

**AUGUSTA TOWNSHIP
MINUTES
SPECIAL C.O.W. MEETING
August 30, 2021**

2:00 p.m. at the Municipal Office, 3560 County Road 26

PRESENT

Mayor Malanka (Electronically)
Deputy Mayor Shaver
Councillor Bowman (Electronically)
Councillor Henry (Electronically)
Councillor Schapelhouman (Electronically)

PRESS

STAFF PRESENT

Bryan Brown, Annette Simonian

REGRETS

CALL TO ORDER

Deputy Mayor Shaver called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Bowman, seconded by Mayor Malanka
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda for August 30, 2021 be adopted.
Carried

DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

NORTH AUGUSTA LABOUR DAY FESTIVAL ROAD CLOSURE

Moved by Councillor Henry, seconded by Mayor Malanka
BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council a road closure for Mill Street from County Road 15 to Main Street from 8:00am to 5:00pm September 6, 2021 for the North Augusta Labour Day Festival; and

THAT Council authorize a road closure for Main Street for the Labour Day Festival Parade from 12:00pm to 1:00pm on September 6, 2021.
Carried.

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CORRESPONDENCE & PETITIONS

Moved by Mayor Malanka, seconded by Councillor Schapelhouman

WHEREAS the Ontario government has underfunded optometric eye care for 30 years;

AND WHEREAS the government only pays on average \$44.65 for an OHIP-insured visit - the lowest rate in Canada;

AND WHEREAS optometrists are being forced to pay substantially out of their own pocket to provide over 4 million services each year to Ontarians under OHIP;

AND WHEREAS optometrists have never been given a formal negotiation process with the government;

AND WHEREAS the government's continued neglect resulted in 96% of Ontario optometrists voting to withdraw OHIP services beginning September 1, 2021;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Augusta supports the Ontario Association of Optometrists request that the Ontario government commit to legally-binding, formal negotiations to ensure any future OHIP-insured optometry services are, at a minimum, funded at the cost of delivery in order to ensure that our residents can continue to access the quality eye care that they deserve.

Carried

BY-LAW TO CONFIRM PROCEEDINGS OF COUNCIL

Moved by Councillor Bowman, seconded by Councillor Henry

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 3533-2021 confirm the proceedings of Council of the Township of Augusta at its meeting held on August 30, 2021 be read a first time, a second time, a third time, and be enacted as read.

Carried

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Schapelhouman, seconded by Councillor Bowman

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council do now adjourn at 2:10 pm until September 13, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. or until the call of the Mayor subject to need.

Carried.