



February 5, 2026 Council Highlights

Unlicensed Tarion Builders

Correspondence on this topic was first considered at the December 18, 2025 meeting where direction was provided for staff to bring back further information. A staff report and a delegation were received for information at this meeting with no further direction at this time.

Backyard Chickens in Settlement Areas

Council received two (2) delegations on this topic in October 2025 and requested staff to bring back further information. This report outlined the current regulations on backyard hens and some benefits and concerns if wanting to change what is currently permitted. Council directed staff to investigate amendments to permit hens in urban areas in Bayham.

2025 By-law Enforcement Annual Summary

The By-law Enforcement Officer presented the 2025 Annual By-law Enforcement Report to Council. Council provided direction for staff to return with information pertaining to the number of calls for OPP support for by-law enforcement matters.

Financial Reports

The following reports were received for information with the Public Sector Salary Disclosure Act item having additional direction to provide correspondence to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing requesting support to formally index the threshold to current year's values:

- 2027 Budget Schedule
- Public Sector Salary Disclosure Act
- Council Remuneration and Expenses

Transfer Payment Agreements

The CAO presented two (2) reports noting successful applications needing Transfer Payment Agreements to be signed to receive the monies:

- 2026 Fire Protection Grant
- Pothole Prevention and Repair Program

Strategic Plan Progress – 2025

The CAO presented a report on progress made on some key initiatives identified in the 2023-2026 Community Strategic Plan within the pillars of Quality of Place, Quality of Life and Quality of Governance. 2026 is the last year of the current plan and the incoming Council will discuss new initiatives in 2027.

**For further details, view the meeting agenda and minutes [HERE](#)
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