

Municipality of the County of Inverness
Regular Council Meeting
Thursday, July 4th, 2024
Council Chambers
3:00 pm

MINUTES

Council: Warden Bonny MacIsaac
Deputy Warden Catherine Gillis
Councillor Lynn Chisholm
Councillor Blair Phillips
Councillor John MacLennan
Councillor Claude Poirier

Staff: Keith MacDonald, CAO
Brian Luciano, CFO
Debbie Nicholson, Administrative Assistant to Council/CAO
Jason Calder, Acting Manager, Recreation & Community Wellness
Erin Gillis, COO
Crystal Jones, Solid Waste Manager
Tammy Stanley, Operations Administrative Assistant
Ross Mullins, By-Law Enforcement Officer
Krista MacInnis, Recreation Programmer

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Warden MacIsaac called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm and welcomed all in attendance. Roll call was taken. Warden MacIsaac acknowledged that the land on which we gather is located in the ancestral and unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq people.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: *That the agenda be approved as presented.*
MOVED BY: Deputy Warden Gillis
SECONDED BY: Councillor Poirier
MOTION CARRIED

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: *That the Regular Council meeting minutes of May 30th, 2024 be approved as presented.*
MOVED BY: Councillor MacLennan
SECONDED BY: Councillor Phillips
MOTION CARRIED

MOTION: *That the Special meeting minutes of June 13th 2024 be approved as presented.*
MOVED BY: Councillor Poirier
SECONDED BY: Deputy Warden Gillis
MOTION CARRIED

MOTION: *That the Committee of the Whole meeting minutes of June 20th 2024 be approved as presented.*
MOVED BY: Councillor MacLennan
SECONDED BY: Councillor Phillips
MOTION CARRIED

4. FIRST READING: ALTERNATIVE VOTING BY-LAW

MOTION: *That First Reading is given to the Alternative Voting By-Law as presented in today's Council package.*
MOVED BY: Deputy Warden Gillis
SECONDED BY: Councillor Phillips
MOTION CARRIED

5. BY-LAW ENFORCEMENT

MOTION: *That as part of the application for appointment as Special Constable under the Nova Scotia Police Act, the Warden and Council of the Municipality of the County of Inverness approve Ross Mullins, Municipal By-law Officer, to enforce municipal by-laws within the jurisdiction of Inverness County.*
MOVED BY: Councillor MacLennan
SECONDED BY: Councillor Poirier
MOTION CARRIED

6. RECOMMENDATIONS

I. Margaree Highlanders Snowmobile Club – Multi Purpose Facility Design

MOTION: *That Council fund this \$1,437.50 request in full with funds coming from District # 2 CDC Funds.*
MOVED BY: Councillor Phillips
SECONDED BY: Deputy Warden Gillis
MOTION CARRIED

II. La Coopérative De Transport De Chéticamp - Medical Coupon Program

MOTION: *That Council fund this \$3,000.00 request in full with funds coming from the following sources:*
\$1500.00 - District # 1 CDC Funds
\$1500.00 - District # 2 CDC Funds

MOVED BY: Councillor Poirier
SECONDED BY: Councillor Chisholm
MOTION CARRIED

7. CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence was received from the Department of Municipal Affairs and Housing regarding changes for fiscal year 2025-26 and beyond.

8. SUMMER RECREATION PROGRAMMING (Krista MacInnis/ Jason Calder)

Krista MacInnis - Recreation Program Coordinator, Recreation & Community Wellness
Jason Calder - Acting Manager, Recreation & Community Wellness

A wide variety of meaningful programming will be offered in multiple communities throughout the municipality this summer. Offerings include:

- Summer Festival Support in 8 communities
- Birds Canada: Get to Know Your Peeps Walk and Talk – July 16th
- Youth Tennis on Mondays: July 8th – August 19th
- Youth Track and Field on Wednesdays: July 10th – August 14th
- Multi-Sport Programs on Tuesdays: July 9th – August 13th
- Girls at Bat on Thursdays: July 11th – August 15th
- Teen Tournaments: beach volleyball and spikeball for ages 12 to 18
- Seas the Day: spikeball, volleyball, sand sculptures, relay races, and more
- Lizzi’s Loop Adventures: Bayview Education Centre
- Tie-Dye Events: Ages 7-12
- Summer Explosion: races, relays, tug of war, strength training, and agility training
- Playboxes: located in four communities

Council was introduced to some of the 2024 recreation summer students; Neil MacLean, Hayden Gillies, Kateag Hawley, Carly Beaton, Hannah Nadasdi, Kenny Gillis and Marisa MacLellan the Summer Student Coordinator. Absent from today’s meeting were Violet MacDonald, Kacey MacDonald and Carly Freimanis.

9. NEXT MEETING DATE

July 25th, 2024 11:30 am: Committee of the Whole

10. "IN CAMERA"

MOTION: *That Council move to "In Camera" at 3:48 pm to discuss a Human Resources item.*

MOVED BY: Deputy Warden Gillis

SECONDED BY: Councillor Poirier

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION: *That Council move out of "In Camera" at 4:06 pm*

MOVED BY: Councillor Chisholm

SECONDED BY: Deputy Warden Gillis

MOTION CARRIED

11. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: *That Council adjourn at 4:06 pm*

MOVED BY: Councillor Poirier

MOTION CARRIED