

THE TOWNSHIP OF TARBUTT
Minutes of the Council Meeting
Wednesday, May 20, 2026 at 6:00 pm
Township Council Chambers, 27 Barr Road S.

PRESENT: Lennox Smith, Mayor
David Farrar
Ursula Abbott
Darren McClelland
Jacqui Nagel

STAFF: Carol Trainor, CAO/Clerk

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Smith called the Regular Council meeting to order at 6:02 pm.

2. DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

3. PREVIOUS MINUTES

- a. Minutes of the Regular Council meeting held April 22, 2026 and the Special Council meeting held under the *Planning Act* dated April 27, 2026.

Resolution No: 2026 – 84

Moved by: D. McClelland Seconded by: D. Farrar

Be it resolved that the minutes of the Regular Council meeting held April 22, 2026, and the Special Council meeting held April 27, 2026 under the *Planning Act* be adopted as circulated.

Carried

Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held with Laird Township on April 21, 2026 will be circulated with the next agenda.

4. DEPUTATIONS / PRESENTATIONS

5. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

- a. Disbursements for the month of April, 2026

Resolution No: 2026 – 85

Moved by: U. Abbott Seconded by: J. Nagel

Be it resolved that the payables for the month ending April 30, 2026 in the total amount of \$200,010.11 be approved.

Carried

d. Fire Liaison Committee Report

Council discussed the response of emergency vehicles on private roads as there is no policy on access to private roads at this time. The owner of a private road would be required to bring the road up to municipal standards in order for it to be assumed by the municipality.

Resolution No: 2026 – 89

Moved by: U. Abbott Seconded by: J. Nagel

Be it resolved that the report from the CAO/Clerk regarding the first meeting of the Fire Liaison Committee be received.

Carried

e. Community Safety and Well Being Plan Update

Resolution No: 2026 – 90

Moved by: D. Farrar Seconded by: D. McClelland

Be it resolved that the report from the CAO/Clerk regarding the five year review of the Community Safety and Well Being Plan be received; and

That Council approve the staff recommendation of Option 2 as noted in the report, with Treasurer J. Hayes Elliott as the Township representative on the CSWB Plan committee.

Carried

f. Report of the CAO/Clerk

Resolution No: 2026 – 91

Moved by: J. Nagel Seconded by: U. Abbott

Be it resolved that the Report from the Clerk dated May 20, 2026 be received; and That Council request the Joint Landfill Committee to add a second non household bin at the landfill site and relocate the scrap metal bin at the earliest possible opportunity; and

That the plumbing quotations, and the proposed work be reviewed by members of the building committee before proceeding; and

That Council authorize the Clerk and Road Superintendent to notify residents in writing that trees planted within the road allowance should be removed to avoid further damage.

Carried

7. BY-LAWS

a. Committee Appointment By-law, as amended

Resolution No: 2026 – 92

Moved by: D. McClelland

Seconded by: D. Farrar

Be it resolved that leave be granted to introduce By-law 2026 – 19, being a By-law to amend the Committee Appointment By-law to incorporate new committees and membership on Subcommittees of Council; and

That said by-law be read a first and taken as read a second and third time and finally passed this Twentieth day of May, 2026.

Carried

8. INFORMATION / CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Letter from Central Algoma Intermediate & Secondary School
Re: Annual Donation for Grade 8 and Grade 12 Graduations
- b. Letter from the Central Algoma Land Trust
Re: Donation Appreciation and Bat Monitoring and Education Program
- c. News Release from FONOM, NOMA and the Ontario Trucking Association
Re: Investment on Highways 11 and 17
- d. Letter from the Ministry of Northern Economic Development and Growth
Re: Northern Ontario Tourism Social Media Campaign
- e. Ministry for Seniors and Accessibility
Re: June is Seniors Month – Promotional Material
- f. Resolution from the Township of Stone Mills
Re: Ontario's Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act

Resolution No: 2026 – 93

Moved by: U. Abbott

Seconded by: J. Nagel

Be it resolved that correspondence items a. through f. on the Consent Agenda dated May 20, 2026 be received; and

That The Township of Tarbutt provide a donation of \$300 to the Central Algoma Intermediate and Secondary School for the Grade 8 and Grade 12 graduations; and

That The Township of Tarbutt official declare June as Seniors Month; and

That the Township of Tarbutt support the resolution from the Township of Stone Mills regarding erosion of Ontario's *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, reducing provincial transparency and accountability.

Carried

12. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution No: 2026 – 97

Moved by: U. Abbott

Seconded by: J. Nagel

Be it resolved that the regular council meeting of May 20, 2026 adjourn at 7:30 pm,
to meet again on Wednesday, June 17, 2026 at 6:00 pm.

Carried



Lennox G. Smith, Mayor



Carol O. Trainor, Clerk