



Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting

Place: Council Chambers, Zoom, streamed live to Facebook
Date: Wednesday, October 22, 2025
Presiding Officer: Mayor Greg Henley
Councillor Present: Deputy Mayor Carla Black and Councillors Brenton Colborne, Olivia Canning-Sweet, Padraic Moore, Paul Jones, and Chrystal McNutt.
Councillors Regrets: Nil

A quorum was present throughout the meeting.

Staff in attendance: Linda Cloney – CAO, Ruthann Brookins – Manager of Finance, and Stan McDougall - Admin Assistant (recording secretary)

Presenters in attendance: Nil

Gallery (media and public) in attendance: Mark Rushton - Hello Oxford, and Jason Haughn, Municipal Advisor, Department of Municipal Affairs

1. Call to Order

Mayor Henley called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM and welcomed all in attendance.

2. Approval of Agenda

Moved by Councillor Jones and seconded by Councillor McNutt to approve the agenda of the Regular Council Meeting for Wednesday October 22, 2025, as presented.

Motion Carried

3. Approval of Minutes – Regular Council Meeting – September 17, 2025
Special Council Meeting – October 8, 2025

Approved by



Mayor Greg Henley, on October 22, 2025

4. **Business**

4.1 **Election of Deputy Mayor**

Councillor Jones nominated Councillor McNutt for Deputy Mayor. A call for nominations was given three times, and hearing no further nominations, Mayor Henley declared Councillor McNutt as the new Deputy Mayor by acclamation.

4.2 **Boards and committees**

Linda reviewed that the Boards and Committees had a small revision in that the Welcoming Committee is currently on hold. It is the time of year that Council could switch up their boards and committees if it is their wishes.

Moved by Councillor Black and seconded by Councillor Colborne to accept the Boards and Committees as amended.

Motion Carried.

4.1 **First Reading of Development Agreement with 5151 Main Street and set a date for the Public Hearing**

Deferred to a future meeting

4.2 **Donation to the Spookarama 2025**

A donation has been requested this year for \$500.00. It is the first year since COVID that we sponsored this event. It is currently an unbudgeted item.

Moved by Deputy Mayor McNutt and seconded by Councillor Jones to approve the donation of \$500.00 for the Spookarama 2025.

Motion Carried

5. Correspondence

5.1 Nova Scotia Regulatory and Appeals Board Order – M12239

Ruthann reviewed the new Nova Scotia Regulatory and Appeals Board Order M12239 that takes effect on October 1, 2025, included in the council package. The rates would not show until the water bill comes out in January.

6. In-Camera

At 6:08 PM it was moved by Councillor Black and seconded by Councillor Canning-Sweet to go in-camera to discuss the acquisition, sale, lease, and security of municipal property.

Motion Carried.

At 6:32 PM it was moved by Councillor Jones and seconded by Deputy Mayor McNutt to come out of in-camera and resume the Regular Council Meeting.

Motion Carried.

Coming out of in-camera Linda discussed that the agreement with the Municipality of the County of Cumberland for fire services had come to term. Negotiations had been underway, and now an agreement has been reached consisting of a 2-year term, starting as of April 1, 2025. The agreement expires on the 31st day of March 2027.

Moved by Councillor Black and seconded by Councillor Jones to enter into the Municipality of the County of Cumberland Fire Agreement commencing on the 1st day of April 2025 and expiring on the 31st day of March 2027, as drafted.

Motion Carried

7. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:35 PM



Mayor Greg Henley



Stan McDougall, Admin Assistant

11-26-2025

Date Approved