



**Regular Meeting of Council
Minutes**

Monday, April 13, 2026, 06:00 PM
Unico Community Centre
37 Beech Street
Kingsville, ON N9Y 1A9

Present:

Mayor Dennis Rogers
Deputy Mayor Kimberly DeYong
Councillor Tony Gaffan
Councillor Debby Jarvis-Chausse
Councillor Sheri Lowrie
Councillor Thomas Neufeld
Councillor Larry Patterson

Absent:

Staff Present:

John Norton, Chief Administrative Officer
Nada Tremblay, Director of Parks and Recreation
Ryan McLeod, Director of Finance and Corporate Services/Treasurer
Richard Wyma, Director of Planning and Development
Shaun Martinho, Director of Public Operations
Scott Moore, Fire Chief
William Good, Manager of Legal Services
Angela Toole, Manager of Municipal Governance/Clerk

A. Call to Order

Mayor Rogers called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

B. Land Acknowledgement

Mayor Rogers read the Land Acknowledgement Statement.

C. Moment of Silent Reflection and National Anthem

D. Mayor's Welcome and Remarks

Mayor Rogers welcomed members of the public in attendance and those viewing remotely. He noted that Council and Administration were wearing yellow daffodils in recognition of the Canadian Cancer Society's annual Daffodil Campaign. The daffodil was described as a symbol of hope, renewal, and resilience, with the campaign supporting life-saving cancer research and essential programs and services for individuals and families affected by cancer. Wearing the daffodils signified solidarity with those impacted by cancer and support for a future without the disease.

Mayor Rogers also recognized Corbin Watson, a Kingsville resident and Paralympian in para ice hockey, for outstanding achievements and community ambassadorship. Mr. Watson was acknowledged for representing Canada at the Milano Cortina 2026 Paralympic Winter Games, where Team Canada earned a silver medal. His athletic accomplishments, dedication, and resilience were highlighted as a source of inspiration to the community. On behalf of Council and the residents of Kingsville, appreciation was expressed for Mr. Watson's representation of the municipality, and he was invited forward to receive a Certificate of Recognition.

E. Amendments to the Agenda

None noted.

F. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

Mayor Rogers reminded Council that any declaration is to be made prior to each item being discussed and to identify the nature of the conflict, if any, as the agenda items come forward.

None disclosed.

G. Report Out of Closed Session

The Clerk gave the following report out of Closed Session:

Council entered Closed Session pursuant to Section 239 of the Municipal Act, 2001, on March 23, 2026, at 5:00 p.m. and discussed the following item:

Item I - Legal Update heard under Section 239(2)(e) being litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality; and, Section 239(2)(f) being advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose. There is nothing further to report.

H. Minutes for Adoption

072-13042026

Moved By: Councillor Lowrie

Seconded By: Councillor Patterson

That the following Minutes **be adopted** as presented:

- February 11, 2026, Kingsville Accessibility Advisory Committee Minutes
- February 17, 2026, Fantasy of Lights Committee Minutes
- March 2, 2026, Committee of the Whole
- March 3, 2026, Kingsville Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee Minutes
- March 23, 2026, Regular Council Meeting Minutes

Carried

I. Delegations

Walter Branco, resident and developer at Noah Homes, appeared as a delegation regarding Item L.1. Interim Control By-law 24-2025 related to Sanitary Sewer Constraints in Ruthven. Mr. Branco expressed opposition to the recommended action, specifically regarding residential development.

J. Presentations

None.

K. Matters Subject to Notice

None.

L. Reports - Planning and Development Services

L.1 Interim Control By-law 24-2025 related to Sanitary Sewer Constraints in Ruthven

John Norton, CAO, and Richard Wyma, Director of Planning and Development, provided an overview of the report.

073-13042026

Moved By: Deputy Mayor DeYong

Seconded By: Councillor Patterson

That Interim Control By-law 24-2025 as amended by By-law 46-2025 **be extended** one additional year in keeping with *Planning Act* Section 38 (2) to allow the Town to complete its review and study in respect of the Town's land use planning policies in relation to required changes to the Town's land use planning policies, and other regulatory frameworks as a result of the Town's sanitary sewer constraints for the lands reliant on the Ruthven Sanitary System; including:

- a. the development of a Comprehensive Sewer Use By-law and amendments to associated By-laws; and
- b. substantial completion of the Water and Wastewater Servicing Master Plan and confirmation of servicing capacity; and,
- c. preparation of Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendments to create new "Future Urban Development" policies to permit existing and compatible agricultural uses while protecting the lands for future development; and based on studies required to support proposed development.

And that the issuance of building permits on residential and industrial buildings within existing plans of subdivision, **be permitted** to continue.

For (6): Councillor Gaffan, Councillor Patterson, Councillor Jarvis-Chausse, Deputy Mayor DeYong, Councillor Lowrie, and Mayor Rogers

Against (1): Councillor Neufeld

Carried (6 to 1)

L.2 2026 Road Resurfacing - Tender Approvals

Dan Baughan, Engineering Technician, provided an overview of the report.

074-13042026

Moved By: Councillor Patterson

Seconded By: Councillor Gaffan

That the 2026 Rural Road Resurfacing Tender **be awarded** to Shepley Road Maintenance Ltd. in the amount of \$1,257,934.07 (excluding HST);

And that the 2026 Urban Road Resurfacing Tender **be awarded** to GIP Paving Inc. in the amount of \$664,400 (excluding HST);

And that the Mayor and Clerk **be authorized** to execute the requisite agreements.

For (7): Mayor Rogers, Deputy Mayor DeYong, Councillor Jarvis-Chausse, Councillor Gaffan, Councillor Neufeld, Councillor Patterson, and Councillor Lowrie

Carried (7 to 0)

M. Reports - Finance and Corporate Services

None.

N. Reports - Fire Rescue Services

None.

- N.1 Kingsville Fire Emergency Response Cost Recovery
Scott Moore, Fire Chief, provided an overview of the report.

075-13042026

Moved By: Councillor Gaffan

Seconded By: Deputy Mayor DeYong

That Council **authorize** Administration to enter into and execute an agreement with Fire Marque Inc. for the purpose of cost recovery for insured perils, and to establish a schedule of rates for fire department services based on Ministry of Transportation (MTO) rates per apparatus.

For (7): Deputy Mayor DeYong, Councillor Neufeld, Councillor Patterson, Councillor Jarvis-Chausse, Councillor Gaffan, Councillor Lowrie, and Mayor Rogers

Carried (7 to 0)

O. Reports - Public Operations

None.

P. Reports - Office of the CAO

None.

Q. Consent Agenda

None.

R. Notices of Motion

- R.1 Deputy Mayor DeYong - Support for Finlay's Law
Deputy Mayor DeYong presented a Notice of Motion for Council's consideration.

076-13042026

Moved By: Deputy Mayor DeYong

Seconded By: Councillor Lowrie

Whereas it has been reported that on February 7, 2024, 16-year-old Finlay van der Werken from Burlington waited more than eight hours in the emergency department at Oakville Trafalgar Memorial Hospital without being seen by an emergency physician and subsequently died on February 9, 2024;

And whereas reports indicate Finlay was triaged as Priority Level 2 under the Canadian Triage and Acuity Scale, which requires physician assessment within 15 minutes for that level of acuity;

And whereas the van der Werken family has launched Finlay's Voice, a public campaign advocating reforms for emergency care for pediatric patients, including a petition proposing Finlay's Law to set maximum ER wait times for children, require safe pediatric staffing ratios, mandate independent reviews of pediatric ER deaths, and fund enhanced pediatric emergency readiness;

And whereas the Provincial Government has taken steps to improve health care in Ontario, however additional funding, staffing and changes to ER wait times are needed to reduce emergency department wait times and ensure timely and safe care for children;

Now therefore be it resolved that Council calls on the Provincial Government to enact legislation known as Finlay's Law to:

1. Establish legal maximum wait time standards for patients under 18 (i.e. physician assessment within 2 hours, admission within 8 hours);
2. Require safe pediatric nurse-to-patient and physician-to-patient ratios in emergency settings;
3. Create an independent oversight body with authority to audit hospitals emergency departments, investigate pediatric deaths that occur in ER waiting areas, and enforce compliance;
4. Mandate timely public, independent reviews of every pediatric death in an ER waiting area or while awaiting assessment; and
5. Provide dedicated provincial funding to improve pediatric emergency readiness, including staffing, training, and pediatric equipment;

And that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Premier of Ontario, the Ontario Minister of Health, the Chair of the Board of Directors of Windsor Regional Hospital and Hotel-Dieu Grace Healthcare, local MPPs, and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario.

For (7): Councillor Lowrie, Councillor Patterson, Deputy Mayor DeYong, Councillor Gaffan, Mayor Rogers, Councillor Jarvis-Chausse, and Councillor Neufeld

Carried (7 to 0)

S. Unfinished Business and Announcements

None.

T. By-laws

077-13042026

Moved By: Deputy Mayor DeYong

Seconded By: Councillor Jarvis-Chausse

That the following By-laws be given three readings and finally pass:

By-law 25-2026 - Being a By-law to extend By-law 24-2025, being a By-law to Establish Interim Control on Lands within the Corporation of the Town of Kingsville, as amended.

By-law 26-2026 - Being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kingsville at its April 13, 2026, Regular Meeting of Council

Carried

U. Closed Session

078-13042026

Moved By: Councillor Patterson

Seconded By: Councillor Lowrie

That Council enter into Closed Session at 7:11 p.m. pursuant to Section 239(2) of the Municipal Act, 2001, to discuss the following items:

Item I - Personnel Update to be heard under Section 239(2)(b), being personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal employees; and, Section 239(2)(d) being labour relations or employee negotiations;

Item II - Lease Proposal to be heard under Section 239(2)(c), being a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality; and, Section 239(2)(k) being a position, plan, procedure, criteria, or instruction to be applied to negotiations; and,

Item III - By-law Enforcement Update to be heard under Section 239(2)(b), being personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal employees; Section 239(2)(e), being litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality; and, Section 239(2)(f), being advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose.

Carried

V. Adjournment

079-13042026

Moved By: Deputy Mayor DeYong

Seconded By: Councillor Jarvis-Chausse

That Council **rise** from Closed Session and **adjourn** its Regular Meeting of Council at 8:50 p.m.

Carried

Mayor, Dennis Rogers

Clerk, Angela Toole