

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL IN CHAMBERS
TUESDAY, AUGUST 19, 2025, 7:00 PM
MEETING MINUTES

The Regular Meeting of Council of the Corporation of the Township of Assiginack was held in the Council Chambers on Tuesday August 19th, 2025, at 7:00 pm.

Present: Mayor Brenda Reid
Councillor Jennifer Hooper
Councillor Janice Bowerman
Councillor Robert Maguire

Staff: Alton Hobbs, CAO, Deputy Clerk
Stasia Carr, Clerk
Freda Bond, Taxes & Utilities Manager
TJ Tilcox, Public Works Superintendent of Public Works, and
Infrastructure

Regrets: Councillor Dwayne Elliott
Deb MacDonald, Treasurer, Deputy CAO

OPENING

#165-08-2025 R Maguire – J Hooper

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Regular Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Assiginack be opened for business at 7:00 pm, with a quorum of members present, with Mayor Reid presiding in the Chair.

Carried

The land acknowledgement was read.

AGENDA

#166-08-2025 J Hooper – R Maguire

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the agenda as presented.

Carried

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DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None declared.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fall Fair reminder – September 5 & 6, 2025

Thank you to Cooper Farm for opening up their sunflower field to the public.

Market reminder from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Fridays.

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

#167-08-2025 R Maguire – J Hooper

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we adopt the minutes of the Meeting of Regular Council of Tuesday July 15th, 2025.

Carried

DELEGATIONS

None

REPORTS

#168-08-2025 J Hooper – R Maguire

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we accept the 2025/26 Inspection Report for the Manitowaning Drinking Water System as presented.

Carried

#169-08-2025 J Hooper – R Maguire

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council accepts "Blizzard Wizard" as the winning entry in the *Name the Snow Plow* Contest and thank the public for their enthusiastic participation.

Carried

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#170-08-2025 R Maguire – J Hooper

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council adopts the amended Multi Year Accessibility Plan and Statement as presented.

Carried

#171-08-2025 R Maguire – J Hooper

WHEREAS Council is committed to improving accessibility and inclusion in community recreation spaces;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council direct staff to apply to the *Enhancing Access to Spaces for Everybody Fund* to support the development of the public beach recreation area as an accessible space.

Carried

#172-08-2025 J Bowerman – R Maguire

WHEREAS staff have obtained quotations for a front loader;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the purchase of a replacement loader as presented, and direct staff to proceed with the acquisition;

FURTHER the Township's current loader is repurposed for use at the Townships landfill.

Carried

#173-08-2025 R Maguire – J Bowerman

WHEREAS the City of North Bay has circulated their letter to the Province requesting the NORDS pilot program to become a permanent funding opportunity to Northern municipalities and to expand the criteria to include agricultural equipment impact on roads;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT Assiginack Council agrees and provides their support of this request.

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#174-08-2025 J Bowerman – R Maguire

WHEREAS the Township of Nairn and Hyman and the United Chiefs and Councils of Mnidoo Mnising have circulated letters expressing their opposition to the proposed transport of niobium mine tailings to the Agnew Lake Tailings Management Area;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Township of Assiginack fully supports their opposition to this proposal and affirms its commitment to protecting the local environment and community interests.

Carried

#175-08-2025 J Hooper – J Bowerman

BE IT RESOLVED THAT correspondence from the City of St Catharines regarding the Elect Respect Pledge Campaign is accepted as information.

Carried

#176-08-2025 J Bowerman – R Maguire

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law # 2025-21, being a by-law to Appoint a By-law Officer to Authorize the Appointment of By-laws be given a first, second, and third final reading and enacted in open council.

Carried

#177-08-2025 J Hooper – J Bowerman

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law # 2025-22, being a by-law to amend by-law 2025-19 Regulate Trailer and Tents be given a first, second, and third final reading and enacted in open council.

Carried

#178-08-2025 J Bowerman – J Hooper

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law # 2025-23, being a by-law to amend by-law 2025-20 Regulate and Control Parking and Traffic in the Township of Assiginack be given a first, second, and third final reading and enacted in open council.

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#179-08-2025 R Maguire – J Bowerman

THAT Council adjourns at 7:45 p.m. and reconvene at the next regular council meeting on September 16, 2025, or at the call of the chair.

Carried

Brenda Reid, MAYOR

Stasia Carr, CLERK

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*These Minutes have been circulated but are not considered Official until approved by Council