



## Rural Youth Group Committee Meeting

May 4 , 2026, at 5:30pm at 136 Yonge Street, Burk's Falls

Present: Chair Barry Burton, Co-Chair Ashley Brandt, Mary Thomson (zoom), Corrine Penstone, Recording Secretary

Guests: None

Regrets: Jeannette Godfrey, Mayor Chris Hope

Delegations: None

1. The meeting was called to order at 5:38pm by Chair B. Burton
2. **Land Acknowledgement:**  
C. Penstone provided the Land Acknowledgement for the Committee.
3. **Disclosure of Interest:**  
None
4. **Amendments to the Agenda:**  
Moved by C. Penstone - Seconded by A. Brandt  
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following items be added to the Rural Youth Group Advisory Committee agenda:  
Item 8 a) Closed Session-Volunteer  
Pursuant to the Municipal Act 2001, c. 25,  
Section 239 (2) (b) regarding an identifiable individual, or municipal employee.  
Carried.
5. **Acceptance of the Agenda:**  
Moved by A. Brandt - Seconded by M. Thomson  
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Rural Youth Group Advisory Committee approves the amended agenda of May 4, 2026.  
Carried.
6. **Adoption of Previous Meeting Minutes:**  
Moved by C. Penstone - Seconded by M. Thomson  
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Rural Youth Group approves the minutes of the meeting held on.  
Carried.
6. **Old Business:**
  - a) **Update on location options**  
Committee members viewed a potential new location that possessed many desirable qualities. It was noted that upgrades would be required to ensure accessibility compliance. At this time, the owner is uncertain regarding the future direction for the building.

The Committee expressed interest in the potential for the new space to generate additional revenue due to its layout.

C. Penstone and B. Burton will draft a proposal regarding the space for Council's consideration for the May 12 meeting. B. Burton will ensure the Mayor is advised that the document will be forthcoming.

**b) Update on secondary interviews**

The Village attempted to schedule interviews; however, the candidates were unavailable. Interviews will be scheduled in the coming weeks based on candidate availability.

**c) Draft memorandum of understanding**

The item was not ready for this meeting and was deferred.

7. **New Business**

Social media posts drafted by C. Penstone were approved by the office.

The group discussed arranging for a group photo and having each member prepare a short biography for the webpage.

8. **Closed Session- Volunteer**

Moved C. Penstone - Seconded by A. Brandt

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Rural Youth Group Committee Advisory Committee now enters closed session at 6:10pm pursuant to the Municipal Act 2001, c. 25, Item 8 a) Volunteer

Pursuant to the Municipal Act 2001, c. 25,

Section 239 (2) (b) regarding an identifiable individual, or municipal employee.

Carried.

Moved C. Penstone - Seconded by A. Brandt

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Rural Youth Group Committee Advisory Committee reconvenes to regular session at 6:13 pm.

Carried.

9. **Recommendations to Council**

None

10. **Date of Next Meeting:** June 8 , 2026, at 5:30pm

11. **Meeting adjourned** at 6:26 pm. Moved by C. Penstone – Seconded by M. Thomson



Signature of Chair