

MINUTES
VILLAGE OF NEWBURY COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JULY 2, 2025
6:00 pm
Council Chambers



Council: Reeve Diane Brewer
Councillor Kevin Derbyshire
Councillor Clyde Harris
Councillor Russell Patton
Councillor Jerard Rajendran (virtually)

Staff: Cathy Case, Clerk-Treasurer

1. CALL TO ORDER

Reeve Brewer called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

2. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

The Municipal Conflict of Interest Act requires any member of Council to declare a pecuniary interest and the general nature thereof; and, where the interest of a member of Council has not been disclosed by reason of the member's absence from the meeting, to disclose the interest at the first open meeting attended by the member of Council and otherwise comply with the Act.

There were no pecuniary interests declared.

3. TIMED EVENTS

There were no delegations or timed events.

4. COUNCIL MINUTES

Minutes of the regular Council meeting held on June 11, 2025 and special meeting held on June 26, 2025 were reviewed.

Moved By: Councillor Derbyshire

Seconded By: Councillor Rajendran

"RESOLVED THAT the minutes from the regular Council meeting held on June 11, 2025 and special meeting on June 26, 2025 be approved as circulated." – Carried.

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Reeve Brewer asked about the drain assessment schedule for the Government 5/6 Drain. Clerk-Treasurer Case advised that the property information has been provided to Spriet Associates to create a detailed assessment for the drain.

6. CORRESPONDENCE**NON-ACTION CORRESPONDENCE**

- 6.1 Ministry of Energy and Mines – Release of Ontario's first-ever integrated Energy Plan: *Energy for Generations: Ontario's Integrated Plan to Build the Strongest Economy in the G7*
- 6.2 Lisa Thompson, Minister of Rural Affairs – announcement of Rural Ontario Development (ROD)
- 6.3 EarlyON Child and Family Center – Splash Pad Week Events
- 6.4 Ministry of Emergency Preparedness and Response – 2024 Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act (EMCPA) requirements have been met

Moved By: Councillor Harris

Seconded By: Councillor Derbyshire

"RESOLVED THAT Council receive and file correspondence items 6.1 to 6.4." – Carried.

ACTION CORRESPONDENCE

- 6.5 Township of Black-River-Matheson – Request for Exemption to Proposed Mandatory Firefighter Certification Requirements (O.Reg. 343/22)

Moved By: Councillor Derbyshire

Seconded By: Councillor Rajendran

"RESOLVED THAT Council support the Township of Black River-Matheson in requesting that the Office of the Fire Marshal and the Ministry of the Solicitor General:

- 1. Defer full implementation of the certification regulation for rural and norther municipalities;
- 2. Provide exemptions or alternative compliance pathways tailored to the needs and limitations of small, remote fire services;
- 3. Increase funding and training supports for municipalities outside major urban centres." – Carried.

7. STAFF REPORTS

7.1 Fire

The Fire Chief did not attend the meeting.

- i) Training Update
- ii) Firefighter Recruitment
- iii) Pest Control Update

7.2 Building Services

There were no building permits issued in June 2025.

7.3 By-law Enforcement

The By-law Enforcement Report for June 2025 was circulated at the meeting for review.

Moved By: Councillor Harris

Seconded By: Councillor Patton

“RESOLVED THAT Council accept the By-law Enforcement Report for June 2025 as submitted by the By-law Enforcement Officer.” – Carried.

7.4 Drainage

- i) Request for Reimbursement

Gary Field of Gary Field Homes, owner of 38/40 Broadway Street has installed a drain for his property to accommodate future development. In completing the connection, it was observed that the pipe between the catch basins on Emmott Street were built up with dirt. He proceeded to have a contractor flush out the drain. Mr. Fields is requesting Council reimburse him for the cost of this clean out.

Moved By: Councillor Rajendran

Seconded By: Councillor Patton

“RESOLVED THAT Council reimburse Gary Field/Gary Field Homes for the cost of the flushing of the drain in the road allowance on Emmett Street and he be advised in writing that any future maintenance work on drains in the road allowance must be at the direction and approval of the Council.” – Carried.

7.5 Water

- i) DWQMS

The Clerk-Treasurer advised that all non-compliances noted in the Intertek/SAI Global audit have been cleared.

The Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks conducted an inspection of the Newbury Water Distribution System on June 18, 2025. The report on the inspection has not been received.

7.6 Sewer

7.7 Administration

- i) Official Plan Review
- ii) Limerick Landfill Closure Update
- iii) Council Meeting Date for August 2025

The date for next meeting needs to be confirmed as there is a planning application (Zoning By-law Amendment) for Council consideration; there is a legislated circulation period that must be met.

Moved By: Councillor Derbyshire

Seconded By: Councillor Rajendran

"RESOLVED THAT next regular meeting of Council be held on Wednesday, August 20, 2025 at 6:00 pm in Council Chambers." – Carried.

7.8 Financial

- i) Accounts Listing

Moved By: Councillor Derbyshire

Seconded By: Councillor Harris

"RESOLVED THAT Council approve the accounts in the amount of \$135,633.03 as presented." – Carried.

The financial report on Canada Day will be provided at the next meeting.

8. NEW BUSINESS

8.1 Council Member Business (Each council member is given the opportunity to bring new business to the table.)

Reeve Brewer thanked the Canada Day Committee Members for organizing a successful event. She noted that there were lots of people enjoying the day's events.

9. CLOSED SESSION

Moved By: Councillor Harris

Seconded By: Councillor Derbyshire

"RESOLVED THAT Council with the inclusion of the Clerk-Treasurer move to closed session under Section 239(2) of the Municipal Act (a) the security of the property of the municipality or local board; and (b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees at 6:48 pm." – Carried.

10. RISE AND REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION

Moved By: Councillor Derbyshire

Seconded By: Councillor Harris

"RESOLVED THAT Council rise from closed session at 6:40 pm with no report and resume regular session." – Carried.

11. BY-LAWS**11.1 By-law No. 12-25 to adopt the current tax rates for 2025**

Moved By: Councillor Patton

Seconded By: Councillor Harris

"RESOLVED THAT By-law No. 12-25, being a by-law to adopt the tax rates for 2025 tax year for the Village of Newbury be given first, second and third reading this 2 day of July, 2025." – Carried.

11.2 By-law No. 13-25 to confirm the proceedings of Council

Moved By: Councillor Derbyshire

Seconded By: Councillor Rajendran

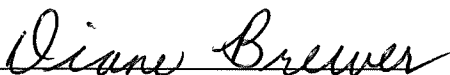
"RESOLVED THAT By-law No. 13-25, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Village of Newbury be given first, second and third reading this 2 day of July, 2025." – Carried.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Moved By: Councillor Patton

Seconded By: Councillor Harris

"RESOLVED THAT Council adjourn at 6:50 pm." – Carried.


REEVE DIANE BREWER


CLERK-TREASURER CATHY CASE