

APPROVED MINUTES

Regular Council Meeting

June 18, 2025 @ 6:30 pm

North Shore Community Centre

PRESENT:

Chair Mayor Watts, Councillor MacKinnon, Councillor Cook, Councillor Paquet, Councillor McLaine, and CAO-Wilhelm Hermes

Absent: Councillor Doyle

Public; 2 present

1 Call to Order

Mayor Watts called to order at 6:30 pm.

2 Approval of the agenda

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

Moved by Councillor MacKinnon, seconded by Councillor Paquet.

All in Favor

MOTION CARRIED

2025-055

2.1 Disclosure of Pecuniary or other Conflicts of Interest

None.

3 Approval of the minutes

3.1 Approval of minutes from May 21, 2025.

It was duly moved and seconded to approve the minutes from the May 21, 2025 meeting.

Moved by Councillor McLaine, seconded by Councillor Cook.

All in Favor

MOTION CARRIED

2025-056

3.2 Business Arising from the Minutes

- The light for Grand Tracadie Canada Post mailbox site was discussed at the finance meeting and they have referred to Canada Post for their support. Mentioned Stanhope Place needs one as well. New CAO will be reaching out in regards.
- Requested to mention with Canada Post and snow removal.
- Multi purpose site will be started in the coming week.
- Recommended to have a price for filling the cracks in front parking lot pavement.

4 Delegations , Speakers, and Public Input

5 Reports

5.1 CAO Report

- Welcoming the public.
- Public meeting June 25th @ 6:00 pm on three properties. All owners have been notified and asked to be present.
- All proper procedures have been followed for the public meeting according: newspaper ads, signs on each property and all owners notified.
- Discussion on the signs for notifications on each site moving forward. More detailed information included.
- Multi purpose site have removed fence for entrance, moved shrubs and replanted.
- Need volunteers for Canada Day from council and family.
- New certified yoga instructor began in place of Mike Fagan by the name of Willow MacCallum.
- Summer student in place and funding was allocated as well. He will look after Grand Tracadie, North Shore Community Centre, dragging of the ball diamonds at each location, and the care of weeding flower beds at North Shore and Promenade.
- Several concerns regarding Promenade dog garbage pick up (2 bins) have been looked after and will be continued to be handled by summer student for pick up three times a week for the summer.
- Benches to be in place along the Promenade with the plaques.
- Garbage bins need to be purchased and placed along where benches will be placed along Promenade.
- Grass cutting along the Promenade is being maintained very nicely by our outside company.
- We are currently taking on the bookkeeper role from our accountant.
- New employee is presently training with the bookkeeper and will be doing this along with part time recreational role.
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- Came to our attention of lots being cleared and how it was crossed over the buffer zone. This is being addressed by province.
- Complaints of floating docks into the bay. This is being addressed.

5.2 Finance & Infrastructure Report

- Gas Tax needs to be discussed with Finance committee.
- Finance had a meeting.
- Two months in the new year and a surplus of \$105,000.
- Discussed the lighting at the Canada Post sites in Grand Tracadie and Stanhope Place.
- Multi purpose site and tendered.

5.3 Planning Board & Development

- Public meeting on June 25th on three properties for rezoning.
- Moving forward with more public meetings to occur in the coming month.
- Several permits- sixteen in May alone.

5.4 Emergency Measures Organization Report

- No meeting this month.

5.5 Wellness & Engagement Committee Report

- No meeting

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- Agenda on Canada Day events to be distributed.

5.6 Covehead & Tracadie Bay Enhancement

- Sarah Stewart Clarke and team approached the Municipality to provided us with an update.
- Have been provided with funding to proceed study work.
- Covehead & Tracadie Bay was chosen for Sarah to do study work on.
- Sarah has also extended study to a Dr. Barrett Kauralk as well on sub surface land and sea.
- Concerns of the silt running into the streams and buffer zones.

It was duly moved and seconded to approve the reports.

Moved by Councillor MacKinnon, seconded by Councillor Cook
All in Favor
MOTION CARRIED
2025-057

6 New business

6.1 By-Law Procedure

- By-law procedures expire and would like to have the permission to review and update on new amendments for the future of this municipality.
- We need to prepare for business model for tourism or even smaller businesses for resorts.

6.2 Signing Authorization for CAO- Wilhelm Hermes for Regular bank account, Master Card, Revenue Canada etc.

- To allow for Wilhelm - CAO to have authorization.

It was duly moved and seconded to approve signing authorization for CAO- Wilhelm Herme for regular bank account, master card and Revenue Canada etc .

Moved by Councillor Paquet, seconded by Councillor MacKinnon
All in Favor
MOTION CARRIED
2025-058

6.3 By-Law Election Date

- Lys Goulett is confirmed to assist with a By- election on September 8 or 15th.

It was duly moved and seconded to approve September 15th for by-election date for ward 2.

Moved by Councillor MacKinnon, seconded by Councillor McLaine
All in Favor
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2025-059

It was duly moved and seconded to close the meeting for In Camera Session at 7:13 pm.

Moved by Councillor Cook, seconded by Councillor Paquet.
All in Favor
MOTION CARRIED
2025-060

7 In Camera Session; MGA – 119. Closed meetings

Despite subsection 118(1), a council or council committee may, by resolution, close all or part of a meeting to the public, either in advance or at the meeting, where the matter to be discussed is, in relation to any of the following, confidential:

- (a) commercial information which, if disclosed, would likely be prejudicial to the municipality or parties involved;*
- (b) information received in confidence which, if disclosed, would likely be prejudicial to the municipality or parties involved;*
- (c) personal information about an identifiable individual, including a municipal employee or an employee of a controlled corporation;*
- (c.1) personal information that is protected under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. F-15.01, if that Act applies;*
- (d) human resource matters, including labour relations or employee negotiations;*
- (e) a matter still under consideration, on which the council has not yet publicly announced a decision, and about which discussion in public would likely prejudice a municipality's ability to carry out its negotiations;*
- (f) the conduct of existing or anticipated legal proceedings or the review of legal advice;*
- (g) the conduct of an investigation under, or enforcement of, an Act or bylaw;*
- (h) information which, if disclosed, could prejudice security and the maintenance of the law.*

It was duly moved and seconded to close the meeting from In Camera Session at 8:06pm pm.

Moved by Councillor MacKinnon , seconded by Councillor Paquet
All in Favor
MOTION CARRIED
2025-061

It was duly moved and seconded to reopen to the meeting to the public at 8:06 pm.

Moved by Councillor Cook and seconded by Councillor Paquet
All in Favor
MOTION CARRIED
2025-062

It was Duly moved and seconded to define the new part time position for new hire and to advertise the position.

Moved by Councillor MacKinnon , seconded by Councillor Paquet
All in Favor
MOTION CARRIED
2025-063

8 Next meeting

July 23, 2025

9 Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:08pm.

It was duly moved and seconded to adjourn at 8:08 PM

Moved by Councillor MacKinnon , seconded by Councillor Paquet

All in Favor
MOTION CARRIED
2025-064

SIGNED: NAME, Chair

DATE:

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