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## Town of Renfrew Council Summary

Tuesday, August 26, 2025 @ 5:00 PM

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**Full Agenda can be found [here](#).**

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### The following items were discussed at Committee of the Whole (COW)

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- **[Tender Award for 1 Innovation Partial Roof Replacement:](#)** Council received a recommendation to award the partial roof replacement at 1 Innovation Drive to Garland DBS Canada Inc. and Perth Roofing for \$287,255, under the approved budget. Additional work will also be covered if needed, ensuring the project can begin right away and avoid delays or building damage.
- **Parkland Dedication By-Law:** Council received a recommendation to adopt a Parkland Dedication By-law to formalize how the Town secures land or cash-in-lieu for parks as part of new development. The by-law would align with the Official Plan, ensure transparency, and provide a consistent process to support future growth.
- **[Landfill Packer Repairs:](#)** Council received information on required repairs to the Town's landfill packer after an engine failure. While most costs were covered under a goodwill warranty, the Town is responsible for \$23,500 plus rental expenses, which were not budgeted but may be offset through a year-end surplus.
- **AMS Amending Agreement:** Council received a recommendation to sign an amended agreement with Automotive Materials Stewardship (AMS) for the collection of automotive materials at the Household Hazardous Waste Depot. The amendment increases compensation from \$517 in 2025 to \$1,500 in 2026, providing greater cost recovery for the Town.
- **[CMO Recycling Calendars:](#)** Council received a recommendation not to enter into a new agreement with Circular Materials Ontario (CMO) for recycling calendars. Since recycling is now managed by CMO, they will provide the information directly to residents, and opting out will save the Town printing

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and distribution costs. The Town will continue to communicate all Town-managed services, including curbside waste collection, Household Hazardous Waste Depot and landfill information.

- **Old Wastewater Treatment Plant Demolition Tendering Proposal:** Council declined to proceed with a \$40,000 proposal for engineering and environmental updates to prepare for the demolition of the old Wastewater Treatment Plant. A motion was later raised and passed to direct staff to prepare a report on securing the vacant site, with a focus on preventing trespassing inside the property and building.
- **Water Meter Replacement Options:** Council received a recommendation to start negotiations with Neptune Technology Group Canada for the 2025 water meter replacement project. Using Neptune will allow faster installation, multiple installers, and digital tracking, while keeping the project on budget and reducing the workload for Town staff. A future report will come back to Council to finalize the agreement and confirm funding.
- **Property Standards By-Law Working Group:** Council received a recommendation to establish a Property Standards By-Law Working Group to review and update the Town's current by-law, last amended in 2016. The group, including up to three members of Council and staff, will collaborate with community partners to identify gaps and recommend changes, ensuring properties remain safe, well-maintained, and aligned with current standards. Draft Terms of Reference will be brought back to Council for approval.
- **Ditch Filling Policy:** Council received a recommendation to adopt a Ditch Filling Policy to establish clear standards and procedures for property owners requesting modifications to roadside ditches. The policy will provide consistency, ensure proper maintenance of storm infrastructure, and guide approval processes, with a by-law to follow for final adoption.

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- **Renfrew Millionaires Softball Team:** Council was honoured to recognize the incredible accomplishments of the Renfrew Millionaires Softball Team, who recently won bronze at the Special Olympics Ontario Summer Games in Brantford.

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**Council adopted the following Resolutions and By-Laws:**

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- Council approved public parking on Veteran's Memorial Boulevard from September 4 - 7, 2025, during the Renfrew Fair.
- Council directed staff to proceed with the award of the partial roof replacement at 1 Innovation Drive to Garland DBS Canada Inc. and Perth Roofing, including potential additional work for gypsum replacement and wall line restoration if necessary.
- Council directed staff to authorize execution of the joint agreement with Esri Enterprise and the County of Renfrew as an Authorized Entity.
- By-Law 73-2025: Lift a one-foot reserve in Hunter Gate Subdivision, Phase 3 (49M-78) by dedicating Block 36 on Registered Plan 49M-78, Town of Renfrew, as part of Hall Avenue East.
- By-Law 74-2025: Rescind the Drinking Water Quality Management System (DWQMS) Policy.
- By-Law 75-2025: Approve Terms of Reference for the Knights of Columbus Park Working Group.
- By-Law 76-2025: Confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Renfrew at the Special Meeting of August 26, 2025, and the Regular Meeting of August 26, 2025.

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