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CARLING

December 9, 2025 Council Meeting / Budget Planning Workshop

Hello, Carling Followers! Here are some key highlights from Council's most recent meeting and budget planning workshop on December 9th.

Council Meeting

- Council passed a by-law authorizing the municipality to renew its contract with the West Parry Sound Health Centre for the provision of fire dispatch services.

- Council passed two by-laws related to the 2026 tax billing cycle. The first establishes the interim tax levy, and the second authorizes the Township to borrow funds if necessary to meet 2026 operating expenditures. Both by-laws are approved annually as part of standard financial procedures. The due date for the 2026 Interim Tax Bill is March 19, 2026.

- Council Members Provided Updates

    - Councillor Doubrough provided an update on the progress of the Tamarack North Centre and acknowledged a Carling resident for their significant contributions to the complex's fundraising efforts.

    - Councillor Wing spoke about the renovations to Belvedere Heights. She also spoke to the rebranding project that the West Parry Sound District Museum is currently doing. She highlighted that they have a Strategic Plan Survey available on their website for residents to complete. You can find the survey here.

    - Councillor Kelly provided an update on the Parry Sound Area Industrial Park, highlighting ongoing projects and noting the revenue being generated by the wastewater plant and lagoon.

    - Mayor Murphy reported that a meeting has been scheduled between the Near North District School Board and the Heads of Council.

Budget Planning Workshop

- The CAO–Clerk/Treasurer presented an initial overview of the 2026 municipal budget outlining key components including capital projects, revenue sources, external levies, and labour costs.

- Council selected the following dates for the upcoming budget discussions:

    - January 27th - Following the Committee of the Whole Meeting
    - February 10th - Following the Regular Meeting of Council
    - February 24th - Public Budget Meeting – held prior to the Committee of the Whole Meeting

Find the Draft minutes on the Township Website at www.carling.ca or click here