

Council Meeting Highlights



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Council Meeting | February 3, 2026

Senior Active Living Centre in Dungannon

Stephanie Hartwick representing the MacKay Centre – Dungannon requested \$10,000 in funding to support their Senior Active Living Grant which is a requirement for the application. Council requested that the MacKay Centre provide financials to support the budget line item, as well as a staff report on the ramifications of issuing funds to organizations as part of granting applications.

2025 Council Remuneration and Expenses

Section 284(1) of the Municipal Act, R.S.O. 2001, requires the Treasurer of a municipality to prepare and submit to Council by March 31, each year, an itemized statement of the remuneration and expenses paid to each member of Council in respect of their services as a member of Council in the preceding year.

2025 Statement of Remuneration for Members of Council

Member of Council	Remuneration (Stipend)	Remuneration for Meetings	Total Remuneration
Blake, Curtis	8,023.00	3,114.20	11,137.20
Forster, Wayne	8,023.00	6,114.69	14,137.69
Hickey, Evan	8,023.00	5,787.27	13,810.27
McNeil, Glen	12,417.00	11,093.41	23,510.41
Miltenburg, Jennifer	8,023.00	10,037.44	18,060.44
Snobelen, Anita	8,023.00	7,611.79	15,634.79
Vanstone, Bill	8,754.00	5,767.27	14,521.27

2025 Statement of Expenses for Members of Council

Member of Council	Meetings Travel	Conference & Training Registration	Conference & Training Hotel	Conference & Training Meals	Conference & Training Travel	Total Expenses
Blake, Curtis	-	-	-	-	-	-
Forster, Wayne	781.04	681.79	538.84	270.17	275.57	2,547.41
Hickey, Evan	-	681.79	587.38	-	-	1,269.17
McNeil, Glen	896.84	1,581.49	1,891.55	317.02	440.86	5,127.76
Miltenburg, Jennifer	976.54	1,187.56	1,153.69	45.03	937.10	4,299.92
Snobelen, Anita	362.32	-	-	-	-	362.32
Vanstone, Bill	460.11	50.00	-	-	-	510.11

Delegated Consent - C64, C65, C66, C67 Zelinka Priamo (Century Design Building Ltd-Smith)

Consent Application C64-2025, C65-2025, C66-2025, C67-2025, applicant Zelinka Priamo Ltd. c/o Dave Hannam property located at 34696 Blyth Road is recommended by Council to the County of Huron that Consent Applications be approved subject to the conditions set out in the Recommended Conditions.

Community Onsite Septic Inspection Program - 2025 Report

The program so far has documented 303 onsite septic/sewage systems in 2024 and 604 onsite septic/sewage systems in 2025 for a total of 907 systems to date. These systems have been inspected for the purposes of the Community Onsite Septic Inspection Program or have had their new installation recorded. 105 systems currently have one or more outstanding deficiencies.

Accumulated Deficiencies for 2024 & 2025 Inspection Seasons

Deficiency Type	Number of Systems Affected
Pump Out Required	34
Haulage Agreement Required	28
High Water / High Level Alarm Required	23
Outlet Obstruction / Liquid Above Outlet Pipe	16
Inlet Baffle Required or Repair Needed	15
Outlet Baffle Required or Repair Needed	9
Lid Issues (broken, not exposed, incorrect, replacement required)	14
Photos or Receipts Required for Verification	18
Permit Required / Grey Water Compliance	7
Leaching Bed Issues (replacement, vegetation, exposure)	5
Monitoring / Follow-Up Ongoing	6
Unspecified Remedial Action Outstanding	19
Missed or Incomplete Inspections	5
System Failure/Building Deficiency	2
Refused Inspection	2

**Please note that many septic/sewage systems have multiple deficiencies; therefore, totals by deficiency type represent occurrences, not the number of individual systems.

Community Improvement Plan for ACW

At its most recent meeting, the Economic Development Committee passed a motion recommending that Council proceed with the development of a Community Improvement Plan (CIP) under Section 28 of the Planning Act and requesting to act as the advisory body for the project. Council’s consideration and direction are required to formally initiate the CIP process. Council directed staff to initiate the development the plan and approved the Economic Development Committee act as the advisory body for the Community Improvement Plan, including participation in its preparation, consultation process, and review of the draft plan prior to submission to Council for approval by by-law.

Council Meeting | February 17, 2026

Zoning By-Law Amendment Application File Z02-2025 Shelter

Council approved the zoning changes for the property located at Concession 6, West Part Lot 14, Wawanosh on Glen's Hill Road to amend a portion of the zoning on the subject property from NE1 (Natural Environment) to NE1-special (Natural Environment – Special Zone). The property will rezone a portion of the subject lands to permit one single detached dwelling with an accessory structure and result in approximately 5ac being developed.

Housing-Enabling Water Systems Fund - Payment Transfer Agreement

Council authorized the execution of the Housing-Enabling Water Systems Fund (HEWSF) Intake II Top-Up - Transfer Payment Agreement by by-law. Approximately \$250,000 in costs incurred for the Century Heights Water System expansion project after August 2025 and are expected to be eligible for reimbursement under HEWSF, subject to final claim review. While the eligible amount is significantly less than the maximum approved contribution, the HEWSF program remains in effect and funding is available for eligible costs incurred within the approved timeframe. Staff will continue working with Ministry representatives to maximize eligible cost recovery under the program.

Pothole Prevention and Repair Program - Payment Transfer Agreement

Council authorize staff to sign the transfer payment agreement with the Province of Ontario for the Pothole Prevention and Repair Program. The Township is eligible for funding in the amount of \$38,000 to complete the Pothole Prevention Program.

Consolidated Fee By-Law Update

Updates to the Consolidated Fee By-Law were made to include the Short-Term Licensing fee and updated building fees.

On-Call Pay Policy

Staff are recommending that the existing On-Call Pay Policy be amended and be increased to \$6 per hour (currently \$3 per hour) only on days when the employee is on the On-Call scheduled from December 1st to March 31st. Implementing this increase would support seasonal employee retention. Staff will bring back the amended policy to a future meeting for consideration.

Gravel Tender 2026

Council accepted the tender received from Johnson Bros. (Bothwell) Ltd. and authorized pre-budget approval in the amount of \$796,039.80 including H.S.T. for the 2026 Maintenance Gravel.

Calcium Tender 2026

Council accepted the lowest bid received from Da-Lee Dust Control Limited and authorized pre-budget approval in the amount of \$229,653.00 including H.S.T. to supply and apply approximately 475 tons of liquid calcium chloride for 2026.

Upcoming Meeting Dates

- Council Meeting – March 3, 2026, at 9:00 a.m.
- Special Council Meeting – Budget – March 13, 2026, at 9:00 a.m.
- Council Meeting – March 17, 2026, at 9:00 a.m.
- Council Meeting – April 7, 2026, at 9:00 a.m.
- Council Meeting – April 21, 2026, at 9:00 a.m.