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Council Meeting Update Municipality of Temagami – September 11, 2025

The Municipality of Temagami held its regular Council meeting on September 11, 2025. The agenda was full, and several important decisions were made that will shape local services, community safety, cultural life, and long-term planning.

Council approved new agreements with Circular Materials Ontario, ensuring recycling services continue without interruption while modernizing delivery and funding under the province's Blue Box transition.

Council also renewed the 2026–2031 Financial Plan for Drinking Water Systems in Temagami North and South. This provincially required plan demonstrates that the systems remain financially sustainable and compliant with the Clean Water Act, safeguarding reliable water service for residents and businesses.

To support Public Works operations, Council authorized the purchase of a Toyota Tundra SR5 with plow, funded through reserves, to enhance the fleet for snow removal and winter road maintenance.

Applications were endorsed for the 2025–26 Fire Protection Grant and the Ontario FireSmart Communities Program (2025–2027), both aimed at securing funding for fire safety equipment, training, and wildfire prevention.

In addition, Council supported an application to the NOHFC Internship Program for a Municipal Law Enforcement Officer (MLEO), strengthening local by-law enforcement while creating an early career opportunity for a young professional in the region.

Council adopted a Public Art in Public Spaces Policy, establishing a framework for displaying local art in municipal facilities, trails, and parks—recognizing the role of arts and culture in community identity.

A new five-year Memorandum of Understanding with the Temiskaming & Northern Ontario Sno Travellers was approved, ensuring continued operation of snowmobile trails that support Temagami's winter tourism and local businesses.

To further support local organizations, Council agreed that non-profit groups may receive a one-time facility rental fee waiver annually, provided insurance and standard agreements are in place. This initiative encourages community events and strengthens recreational life.

Council reinstated the General Government and Finance Committee, which will play a central role in developing the 2026 budget. The committee will provide detailed review of capital and operating priorities, reinforcing Council's commitment to careful financial management and long-term planning.