

The Corporation of the City of Kawartha Lakes

Minutes

Roads Task Force Meeting

Tuesday, October 14, 2025

1:00 P.M.

Council Chambers

City Hall

26 Francis Street, Lindsay, Ontario K9V 5R8

Members:

Councillor Mike Perry

Councillor Pat Warren

Councillor Ron Ashmore

Councillor Mark Doble

1. Call to Order

Chair M. Perry called the meeting to order at 12:58 p.m. Roads Task Force members P. Warren, M. Doble, and R. Ashmore were in attendance. Manager of Fleet and Transit R. Porter and Executive Assistant to Mayor and Council C. Ellison were also in attendance in Council Chambers.

2. Administrative Business

2.1 Adoption of Agenda

RT2025-28

Moved By Councillor Warren

Seconded By Councillor Doble

That the Agenda for the Roads Task Force Meeting of October 14, 2025 be adopted.

Carried

2.2 Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest disclosed.

2.3 Adoption of Minutes from Previous Meeting

RT2025-29

Moved By Councillor Ashmore

Seconded By Councillor Doble

That the Minutes of the Roads Task Force Meeting of Tuesday, September 16, 2025, be received and adopted.

Carried

3. Business Arising from the Minutes

3.1 RT2025-07.3.1

Discussion of Recommendations

Councillor Perry

The Chair reviewed the spectrum of options again. He noted that adding memos to the list would be forthcoming as would the other recommendations for support of the Salt Management memo and the idea of in-year trading of roads. An updated list would be circulated.

3.2 RT2025-07.3.2

Public Sessions

Councillor Perry

The town-hall style public sessions for Little Britain and Coboconk have been booked. A session will be held at the Little Britain Community Centre on November 5 from 7-8pm and at the Coboconk Community Centre on November 10 from 7-8pm. A third session at the Dunsford Community Centre will also be scheduled. The preferred days are the 17th and 19th depending on availability. Confirmation of the dates and times will be circulated after confirmation. Public Works staff will arrange a 10-15 minute presentation, which will be followed by round-table discussion.

4. Deputations

5. New Business

5.1 RT2025-07.5.1

Minimum Maintenance Standards

Councillor Ashmore

Councillor Ashmore presented his memo to the Task Force for receipt. He explained his suggestion to increase the Minimum Maintenance Standards and request to have a report back on financial impacts to any changes. Manager Porter reiterated that the Minimum Maintenance Standards are set by the Province and that these requirements are followed by all municipalities. The use of the word 'Minimum' is to set the standard and is not one that the City can change as it is part of the Regulation from the Province. The other concern is that a change in the City's standard will invite lawsuits if it is one that cannot be managed and the Legal opinion is to adhere to the Standards. These Standards are based on classification of road and volume, again with definitions set out by the Province. Any change would also require further investment either in staffing or contractors as well as materials and equipment.

RT2025-30

Moved By Councillor Warren

Seconded By Councillor Doble

That the memo be received with a recommendation for the Councillor to take it back to Council.

Carried

6. Other Business

There was no other business.

7. Adjournment

RT2025-31

Moved By Councillor Doble

Seconded By Councillor Warren

That the Meeting adjourn at 1:33 p.m.

Carried