

APPROVED MINUTES
Regular Council Meeting
February 19 @ 6:30pm
North Shore Community Centre

PRESENT:

Chair Mayor Watts, Councillor MacKinnon, Councillor McLane, Councillor Cook, Councillor Paquet and Councillor Doyle attended (6:45pm)

Present: 12 members

1 Call to Order

6:33pm by Chair Mayor Watts.

2 Approval of the agenda

It was duly moved and seconded to approve the agenda as presented.

Moved by Councillor Cook, seconded by Councillor Paquet.

All in Favor

MOTION CARRIED

2025-012

2.1 Disclosure of Pecuniary or other Conflicts of Interest

None.

3 Approval of the minutes.

3.1 Regular Council meeting on January 22, 2025.

It was duly moved and seconded to approve the minutes from the January 22, 2025, meeting as presented.

Moved by Councillor Cook, seconded by Councillor McLaine.

All in Favor

MOTION CARRIED

2025-013

3.2 Business Arising from the Minutes

4 Delegation, Speakers, and Public Input.

- Wellness Committee – Terms of Reference and Position Description are completed and will be finalizing at the next meeting Monday, February 24, 2025, meeting.
- Roof is completed and five-year guarantee on labour and 40-year shingles. Written guarantee presented.
- Pickleball Tender Draft Complete: two tenders, one is for preparation and one for pavement. Tender has date of completion for May2025.
- Agreement with province has gone to treasury board to be signed off expect to receive back soon. First payment will be completed by March 2025.
- Parks Canada wants to meet with Municipality committees to review their plan.

5 Reports

5.1 CAO Report

- North Shore has the roof completed, kitchen updates, gym walls are being redone and new base board trim, various tasks were complete for EMO such as shelves and hook up washer /dryer, and the tender for the multi-purpose pad is complete and ready to go out.
- Stanhope Place has the electrical panel upgrade, 3 heat pumps installed, and shelves were installed for storage space in basement.
- Tracadie had the roof completed, rink operating very well this winter.
- RGI budget filed the first claim for the first installment. (\$40,000.) with another installment of (\$40,000.) within the next month.
- Development Officer has been in place since January 2025 part time. His hours are evenings and weekends.
- Planners are still on payroll regarding a few files for final recommendations.

5.2 Finance and Infrastructure

- Presents the income statement to date.
- Presented the expense statement to date.
- Trending to meet budget.
- Report in February “Shoreline to Heartland” was funded through a grant.
- Budget for 2026 has been drafted for the public presentation.
- Pay the fire department directly.

It was recommended to have Norman Boswall serve on the Finance Committee since the resignation of Craig MacDonald.

It was duly moved and seconded to have Norman Boswall sit on Finance committee.

*Moved by Councillor Cook and seconded by Councillor Paquet
All in Favor
Motion Carried
2025-014*

5.3 Planning Board and Development Permit Report

- Met early February to meet with new Development Officer and how we are approaching the back log of files.
- Reviewed the process with Development Officer in early February.
- Recommended that a review of By Laws should be addressed.
- Recommended to hire someone who writes By Laws.
- Permits issued (six permits) in January.

5.4 Emergency Measures Organization Report

- Have a meeting on March 24, 2025 to review situational events and discuss outcomes among the committee members.

5.5 Wellness Committee Report

- Thanks to all the volunteers that worked on the Grand Tracadie rink and ice.
- Meeting on Monday, March 24th.
- Looking to hire a new Wellness Lead.

It was duly moved and seconded to approve of all reports.

*Moved by Councillor Paquet, seconded by Councillor Doyle
All in Favor
Motion Carried
2025-015*

6 New business

6.1 RFD-2025-03 Memorial Item Program

- Number of requests for recognition of loved ones to have a plaque made for benches or plant a tree within the municipality.
- Recommended to table this item till next meeting for further discussion.
- Funding for supporting water systems through provincial and federal grants that would cover up to 83%.
- Lighting on Promenade, there was a letter that came on December 13th, 2024, stating approval for grant and one of the items covered was for the lighting. This is a separate item to Gas Tax money.
- Rule of Thumb is twenty-five lights per Km, and we have roughly 5 kms to cover.

7 Next meeting

March 19, 2025 @ 6:30 pm

8 Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.

It was duly moved and seconded to adjourn at 7:30pm.

*Moved by Councillor Cook and seconded by Councillor McLaine
All in Favor
Motion Carried
2025-016*

SIGNED: NAME, Chair

DATE:

SIGNED: NAME, CAO

DATE: