



**Ontario One Call (OOC)  
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Meeting Minutes – July 17, 2025**

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The following provides meeting minutes from the Stakeholder Advisory Council (SAC) held on July 17th, 2025, at Landscape Ontario's Office in Milton.

**Attendance:**

SAC Members -

- Karen Nesbitt as Chair (AMO), Patrick McManus as Vice Chair (OSWCA), Nameer Rahman (OEA), Nadia Todorova (RCCAO), Enrico Scalera (City of Burlington), Ryan Quesnel (Thomas Cavanagh Construction), Joe Salemi (Landscape Ontario), Stephen Lepone (for Tom Aiken - Infrastructure Ontario), Teresa Sarkesian (Electricity Distributors Association), Grant Roughley (NFTC)

OOC Officials -

- Jim Keech (CEO and President), Jean Lepine (Chief Strategy Officer), Samantha Pinto (Chief Regulatory Officer), Kristian Kennedy (Manager of Stakeholder Engagement and Education), Natalie Schnarr (Senior Project Manager)

Special Guests -

- Teresa Gonzalez Rico (AtkinsRéalis), Guy Ledger (AtkinsRéalis), Richard Shortridge (AtkinsRéalis), Colin Henderson (AtkinsRéalis)

Regrets -

- Moranne McDonnell (Promark-Telecon), Mary Beth Fazzari (MPBSDP, Government of Ontario)

**Welcome and Opening Remarks**

- The Chair opened the meeting with a recap of key takeaways from the April 2025 session, which included the ongoing impact of U.S. tariffs on industry, noting increased uncertainty and a slowdown in construction and related sectors. Key research findings on industry awareness were shared, reinforcing the need for continued data collection to support stakeholder outreach efforts. An overview of the 2025 Business Plan was provided, highlighting strategic initiatives and the upcoming launch of a new Ontario One Call safety awards program.
- The Chair welcomed Grant Roughley as a new member to SAC.





### **OOO's Approach to Cost Recovery**

- The CEO and President, Jim Keech, opened the discussion with an overview of OOC's history over the past three years, focusing on its journey towards cost recovery. The organization's funding requirements were outlined and details of the internal review was shared which led to the conclusion that a new cost recovery strategy is necessary.
- The Chief Strategy Officer (CSO) presented OOC's proposed new approach to cost recovery.
- Members encouraged highlighting the benefits OOC provides and the importance of transparency regarding the consequences of insufficient funding and its potential impact on construction activity, the government's infrastructure commitments / build agenda, and worker safety.
- Stakeholders offered to host meetings with industry members to support consultations and engagement efforts.

### **Underground Infrastructure Mapping Strategy**

- The Chief Regulatory Officer (CRO) led a presentation that provided an update on the Unified Mapping Strategy project, which assesses the feasibility of enhancing underground infrastructure mapping to improve safety, reduce damage to underground infrastructure, and support efficient planning across Ontario.
- The CRO shared the project vision, highlighting three strategic focus areas: exploring innovative mapping models to advance data accessibility; enhancing mapping approaches to validate and unlock stakeholder value; and building foundations for innovation through collaborations with the sector.
- OOC has partnered with Infrastructure Ontario to explore a mapping approach. Phase 1 includes a feasibility study led by a third-party advisor, covering strategic focus areas, cost-benefit analysis, and stakeholder engagement with municipalities, utilities, and industry.
- It was stated that the following are very important to stakeholders:
  - Transparency and collaboration from the outset
  - Accuracy of data and what that means to all stakeholders
  - Accessibility of data
  - Timeline and project plan development

### **Stakeholder Engagement Update**

- The CSO shared an update on the Queen's Park event that occurred at the end of the Dig Safe Month in April, noting it was the first of its kind for the OOC and that it was very successful.
- An update was provided on the upcoming OOC Tradeshow and Conference in October 2025, noting the agenda themes, speakers and event details.





## SAC Annual Report

- The SAC Secretariat shared the proposed SAC Annual Report outline for the members to review. At the November SAC meeting a draft of the annual report will be developed for review by the members.

## Summary and Next Steps

- Members emphasized the value of ongoing discussions and their role in shaping OOC's future direction.
- The Secretariat will distribute meeting minutes.
- The Chair formally adjourned the meeting at which point council members held an in-camera session.
- The next meeting will be held on November 13th.

