Katja Awender

From: Michael Binetti <mbinetti@agmlawyers.com>
Sent: February 18, 2026 4:16 PM
To: Stacey Forfar
Subject: RE: February 18, 2026

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I have a meeting at 5. I can talk now if you want to walk me through this.

From: Stacey Forfar <stacey.forfar@springwater.ca>
Sent: Wednesday, February 18, 2026 4:11 PM
To: Michael Binetti <mbinetti@agmlawyers.com>
Subject: FW: February 18, 2026

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Michael,

This is a long shot, but would you have about 10 minutes for a quick call with me on this before 6pm tonight? It is rapidly falling apart up here and I would appreciate some advise ahead of Council tonight at 6:30pm. I have crafted the note below for council as we have pulled (at my direction) three of these types of submissions (below) given they conflict with the Procedure By-law (Section 8.35 (c)).

This Township has been historically allowing pretty well any kind of commentary from residents, and as such, there has been significant blow back by some members of Council. I have never seen behaviour like this.

2017-007-Consolidated-Procedural-By-law-rev.-2024.pdf

Draft Email:
Members of Council,

With thanks for the opportunity to offer some context and a path for Council's consideration with respect to why some delegations to Council have been refused.

The Procedural By-law provides a mechanism for the Township to support Council and the community with a healthy environment in which to make decisions and conduct the business of the Township. This framework also ensures that discussions stay focused on Township business that is appropriate to either Open Session or Closed session.

The By-law also protects Members of Council and the Township as a Corporation against facilitating commentary or actions by the public within the Council Chamber that could result in litigious outcomes, inflict reputational damage, or create a hostile environment for residents, Members of Council or staff, among other negative outcomes.

Should Council wish to amend its Procedural By-law to allow this type of commentary, I would recommend that Council receive advise from the Township Solicitor with respect to what this could mean in terms of exposure and general decorum moving forward.

Very best,
Stacey

Stacey Forfar RPP, MBA
Chief Administrative Officer
Township of Springwater
2231 Nursery Road
Minesing, ON L9X 1A8
P. 705-728-4784 Ext. 2009

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From: Tracy MacDonald <tracy.macdonald@springwater.ca>
Sent: February 18, 2026 3:51 PM
To: Stacey Forfar <stacey.forfar@springwater.ca>; Renee Ainsworth <Renee.Ainsworth@springwater.ca>
Subject: FW: February 18, 2026

Please see message below – more correspondence for tonight's question period. Confirming we are still sending out the same message as to Mr. Monk and Mr. Springer?

Thanks,

Tracy MacDonald
Clerk
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From: Cayla Nelson <cayla.nelson@springwater.ca>
Sent: February 18, 2026 2:13 PM
To: Tracy MacDonald <tracy.macdonald@springwater.ca>
Subject: FW: February 18, 2026

This is the provided question for tonight's question period……
I have not responded to [redacted] at this time, would you like it added to question period or similar messaging as [redacted] and [redacted]?

Kindly,

Cayla Nelson, Dipl. M.A, A.M.P
Deputy Clerk
Township of Springwater
2231 Nursery Road
Minesing, ON L9X 1A8
P. 705-728-4784 Ext. 2095

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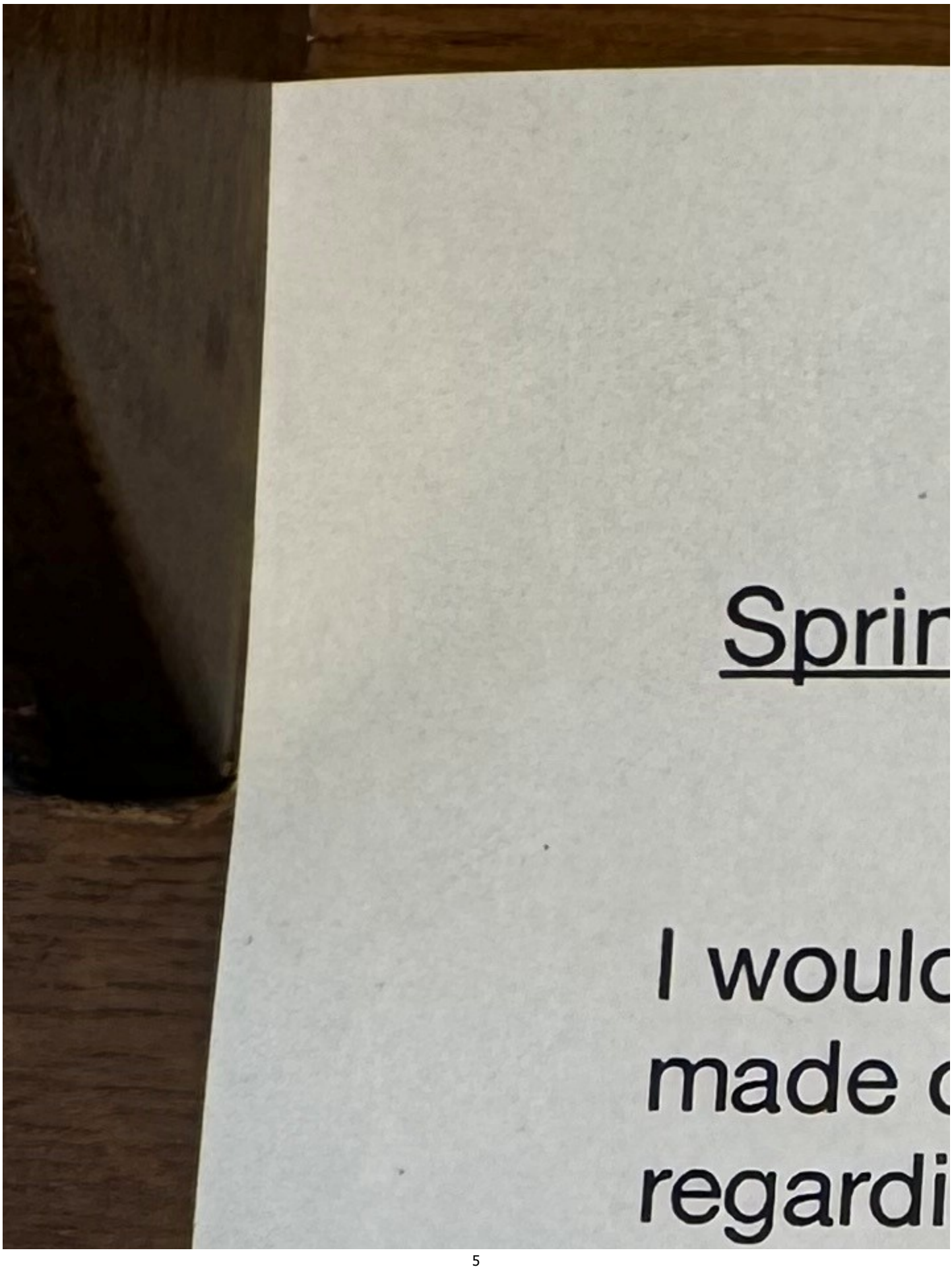
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From: [redacted]>
Sent: February 18, 2026 2:06 PM
To: Cayla Nelson <cayla.nelson@springwater.ca>
Subject: Re: February 18, 2026

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Thank you for letting me know Cayla.
I'm attaching my question for the clerk to read.
Thank you.
[redacted]


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Sent from my iPhone

> On Feb 18, 2026, at 1:06 PM, Cayla Nelson <cayla.nelson@springwater.ca> wrote:
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> Good afternoon [redacted]
> Due to the weather, tonight's Council meeting will be held virtually. Are you able/willing to participate virtually this evening?
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> I would be happy to send you a link and additional information.
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> Alternatively, you can submit your question to be read by the Clerk or I can move your question period registration to the next Regular Meeting od Council scheduled for March 4, 2026.
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> Kindly,
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> Cayla Nelson, Dipl. M.A, A.M.P
> Deputy Clerk
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> -----Original Message-----

> From: [redacted]>
> Sent: February 17, 2026 11:09 PM
> To: Cayla Nelson <cayla.nelson@springwater.ca>
> Subject: Re: February 18, 2026
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> Thank you.
> I plan to attend the meeting tomorrow night.
> [redacted]
> Sent from my iPhone
>
>> On Feb 17, 2026, at 12:16 PM, Cayla Nelson <cayla.nelson@springwater.ca> wrote:
>>
>> Good afternoon [redacted],
>> Thank you for your email. I am happy to add you to the list of participants for the February 18, 2026 Council Meeting Question Period.
>>
>> Do you plan to attend in person?
>> Would you like to provide your question in advanced?
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>> Kindly,
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>> Cayla Nelson, Dipl. M.A, A.M.P
>> Deputy Clerk
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>> -----Original Message-----
>> From: [redacted]>
>> Sent: February 17, 2026 12:10 PM
>> To: Clerk's Department <clerks@springwater.ca>
>> Subject: February 18, 2026
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>> EXTERNAL EMAIL. Please check sender.
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>>
>> Hello.
>> Would you please add my name to the list for question period for tomorrow's council meeting.
>> Thank you.

>> [redacted]
>>
>> Sent from my iPhone
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