting to order

Mayor Hart called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Declaration of Conflict of Interest/Pecuniary Interest None

3. Adoption of Agenda

Resolution No. 2025-154

Moved by: Councillor Swarek
Seconded by: Councillor Bharad

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Township of White River approves the agenda for the Regular Meeting of November 12, 2025, as circulated.

Carried

4. Delegations/Presentations

Nicole Simpson on behalf of the Curling Club
The Club is working on recruitment and will report back by December 10th regular council meeting. Discussion on ice making and fundraising/sponsorship.

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

Resolution No. 2025-155

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 October 22, 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. 2025-156

Moved by: Councillor Bharad

Seconded by: Councillor Swarek

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

Discussion on availability of a new nurse practitioner. The committee has signed a Resolution to support up to \$25,000 to this endeavor. The first \$5,000 will be spent To have her visit the community and work from the clinic for 3 months and the rest will be spent relocating her if that is agreed upon.

Deb Hoffman presented a draft of merchandise to the committee. The committee will fund up to \$20,000 for the merchandise. She also indicated all the time she has been spending on Winnie endeavors and the committee should look into what kind of stipend could be offered to her.

Discussion on red medical van, and clinic is asking if they can still make use of it. Funding ended for the service of the van.

7.4 Water/Sewer/Public Works/Parks & Rec

N/A

7.5 Fire Department

N/A

7.6 CAO/ Clerk Report

The Acting CAO/Clerk overviewed their report for Council.

7.7 Council reports

Mayor Hart attended Superior Mayors Group meeting. There was a lot of focus on MTO issues. Discussion of doing a delegation for ROMA in January.

Discussing Highway corridors, center lane, lighting, flashing light at intersection And improvements to turning lanes.

Discussion on delegation of water and wastewater. Need Craigs(ORO) input

8. Correspondence

8.1 Email: Northern Municipal Workshop 2025

8.2 Email: Ontario's Conservation Authorities

9. Resolutions

9.1 Disbursements

Resolution No. 2025-157

Moved by: Councillor Sedore
Seconded by: Councillor Bharad

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Township of White River approves the disbursements as of November 12, 2025, in the amount of \$289,441.03 as circulated

Carried

Resolution No. 2025-158

Moved by: Councillor St Louis
Seconded by: Councillor Sedore

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law 2025-19, being a By-law to establish a schedule of fees and charges for municipal service, activities and the use of property within the Township of White River, be introduced and read a first, second and third time and finally passed and that the Mayor and Clerk do sign and seal.

Carried

Resolution No. 2025-159

Moved by: Councillor Swarek
Seconded by: Councillor Bharad

WHEREAS the Council for the Township of White River approves the hiring of Whitney Roussy to the position of Chief Administrative Officer/Treasurer/Deputy Clerk effective November 12th, 2025.

WHEREAS the Council for the Township of White River approves that Whitney Roussy be placed on the salary grid at Year One (1).

WHEREAS the performance review will take place on May 12, 2026, and any probationary time will be ended upon successful review. Home position of Finance Assistant will not be filled permanently at any time before performance review and agreement between Council and Whitney Roussy of permanent employment.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law 2025-20 being a By-law to appoint Whitney Roussy as Chief Administrative Officer/Treasurer/Deputy Clerk for the Township of White River, be introduced and read a first, second and third time and finally passed and that Mayor and Clerk do sign and seal the same, any rule of this Council to the contrary notwithstanding

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the position appointment is effective November 12, 2025.

Carried

10. **Other Business**

- 10.1 Project Tracker
- 10.2 User fees
- 10.3 Festival – Deferred
- 10.4 Emergency Management Annual Training & Exercise

11. Closed Session

None scheduled

12. Adjournment

Resolution No. 2025-160

Moved by: Councillor Swarek

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this meeting be adjourned at 8:03 pm
Carried

13. Next Meeting

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



Mayor



Acting CAO/Clerk