TOWN OF POINT LEAMINGTON

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Town of Point Leamington
Held at the Town Hall
September 21, 2026

Members Present:	Mayor	D. Andrews
	Deputy Mayor	R. Decker
	Councilors	D. Woodworth
		T. Feener
		R. Loder
		C. Kinden
Regrets	Councilor	D. Thompson
Also Present:	Town Clerk/manager	Wanda Ryan

(1) person from the public in chambers

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion # 26 - 106 **R. Loder/ R. Decker**
RESOLVED that the agenda for the September 21, 2026 regular Council meeting be adopted as circulated.
In Favor: **Mayor D. Andrews, Deputy Mayor R. Decker, Councilors: T. Feener, R. Loder, D. Woodworth, C. Kinden.**
Opposed: 0
Motion carried

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion # 26 - 107 **R. Loder/ T. Feener**
RESOLVED that the minutes of the Regular council meeting of August 31, 2026 be adopted as circulated with the correction of adding C. Kinden to members present.
In Favor: Mayor D. Andrews, Deputy Mayor R. Decker, Councilors: T. Feener, R. Loder, D. Woodworth, C. Kinden.

Opposed: 0
Motion carried

DELEGATES:

Kirk Woodworth:
Councilor D. Woodworth declared a conflict of interest and left the chambers at 7:05 pm

Motion # 26 – 108 **R. Loder/ R. Decker**
RESOLVED that this meeting be closed to the public.
In Favor: **Mayor D. Andrews, Deputy Mayor R. Decker, Councilors: T. Feener, R. Loder, C. Kinden.**
Opposed: 0
Motion carried

Kirk Woodworth left the chambers at 7:20 pm.

Motion #26 – 109 C. Kinden/ R. Decker
RESOLVED that this meeting be reopened to the public.
In Favor: **Mayor D. Andrews, Deputy Mayor R. Decker, Councilors: T. Feener, R. Loder, C. Kinden.**
Opposed: 0
Motion carried

Councilor D. Woodworth returned to chambers at 7:20

Fire Dept, members Fire Chief Justin Saunders, Deputy Chief Scott Curlew, treasurer Wayde Thompson.
Fire Chief passed out quotes on repairs to the SUV and stressed again the urgent need for a new vehicle. The mayor spoke and questioned why this was not discussed or thought about during the talks on purchasing the Jaws of life, as we decided at that time to raise the fire dept budget to help with the purchase of this machine. The fire chief further stated or asked was the purchase of our new trailer necessary as it does not seem to be getting much use, the mayor then explained that the trailer was purchased to move the excavator and save on the treads of this machine. Deputy Fire chief asked to speak and said that as a member of the fire dept and a volunteer he feels that the mayor and manager of the town are being very disrespectful of the fire chief and he is sick of it, he further went on to say that the fire dept is a service that this town needs and is being treated as second class, and if they all walked out tomorrow this town would not have a fire dept. and insurance rates would increase. The mayor went on to say that he does appreciate the passion that he has for the fire dept but we do have the town as a whole

to manage and there are pressing issues that we have to deal with as well, further more he does not appreciate the deputy ~~mayor~~ fire chief inferring that we do not care about the fire dept and feels that this is very disrespectful to council. Fire Chief says he has had the public ask him if he has been in talks with dealers and he says that this is not his responsibility but rather it has to be dealt with by council. The mayor advised that the manager has been in talks with our bank manager. The manager proceeded to explain the process of what is going on and that it may be well after Christmas before anything will happen. More discussion followed on the vehicle itself and whether it is roadworthy now. Fire chief says it did not pass inspection. They are willing to fundraise to help with funds but will only be giving what they can with an agreement that this would only be a loan to the town and any funds they provide will have to be given back to the fire dept. Councilor Loder stressed that we just do not have the money right now and that we will have to increase taxes this year to cover even monthly payments. The Manager advised that we are working on this and also that he will reach out to Paul Decker and Robbie Thompson to discuss financing options. We will revisit at next meeting.

Fire dept members left at 7:40.

Motion # 26 – 110 R. Decker/ R. Loder
RESOLVED that we close this meeting to the public.
In Favor: Mayor D. Andrews, Deputy Mayor R. Decker, Councilors: T. Feener, R. Loder, C. Kinden.
Opposed: 0
Motion carried

Dave Warford arrived at 7:41 pm.

Councilor D. Woodworth left the chambers at 7:41 pm.
Town clerk/Manager left the chambers at 7:41 pm.
Public resident left the chambers at 7:41 pm.

Motion # 26 – 111 R. Decker/ R. Loder
RESOLVED that we open this meeting to the public.
In Favor: Mayor D. Andrews, Deputy Mayor R. Decker, Councilors: T. Feener, R. Loder, C. Kinden.
Opposed: 0
Motion carried

Town Clerk/Manager returned to chambers at 8:02 pm.

Councilor D. Woodworth returned to chambers at 8:02 pm.
Public resident returned to chambers at 8:02 pm.

BUSINESS ARISING:

POLICY Manual:

Clerk is still working on getting this printed. Will send a pdf copy to council again before final printing

PHASE 3 WATERMAIN MOTION:

Motion # 26 – 112 **T. Feener/ R. Decker**

RESOLVED that we approve having the service lines brought within 1.5 meters from houses.

In Favor: **Mayor D. Andrews, Deputy Mayor R. Decker, Councilors: T. Feener, R. Loder, C. Kinden, D. Woodworth**

Opposed: **0**

Motion carried

MEETING WITH MANAGER AND DIRECTOR:

Meeting went well.

RATIFICATION OF PRIVILEGED MEETING:

It was decided that we revise the previous motion of the maintenance hours of work.
Councilor D. Woodworth left the table for this motion

Motion # 26 – 113 **R. Loder/ R. Decker**

RESOLVED that we revise the maintenance hours of work to be 40 hours for supervisor and 32 hours for maintenance full time. All other hours worked beyond this will be banked.

In Favor: **Mayor D. Andrews, Deputy Mayor R. Decker, Councilors: T. Feener, R. Loder, C. Kinden.**

Opposed: **0**

Motion carried

CONFLICT OF INTEREST COMPLAINTS:

Motion # 26 – 114 **C. Kinden/ R. Loder**

RESOLVED that we approve council decision made at a privileged meeting regarding conflict-of-interest complaints from an elected official to a councilor. Both parties have been notified and the matter is now closed.

In Favor: **Mayor D. Andrews, Deputy Mayor R. Decker, Councilors: T. Feener, R. Loder, C. Kinden.**

Opposed: **0**

Motion carried

CODE OF CONDUCT COMPLAINT:

Motion # 26 – 114 **T. Feener/ D. Woodworth**

RESOLVED that we approve council decision made at a privileged meeting regarding code of conduct complaint against a councilor. The issue has been handled informally and the matter is now closed. The letter written from council to the respondent will be withdrawn.

In Favor: **Mayor D. Andrews, Deputy Mayor R. Decker, Councilors: T. Feener, C. Kinden, D. Woodworth**

Opposed: **0**

Motion carried

WORK ORDERS:

Already discussed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

HERITAGE:

Councilor C. Kinden reported that their Heritage Day went very well. It was a great turnout. The center will remain open for a few more days to clue up the summer. Katie has been hired for an extra week. Exploits Employment corporation will be paying 14.00 an hour and the town will pay remaining.

FIRE DEPT:

Councilor D. Woodworth advised that the fire dept would like to commit to meeting with council on a regular basis.

Question about the hst rebate for the Purchase of the jaws of life. They have been issued this.

Request for a key to the gate at the water tower. They have been issued this already.

PUBLIC WORKS:

Councilor R. Loder enquired on the insurance claim with the water tower. Clerk advised that she has been in touch with them and the claim has now been forwarded on to another person and that they are still working on this.

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CORRESPONDENCE
September 21, 2026

FROM	REGARDING	ACTION
K. Alcock (recreation)	playground	
Looking into financial help for the playground. More pea stone is needed. We will budget this for early next year. Clerk will notify Kim on this.		
customer	RV Park	
Perhaps we can also budget for next year the addition of a bathroom or shower facility. Also look into increasing rates for usage of the park to offset these costs. More discussion followed on ideas for the park as well as funding that we can apply on.		
MNL	Board of directors' nominations	File for Reference
Municipal Affairs	Budget training	
Clerk will register any one that would like to attend.		
Exploits community employment	placements	
Kate will be employed by the Exploits Employment corporation for 1 week. They will pay us $14.00 and hour and we will pay remaining.		
Fire dept	Repair quote	As discussed previously

FINANCES:

Motion # 26 - 115 **R. Decker/ T. Feener**

RESOLVED that the bills in the amount of $16,579.88 be paid.

In Favor: **Mayor D. Andrews, Deputy Mayor R. Decker, Councilors: T. Feener, R. Loder, D. Woodworth, C. Kinden.**

Opposed: **0**

Motion carried

EXEMPTIONS:

BUILDING PERMITS:

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Code of Conduct March 2026 resolution

Councilor D. Woodworth left the chambers while this was addressed.

Motion # 26 – 116 R. Decker/ R. Loder

RESOLVED that we approve decision of council regarding a code of conduct complaint received from a citizen regarding an elected official. Both parties have been notified.

In Favor: Mayor D. Andrews, Deputy Mayor R. Decker, Councilors: T. Feener, R. Loder, D. Woodworth, C. Kinden.

Opposed: 0

Motion carried

Councilor D. Woodworth returned to chambers.

Town Hall security:

It was brought to the Clerk/ Manager's attention that a resident may have been in the town hall (back rooms) while we were having a private meeting. It was suggested to have cameras installed and make sure all doors in back are locked on a regular basis.

Motion # 26 – 117 R. Loder/ T. Feener

RESOLVED that we purchase security cameras, not to exceed $200.00.

In Favor: Mayor D. Andrews, Deputy Mayor R. Decker, Councilors: T. Feener, R. Loder, D. Woodworth, C. Kinden.

Opposed: 0

Motion carried

Water supply:

It has been observed by the clerk/Manager that there are people on the pond with kayaks, this could be moose hunters. Perhaps the gate should be locked during the summer.
We did purchase outdoor trail cams; it was suggested to have these installed somewhere up there.

Privileged session -privacy matter-OIPC complaint:

Motion # 26 – 118 C. Kinden/ R. Decker

RESOLVED that we close this meeting to the public.

In Favor: Mayor D. Andrews, Deputy Mayor R. Decker, Councilors: T. Feener, R. Loder, C. Kinden.

Opposed: 0

Motion carried

Clerk/Manager left the chambers at 8:47pm
Public resident left the chambers at 8:47 pm.

Clerk/Manager returned to chambers at 8:54 pm.

Councilor D. Woodworth returned to chambers at 8:54 pm
Public resident returned to chambers at 8:54

Motion # 26 – 119 C. Kinden/ R. Decker
RESOLVED that we open this meeting to the public.
In Favor: Mayor D. Andrews, Deputy Mayor R. Decker, Councilors: T. Feener, R. Loder, C. Kinden.
Opposed: 0
Motion carried

Clerk/Manager returned to chambers at 8:54 pm.
Councilor D. Woodworth returned to chambers at 8:54 pm
Public resident returned to chambers at 8:54

Budget:

No one can commit to a time right now. Clerk will do up some reports and send by email.

Auditor:

Auditor has been here; she briefly met with councilors T. Feener and C. Kinden.

Chat GPT:

It was suggested that we should perhaps look into having this for office. The clerk/manager does use the free version and it is quite useful, but the free version only allows so many trials. The cost is $25.00 monthly. Clerk will check into the worth of having this.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion #26 -105 R. Decker/ R. Loder
RESOLVED that this meeting be adjourned at 9:25 pm
In Favor: Mayor D. Andrews, Deputy Mayor R. Decker, Councilors: T. Feener, D. Woodworth, C. Kinden, R. Loder.
Opposed: 0
Motion carried

Mayor
Denny Andrews

Town Clerk/Manager
Wanda Ryan