

Council Meeting

JANUARY 2026

Highlights



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Minor Variance Application File MV 04-2025 Jantzi

The Township of Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh Committee of Adjustment denied the Minor Variance Application MV04-2025 Jantzi on the basis that the requested variance does not maintain the intent of the ACW Zoning By-law or the ACW Official Plan, cannot be considered minor, and is not desirable for the appropriate development of the land. As such, the application does not satisfy the four tests of a minor variance under Section 45 of the Planning Act.

2025 Year End Building Report

Total square meters of new construction for the 2025 year was 30855.03m² compared to 33738.66m² squared in 2024. The total number of Building Permits issued was 157 compared to 190 in 2025. The total Building Permit Estimate Value of Construction was \$27,112,320 down from \$33,812,547 the previous year.

Delegated Consents - November 2025 & January 2026

Consent Application C49-2025, applicant Brian Scully property located at Concession 2, North Part Lot 15, Wawanosh, Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh. This undisputed consent was granted provisional consent November 20, 2025. The purpose and effect of the application is to sever a portion of the subject property for the purpose of a surplus farm severance.

Consent Application C52-2025, applicant Dirk Nauwelaerts property located at Concession 6, West Part Lot 18, Wawanosh, Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh. This undisputed consent was granted provisional consent November 20, 2025. The purpose and effect of the application is to sever a portion of the subject property for the purpose of a surplus farm severance.

Consent Applications C56-2025 & C57-2025, applicant Gowan Brigg Inc. c/o Melinda Zurbrigg property located at Concession Broken Frontage (BF), Part Lot 6; RP22R7309, Part 2, Colborne, Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh. The undisputed consents were granted provisional consent January 6, 2026. The purpose and effect of the applications is to facilitate the creation of two residential parcels intended for future development.

Consent Application C61-2025, applicant Brenda Topor c/o Amanda McClenaghan property located at Concession 9 Western Division (WD), Part Lot 9, Ashfield, Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh. This undisputed consent was granted provisional consent January 6, 2026. The purpose and effect of the application is to sever a portion of the subject property and merging it with the adjacent agricultural property.

Public Works Activity Report - December 2025

The Blue box program has expanded to include laminate paper containers, foam packaging and black plastics. Visit <https://acwtownship.ca/content/residents/news/final-on-detailed-material-list.pdf> for a complete list of acceptable items.

The new playground equipment has been installed at Benmiller Park. Woodchips and construction of the fence to be delivered in spring.

Safety Clothing and Footwear Allowance Policy Amendment

Township staff are recommending that the Safety Clothing and Footwear allowance rate is increased from \$500 to \$600 to keep pace with the average spending on safety clothing for employees. The current rate of reimbursement has been in place since 2021. Staff will bring back the amended policy to a future meeting.

Upcoming Meeting Dates

- Council Meeting – February 3, 2026, at 9:00 a.m.
- Council Meeting – February 17, 2026, at 9:00 a.m.
- Council Meeting – March 3, 2026, at 9:00 a.m.
- Council Meeting – March 17, 2026, at 9:00 a.m.