



Regular Council Minutes

9:00 AM - Friday, May 1, 2026

Council Chambers

Present: Mayor Gerry Lichty; Deputy Mayor Roy Huetl; Councillor Fred Fowler; Councillor Vernon Hermer; Councillor Wayne Good; and Councillor Mike Hage

Absent with Regret: Councillor John Inglis

Also Present: Corey Klatt, Chief Administrative Officer, Dipl. M.A. (CAO); Tara Mieske, Clerk/Planning Manager, Dipl. M.A., M.M. (CPM) ; Adam Robinson, Director of Emergency Services/Fire Chief (DESFC); Brooke Ross, Manager of Community Development, Dipl. M.A., M.M. (MCD); Kelly Watkins, Treasurer, Dipl. M.A., M.M.; Darwyn Sproule, Public Works Manager, P. Eng.; and A.J. Watson, Deputy Fire Chief (DFC)

1. Call to Order

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

2. Traditional Land Acknowledgement

We begin this gathering by acknowledging and celebrating these traditional lands as a gathering place of the first peoples and their ancestors who are entrusted to care for Mother Earth since time immemorial. We do so respecting both the land and the Indigenous People who continue to walk with us through this world. Today, the Township of North Frontenac is committed to working with Indigenous Peoples and all residents to pursue a united path of reconciliation.

3. Approval of Agenda

a) May 1, 2026

144-26 Moved by Councillor Wayne Good, Seconded by Councillor Mike Hage

Be It Resolved That Council approves the Agenda dated May 1, 2026, as circulated.
Carried

4. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

None declared.

5. Business Profile

None.

6. Presentations

- a) ***Richard Allen, Manager of Economic Development; Debbi Miller, Community Development Officer; and Emma Stucke, Community Development Officer: County of Frontenac: Annual Report for Economic Development and Update on the K&P Trail (Annual Report provided at the meeting)***

[Frontenac K&P Trail Update](#)

[Frontenac County Economic Development Annual Report 2025](#)

145-26 Moved by Councillor Mike Hage, Seconded by Councillor Wayne Good

Be It Resolved That Council receives the presentation from Richard Allen, Manager of Economic Development; and Emma Stucke, Community Development Officer regarding the Annual Report for Economic Development and the update on the K&P Trail and thanks them for their time spent today.

Carried

7. Delegations

None.

8. Adoption of Minutes

- a) ***Minutes of the Meeting(s) to be adopted by Council***

146-26 Moved by Councillor Wayne Good, Seconded by Councillor Mike Hage

Be It Resolved That Council adopts the Minutes as circulated, of:

- A Public Meeting of Council dated April 10, 2026; and
- A Regular Meeting of Council dated April 10, 2026.

Carried

9. Business Arising Out of Minutes

None.

10. Communications

- a) ***Clerk's Administrative Report: Communications of Interest***

147-26 Moved by Councillor Mike Hage, Seconded by Councillor Wayne Good

Be It Resolved That Council receives for information Section 'A' Items of the Clerk's Administrative Report entitled "Communications of Interest."

Carried

b) Communications 'B' Section - Action Items

B1. Lakelands Family Health Team re: Doctor Recruitment Incentive - Dr. Mas'ud Adewusi

148-26 Moved by Councillor Wayne Good, Seconded by Councillor Mike Hage

Be It Resolved That Council receives the request from the Lakelands Family Health Team dated April 23, 2026 advising Dr. Mas'ud Adewusi has committed to joining the Health Team and requesting Council approve a \$15,000 per year physician incentive for five years commencing September 1, 2026;

And That Council approves this request;

And That prior to September 1, 2026 the Medical Service Agreement be provided to Council for consideration;

And That Council instructs the Treasurer to take the money for 2026 from Medical Services Reserve Fund and the future expenses are to be included in the annual budget.

Carried

149-26 Moved by Councillor Vernon Hermer, Seconded by Councillor Wayne Good

Whereas the Lakelands Family Health Team provides medical services to a significant portion of the residents of the Township of North Frontenac;

And Whereas the County of Frontenac acknowledges an ongoing commitment to Health Care recruitment and retention initiatives as established through the County's 2024-2028 Budget and Business Plan, including annual contributions towards primary care within Frontenac County;

And Whereas the Township of North Frontenac has committed \$75,000 in municipal funding payable at \$15,000/year for five years, towards supporting the retention of a much needed doctor;

Therefore Be It Resolved That the Township of North Frontenac requests the County of Frontenac to financially allocate funding in the amount of \$15,000 payable at \$3,000/year over 5 years to support the recruitment and retention of a doctor to work with the Lakelands Family Health Care organization.

Carried

11. Council, CAO, and Managers' Administrative Reports

a) Manager of Community Development's (MCD) and Manager of Community Planning: Planning Report: New Community Improvement Plan

150-26 Moved by Councillor Mike Hage, Seconded by Councillor Wayne Good

Be It Resolved That Council receives for information the Manager of Community Development's (MCD) and Manager of Community Planning, Frontenac County's Administrative Report entitled "Planning Report: New Community Improvement Plan";

And That Council will consider a By-law later in the meeting to adopt the 2026 Community Improvement Plan for the Township of North Frontenac.

Carried

- b) ***Manager of Community Development: 2026-2031 Land Use Permit with the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP) for the North Frontenac Parklands (Crotch Lake and Big Gull Lake)***

151-26 Moved by Deputy Mayor Roy Huetl, Seconded by Councillor Vernon Hermer

Be It Resolved That Council receives for information the Manager of Community Development's Administrative Report entitled "2026-2031 Land Use Permit with the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP) for the North Frontenac Parklands (Crotch Lake and Big Gull Lake)".

And That Council approves the 2026-2031 Land Use Permit for operation of the North Frontenac Parklands.

Carried

- c) ***Director of Emergency Services/Fire Chief: North Frontenac Fire Department (NFFD) Annual Report - 2025***

152-26 Moved by Councillor Vernon Hermer, Seconded by Deputy Mayor Roy Huetl

Be It Resolved That Council receives the Director of Emergency Services/Fire Chief's Administrative Report entitled "North Frontenac Fire Department Annual Report 2025" for information purposes.

Carried

- d) ***Director of Emergency Services/Fire Chief: Review of Apparatus in the Current Fleet - New Pumper Tanker Placement***

153-26 Moved by Deputy Mayor Roy Huetl, Seconded by Councillor Vernon Hermer

Be It Resolved That Council receives for information, the Director of Emergency Services / Fire Chief's (DESFC) Administrative report entitled, "Review of Apparatus in the Current Fleet - New Pumper Tanker Placement";

And That Council instructs the DESFC and Treasurer to facilitate the sale of the 2009 Seagrave pumper;

And That Council instructs the DESFC to investigate options regarding a new Fire Master Plan in 2027.

Carried

12. External Committees/Local Boards/Task Force Notes and Reports

- a) ***Housing Advisory Task Force***

154-26 Moved by Councillor Vernon Hermer, Seconded by Deputy Mayor Roy Huetl

Be It Resolved That Council receives for information the Notes of the Housing Advisory

Task Force dated April 8, 2026.

Carried

13. Giving Notice of Motion (By a Member of Council to the Clerk for Council's consideration for inclusion on the next Meeting Agenda)

a) Notice of Motion - Councillor Hermer

155-26 Moved by Councillor Vernon Hermer, Seconded by Councillor Fred Fowler

Be It Resolved That Council receives a Notice of Motion from Councillor Hermer regarding the rules around "Housekeeping" with respect to By-laws;

And That Council will discuss the matter at the May 21, 2026 Meeting.

Carried

Assumption of Chair

Deputy Mayor Huetl assumed the Chair for Item 13 (b) Notice of Motion - Mayor Lichty

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156-26 Moved by Mayor Gerry Lichty, Seconded by Councillor Fred Fowler

Be It Resolved That Council receives a Notice of Motion from Mayor Lichty requesting staff prepare a strategy to ensure North Frontenac residents remain informed and the Township is prepared to structure an organized response as and if necessary regarding the ALTO project;

And That Council will discuss the matter at the May 21, 2026 Meeting.

Carried

14. Motions, Written Notice of which has been Given (By a Member of Council and approved by Council at a prior Meeting)

None.

15. Council Portfolio Verbal Reports

a) Each Council member has a portfolio for which they are responsible and provided a verbal report for information purposes.

16. Introduction and Reading of By-laws

a) By-law(s) to be Considered:

157-26 Moved by Deputy Mayor Roy Huetl, Seconded by Councillor Vernon Hermer

Be It Resolved That leave be given the Mover to introduce the following By-law that has been circulated to all members of Council:

- By-law #2026-30 - To Adopt a Community Improvement Plan;

And That this By-law be read a first, second and third time and finally passed.

Carried

17. Public Forum

The Mayor invited comments from the public attending the meeting in person and virtually. These Public Comments will not form part of the Council Minutes.

Note: The Mayor advised he has a conflict of interest with items being discussed in the Closed Session and recused himself from the meeting. Deputy Mayor Huetl assumed the Chair.

The MCD, PWM, DESFC and AFC left the meeting at this time.

18. Closed Session

a) ***Closed Meeting of Council***

158-26 Moved by Councillor Vernon Hermer, Seconded by Deputy Mayor Roy Huetl

Be It Resolved That Council retires to Closed Session at 10:30 a.m. to:

- a. Adopt Minutes of a Closed Session held April 10, 2026;
- b. Discuss Requests under the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act;
- c. Receive Advice that is Subject to Solicitor-Client Privilege, including Communications Necessary for that Purpose; and
- d. Discuss Personal Matters about an Identifiable Individual, including municipal or local board employees

Carried

19. Rise and Report (Overview of the Closed Session by the Presiding Officer)

The Deputy Mayor advised Council discussed the following in closed session:

1. ***Adopt Minutes of a Closed Session held April 10, 2026;***
2. ***Discuss Requests under the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act;***
3. ***Receive Advice that is Subject to Solicitor-Client Privilege, including Communications Necessary for that Purpose; and***
4. ***Discuss Personal Matters about an Identifiable Individual, including municipal or local board employees***

20. Confirmatory By-law

a) ***Confirming By-law #2026-31***

159-26 Moved by Councillor Fred Fowler, Seconded by Councillor Vernon Hermer

Be It Resolved That By-law #2026-31 being a By-law to confirm all actions and

proceedings of Council for its Regular Meeting held May 1, 2026 be read a first, second, and third time and finally passed.

Carried

21. Adjournment

a) *Adjournment of Meeting*

160-26 Moved by Councillor Vernon Hermer, Seconded by Councillor Fred Fowler

Be It Resolved That Council adjourns the Meeting at 11:22 a.m. until May 21, 2026 or at the call of the Chair.

Carried

Mayor

Clerk