



Municipalité de / Municipality of Val Rita-Harty
May 27, 2026 - Special Meeting of Council - 06:00 PM

1 Call To Order

2 Adoption of the Agenda

THAT the agenda be adopted as circulated.

3 Declaration of Pecuniary and General Conflict of Interest

4 Special Business

4.1 Hon. George Pirie, Minister of Northern Economic Development and Growth

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4.2 NEOMA meeting in Hearst

📎 NEOMA meeting in Hearst on June 26, 2026

4.3 Public Works - Pre-budget approval

THAT the Municipality of Val Rita-Harty Council approve the expenses for the culvert purchase for \$10,000 and water plant repairs for \$15,000.

📎 Public Works - Pre-budget approval

4.4 2026 Draft budget

4.4.1 Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund (OCIF)

THAT Council authorize the use of \$200,000 from the OCIF funding for the paving of de la Coupe Avenue.

4.4.2 Canada Community Building Fund (CCBF)

THAT Council authorize the use of \$_____ from the CCBF funding for

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4.4.3 Northern Ontario Resource Development Support (NORDS) Fund

THAT Council authorize the use of \$60,000 from the NORDS funding for the ditching on Harty Pit Road and the replacement of culvert(s) on Parent Road.

4.4.4 Val Rita-Harty Library request

THAT Council approve an advance of \$_____ to the Val Rita-Harty Public Library.

📎 Val Rita-Harty Library request

5 Closed Business

THAT Council moved to Closed Session meeting at _____ p.m. pursuant to Section 239(2) of the *Municipal Act* 239 (2) to consider: (b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees; and (e) litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the

municipality or local board, with respect to property matter(s).

6 Report from Closed Session

THAT Council return to Public Session at _____ p.m. Council met in Closed Session pursuant to Section 239(2) of the *Municipal Act* 239 (2) to consider: (b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees; and (e) litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board, with respect to property matter(s). Council directed that staff _____.

7 Adjournment

THAT this meeting be adjourned at ____ p.m.



774-2026-157

May 15, 2026

Her Worship Johanne Baril
Mayor
Township of Val Rita-Harty
mayor@valharty.ca

Dear Mayor Baril:

I am pleased to write to you regarding the Northern Ontario Resource Development Support (NORDS) Fund.

As outlined in the 2026 Ontario Budget, our government has now extended the NORDS Fund so it will continue to invest \$15 million annually in municipalities across Northern Ontario to help with infrastructure to enable resource development as well as offset some of the impacts that development sectors including forestry, mining, aggregates and agriculture, can have on local municipal and community infrastructure.

All 144 municipalities in Northern Ontario will continue to be eligible to receive funding under the NORDS Fund to support investments in municipal infrastructure projects. This funding will continue to complement existing funding streams available to municipalities for infrastructure projects.

We have heard from municipalities across the North, and we will continue to ensure that the NORDS Fund remains flexible, allowing municipalities to stack with other programs, carry over unused allocations year-over-year and pursue partnerships with other northern municipalities to support regional projects. As well, our government understands the importance of stable and predictable funding to municipalities, so we will maintain the same allocation for each municipality in Northern Ontario.

I also heard the requests to ensure that the program can be used to fund infrastructure related to agricultural development and I am pleased to confirm that is eligible.

I am pleased to confirm that the Township of Val Rita-Harty's annual allocation is \$64,101.89. This annual allocation can fund projects that began on or after April 1, 2026.

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Alexia Brazeau, a Northern Development Advisor from my ministry's Regional Economic Development Branch, will contact you soon to provide support, or to answer any questions you may have. Ms. Brazeau can also be contacted by phone at (705) 577-0051, or by email at alexia.brazeau@ontario.ca.

Our government remains committed to working with and supporting municipalities across Northern Ontario.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in grey ink, appearing to read 'G. Pirie', with a long horizontal line extending to the left.

The Honourable George Pirie
Minister of Northern Economic Development and Growth

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June 26, 2026
Heritage Sawmill Marketplace, 830 Front St, HEARST
10am-2pm

MEETING REGISTRATION FORM

Municipality:		
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Title / Position		
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Attendance	<input type="checkbox"/> In-Person	<input type="checkbox"/> Virtual
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- Completed Registration Forms to be returned to NEOMASecretary@gmail.com by **Friday June 12, 2026**.
- A \$30 registration fee for in-person attendance will be invoiced to the Town.



Municipalité de Val Rita-Harty Municipality

Item #: 4

Personnel responsible / staff: Public Works Supervisor

Date : May 22, 2026

pour / for: conseil / Council

Subject / Re : Purchase approval

Description:

Request for financial approval to purchase culverts as soon as possible. To save on freight, the delivery time can be lengthy. The job is on the priority list for 2026. Culverts are to replace collapsing wood culvert on Parent Rd. (one location, double Culvert) The cost to purchase those culverts is approximately \$10,000. It would be taken from account # 1-4-3231-2610 (Transportation services, unpaved road capital projects).

The water plant attic and gable vent work would require to be started as soon as possible. That job is in the draft budget under account # 1-4-4244-2610 (Water operations). Amount quoted for that job is \$42,500. This work will be done by public works for significantly less money. Approval of \$15,000 is requested to get that job started.

Lien avec plan stratégique / Link to Strategic Plan:

The report aligns with the Municipal Strategic Plan by ensuring Capital work and general maintenance are kept on schedule. Ensuring road safety and building integrity.

Recommandation / Recommendation:

THAT the Municipality of Val Rita-Harty Council approve the expenses for the culvert purchase for \$10,000 and water plant repairs for \$15,000.

Financial Implications:

Financial implications are \$10,000 for culvert purchase and \$15,000 for water plant repairs

Total financial implications: \$25,000.

Rapport soumis par / Respectfully submitted:

Stefan Landry

Public Works Supervisor



April 28, 2026

Municipal Council Val Rita-Harty
106 Government Road
Val Rita, Ontario
P0L 2G0

Dear Members of Council,

The Library board is formally requesting consideration for an advance on the budget for the current fiscal period.

Due to immediate financial obligations, access to a portion of the budget in advance would allow us to maintain continuity and avoid potential disruptions to planned activities. This request is not for additional funding, but rather for an adjustment until the budget is approved.

We remain committed to responsible financial management and will ensure that all funds are used in accordance with established policies and reporting requirements. Should this request be granted, we will provide any necessary documentation and maintain full transparency in how the funds are allocated and tracked.

I would be pleased to provide further details or meet to discuss this request at your convenience. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Genevieve Couture
CEO
Val Rita – Harty Public Library
biblioalrita@gmail.com