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March 13, 2026

Via Email

The Honourable Doug Ford
Premier of Ontario
premier@ontario.ca

Re: Request for a Comprehensive Review of the Provincial-Municipal Fiscal Framework

Please be advised that at its meeting held on March 9, 2026, the Council of the Town of Whitby adopted the following as Resolution # 41-26:

Whereas current provincial–municipal fiscal arrangements are undermining the Town of Whitby’s economic prosperity and the quality of life of its residents;
Whereas nearly one third of all municipal spending in Ontario is directed toward services in areas of provincial responsibility, with expenditures outpacing provincial contributions by approximately \$4 billion annually;

Whereas the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) has emphasized that the ongoing requirement for municipalities to fund provincial responsibilities—such as social housing, health related capital obligations, and social services—results in at least \$1.5 billion annually in net municipal expenditures for social housing alone, a problem unique to Ontario;

Whereas municipalities are further required to contribute 10% of capital funding for new provincial hospitals, diverting local revenue away from essential municipal infrastructure;

Whereas municipal revenue sources, primarily property taxes, do not grow at the same rate as the economy or inflation, yet municipalities—including the Town of Whitby—are responsible for managing major growth related infrastructure such as roads, transit, water, sewer, fire, and parks;

Whereas only 34 cents of every residential property tax dollar collected in Whitby remains with the Town, while 55 cents flows to the Region of Durham and 11 cents to school boards;

Whereas AMO has highlighted that provincial housing related revenues—including \$5.8 billion in Land Transfer Tax revenues in 2021/22, which exceeded the provincial budget plan by \$2 billion, as well as billions in HST revenue from new home construction—are not currently shared with municipalities, despite being generated by housing activity that requires significant local infrastructure investment;

Whereas AMO has stated that allocating a portion of these housing related provincial revenues to municipalities would provide a predictable, growth linked revenue stream necessary to support housing targets and the expansion of critical public infrastructure;

Whereas AMO has cautioned that proposals to reduce or limit development charges shift costs away from growth and onto existing property taxpayers, threatening the ability of municipalities to finance essential infrastructure, given that most municipal reserves are already allocated to specific projects or required for responsible asset management practices; and,

Whereas municipal staff have already identified \$2.5 million in expenditure reductions for 2026 and continue to identify efficiencies through the ongoing 2026 Core Services Review.

Therefore, be it resolved that:

1. The Council of the Town of Whitby once again calls upon the Province of Ontario to work collaboratively with the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) and Ontario Big City Mayors (OBCM) to undertake a comprehensive Social and Economic Prosperity Review to modernize and realign the provincial–municipal fiscal framework, ensuring that municipal revenues are aligned with the actual costs of today’s service delivery and growth;
2. The Town of Whitby requests that this review specifically address the \$4 billion annual gap where municipal property taxes are currently used to fund provincial responsibilities, including social housing, health, and transit, and further evaluate:
 - the \$1.5 billion annual municipal burden created by the provincial download of social housing costs;
 - the requirement for municipalities to fund 10% of provincial hospital capital projects; and,
 - the opportunity to allocate a portion of provincial Land Transfer Tax and HST revenues generated by housing activity to municipal infrastructure supporting growth.

3. The Province be urged to establish a predictable, housing linked revenue stream for municipalities that reflects the economic, social, and infrastructure demands associated with growth, including addressing the financial impacts of changes to development charges; and,
4. A copy of this resolution be forwarded to:
 - The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
 - The Honourable Sylvia Jones, Deputy Premier and Minister of Health;
 - The Honourable Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance;
 - The Honourable Rob Flack, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
 - The Honourable Kinga Surma, Minister of Infrastructure;
 - The Honourable Michael Parsa, Minister of Children, Community and Social Services;
 - Lorne Coe, MPP (Whitby);
 - The Region of Durham;
 - The Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO);
 - The Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM); and,
 - All Ontario Municipalities.

Should you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact the Office of the Town Clerk at 905.430.4300.



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From: peter deleeuw <petedeleeuw07211@gmail.com>
Sent: March 17, 2026 10:15 AM
To: CAO <CAO@calvintownship.ca>
Subject: Subject: Council Agenda Request Regarding 7.8 West Nipissing Resolution 2025-263 – Moratorium on Aerial Glyphosate Spraying.

Subject: Council Agenda Request Regarding 7.8 West Nipissing Resolution 2025-263 – Moratorium on Aerial Glyphosate Spraying.

Dear Mayor and Members of Council,

I am writing to respectfully request that Calvin Township Council formally consider and vote on a resolution regarding aerial glyphosate spraying in forestry.

I note that at the September 9, 2025 meeting of Council, the approved minutes list the following item under correspondence:

7.8 West Nipissing Resolution 2025-263 – Moratorium on Aerial Glyphosate Spraying.

While this resolution was received by Council, it does not appear to have been debated or voted on. I am therefore asking that this matter be placed on a future council agenda for discussion and consideration.

To date, 60 Ontario municipalities have passed resolutions either supporting existing resolutions or adopting their own resolutions calling for a moratorium on chemical herbicide spraying in public forests. I believe Calvin Township should also have the opportunity to openly debate this issue and take a clear position.

A list of municipalities and their resolutions, along with supporting tools and resources for councils, is available here:
stophthespraycanada.ca/moonbeam/#resolutions

On a personal note this issue is very important to me for many reasons.

First off the documents and science that has been used to support the continued use of glyphosate as “safe” has now been withdrawn as of 2025. Meaning the powers to be have been pushing and approving the continued use of this herbicide for 70 years with documents that are now considered obsolete and not based in good science. How long has industry known the science does not stand up and forged forward anyway?

The Ontario government and industry itself have ignored the 1999 federal warning calling for herbicides and chemicals in the boreal forest to be phased out as soon as possible. 27 years ago.

On our farm with help from Forest Canada we had 14 000 trees planted between 2023/2024. They recommended spraying glyphosate on those plots for the first 3 years to help establish these trees but we refused and I indicated that I would personally make sure that the trees would be freed up from weeds mechanically and by hand. Now going into 2027 I can confidently say that 90% of those trees have survived and are now above the point where weeds and small shrubs can overtake them and that

has taken very little of my spare time to accomplish , proving as did the entire province of Quebec that reforestation can be done with out questionable chemicals. Not to mention creating more jobs in an industry that seems to hemorrhaging jobs, in a region that can always use more jobs.

From a Calvin standpoint, I can say that I moved here because I seen an opportunity to help create sustainable food production and resilience in an area that truly needs it. We don't not , have not and never will use chemicals that risk contaminating our soil and water regardless of what corporate science and lobbyist say. And I believe Calvin Township should also stand up and protect its citizens, it's wildlife and wild spaces so that people can know that we stand together against the degradation of the natural world that we all love so much. For hunters, anglers, campers and wild food foragers we all deserve to know that these wild spaces are free from chemicals applied intentionally.

My last point is that Bayer, the owner of the product glyphosate or more commonly Roundup has paid out around \$10 billion in settlements and courts and juries have shown that "regulator approved" does not automatically mean safe. How can this liability be allowed to continue on our land with a record like that ?

Thank you for your time and consideration. I respectfully ask that this matter be brought forward for council discussion at an upcoming meeting.

Sincerely,
Peter Deleeuw
1007 Peddlers Dr., Calvin
Sent from my iPhone



Council - Committee of the Whole

Resolution # 2025-263
Title: Approve Resolution Requesting a Moratorium on Aerial Spraying of Glyphosate in the Nipissing Forest
Date: August 12, 2025

Moved by: Councillor Fern Pellerin
Seconded by: Councillor Kaitlynn Nicol

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario, through the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry, is planning to begin aerial spraying of glyphosate-based herbicides in late August 2025 in the Nipissing Forest; and

WHEREAS the Nipissing Forest covers a significant portion, if not all, of the Municipality of West Nipissing, and residents and ecosystems may be impacted by this activity; and

WHEREAS new scientific evidence published since Health Canada's last assessment of glyphosate in 2017 has linked glyphosate-based end-use products to cancer, metabolic and neurological diseases, reproductive toxicity, and ecosystem harm; and

WHEREAS the Province of Quebec banned the use of glyphosate for forestry purposes in 2001 and replaced aerial herbicide spraying with manual forest thinning as a safer alternative forest management method; and

WHEREAS many residents have expressed concern regarding the potential environmental and public health risks associated with aerial spraying of glyphosate-based herbicides;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of West Nipissing formally request that the Honourable Mike Harris Jr., Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry, reconsider the planned use of glyphosate-based herbicides in the Nipissing Forest and suspend the aerial spraying initiative until further independent research and updated risk assessments are completed and reviewed; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this resolution be forwarded to:

The Honourable Mike Harris Jr., Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry

The Honourable Sylvia Jones, Minister of Health

MPP John Vanthof, Timiskaming–Cochrane

AMO (Association of Municipalities of Ontario)

FONOM (Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities)

All municipalities within Northeastern Ontario

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FIRE SAFETY PLAN

The Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin

Municipal Office & Community Centre

Address: 1355 Peddlers Drive Mattawa Ontario P0H1V0

Prepared By: Fire Chief Jordan Whalley

Revision #: 2026-01

Date Issued: April 1 2026



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1. Emergency Notification & Important Phone Numbers

Location Address: 1355 Peddlers Drive Mattawa Ontario P0H1V0

Emergency Response Services: ALL EMERGENCIES CALL **9-1-1**

Fire Department: Calvin Fire Department

Police: Ontario Provincial Police (OPP)

Ambulance: The District of Nipissing Social Services Administration Board (DNSSAB)

After-Hours Contact for staff emergency only: **705-497-6961**

Municipal Contact: Donna Maitland (contact through emergency line)

Ann Carr Public works road supervisor (contact through emergency line)

Jordan Whalley Fire Chief (911-emergency line or CACC dispatch)

Order of Notification

1. Chief Administrative Officer (CAO): Donna Maitland
2. Municipal Staff Contact: Ann Carr (Public works)
3. Municipal Staff Contact: Jordan Whalley (Fire Chief)



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2. Building Information

The Municipal Office and Community Centre building houses both municipal administrative offices and a public community hall within a single structure.

Alpha Side (South – Street Side): Municipal office entrance with wheelchair accessible security door.

Bravo Side (West – Parking Lot): Main entrance to the community centre through double glass security doors with accessibility access.

Charlie Side (North – Rear): Kitchen exit through a metal security door.

Delta Side (East): Two exits – one from the community hall hallway and one from the electrical room.

Building Occupant Load: 166 persons

Building Size: 48 ft X 80 ft – 3840sqft



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3. Emergency Fire Procedures

Upon discovery of fire or smoke:

- **Activate the fire alarm system** if not already activated.
- **Call 911** and report the emergency.
- **Evacuate the building** immediately using the nearest safe exit.
- **Assist individuals requiring assistance** if it is safe to do so.
- Proceed to the designated **Assembly area**. The primary assembly area will be the **Rink front lawn**
 - See Appendix – A
- **Do not re-enter the building** until authorized by the Fire Department.



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4. Assembly Area

Primary Assembly Area: Street side (Peddlers side/Alpha side) of the Recreation Building front lawn or rink front lawn.

See Appendix A

Secondary Assembly Area: Street side (Peddlers side/Alpha side) of public works building front lawn.

See Appendix A

All occupants must report to the designated assembly area and remain there until instructed otherwise.



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5. Responsibilities

All Occupants

- Be familiar with the fire safety plan, all exits and fire protection systems.
- Follow evacuation procedures when alarm sounds.
- Proceed to assembly area.
- Report hazards or fire safety concerns to 911, municipal staff and local fire department.

Supervisory Staff / Municipal Staff

- Ensure fire department has been notified.
- Ensure occupants evacuate the building.
- Assist with accounting for occupants at the assembly area.
- Provide information to responding fire department personnel.



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6. Fire Protection Systems Information

Fire Alarm System

The building is equipped with a fire alarm system. The control panel is located in the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) office and is integrated with the building security system. The system is automatically activated by heat/smoke or tamper. The fire alarm/security system will automatically notify Emergency dispatch, however always call 911 incase of an emergency.

Fire Suppression Systems-

There is no automatic sprinkler system installed in the building. Portable Fire extinguishers only.

Portable Fire Extinguishers-

Portable fire extinguishers are located at each building exit and are marked on the floor plan map. Appendix B

Kitchen Equipment

Two electric cooking stoves with residential style electric range vents are installed in the kitchen. There is no Automatic fire suppression system.

Life safety Devices

AED

The AED is located inside the kitchen area by the door (exit # 3) mounted on the wall inside a white case with a clear door.

First Aid Kit

The First Aid Kit is located inside the kitchen area on the wall near exit # 3



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7. Exit Locations

See Appendix B

Exit #1 – Alpha Side – Municipal Office main entrance (south/street side).

Exit #2 – Bravo Side – Community Centre main entrance from parking lot.

Exit #3 – Charlie Side – Kitchen exit (north side of building).

Exit #4 – Delta Side – Community Hall hallway exit.

Exit #5 – Delta Side – Electrical room exit.



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8. Fire Drill Procedures

Fire drills shall be conducted at least once annually or as required by the Ontario Fire Code. Supervisory municipal staff shall work with the local fire department in performing an annual fire drill and evacuation on site.

Records of all fire drills shall be maintained and kept on site for review.

The local fire department should be notified prior to scheduled drills when applicable and may be included in the drill.



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9. Fire Hazard Controls

- Exit routes shall always remain unobstructed, all exit routes shall be clear of any tripping, falling or slipping hazards. Exit routes should be clear of any obstruction that can prevent doors from opening.
- Combustible materials shall not be stored near electrical panels or heating equipment.
- Cooking appliances shall not be left unattended during operation. Cooking appliances should be cleaned regularly to prevent buildup of baked on food particles and grease.
- Electrical equipment shall be maintained in safe working conditions.

Departments required to Maintain fire hazard control

Department	Area	Component	Frequency
Recreation/ Building Maintenance	Kitchen	Oven/venting inspection and cleaning	Weekly
Recreation/ Building Maintenance	Community Hall/furnace/electrical rooms/washrooms/storage rooms	Exits and egress cleaning, sweep, mop, removal of obstructions	Weekly
Recreation/ Building Maintenance	Municipal Office	Cleaning, sweeping, vacuum, exits clear of obstruction	Weekly
Recreation/Building Maintenance	Entire building	Fire Extinguisher Inspection	Monthly



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10. Inspections and Maintenance

Fire extinguishers shall be inspected monthly by a staff member and serviced annually by a licensed provider.

Fire alarm system shall be inspected and tested in accordance with applicable standards and according to manufacture standards.

Records of all inspections and maintenance shall be kept on site and made available to the chief fire official upon request.



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11. Training & Instruction

The Municipality shall provide training to all employees on fire safety and fire extinguisher use through the local fire department. Basic first aid, CPR and AED training shall be provided to supervisory staff members. The Municipality shall provide access to the fire safety plan, to all employees and display the plan in an accessible location as well as a location accessible for the public.

Training to supervisory staff may include:

- Fire extinguisher use
- Emergency evacuation procedures
- AED awareness & use
- Fire safety awareness training



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12. Record Keeping

- Fire drill logs – Annually – keep for a period of 2 years
- Training records – Annually – keep until renewal of training record.
- Fire protection equipment inspection records – Annually – keep for a period of 2 years
- Fire incident reports – Keep for a period of 2 years



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13. Review and Update Requirements

This Fire Safety Plan shall be reviewed annually.

The plan shall be updated whenever building layout, occupancy, or fire protection systems change.



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14. Posting & Accessibility

A copy of the Fire Safety Plan shall be kept on site and made available to the Fire Department upon request.

Copies may be kept in a Fire Safety Plan Box or other approved location.

A copy of the plan along with any keys and codes required for access to the building are supplied to the local fire department (Calvin Fire Department) for faster access.



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15. Appendix – Site Plan & Floor Plans

Attach the following diagrams:

- Appendix A - Site plan – Lay out of Property, buildings, driveways, assembly areas and fire routes.
- Appendix B - Floor plan - showing exits, fire extinguishers, electrical room, kitchen, and AED location.
- Appendix C - Utility plan - shutoff locations (gas, hydro) if applicable.



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THE MUNICIPALITY OF CALVIN
REPORT TO COUNCIL
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

To: Mayor and Council
Subject: Roads/Landfill/Recreation/Cemetery-Report
Author: Ann Carr, Public Works Superintendent
Date: March 24, 2026
Report No.: PWS-2026-08

Purpose:

To provide Council information regarding Roads, Landfill and Recreation activities.

Public Works:

- Plowing and sanding roads.
- Had a brief warm up and was able to "spot" grade some potholes.
- Have been able to keep ahead of spring thaw events and flooding.
- Load restrictions have been in effect since March 06th. Permits can be applied for if loads over 5 tonnes per axle are required.
- Garage door repair is to be completed by March 20th.

Landfill and Recycling:

- Electronics, light bulbs and household batteries are set up and can be recycled.
- Algonquin Outfitters called to express gratitude for the commercial recycling set up as well as Council's decision to absorb the cost for commercial recycling.
- Regular inspections of material accessing the landfill are being conducted with little back lash from the community.

Recreation

- The rink has been closed for the season due to the rain and thawing during the week of March 16th.

Administrative

- Budget 2026 Note to Council-Fuel Costs currently our last bill was 1.63 the price at the pumps is now 2.17 at the time of this report. 33.13% increase in the last billing period (one month). This will have an effect on the budget.
- Worked on report for deferral to propose the needed signage for warning systems as well as cost analysis as per Council's direction. The last few weeks have been using the Design Speed Guide to determine the costs of the warning signs as well as the costing of each. The final decision of Council will provide the information to update the Road Classifications By-Law with the new traffic data collected in 2025. The By-Law is prepared and can be presented at the next meeting of Council.
- Issued the Dust Control-Calcium RFQ closes on March 27th. Will be presented to Council for award.
- Attending the Good Roads Conference will be away March 28th to April 1st.

Respectfully yours,


Ann Carr
Public Works Superintendent

I concur with this report,


Donna Maitland
CAO, Clerk Treasurer

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AGENCIES,
BOARDS,
COMMITTEES

12 March 2026

NBMCA report to Calvin Council

At the Mar. 11, 2026 meeting of the NBMCA Board a report on the Drinking Water Source Protection Public Consultation Survey was presented. A copy of this report has been disseminated to the municipality.

Year End Reports on the OSS program as well as the Integrated Watershed Management Program were submitted and will be attached to the minutes.

OSS has hired a new Septic Inspector whom is currently being accredited and trained for his position. Cole REID will likely commence inspections in May 2026.

The Provincial Government has indicated that they now intend to reduce the number of Conservation Authorities from 36 to 9, The NBMCA is slated to receive further information and training on the implementation Later in March.

The next meeting of the Board is Wed. 8 April 2026 at 4:00 pm

Bill MORETON

Calvin Deputy Mayor

NBMCA Board Vice Chair

THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF CALVIN

BYLAW NUMBER 2026-16

BEING A BYLAW TO CONFIRM THE PROCEEDINGS OF COUNCIL

Legal Authority

Scope of Powers

Section 8(1) of the *Municipal Act*, 2001, S.O. 2001, c.25, ("*Municipal Act*") as amended, provides that the powers of a municipality shall be interpreted broadly so as to confer broad authority on municipalities to enable them to govern their affairs as they consider appropriate, and to enhance their ability to respond to municipal issues.

Powers of a Natural Person

Section 9 of the *Municipal Act* provides that a municipality has the capacity, rights, powers and privileges of a natural person for the purpose of exercising its authority under this or any other Act.

Powers Exercised by Council

Section 5 (1) of the *Municipal Act* provides that the powers of a municipality shall be exercised by its Council

Powers Exercised by By-law

Section 5(3) of the *Municipal Act* provides that a municipal power, including a municipality's capacity, rights, powers and privileges under section 9, shall be exercised by bylaw unless the municipality is specifically authorized to do otherwise.

Preamble

Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin ("Council") acknowledges that many of the decisions it makes during a meeting of Council, regular, special, or otherwise, are done by resolution. Section 5 (3) requires that Council exercise their powers by Bylaw.

Council further acknowledges that the passing of resolutions are more expedient than adopting Bylaws for each decision.

Decision

Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin decides it in the best interest of the Corporation to confirm its decisions by way of Confirmatory Bylaw.

Direction

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin directs as follows:

1. The Confirmatory Period of this By-Law shall be for the Regular Council meeting of March 24, 2026 excluding Closed Meeting Agendas and Closed Meeting Minutes.
2. All By-Laws passed by the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin during the period mentioned in Section 1 are hereby ratified and confirmed.
3. All resolutions passed by the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin during the period mentioned in Section 1 are hereby ratified and confirmed.
4. All other proceedings, decisions, and directives of the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin during the period mentioned in Section 1 are hereby ratified and confirmed.
5. This Bylaw takes effect on the day of its final passing.

Read and adopted by Resolution 2026- this 24th Day of March 2026.

MAYOR

CAO