Royal City Men's Club

Minutes, Thursday January 8th, 2026 Meeting

Ron East – Secretary

Meeting opened at 9:55 AM, Warren Gregg, President presiding

Attendance: 63 members

Ken Marchant – Chair Activities Committee report on upcoming activities

Martin Alderwick Chair Membership Committee welcomed guests and new members

Doug Brunton
Peter Burian
Kevin Churchyard
Doug Annis
George Coutts
Announcement: Membership fees may go up for coming year
Speaker introduced by Kerry Gennings, Chair Speakers Committee
Speakers: Reg Russwurm and Andrew Miller – Engineering Dep't City of Guelph

The main topic of discussion will be the Downtown Infrastructure Renewal Program with emphasis on Phase 1 being the reconstruction of Wyndham Street from Wellington St to Woolwich St starting in spring 2026. If we have time, I can also touch on other high profile road works in the City such as the ongoing York Road Reconstruction and the replacement of the Speedvale Bridge also starting early 2026.

Bio:

Reg Russwurm is a professional engineer with extensive leadership experience in municipal engineering and infrastructure planning and operations committed to building sustainable communities. He gained his technical training at the University of Waterloo and followed up with a Master in Business Administration at Wilfred Laurier University. He is a Past-President of both the Municipal Engineers Association and the Ontario Water Works Association. His day job is as the Manager of Design and Construction in Engineering and Transportation Services at the City of Guelph where one of his roles is the Program Manager for the Downtown Infrastructure Renewal Program.

Andrew Miller was introduced by Reg Russwurm as the principal Project Engineer in charge of work on the ground.

The program estimates that it will provide 5,000 additional housing.
Work will take place predominantly on Wyndham and Macdonell Sts.

During construction there will only be pedestrian access. The project is predicted to stay within the budgeted allocation. There is a liaison Officer in charge of providing support to businesses during the construction period
The work will be carried out by Steve Evans Construction.
This was followed by questions from the membership
Meeting Adjourned at 11:05 AM