



APPROVED MINUTES

Regular Council Meeting

May 21st, 2026 @ 6:30 pm

North Shore Community Centre

PRESENT: Chair Mayor Watts, Deputy Mayor Councillor MacKinnon, Councillor Cook, Councillor Doyle, Councillor McLaine, Councillor Paquet by telephone, Councillor Sheehan, CAO Marie McInnis

Public: 2

Dominique Berube, Senior assistant for the taking of minutes

1 Call to Order

Chair Mayor Watts opens at 6:30pm.

2 Approval of the agenda

It was duly moved and seconded to approve the agenda with the addition to 5.2 In relation to banks.

Moved by Councillor Sheehan, seconded by Councillor Doyle.

All in Favor (6)

MOTION CARRIED

2026-05-060

2.1 Disclosure of Pecuniary or other Conflicts of Interest

None

3 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

3.1 Regular Council – April 15th, 2026

It was duly moved and seconded to approve the minutes from the April 15th, 2026, meeting as presented.

Moved by Councillor MacKinnon, seconded by Councillor McLaine

All in Favor (6)

MOTION CARRIED

2026-05-061

3.2 Special Council – April 27th, 2026

It was duly moved and seconded to approve the minutes from the April 27th, 2026, meeting with the following correction: point 2.1 remove the quotations marks after interest.

Moved by Councillor Doyle, seconded by Councillor Sheehan

All in Favor (6)

MOTION CARRIED

2026-05-062

3.3 Business arising from the minutes

None

4 REPORTS

4.1 CAO Report

- We have officially completed 7 development files that were outstanding for more than 3 years.
- We are currently working on the Resort Zone within the Municipality and hoping to have this completed by end of June. Working the planners daily.
- Presently we have received grants for two eight-week students positions and a twelve-week position. We have a post secondary student working in the Recreation/ Wellness lead position until end of June which is 8 weeks. We have several resumes to date for another high school position to start end of June till last week in August which is an eight week. Now we are looking for a 12 week post secondary student to begin June 1 till last week of August. This is posted on FB, Website, and in various groups.
- Everything is reserved for Canada Day, entertainment, bouncing castle, face painting.
- Extend present student for Canada Day

4.2 Finance Report

We finished April with a surplus of 13 400\$.

4.3 Development & Planning Report

- Resort planning - discuss a new resort zone for our community
- 12 Permits emitted in April and 7 in May.

4.4 EMO Report

- No meeting occurred - Keep an eye out for fire and be mindful of risks.

4.5 Engagement & Wellness Report

Report given by Councillor Cook.

- He outlines the excellent work done on the field by the Volunteers and RipTides softball League. 160 girls and women enrolled this season.
- Soccer association is under new management and on a slow start for the season with registration not completed yet. The second soccer field owner has reached out to us to say it is available again this year.
- There is interest in putting in place a touch football league for elderly.
- Dalhousie research on the waters salinity and surroundings streams and rivers of the Baie with the permission of landowners. Ten spots were chosen for the tests. The location of theses tests had to be away from electricity sources so as not to interfere with the tests. The detailed report will show the specifics of the placement of the tests.

It was duly moved and seconded to approve all reports in one motion.

Moved by Councillor Cook, seconded by Councillor McKinnon

All in Favor (6)

MOTION CARRIED

2026-05-063

5 NEW BUSINESS

Due to a conflict of interest, Mayor Watts and Councillor MacKinnon leave the room at 7:01.

5.1 Discussion of MEO & DMEO positions for upcoming election November 2026.

CAO, Marie McInnis explains that the upcoming elections requires the Municipality to name a MEO (Municipal Electoral Officer) and a DMEO (Deputy Municipal Electoral Officer). Since she was MEO but is now CAO she can no longer assume that role. These positions must be filled and reported to Municipal Affairs before May 22nd, 2026.

It was duly moved and seconded to nominate Ilene Bane as MEO (Municipal Election Officer) and Sharon Bradley as DMEO (Deputy Municipal Election Officer)

***Moved by Councillor Paquet, seconded by Councillor Doyle
All in Favor (5-0)
MOTION CARRIED
2026-05-064***

Mayor Watts and Councillor MacKinnon re-enter the room at 7:03.

5.2 In relation to banks

The municipality considers changing its banking operations to Credit Union to get a better service locally. It is to be done gradually.

It was duly moved and seconded to transition our business banking operations to Credit Union.

***Moved by Councillor Sheehan, seconded by Councillor McKinnon
All in Favor (6-0)
MOTION CARRIED
2026-05-065***

It was duly moved and seconded to approve the signing authority to the CAO, Mayor, Deputy Mayor, with Credit Union.

***Moved by Councillor Sheehan, seconded by Councillor Paquet
All in Favor (6-0)
MOTION CARRIED
2026-05-066***

6 IN CAMERA SESSION: MGA - 119. Closed meetings

The council requires to go into In Camera Session for the article 119 d Human Resources and 119 f Legal advice.

It was duly moved and seconded to approve to close in order to go into In Camera Session for the article 119 d Human Resources and 119 f Legal advice at 7:08pm.

***Moved by Councillor Cook and seconded by Councillor McKinnon,
All in Favor (6-0)
MOTION CARRIED
2026-05-067***

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 approve to close the In Camera session at 7:39pm.

Moved by Councillor Cook, seconded by Councillor McLaine

All in Favor (6-0)

MOTION CARRIED

2026-05-068

It was duly moved and seconded to approve the reopening of the meeting to the public at 7:39pm.

Moved by Councillor McKinnon seconded by Councillor Doyle

All in Favor (6-0)

MOTION CARRIED

2026-05-069

7 NEXT MEETING DATE, TIME, North Shore Community Centre

To be determined.

8 Adjournment of Regular Council Meeting

It was duly moved and seconded to approve to adjourn the Regular Council meeting at 7:40pm.

Moved by Councillor Cook, seconded by Councillor MacKinnon

All in Favor (6)

MOTION CARRIED

2026-05-070

SIGNED: NAME, Chair

DATE:

SIGNED: NAME, CAO

DATE: