



# COUNCIL CATCH UP

## 2026 MUNICIPAL CAPITAL AND OPERATING BUDGET ADOPTED

Council adopted the 2026 Municipal Operating and Capital Budget. The 2026 budget represents a 5.69% increase to the Township tax rate, or \$34.09 per year, per \$100,000 of assessment value.

When combined with the United Counties of SDG and Provincial Education rates, South Stormont residents can expect a 4.51% blended increase in 2026.

Full details on the budget, including planned projects, cost breakdowns and distribution amounts can be found at [www.speakupsouthstormont.ca/budget2026](http://www.speakupsouthstormont.ca/budget2026)



## CIP APPLICATION APPROVAL

Council approved a Community Improvement Plan (CIP) Application for Grain & Stone Flooring to complete signage improvements and interior renovations. The CIP Review Committee reviewed the application and recommended the approval of the grant.

Grain & Stone Flooring will be a new retail space and showroom that will be opening in the space formerly occupied by Rick's Automotive in Long Sault.

## GRINCH BY-LAW

Council adopted a new by-law for the holidays, appropriately named the Grinch By-law. This by-law is designed to regulate all “Grinchy” behaviour throughout the season in South Stormont.

During the holidays, we encourage all to participate in “Who-like” behaviour and promote the holiday spirit!



## COUNTY ROAD 36 TRANSFER TO TOWNSHIP - UPDATE

Council received an update on the transfer of County Road 36 to the Township. The United Counties of SDG supported a new roadway through the Lost Villages Logistics site, enabling the Township to take over County Road 36. County Council also approved cash-in-lieu for the Township to complete an asphalt overlay to restore the road.

The jurisdictional transfer of County Road 36 is expected to be formalised in Spring 2026.

## ➤➤➤ OTHER ITEMS ON THE DECEMBER 17, 2025 AGENDA

- Conservation Authority Joint Delegation - Low Water Response
- Development Charged Background Study Delegation
- Procurement Purchasing Contracts
- Delegated Approval Summary - Financial Security Releases
- Quarterly Drainage Report