



**INNISFIL PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD
MEETING AGENDA
Tuesday, May 19, 2026 – 6:30 p.m.
Lakeshore Boardroom**

1. Call to Order, Welcome & Land Acknowledgement
2. Approval of Agenda (copy & motion)

[Motion #2026. – THAT the agenda of the May 19, 2026 meeting be approved as presented.]

3. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest
None at time of agenda creation
4. Delegations to the Board
None at time of agenda creation

Consent Agenda

5. Approval of Previous Minutes (copy)
6. Correspondence (copy)
7. Reports for Information
 - a) CEO Report (copy & information sharing)
 - b) Municipal Council Report (copy & information sharing)
 - c) Library Board Report (information sharing)
 - d) Board Committee Reports (information sharing)
 - Truth & Reconciliation Committee
 - e) Health & Safety Update (copy)
 - f) Library Associations Report (information sharing)



Consent Recommendation

[Motion #2026. – THAT the consent agenda items 5a.01.01 to 7f.01.01, and the recommendations contained therein be approved as presented.]

Agenda

8. Staff & Committee Reports
None at time of agenda creation
9. Business Arising
None at time of agenda creation
10. Policies
None at time of agenda creation
11. Strategic Issues
None at time of agenda creation
12. New Business
None at time of agenda creation
13. Comments and Announcements
 - a) Calendar of Events (link)
<https://innisfil.bibliocommons.com/events/search/index>
<https://calendar.innisfil.ca/default/Month>
14. In Camera
Consideration of a resolution to hold a “Closed Session” Committee of the Whole meeting as provided for under the *Municipal Act, 2001, S.O.2001, Chapter 25, Section 239 (3.1)*, the Public Libraries Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.44, and the Library Board’s Procedural By-Law Policy# B-2023-03, Section 6.11.

[Motion #2026.XX - THAT the Board holds a “Closed Session” Committee of the Whole meeting as provided for by the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O.2001, Chapter 25, Section 239 (3.1), the Public Libraries Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.44 and the Library Board’s Procedural By-Law Policy# B-2023-03, Section 6.11, for the purposes of:

- a) ***Holding a workshop to discuss Board Succession Planning.***



[Motion #2026.XX – THAT the Board now rise and report on the “Closed Session” meeting of May 19, 2026, and resume the regular Board meeting]

15. Adjournment

[Motion #2026. – THAT the meeting be adjourned]



CORRESPONDENCE LIST for May 19, 2026

6a.01.01	<p>CTV News, April 9, 2026, article entitled <i>Library on Quebec-Vermont Border Gets New Entrance After U.S. Limited Access for Canadians</i>, Written by Kelly Greig</p> <p>Haskell Library on Canada-U.S. border gets new door after Trump limited access</p>	link
6a.02.01	<p>Edmonton Journal, April 6, 2026, article entitled <i>Opinion: Bill 28 Puts Alberta Libraries at Risk of Government Censorship</i>, written by James L. Turk</p> <p>Opinion: Bill 28 puts Alberta libraries at risk of censorship Edmonton Journal</p>	link
6a.03.01	<p>Toronto.com, April 6, 2026, article entitled <i>Why This Toronto Woman is Visiting Every Public Library Branch in the City over the Next 10 Days</i>, written by Irelyne Lavery</p> <p>Why this woman is walking to all Toronto library branches</p>	link
6a.04.01	<p>CBC.ca, April 17, 2026, article entitled <i>P.E.I. Kids Won't Receive Books from Dolly Parton's Imagination Library After Budget Cut</i>, written by Lucas McInnis</p> <p>P.E.I. kids won't receive books from Dolly Parton's Imagination Library after budget cut CBC News</p>	link
6a.05.01	<p>Ottawa Citizen, April 27, 2026, article entitled <i>Library and Archives Canada Making 'Best Efforts' to Meet Access-To-Information Targets While Cutting Jobs</i>, written by Ben Andrews</p> <p>Library and Archives says ATIP won't suffer, despite cuts Ottawa Citizen</p>	link
6a.06.01	<p>The County of Simcoe, April 28, 2026, video presentation entitled <i>The Years Before 5 Shape Lives</i></p> <p>https://youtu.be/PXwdw0QSWVw?si=SbuThr5DEqGGBLaH</p>	link

**INNISFIL PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, April 21, 2026 – 6:30 p.m.
Lakeshore Boardroom**

In Attendance: Anne Smith, Rob Nicol, Councillor Jennifer Richardson, Councillor Robert Saunders, Rhonda Flanagan, Sue Bennett, Cynthia Gordon

Staff in Attendance: Erin Scuccimarri, Jennifer Miyasaki, Megan Legg, Alex Loewen

Regrets: Barb Baguley, Raj Grover

1. CALL TO ORDER, WELCOME AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

- The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.
- Cynthia Gordon delivered the Land Acknowledgement Statement.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion #2026.14

Moved by: Jennifer Richardson

Seconded by: Rhonda Flanagan

THAT the agenda of the April 21, 2026 meeting be approved as presented and amended.

CARRIED.

3. DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

4. DELEGATIONS TO THE BOARD

- a) Alex Loewen, Children’s Librarian & Megan Legg, Director, Lifelong Learning – Programming Update
- Alex provided a presentation on Readers Advisory and tools used for searching for materials and providing suggested reads/materials.
 - Megan spoke about the 2025 programming trends (see Staff Report LIB-05-2026 in Section 8 of the agenda).

CONSENT AGENDA

5. Approval of Previous Minutes

- No additions or changes

6. Correspondence

- No comments or additions

7. Reports for Information

- CEO Report
 - The CEO commented on a successful March Break with many programs being well attended
- Municipal Council Report
 - No additions to reports
- Library Board Report
 - Roundtable of good news stories and events attended were shared
- Board Committee Reports
 - Finance Committee
 - Reports provided in Section 8 of Agenda
 - The Board Chair advised the Board of the need to strike a Board Legacy Committee and asked for volunteers; Committee Members will be Anne Smith (Ex-Officio), Jennifer Richardson and Cynthia Gordon.
 - Truth & Reconciliation Committee will meet on April 27, 2026 to practice book wrapping, as part of the Canadian Library Project that was created to spread awareness of missing and murdered indigenous women, girls and 2 Spirit persons (MMIWG2S). The book wrapping event will take place at Lakeshore Library, Tuesday, May 5, from 6:00pm-7:30pm.
- Health & Safety Update
 - March meeting minutes were included in package
- Library Associations Report
 - Upcoming OLS Board Assembly Meeting – May 19, 2026

Motion #2026.15

Moved by: Rob Saunders
Seconded by: Sue Bennett

THAT the consent agenda items 5a.01.01 to 7f.01.01, and the recommendations contained therein be approved as presented.

CARRIED.

AGENDA

8. STAFF AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a) LIB-04-2026 - Annual Report for 2025

Motion #2026.16

Moved by: Jennifer Richardson
Seconded by: Cynthia Gordon

THAT the Staff report LIB-04-2026 – Annual Report for 2025 be received.

CARRIED.

- b) LIB-05-2026 – 2025 Programming Trends

Motion #2026.17

Moved by: Cynthia Gordon
Seconded by: Rob Nicol

THAT the Staff report LIB-05-2026 – 2025 Programming Trends be received

CARRIED.

- c) LIB-06-2026 - 2025 Year End Financial Results

Motion #2026.18

Moved by: Rhonda Flanagan
Seconded by: Sue Bennett

THAT the Committee Report LIB-06-2026 regarding the 2025 Year-End Results be received; and THAT the recommendations regarding the 2025 Donation Reserves contained therein, be approved as presented.

CARRIED.

d) LIB-07-2026 Q1 2026 Finance Report

Motion #2026.19

Moved by: Rob Saunders
Seconded by: Cynthia Gordon

THAT the Committee Report LIB-07-2026 regarding the Q1 2026 Operating and Capital results be received; and FURTHER THAT the recommendations regarding LIB42 be approved as presented.

CARRIED.

e) LIB-08-2026 – Library Fees and Charges

Motion #2026.20

Moved by: Rhonda Flanagan
Seconded by: Rob Nicol

THAT the Staff Report LIB-08-2026 Library Fees and Charges be received and the recommendations contained therein be approved.

CARRIED.

f) LIB-09-2026 – Procurement of Digital Archive Infrastructure Services

Motion #2026.21

Moved by: Rob Saunders
Seconded by: Sue Bennett

THAT the Staff Report LIB-09-2026 Procurement of Digital Archive Infrastructure Services be received and the recommendations contained therein be approved.

CARRIED.

g) LIB-10-2026 – Laser Cutter Replacement

Motion #2026.22

Moved by: Rob Nicol
Seconded by: Rhonda Flanagan

THAT the Staff Report LIB-10-2026 Laser Cutter Replacement be received and the recommendations contained therein be approved.

CARRIED.

9. BUSINESS ARISING

None at time of agenda creation

10. POLICY

- a) **EMPLOYMENT** – Conflict of Interest Policy #E-2026-09
- b) **EMPLOYMENT** – Flexible Work Arrangement Policy # E-2026-10
- c) **OPERATING & TECHNOLOGY** – The Library and Political Elections Policy #2026-11
- d) **OPERATING & TECHNOLOGY** - Membership & Borrowing Policy #2026-12
- e) **OPERATING & TECHNOLOGY** - Room Rental Policy #2026-13

Motion #2026.23

Moved by: Sue Bennett
Seconded by: Rob Nicol

THAT the EMPLOYMENT – Conflict of Interest Policy #E-2026-09; the EMPLOYMENT – Flexible Work Arrangement Policy # E-2026-10; the OPERATING & TECHNOLOGY – The Library and Political Elections Policy #2026-11; the OPERATING & TECHNOLOGY - Membership & Borrowing Policy #2026-12; and the OPERATING & TECHNOLOGY - Room Rental Policy #2026-13 be approved as presented.

CARRIED.

11. STRATEGIC ISSUES

There were no Strategic Issues to discuss this month.

12. NEW BUSINESS

No new business

13. COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a) Calendar of Events
 - Links for Library and Community events were shared in the agenda.

14. IN CAMERA

- a) Consideration of a resolution to hold an “In Camera” Committee of the Whole meeting as provided for under the Municipal Act, 2001, as amended, the Public Libraries Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.44, and the Library Board’s Procedural By-Law Policy# B-2023-03.

Motion #2026.24

Moved by: Rob Saunders
Seconded by: Jennifer Richardson

THAT the Board holds a “Closed Session” Committee of the Whole meeting as provided for by the Municipal Act, 2001, as amended, the Public Libraries Act, R.S.O. c. P.44, and the Board’s Procedural By-Law Policy #B-2023-03 to deal with:

- a) litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the board

CARRIED.

Motion #2026.25

Moved by: Rhonda Flanagan
Seconded by: Cynthia Gordon

THAT the Board now rise and report on the In Camera session and resume the regular Board meeting.

CARRIED.

15. ADJOURNMENT

Motion #2026.26

Moved by: Rob Nicol

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 8:28 p.m.

CARRIED.

DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

The next Library Board meeting will be held on
Tuesday, May 19, 2026 at 6:30 p.m.
Innisfil ideaLAB & Library – Lakeshore Branch – Boardroom

Anne Smith, Board Chair

Erin Scuccimarri, Secretary

APRIL 2026 CEO REPORT



Speak UP for diversity & inclusion

REDUCING BARRIERS

Community Volunteer Income Tax Program

The *Community Volunteer Income Tax Program (CVITP)* had another successful year, with staff and dedicated volunteers working together to support our community. Through this initiative, we were able to assist 224 community members in filing their taxes free of charge, helping reduce financial barriers and ensure access to important benefits and services.

Location	Number of Appointments
Lakeshore Branch	108
Cookstown Branch	17
Stroud Branch	57
Sandycove Acres	42
TOTAL	224

SAFER SPACES

Training with Myles Sexton

Staff participated in a *Safer Spaces* training session led by Myles Sexton, a TV personality, model, and advocate. Organized by the Library's Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion (EDI) Committee, the session centered on Myles' lived experience and explored the importance of fostering inclusive and welcoming environments.

The training encouraged reflection on identity, belonging, and inclusive practices, while offering practical strategies to support respectful and equitable interactions with community members. This initiative supports the library's ongoing commitment to creating safe, inclusive spaces for everyone.



BLACK HISTORY 365

Black History Book Club

On April 30, the Lakeshore Branch hosted a special Black History book club session, led by guest facilitator Roxann Whittingham, as part of the Library's commitment to celebrating Black History 365. Roxann is an author, entrepreneur, the founder of the Black Education Empowerment Fund at Georgian College and has over a decade of teaching experience in Jamaica in addition to her current work as a Graduation Coach for Black Students with the Simcoe County District School Board. It was a wonderful opportunity for our community to have Roxann share her expertise and lived experiences while delving into the book *The Illegal* by Lawrence Hill.



Participants came from a variety of backgrounds and all had a vested interest in supporting diversity within our local communities with the understanding that a variety of skills and experiences makes every community stronger. The topics of immigration, privilege, power dynamics, and racism that came up as themes in the book were deeply personal for some participants, and it reflects well on the reputation of the Library that sessions like these can offer spaces for people to feel they can safely share without fear of judgment. The hour of lively discussion passed quickly, and several new networking connections were made that will continue beyond the Library's walls.





Open UP opportunities to strengthen connection & engagement with our community

FROM PAGE TO PLATE

Book Chat: Your Favourite Cookbook

Book Chat welcomed both new and returning faces for a deliciously memorable discussion on favourite cookbooks. Regular participants brought dishes inspired by beloved recipes, including lemon meringue pie, chocolate chip cookies, and lemon cranberry scones. From passionate cookbook collectors to enthusiastic home bakers, the conversation celebrated the joy of cooking and the stories behind the recipes; many of which were drawn from classic cookbooks that have stood the test of time or been lovingly passed down through generations. This *Book Chat* brought new faces, interested in learning and sharing ideas around cooking, including writing in the margins of your personal cookbooks, favourite YouTube Chefs, and baking blogs.

INCREASING ACCESS

Drop-in Baby Bookworms and Fun for Ones

In late 2025, staff began offering early literacy programming for infants aged 0-24 months without requiring registration. After three consecutive sessions of offering these programs on a drop-in basis, we have found that there has been relatively little change in the numbers of caregivers bringing their babies and toddlers to these programs.

From January–April 2025, our registered baby programs saw 212 attendees across 11 sessions at Lakeshore and 162 attendees across 14 sessions at Stroud. In 2026, attendance remained strong with 205 participants at 13 Lakeshore programs and 144 at 11 Stroud programs.

Caregiver feedback has been very positive, with many appreciating the flexibility of drop-in attendance without worrying about taking someone else's spot. This shift has broadened participation while remaining manageable in our spaces. Stroud, in particular, has built a strong *Baby Bookworms* community, with recent attendance surpassing *Drop-in Storytimes*.

PLANNING FOR PEACE OF MIND

How to Get Your Sh*t Together

(so your loved ones don't have to do it for you)

In this presentation, Michelle Unsworth-Foote used her experience in the financial industry to discuss estate planning in a comfortable, judgement-free atmosphere. Michelle has seen first-hand what can happen to families (and their hard-earned money) when people don't have their things together prior to passing away. This presentation was focused on guiding attendees through some common pitfalls associated with estate and end-of-life planning. Through

Michelle's mix of good humour, and relatable anecdotes, attendees were able to receive valuable information.

FANDOM MEETS CREATIVITY

ComicFEST

ComicFEST 2026 was a highly successful community event, drawing strong attendance and enthusiastic participation from families, teens, and pop culture fans. Now in its third year, the event continues to grow in popularity and impact, offering a vibrant mix of activities including artist showcases, vendor booths, and interactive experiences. The Library provided programming for the event including a very popular *Lightsaber Creation Station*, where guests could build their own lightsaber, choosing a wooden sabre hilt, and adding an acrylic blade in their choice of colour. Star Wars fans know that each Jedi or Sith Lord carries their own unique sabre hilt, and the HackLAB provided options for guests to pick their favourite character lightsabre, both from the light and the dark side. They could choose to battle our special guests from the 501st Legion, or pose for photos.



The *Mario Kart Tournament* was another huge success, with pre-registration for the event filling up quickly. A second Nintendo Switch offered an open-play experience for those interested in racing their friends and family, or practice before their tournament time. We also offered a *Mario Get Together Party*, building warp tubes with pop-up Piranha Plants.

Guests were overheard saying how much fun they had, and how the event offered a really great selection of activities. *ComicFEST* supports not only local creators and fandoms, but it allows people to show off their own costumes and creativity, chatting with other like-minded community members about art and fandom, all while celebrating pop culture.



CONNECTING PEOPLE TO POSSIBILITIES

Agilec Innisfil Job Fair

Agilec Innisfil presented a job fair for the community. Hosted at the Lakeshore Branch, the event featured a range of full-time, part-time, and seasonal job opportunities. Approximately 15 businesses were on-site seeking employees, and just over 400 people attended. Attendees had the opportunity to speak directly with employers from a variety of sectors, from healthcare and hospitality, to manufacturing and distribution, to trades and training. Community members had the chance to meet local employers, explore current openings, and make professional connections. Agilec staff were on-site to support job seekers with resumes and provide information on employment services and resources while Library staff supported visitors with copies and confidence. Two weeks after the job fair, a young man who had been unemployed for three years visited the library to scan documents for his new job, an opportunity he secured as a direct result of attending the job fair.



SPRING TUNE-UP

Firebird Community Cycle

On a mild evening in April, we welcomed a wide range of participants to come and learn how to tune-up and repair their bikes. Grant Wilson from Firebird Community Cycle, a registered not-for-profit Corporation dedicated to the promotion of bicycle education and culture, was there to instruct and demonstrate some common techniques, using bikes brought by participants.



An attentive group assembled, and Grant helped several participants work through some small repairs. Attendees were delighted to learn more about maintaining their bikes and were very excited to be mobile on two wheels again.

Build UP our reputation as a trusted community asset

DEMOCRACY'S SECOND ACT

Author Talk with Peter MacLeod

Peter MacLeod, one of the co-authors of *Democracy's Second Act: Why Politics Needs the Public*, delivered an engaging presentation in support of civic engagement and participatory democracy. With a hopeful view of the future of democracy, Peter envisioned more robust opportunities for citizens to engage on topics that matter and ways for politicians to benefit from the shared knowledge of the public in decision-making. The audience was engaged, and shared thoughtful questions about the state of politics in Canada and across the globe, challenges to getting involved, and were determined to understand how to contribute to positive change. Members of the Electoral Engagement Advisory Committee as well as Town Staff from the Clerk's department were on-hand to answer questions about the upcoming municipal election.



SUPPORTING SAFE INTERACTIONS

Non-Violent Crisis Intervention Training

A group of staff were able to attend a training session on non-violent crisis intervention. Key takeaways of this training included recognizing how staff behaviour can influence patron interactions, emphasizing the importance of calm, empathetic communication and self-regulation. The training also highlighted the different risk levels in crisis situations, helping staff better assess and respond based on the type and severity of behaviour. Additionally, staff learned practical strategies for each stage of conflict, from early anxiety to resolution, including techniques such as active listening, de-escalation, and creating space to support distressed patrons.





Raise UP the Library's identity as an innovative hub

BUILDING EVERYDAY SKILLS

Learn to Sew Programs

Throughout the month of April, Library Staff delivered three sessions of the *Learn to Sew* program, offering participants the opportunity to create a custom drawstring bag, a tote bag, or a lemon wedge purse. Over the course of each session, participants developed hands-on sewing skills from start to finish, beginning with selecting fabrics and cutting out patterns, and progressing to confidently using sewing machines to bring their projects to life. The program emphasized both creativity and skill building, giving participants the chance to make personalized items while learning essential sewing techniques. As challenges came up during the sewing process, such as tricky fabrics to sew or skipping stitches, staff provided guidance and troubleshooting support, helping participants work through issues and build their confidence on the machines. Through persistence and encouragement, everyone was successful in completing their sewing project.



DAY OFF AT THE LIBRARY

PA Day Activities Celebrate World Book Day

We hosted a calm PA Day afternoon program with various book themed activities available for children and families to enjoy. Over the course of the 90-minute program, 40 participants crafted mini books, created sublimation bookmarks, and were invited to do scavenger hunt activities and a colouring sheet featuring popular dogs from books and TV shows.



Light UP pathways to personal & professional growth

LITERACY IN ACTION

Silver Birch Battle of the Books



There was a lot of energy in the Lakeshore Branch as we had our highest turnout for *Battle of the Books* since 2018, with five schools bringing between 4 and 10 competitors, as well as family and friends for their cheering squads! The school teams had been reading the Silver Birch and Silver Birch Express titles since January and meeting weekly to practice for the Battle. Each school also had the opportunity to sign up for a *Mock Battle* visit from the Library to help them prepare, as well as ask questions and learn what to expect on Battle Night. Three of the schools, Alcona Glen Elementary School, Killarney Beach Public School, and Kempenfelt Bay School have all competed in recent years. We were excited to welcome Sunnybrae Public School and St André Bessette for their first *Battle of the Books*.

The Silver Birch Battle of the Books is the Library's way of participating in the Ontario Library Association's Forest of Reading®— Canada's largest recreational reading program, celebrating Canadian authors, illustrators, and publishers. We focused on the Silver Birch Fiction and Express categories, which target students in Grades 3–6.

The competition consisted of four rounds of questions about the books, which ranged from determining the title and author, which book an image referenced, quotations from the stories, as well as information questions. The teams worked together to answer the questions and were cheered on by their supporters in the audience. It was a tight competition, with Alcona Glen Elementary School winning for the first time since 2018.



IN THE COMMUNITY

Town of Innisfil's Volunteer Appreciation Social

At the Town of Innisfil's *Volunteer Appreciation Social*, held during National Volunteer Week, dedicated volunteers were recognized. These volunteers give their time, knowledge, and passion to create welcoming spaces for learning, connection, and growth. Their contributions, alongside those of the 72 attendees celebrated remind us that strong communities are built through service, generosity, and a shared belief in giving back. Library volunteers in attendance included Board Members and Home Library Service volunteers.



Mayor's Business Breakfast

The *Mayor's Business Breakfast* brought together over 130 local business owners, entrepreneurs, and community leaders, showing strong support for Innisfil's growing economy. The event also introduced the first *Business Achievement Awards*, recognizing local businesses for their hard work and success. Even with economic challenges, the message was clear: Innisfil is continuing to grow, support local businesses, and build a strong future for the community.



APPENDIX A: Level UP! Communications Insights

Media Outreach & Social Media Response

DATE PUBLISHED	NEWS OUTLET	TITLE
Apr. 3, 2026	Innisfil Today	Cookbooks, democracy, Black history featured in Innisfil library's April lineup
Apr. 6, 2026	101.3 Milton	Several free book-themed events announced for Innisfil ideaLAB & Library this month
Apr. 6, 2026	Innisfil Today	Town 'overjoyed' to hand out 18 Community Food Projects Grants
Apr. 7, 2026	101.3 Milton	Innisfil food initiatives receiving \$1000 each through grant program
Apr. 10, 2026	Innisfil Today	Four events you have to check out in South Simcoe this weekend
Apr. 13, 2026	Innisfil Today	'Community champion' celebrated for quilt donations, volunteerism on 80th birthday
Apr. 20, 2026	Innisfil Today	Discuss 'Democracy's Second Act' with author at Innisfil ideaLAB
Apr. 21, 2026	Innisfil Today	Innisfil library's ComicFEST a 'celebration of imagination, creativity and just plain fun'
Apr. 22, 2026	Innisfil Today	'Volunteers are like superheroes': Innisfil recognizes those who give back
Apr. 24, 2026	Innisfil Today	Five events you have to check out in South Simcoe this weekend
Apr. 24, 2026	Innisfil Today	Tim Hortons Smile Cookie proceeds supporting Innisfil and Essa libraries

Apr. 24, 2026	Innisfil Today	<u>Three Tim Hortons locations giving Innisfil Food Bank a reason to smile</u>
Apr. 27, 2026	101.3 Milton	<u>Smile Cookies are back!</u>
Apr. 27, 2026	Innisfil Today	<u>'Make a visible difference' during Innisfil's annual Pitch-In Day</u>
Apr. 27, 2026	Innisfil Today	<u>From stormtroopers to Spider-Man, third edition of ComicFEST the 'best one yet'</u>
Apr. 28, 2026	101.3 Milton	<u>Help clean up Innisfil with annual Pitch-In Day</u>

Facebook Insights (April 1 to 30, 2026)

FOLLOWERS*	# OF POSTS	TOTAL ENGAGEMENT	TOTAL IMPRESSIONS
4,347	35 during this period	2,556 engagements. 437 reactions.	Posts earned 71K impressions over this period (number of times our posts have entered a person's screen)

Top Organic Post (based on reach):
April 27, 2025, 9.3K Reach, 14K Views



*Please note: Facebook has merged “Page Likes” and “Followers” into a single metric. This means that “Likes” will no longer be shown or used separately to measure a page’s audience. Instead, all existing Page Likes will automatically be converted into “Followers”, and future engagement will be tracked through follows only.

This change simplifies how audience size and reach are understood, since Followers now represent everyone who has chosen to receive updates. It also aligns Facebook with how other platforms measure audience engagement, making reporting and analytics more consistent.

Instagram Insights (April 1 to 30, 2026)

FOLLOWERS	# OF POSTS	TOTAL LIKES & REACH	TOTAL COMMENTS
3, 249	38 during this period	7, 536 accounts reached. 720 likes.	9 comments in total on content posted during this period

Top Post (based on engagement): April 14, 2026, 612 Reach



Top Reel (based on engagement): April 27, 2026, 445 Reach



Municipal Council Report

April 8, 2026 Council Meeting

- [Watch the meeting.](#)
- Council adopted the updated Fire Master Plan (2026-2036), guiding Innisfil Fire service delivery and improvements over the next 10 years. Key priorities include a new fire station to service the Innisfil Heights area, increases to the number of full-time and volunteer firefighters, and expanded training opportunities.
- The Innisfil Community Foundation (ICF) presented its 2025 impact report, highlighting the amazing work this organization does with funding received from the Town, OLG, and private donors. Last year, ICF invested \$238,909 in 19 local organizations supporting Innisfil residents through initiatives focused on health, wellness, food insecurity, and more.
- Council approved the Town's participation in the Joint Audit Compliance Committee, facilitated by the County of Simcoe for member municipalities. If concerns arise over campaign financing during the municipal election, this independent committee will investigate and make decisions based on its findings.
- A member of the community, Mayrose Gregerios, put forward a delegation to Council, advocating for additional services for Seniors, meaningful volunteer opportunities, and a Seniors Engagement Strategy.

April 22, 2026 Council Meeting

- [Watch the meeting.](#)
- 2025 year-end results were presented for Innisfil Transit, reporting nearly 150,000 trips taken by 6,169 riders. The report outlines next steps to maintain equitable service, including a six-month Teen Voucher Pilot launching July 1 to replace expiring Uber-funded discounts, continued partnerships with Uber (general trips), Barrie-Innisfil Taxi (wheelchair-accessible trips), and GoGo (trips booked without a smartphone), and continuation of existing pilots to support a smooth transition to changes resulting from the Transit Master Plan.
- Council adopted Innisfil's Transit Master Plan (TMP) and implementation of Stage 1A (expected in July 2026). This stage includes shifting Innisfil Transit from a hub-based model to a distance-based fare structure, plus expanding the monthly trip limit from 30 to 50 trips. The TMP outlines a 10-year strategy to introduce fixed routes and on-demand transit services, with phased implementation based on ridership and development-based triggers.
- A report shared 2025 year-end key performance indicators and metrics outlining how the Town of Innisfil is performing across a variety of services.
- An update on the 2026 Municipal Election was shared. Innisfil residents can vote online or by telephone during the 10-day voting period (October 16–26). We'll continue to update our Election Hub at innisfil.ca/elections with information on how to run, candidate support, and how to vote.

Municipal Council Report

News from the Community

- [‘Shot in the dark’: Police asking province for increased, stable funding - Bradford News](#)
- [‘Urgent’ record demands ‘vital’ for finding missing people: South Simcoe police - Bradford News](#)
- [Town 'overjoyed' to hand out 18 Community Food Projects Grants - Innisfil News](#)
- [As needs rise, Innisfil Community Foundation sets record for giving - Innisfil News](#)
- [Cookstown chamber names new board, hands out Rising Star, Legacy awards - Innisfil News](#)
- [Innisfil Fire Master Plan approved amid smouldering cost concerns - Innisfil News](#)
- [“My Blood Is Still Boiling” - Innisfil Mayor Reacts to Metrolinx Move That Could Cost \\$60 Million - Frequency](#)
- [‘Community champion’ celebrated for quilt donations, volunteerism on 80th birthday - Innisfil News](#)
- [Sex-trafficking trial gets underway for Innisfil Pride founder - Innisfil News](#)
- [Innisfil to host candidate information sessions ahead of fall election - Innisfil News](#)
- [Mayor's Business Breakfast celebrates 'real people building real businesses' in Innisfil - Innisfil News](#)
- [Town of Innisfil gets \\$1.2M Q4 payment from OLG - Innisfil News](#)
- [Winners of inaugural Innisfil Business Achievement Awards honoured - Innisfil News](#)
- [‘Volunteers are like superheroes’: Innisfil recognizes those who give back - Innisfil News](#)
- [Volume of FOI requests holds steady for South Simcoe police - Innisfil News](#)
- [Resident usage of Innisfil Transit slowed down in 2025, data shows - Innisfil News](#)

News from around the County:

- [Public school board holding consultations to address anti-Black racism - Innisfil News](#)
- [Province likely shrinking Simcoe County council, giving warden strong powers - Innisfil News](#)
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- [Alberta wants new rules for over public libraries | Radio Active | On Demand | CBC Listen](#)
- [Alberta's Public Libraries Raise Serious Concerns About Bill 28: Privacy, Local Control, and the Future of Library Services — Coalition of Alberta Public Libraries \(CAP Libraries\)](#)
- [Survey finds Albertans trust libraries over province on book access | Sherwood Park News](#)
- [Public libraries against Alberta's plan to restrict books](#)
- [Alberta's access restrictions threaten privacy, democratic role of libraries: critics](#)
- ['Serious privacy concerns' — Library leaders raise alarm over proposed gov't restrictions | Calgary Herald](#)
- [Hamilton Central Library Children's Area Moved to Second Floor Following 'Adult Disruptions' – TPR Hamilton | Hamilton's Civic Affairs News Site](#)
- [Big spending, smaller deficit: key numbers from the spring economic update - Innisfil News](#)

JHSC Meeting Agenda

MEETING DATE: Thursday April 16, 2026

TIME: 10:00am

LOCATION: Ops Meeting Room 2 and Teams

CO-CHAIRS: Management Co-Chair – Eric Chudzinski
Worker Co-Chair – Elishia LaRose

MINUTES: Sierra Warren

ATTENDANCE: Paul Aniya, Brendan Bone, Wes Chancey, Eric Chudzinski, Tom Ehlers, Elishia LaRose, Vivian Lough, Kristi Prentice, Jennifer Sheremeto, Sierra Warren

GUEST(S):

REGRETS: Barrie Vickers

Item	Agenda Item	Lead	Item Details	ACTION & NOTES
1.	<u>Call Meeting to Order</u>	Co-Chair	Time – opened	- Meeting started 10:03am
2.	<u>Approval of Previous Minutes</u>	Co-Chair	2026.03.19 JHSC Meeting Agenda Minutes Draft.docx	- Jennifer motioned to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. - Seconded by Elishia - All in favour; Motion Carried.
3.	<u>JHSC members</u>	Co-Chair	2025.05.02 JHSC Members List.docx	- No updates to members list.
4.	<u>Workplace Inspections WHIMIS LOTO</u>	All Members	<p>Roundtable discussions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Findings worth sharing? • Additional action needed? • Repeat findings? • Changes to the schedule, or support needed. 	<p>Jen – Ec. Dev passed with flying colours. Jen updated the H&S board with new documents; however, some items were missing from the H&S board. ACTION: Eric to review H&S board requirements.</p> <p>Town Square – housekeeping required. Fuel cans, paint cans and propane tanks are not stored properly. Box of items stored on top of pipes in the caretaker room but could not access as box was blocked by items on the floor. Not a hazard, but bollards were removed and wanted to flag for Wes.</p> <p>Kristi – Town Hall – inspection completed end of March. Missing workplace inspection on the H&S board. April inspection to occur next week. Kristi will check out the storage room in the Community Rooms that have electrical panels.</p>

				<p>Sierra – Operations – no major items to report. Sign shop has been cleaned up. Dirt was swept into a large pile beside vehicle door posing slipping hazard in the wash bay. This has since been cleaned up by staff.</p> <p>Elishia – Salt Dome has not been completed yet but advised that staff have cleaned up the building extensively.</p> <p>Vivian – No issues at Stroud.</p> <p>Cookstown Branch still has a cord along the floor that they are looking for a solution for. They will use double sided tape on a track on the ground to see if that works.</p> <p>Lakeshore – flashing light in the sort room. Electrician has been called and part has since been ordered. Staff have been told if the light is flashing to work in a different room. Another light is also out in the building. They reported that there are no more strong odours in the building.</p> <p>Tom – No deficiencies to report. Housekeeping is required. Staff are disassembling plows resulting in salt on the floors. Tires are being done next week so there will be more tires on the floor and work areas.</p> <p>Brendan – Lefroy Arena – guard has been fixed on the grinder. No deficiencies to report.</p> <p>IBP – H&S board missing inspection schedule.</p> <p>IRC – Door between the IRC and the YMCA is broken. Wes advised that we are looking into new doors for this area that don't slide.</p> <p>Paul – Churchill CC – floor scrubber was placed in front of panel blocking access.</p> <p>Knock CC – no major items to report; however, the strips are still falling off the ramp. Culvert is ripped off from the path and moved to the side. There is currently a drop in the path where the culvert is. Concrete curb stops have been moved and need to be put back.</p> <p>Rizzardo – No deficiencies to report.</p> <p>Barrie – absent.</p> <p>Wes – advised that new garbage bins have been ordered for the parks. Bins were originally ordered by the contractor, but there is a design flaw that prevents efficient garbage removal for staff.</p> <p>Eric – advised that the green books have arrived, stickers are required to be added to the books. Plan to get around to all the buildings to complete inspections.</p>
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5.	<u>SOP's Corporate Policies</u>	Co-Chair	1. Any updates for discussion?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Flexible Agreement Policy was communicated this week that also includes the Office Ergonomic Guideline - Eric gave an update on the WSIB Excellence Program. - Eric advised that the Working Alone Policy is nearing final approval.
6.	<u>Workplace Incidents & Accidents</u>	Co-Chair	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. March 2026 incidents 2. Section 52 Report – March 28, 2026 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - March experienced one lost time incident and one first aid incident. - There were two additional incidents (including the previously reported critical injury) that were determined to be non-occupational. - There was a decrease in incidents during the month of March. - No vehicle incidents reported in March.
7.	<u>Budget & Training</u>	Co-Chair	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Budget 2. Training 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Budget on track. - WSPS is offering free e-learning courses until September (Free Safety Training for Ontario Workplaces WSPS). - If interested in any course, let Eric know. - Some that may be of interest Include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o EV Battery H&S Essentials o Landscape Safety Awareness o Musculoskeletal Disorders Prevention o Workplace Mental Health o Workplace Inspections
8.	<u>JHSC Other Business</u>	All Members	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. JHSC BBQ Update 2. Round Table 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Quotes for catering are higher compared to previous years. - ACTION: Eric to confirm the JHSC BBQ date. - ACTION: Sierra to book the next JHSC BBQ Meeting - Paul asked if inspections need to be completed before or after the meeting. Eric advised as long as it's done within the month. - Eric advised that he has been working with Municipal Law in performing a risk assessment. - The Town has been looking at security requirements for Council Chambers. - Found a provider for deescalation training, just looking into logistics.
9.	<u>ACTION ITEMS Follow up</u>	Co-Chair	Review of Action items from March 19, 2026 meeting minutes.	<p>ACTION: Eric to review/update opioid risk assessment based on potential risk and need for Naloxone kits and training. – In Progress</p> <p>ACTION: Eric to discuss winter vehicle washing (re: slip and fall hazard) with Roads and Fleet supervisor/manager – In Progress.</p> <p>ACTION: Eric to reach out to Facilities to review eye wash stations and H&S requirements in Town Hall redesign. - In Progress</p> <p>ACTION: Vivian to research a permanent solution to prevent the cable tripping hazard at the Cookstown Library. – In progress</p> <p>ACTION: Eric to review H&S Board requirements.</p>

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10.	Close Meeting	Co-Chair	Time – closed	The meeting closed at 11:26am

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