



MINUTES - REGULAR MEETING
Monday, August 10, 2026

**Mayor Lynda Carleton, Deputy Mayor Ron McLaren, Councillor Blair Flowers, Councillor Pearl Ivens
Councillor Neil Scarlett, Clerk Administrator Angela Loney and Deputy Clerk Teresa Coombs.**

1. Call to Order and Land Acknowledgement

The Township of Machar acknowledges the Robinson-Huron and Williams Treaties on the land of the Anishinabek that we meet today. We seek to work respectfully with Indigenous people, and are thankful for their teachings and stewardship of the land.

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof; Nil.

2. Public Meeting/Guests and Delegations

2.1 Leah and Austin Toth - Huntsville Cancer Clinic, Resolution

116-2026

Moved By Flowers

Seconded By Scarlett

THAT we thank Leah Toth for her delegation regarding the Huntsville Cancer Clinic;
THAT the Huntsville Cancer Clinic currently provides vital oncology services to residents in the Almaguin Area;
FURTHER THAT we direct staff to allow the collection of signatures via a copy of the available petition to the public at the municipal office;
AND FURTHER THAT we direct staff to distribute this resolution to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier, The Honourable Sylvia Jones, Deputy Premier and Minister of Health, the Honourable Graydon Smith, MPP Muskoka Parry Sound, the Honourable Scott Aitchison MP Muskoka Parry Sound, FONOM, AMO, NOMA, and all affected municipalities in the Almaguin Area.

Carried

3. Minutes of Previous Meetings

3.1 Adoption of Minutes, Resolution

117-2026

Moved By Scarlett

Seconded By McLaren

THAT we adopt Jul 13, 2026 minutes.

Carried

4. Business

4.1 Mutual Assistance Agreement 2014, Resolution

An agreement that allows for contracted municipalities to assist one another, and authorizes the Clerk to make and approve those requests on the municipalities' behalf.

118-2026

Moved By Scarlett

Seconded By McLaren

THAT we authorize staff to respond favorably to an updated agreement;
FURTHER THAT we agree to contribute one fifth share of the legal costs for same.

Carried

4.2 BLRA - Letter requesting Council initiate an Official Plan Amendment to apply the Township's existing Policy 2 Planning Framework to Bray Lake.

Letter and petition received in the public record. Draft response reviewed and approved.

5. Accounts

5.1 List of Proposed Payments for July, Resolution

119-2026

Moved By Ivens

Seconded By Scarlett

THAT we approve List of Proposed Payments for Jul, 2026: \$322,821.76 Grand Total.

Carried

a. Near North Snow Drifters - Sponsor a hole or make a prize donation

Admin to prepare a gift bag prize of Township of Machar swag to donate.

6. Boards and Committees

6.1 Machar Public Works minutes of Jul 16, Resolution

Hazmat date to be added to the website's pop-up alert.

120-2026

Moved By Scarlett

Seconded By McLaren

THAT we accept Public Works minutes of Jul 16, 2026.

Carried

6.2 Central Almaguin Planning Board minutes of May 6, May 20, and Jun 3 2026, Resolution

121-2026

Moved By Ivens

Seconded By Scarlett

THAT we acknowledge Planning minutes of May 6, May 20 and Jun 3, 2026.

Carried

7. Information

7.1 MFOA letter to Acting Minister of Infrastructure - Making permanent the doubling of the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund (OCIF) that is scheduled to end after the 2026 allocation, Resolution

122-2026

Moved By Ivens

Seconded By McLaren

THAT the Township of Machar supports the Jun 25, 2026 correspondence of the Municipal Finance Officers' Association of Ontario regarding making permanent the doubling of the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund (OCIF) that is scheduled to end after the 2026 allocation; and

THAT this supporting resolution be circulated to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Minister of Finance, and MPP Graydon Smith.

Carried

7.2 Resolution of Support - Sustainable Provincial Fire Services Funding

7.3 Twp of Armour - Motion 158 Hwy 11 and 17 - Rest Stops-Areas

123-2026

Moved By Ivens

Seconded By McLaren

THAT we support information items 7.2 & 7.3.

Carried

8. In-Camera (Closed) Session, Resolution

124-2026

Moved By Scarlett

Seconded By Ivens

THAT we proceed into Closed Session in order to address a matter pertaining to; personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees; labour relations or employee negotiations. Time: 7:13 pm.

Carried

125-2026

Moved By Scarlett

Seconded By Ivens

THAT we come out of Closed Session. Time: 7:27 pm.

Carried

26-2026

Moved By McLaren

Seconded By Flowers

THAT we give 1st, 2nd, 3rd and final reading to By-Law No. 12-26; being a by-law to appoint a Deputy Treasurer.

Carried

127-2026

Moved By Scarlett

Seconded By Ivens

THAT we give 1st, 2nd, 3rd and final reading to By-Law No. 13-26; being a by-law to appoint a Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer.

Carried

10. Adjournment

128-2026

Moved By McLaren

Seconded By Scarlett

THAT we give 1st, 2nd, 3rd and final reading to Confirming By-Law and that we adjourn until our Regular meeting scheduled for Sep 14, 2026.

Carried

Lynda Carleton, Mayor

Angela Loney, Clerk Administrator