

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council of the Township of Douro-Dummer

**October 7, 2025, 5:00 PM
Council Chambers in the Municipal Building**

Member Present: **Mayor Heather Watson
Deputy Mayor Harold Nelson
Councillor Thomas Watt
Councillor Ray Johnston
Councillor Shelagh Landsmann**

Staff Present: **C.A.O. - Todd Davis
Clerk - Deputy C.A.O. - Martina Chait-Hartwig
Manager of Public Works - Jake Condon
Junior Financial Analyst – Jijo Joshy**

1. Call to Order

With a quorum of Council being present, the Mayor called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.

2. Land Acknowledgement

The Mayor recited the Land Acknowledgement.

3. Moment of Silent Reflection

Council observed a moment of silent reflection.

4. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest:

The Mayor reminded members of Council of their obligation to declare any pecuniary interest they might have. None were declared.

5. Adoption of Agenda: October 7, 2025

Resolution Number 262-2025

Moved by: Councillor Watt

Seconded by: Councillor Landsmann

That the agenda for the Regular Council Meeting, dated October 7, 2025, be adopted, as circulated.

Carried

6. Adoption of Minutes and Business Arising from the Minutes:

6.1 Regular Council Meeting - September 15, 2025

6.2 Special Council Meeting - September 23, 2025

Resolution Number 263-2025

Moved by: Councillor Johnston

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Nelson

That the Minutes from the Regular Council meeting held on September 15, 2025, and the Special Council meeting held on September 23, 2025, be received and approved. Carried

7. Consent Agenda (Reports voted upon by ONE motion) - No Debate:

7.1 Peterborough County Council Minutes - August 6, 2025, and August 13, 2025

7.2 Kawartha Lake Stewards Association - Thank you letter for continued support and community grant

7.3 OPP letter - Regulatory amendments affecting the 2026 Annual Billing Statement

Resolution Number 264-2025

Moved by: Councillor Johnston

Seconded by: Councillor Landsmann

That the Consent Agenda for October 7, 2025, be received and that item 7.3 be moved to Section 12 - Correspondence - Action Items for discussion. Carried

8. Delegations, Petitions, Presentations or Public Meetings:

8.1 Presentation - Steven Reader and Nick Didomenico, Ontario Green Peaker
- Bioenergy-based electrical capacity project

Resolution Number 265-2025

Moved by: Councillor Johnston

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Nelson

That the Ontario Green Peaker presentation regarding bioenergy-based electrical capacity project be received. Carried

Resolution Number 266-2025

Moved by: Councillor Watt

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Nelson

That the council of Douro-Dummer supports the submission of a Proposal for the Long-Term Capacity Services Project located on the Municipal Project Lands; and,

That this resolution's sole purpose is to satisfy the mandatory requirements of Section 4.2(c)(iii) of the LT2(c-1) RFP and may not be used for the purpose of any other form of approval in relation to the Proposal or Long-Term Capacity Services Project or for any other purpose. *For further clarity, this resolution is intended to allow the Project to be submitted to the IESO LT2(c-1) RFP and does not supersede any applicable permits or approvals under applicable Laws and Regulations that may be required for the project; and,*

That the Proponent has undertaken, or has committed to undertake, Indigenous and community engagement activities in respect of the Long-Term Capacity Services Project to the satisfaction of the Municipality; and,

That the Municipal Project Lands DO NOT include lands designated as Prime Agricultural Areas in the Town of Douro-Dummer's Official Plan.

Carried

8.2 Presentation - Maggie Pearson, Library CEO - Douro-Dummer Public Library Strategic Plan

Resolution Number 267-2025

Moved by: Councillor Watt

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Nelson

That the report, dated September 30, 2025, regarding the Douro-Dummer Public Library Strategic Plan Report, be received for information with thanks.

Carried

9. Public Comment Period - No Debate or Decision: None

10. Staff Reports:

10.1 Procurement Update - October 2025 - Treasurer-2025-25

Resolution Number 268-2025

Moved by: Councillor Johnston

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Nelson

That the report Treasurer-2025-25, dated October 7, 2025, regarding Procurement Update – October 2025 be received; and,

That Rose Scale Ltd. be awarded the contract to replace the Hall's Glen Transfer Station weigh scale in the amount of \$97,350 plus applicable taxes.

Carried

10.2 2026 Regular Council Meeting Schedule - Clerk's Office-2025-22

Resolution Number 269-2025

Moved by: Councillor Landsmann

Seconded by: Councillor Johnston

That the report Clerk's Office-2025-22, dated October 7, 2025, regarding the Council and Committee of the Whole meeting schedules for 2026 be received and approved.

Carried

10.3 Group Benefits Renewal Report - 2025 - Clerk's Office-2025-23

Resolution Number 270-2025

Moved by: Councillor Johnston

Seconded by: Councillor Landsmann

That the report Clerk's Office-2025-23, October 7, 2025, regarding the Group Benefits Program for 2025, Renewal Report be received for information.

Carried

11. Committee Minutes and Other Reports:

11.1 Douro-Dummer Public Library Board Meeting Minutes - June 10, 2025

Resolution Number 271-2025

Moved by: Councillor Landsmann

Seconded by: Councillor Johnston

That the minutes from the Township of Douro-Dummer Library Board meeting held June 10, 2025, be received.

Carried

12. Correspondence – Action Items:

12.1 Municipality of Brighton - Resolution Regarding Electoral Reform to Empower and Protect Democracy

Resolution Number 272-2025

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Nelson

Seconded by: Councillor Watt

That the Resolution from the Municipality of Brighton, dated September 15, 2025, regarding Electoral Reform to Empower and Protect Democracy be received and supported.

Carried

12.2 City of Dryden - Resolution regarding Mandatory Water Safety and Swim-to-Survive Training

Resolution Number 273-2025

Moved by: Councillor Landsmann

Seconded by: Councillor Johnston

That the Resolution from the City of Dryden, dated September 22, 2025, regarding Mandatory Water Safety and Swim-to-Survive Training be received and supported.

Carried

12.3 City of Kitchener - Resolution regarding Postage Costs

Resolution Number 274-2025

Moved by: Councillor Watt

Seconded by: Councillor Johnston

That the resolution from the City of Kitchener, dated September 26, 2025, regarding Postage Costs be received.

Carried

12.4 OPP letter - Regulatory amendments affecting the 2026 Annual Billing Statement

Resolution Number 275-2025

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Nelson

Seconded by: Councillor Landsmann

That the letter from the OPP, dated September 26, 2025, regarding Regulatory amendments affecting the 2026 Annual Billing Statement be received.

Carried

13. By-laws:

13.1 By-law Number 2025-34 - Amend Consolidated Road Speed By-law 2018-39, as amended, to restrict speed on a portion of Douro Second Line Road

Moved by: Councillor Johnston

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Nelson

That the By-law 2025-34 being a By-law to amend consolidated road speed By-law 2018-39, as amended, to restrict speed on portion of Douro Second Line Road be passed, in open Council this 7th day of October 2025 and that the Mayor and the Clerk be directed to sign same and affix the Corporate Seal thereto. Carried

13.2 By-law Number 2025-35 - Appointment of Treasurer and Repeal of By-law 2025-29

Moved by: Councillor Watt

Seconded by: Councillor Landsmann

That the By-law 2025-35 being a By-law to appoint a Treasurer and Repeal By-law 2025-29 be passed, in open Council this 7th day of October 2025 and that the Mayor and the Clerk be directed to sign same and affix the Corporate Seal thereto. Carried

14. Reports derived from previous Notice of Motions: None

15. Notices of Motion - No Debate: None

16. Announcements:

Heather Watson - The new Peterborough County OPP Detachment Board - is asking community members to send in their applications to become a Community Appointee for their new Board. The Board serves as link between the Ontario Provincial Police and the communities they serve. Applications will be accepted until Friday October 24th, 2025.

Tom Watt - Council would like to welcome all community members to the Town Hall for a Coffee and Conversation Community Engagement Event on October 23, 2025, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

17. Closed Session:

Resolution Number 276-2025

Moved by: Councillor Johnston

Seconded by: Councillor Watt

That Council move into Closed Session for the following reasons:

Reasons for the Closed Session of Council:

Section 239 (2) of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25

(b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees;

(c) a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board;

(k) a position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board. 2001, c. 25, s. 239 (2); 2017, c. 10, Sched. 1, s. 26. (6:10 p.m.)

Carried

18. Rise from Closed Session with or without a Report:

Resolution Number 277-2025

Moved by: Councillor Johnston

Seconded by: Councillor Watt

That Council rise from Closed Session without a report at 6:34 p.m. Carried

19. Matters Arising from Closed Session: None

20. Confirming By-law: 2025-36

Moved by: Councillor Landsmann

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Nelson

That By-law Number 2025-36, being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of the Regular Meeting of Council, held on the 7th day of October 2025, be passed in open Council and that the Mayor and the Clerk be directed to sign same and affix the Corporate Seal thereto. Carried

21. Next Meetings:

October 16, 2025 – Special Council Meeting regarding 2026 Budget at 10 a.m.

October 21, 2025 – Regular Council meeting at 5:00 p.m.

22. Adjournment

Resolution Number 278-2025

Moved by: Councillor Landsmann

Seconded by: Councillor Watt

That this meeting adjourn at 6:35 p.m.

Carried

Mayor, Heather Watson

Clerk, Martina Chait-Hartwig