



## Corporation of the Township of Brock

### Staff Report to the Members of Council

**From:** John Henry and Trena DeBruijn

**Position:** Deputy Treasurer

Director of Finance/Treasurer

**Title / Subject:** Summary of Investments as of December 31, 2025

**Date of Meeting:** January 23, 2026

**Report No:** 2026-FI-003

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#### 1.0 Issue / Origin

This report is for information purposes and provides Council with an update on current investments as of year-end 2025.

#### 2.0 Background

The Township's investment policy was updated in November 2025.

#### 3.0 Current Investments

The investment policy requires a minimum of 20% of the Township's investments be held in short term investments, 1 year or less. Currently, the Township's investment portfolio is considered short term with terms of 1 year or less.

Staff have been monitoring investment rates closely as the market transitioned in 2025 with downward pressure on GIC rates. This is largely due to federal government economic stimulus to support the economy and counter US trade tariffs. Staff were able to minimize this impact by securing a favourable promotional high interest offer (HISA). As a result, a significant portion of investment funds reside temporarily with this instrument. As a HISA is fully liquid and classified as a bank account, it is not classified as a security investment subject to the limitations illustrated in the investment policy schedules.

In 2026, staff will review operational cashflow needs, review investment opportunities with a strategy of investing funds until required. Funds without immediate needs, such as Hydro, Post Retirement, etc. will be invested in longer-terms with capital funds invested until needed or laddered, spread over various terms, to provide financial flexibility. Terms could initially be conservative due to current market instability. Investments will be monitored and invested prudently to support the corporation.

#### 4.0 Analysis

As of December 31, 2025, the Township had investments of \$8.975M as follows:

Financial Institution	Activity	Principal	Term	Rate	Maturity
BMO Nesbitt Burns	GIC - Current	560,000	12	3.20%	Wednesday, January 21, 2026
BMO Nesbitt Burns	GIC - Current	1,000,000	12	2.81%	Friday, March 6, 2026
Scotia Bank	GIC - Current	60,000	12	2.72%	Thursday, June 4, 2026
Scotia Bank	GIC - Current	560,000	12	2.72%	Thursday, June 4, 2026
One Fund	HISA	589,424		3.38%	No maturity
Meridian	HISA	6,205,570		3.95%	Promotion expires June 1 2026
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>8,974,994</b>			

The investments illustrated above support the following reserves and reserve funds. Please note these Figures subject to year-end audit adjustments and allocations.

Amount	Allocation	Reserve Fund
2,801,552	31.2%	Hydro
2,400,000	26.7%	DC Soft Srvs
1,100,000	12.3%	DC Hard Srvs
989,424	11.0%	Roads & Bridges
850,000	9.5%	Arenas
275,170	3.1%	Harbour
240,000	2.7%	Snow/Dust
200,000	2.2%	Post Employment
60,000	0.7%	General Fund (Lion's Club)
40,000	0.4%	Sidewalks
18,848	0.2%	Holdings to be allocated
<b>8,974,994</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>Grand Total</b>

*\*Holdings to be allocated refers to interest to be reallocated to reserve at year-end.*

#### 5.0 Related Policies/Procedures

The investments outlined above are in alignment with the investment policy.

## Financial / Budget

Total investment and bank interest of \$135,015 is included in the 2026 annual budget.

The investment interest is transferred upon maturity to the intended reserve so the budget for investment and bank interest of \$135,015 is from bank interest on our operating account. As the interest we are receiving on our bank balance has been decreasing, the expected revenue to be received in 2026 was decreased from the 2025 budget (as the 2025 budget for interest revenue was not achieved). Lower rates received also affected investment interest received in 2025.

Staff are actively working to minimize the impact of rate reductions for 2026 by broadening our “bench” of investment firms/opportunities to maximize returns in this lower interest rate market (all investment tools are permitted per the Municipal Act and all parameters of the Municipal Act for investing are being followed).

### **6.0 Asset Management**

N/A

### **7.0 Climate Change Impacts**

N/A

### **8.0 Communications**

N/A

### **9.0 Conclusion**

This report outlines the current investments held by the Township of Brock, as of December 31, 2025.

### **10.0 Recommendation**

Be It Resolved That Report 2026-FI-003, titled “Summary of Investments as of December 31, 2025, be received for information.

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