



The Corporation of the Township of White River

Minutes for the Regular Meeting of Council on September 10, 2025

Present:

Council:	Tara Hart	Mayor
	Dwijen Bharad	Councillor via zoom
	Rodney Swarek	Councillor
	Rob Sedore	Councillor
	Raymond St. Louis	Councillor
Staff:	Renée Berube	Deputy Clerk
	Whitney Roussy	Administrative Assistant
	Marilyn Lethbridge	Acting CAO/Clerk
Public:	Angelo Bazzoni	

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. 2025-122

Moved by: Councillor Swarek
Seconded by: Councillor Sedore

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Township of White River approves the agenda for the Regular Meeting of September 10, 2025, as circulated.

Carried

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

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

Resolution No. 2025-123

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 August 13, 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. 2025-124

Moved by: Councillor Swarek
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

Angelo Bazzoni stated there was no meeting in September yet.
Application for an Economic Development Operator has been submitted.
EDC got a quote for framed roof (pavilion) for the Winnie the Pooh Park and thinks it is something council should look into.

7.4 Water/Sewer/Public Works/Parks & Rec

Ongoing issues with the ozone. Had to revert back to aluminum piping. This will not be any expense to the Township as they were told plastic would work.

7.5 Fire Department

Councillor Swarek recommended that the official opening of the new fire hall be Put on hold until spring. Repairs are needed in the old firehall first.

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 and Councillor Bharad attended AMO. Met with six Ministers and Attended seminars regarding waste reduction. Participated in two delegations for Regional issues: Immigration and Highway
Mayor Hart met with Bill Rosenberg (MPP) with discussions on Silverlake start up and any help to move along with the start-up process.
Mayor Hart attended the NOHFC full board meeting in Sault Ste Marie and spoke with Minister Peary about area concerns and ideas for projects.

8. Correspondence

- 8.1 Emergency Preparedness
- 8.2 NOMA 2026

9. Resolutions

9.1 Disbursements

Resolution No. 2025-125

Moved by: Councillor Sedore
Seconded by: Councillor Swarek

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Township of White River approves the disbursements as of September 10, 2025, in the amount of \$648,307.00, as circulated

Carried

Resolution No. 2025-126

Moved by: Councillor St Louis
Seconded by: Councillor Sedore

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Township of White River Administrative staff have received the municipal insurance policy renewal proposal for 2025-2026 provided by Marsh Canada Limited, dated August 19, 2025.

AND THAT the quoted renewal premium is in the amount of \$118,548.00, plus applicable taxes.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Township of White River directs administrative staff to renew the insurance with Marsh for a one-year period, effective September 15, 2025, to September 15, 2026.

AND FURTHER THAT the acting CAO/Clerk be authorized to sign all relevant documents.

Carried

10. Other Business

- 10.1 CAO/Clerk job description and job ad
- 10.2 Bark Pile Update
- 10.3 Project Tracker

11. Closed Session

Resolution No. 2025-127

Moved by: Councillor St Louis
Seconded by: Councillor Swarek

BE IT RESOLVED that the time being 7:48 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. 2025-128

Moved by: Councillor Bharad
Seconded by: Councillor St Louis

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the time being 7:54 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. 2025-129

Moved by: Councillor Bharad
Seconded by: Councillor Sedore

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Council for the Township of White River approves the Closed Session minutes of the Council meeting held on August 13, 2025, as circulated.

Carried

12. Adjournment

Resolution No. 2025-130

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 September 24, 2025.



Mayor



Acting CAO/Clerk