

Township of Southgate Council Meeting Highlights December 3, 2025

- Council received a presentation from PSD Citywide Inc. outlining proposed levels of service for the Township's municipal assets, as part of Southgate's ongoing work to meet the requirements of Ontario Regulation 588/17. Following the presentation, Treasurer McMann brought forward a report seeking direction on establishing service levels for both tax-supported and user-fee-supported assets. Council directed staff to maintain current spending levels across all asset categories, with a 2% increase for tax-supported assets, and to fund user-fee-supported assets at 70% of identified need.
- Junior Planner Victoria Mance presented a report to Council seeking approval to rezone 264549 Southgate Road 26 to allow a 750-square-metre on-farm diversified use along with a 500-square-metre outdoor storage area. The proposal outlines plans for a truss assembly workshop, power room, and office as part of the diversified farm operation.
- Director of Development Ken Melanson presented a report to Council this week seeking approval to submit formal comments to the Province regarding Bill 68 through the Environmental Registry of Ontario. In the submission, the Township outlines concerns that the creation of the proposed Huron Superior Regional Conservation Authority could hinder timely planning reviews and on-site environmental inspections. The report also warns that the shift may reduce the direct communication and support currently provided by local Conservation Authority staff, potentially impacting the efficiency of environmental and development review processes.
- Council approved long-term solutions to address high turbidity issues at Well D4 in Dundalk that arose over the summer. Public Works Manager – Water Operations, Cory Henry presented a report recommending the installation of a stainless-steel riser pipe and the replacement of the well pump. The upgrades, costing \$69,960 plus HST, are expected to extend the well's lifespan and continue to ensure a safe and reliable water supply for the community.
- A special Council meeting was held at 1:00PM where the financial forecasting survey results, staffing presentation and the 2026 Mayor's Budget financial forecasting presentation was received. For further information about the 2026 Mayor's Budget, please visit the Township of Southgate website here.

Upcoming Meetings:

- Downtown Dundalk Revitalization Taskforce Mill Room Library December 11, 2025 @ 11:00AM
- Special Council Meeting/Financial Forecasting Meeting Holstein Council Chambers December 17, 2025 @ 9:00 AM
- Council Meeting Holstein Council Chambers December 17, 2025 @ 1:00PM
 - *Additional Council and Committee meeting information can be found on the calendar located on the homepage of Southgate's Website. Council meetings are livestreamed and can be accessed through the Township's Youtube channel.