

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING – APRIL 23, 2025 @ 7:00 P.M
EASTPORT TOWN HALL

MEETING MINUTES

ATTENDANCE

Mayor: Kimberly Powell

Deputy Mayor: Monica Bull

Councillors: Shannon Powell, Ben Patey, Art Crisby, David Decker, Barry Brown

Staff: Denise Hickey – Interim Town Clerk/Manager, Chelsea Harris - Admin Assistant.

Gallery: Audrey Moss – in attendance from 7:00 pm to 7:18 pm. Amanda Hancock – in attendance from 7:03 pm to 7:18 pm.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Kim Powell.

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

MOTION:	057-25
Proposed by:	David Decker
Seconded by:	Art Crisby
Resolved that the agenda be adopted as presented.	
In favour – 7. Mayor Kim Powell, Deputy Mayor Monica Bull, Councillors: Shannon Powell, Ben Patey, Art Crisby, David Decker, Barry Brown. Opposed – 0. Carried.	

3. ADOPTION OF COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

MOTION:	058-25
Proposed by:	Ben Patey
Seconded by:	Barry Brown
Resolved that the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on April 9, 2025, be adopted as presented.	
In favour – 7. Mayor Kim Powell, Deputy Mayor Monica Bull, Councillors: Shannon Powell, Ben Patey, Art Crisby, David Decker, Barry Brown. Opposed – 0. Carried.	

MOTION:	059-25
Proposed by:	David Decker
Seconded by:	Monica Bull
Resolved that the minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on April 15, 2025, be adopted as presented.	
In favour – 7. Mayor Kim Powell, Deputy Mayor Monica Bull, Councillors: Shannon Powell, Ben Patey, Art Crisby, David Decker, Barry Brown. Opposed – 0. Carried.	

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4. BUSINESS ARISING

- a) Canada Summer Jobs – The Town of Eastport has been approved for one student position and the Eastport Recreation and Wellness Committee has been approved for two student positions. Job title for all positions is ‘recreation attendant’. Positions will be advertised on the Town’s website.

- b) Rezoning Application for 75B Main Street –

Property owner of 75B Main Street has been notified of costs expended to date on the rezoning application process. Costs are to be reimbursed to the Town before the scheduled public hearing.

MOTION:	060-25
Proposed by:	Art Crisby
Seconded by:	Ben Patey

Be it resolved that the Eastport Town Council:

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| <p>a) adopts the Town of Eastport Amendment MP24-01 to its Municipal Plan 2011 under the authority of section 16 of the Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000;</p> <p>b) adopts the Town Eastport Amendment DR24-01 to its Development Regulations 2011 under the authority of section 16 of the Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000;</p> <p>c) appoints Shawn Rowe as a standing public hearing commissioner under the authority of section 19 of the Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000, which shall include presiding as commissioner for proposed amendments MP24-01 and DR24-01 and any subsequent municipal plan reviews or amendments under the Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000; and</p> <p>d) sets Thursday, May 15, 2025, 7:00 p.m. at the Society of United Fisherman (SUF) Hall for the holding of a public hearing to consider objections or representations to proposed amendments MP24-01 and DR24-01.</p> |
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In favour –. Mayor Kim Powell. Councillors: Shannon Powell, Ben Patey, Art Crisby, David Decker, Barry Brown. Opposed – 0. Carried.

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Deputy Mayor Monica Bull abstained from the vote stating potential conflict of interest. |
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c) Quarry – Proposed Rehabilitation Plan –

MOTION:	061-25
Proposed by:	Art Crisby
Seconded by:	Shannon Powell
Resolved to approve the “G&R Contracting - Proposed Rehabilitation Plan, File No: 71113016” received from Quarry Resources Section Manager, Andrea Devereaux, on March 14, 2025. Rehabilitation can commence based on this plan and the IET comments provided in the same email.	
In favour – 7. Mayor Kim Powell, Deputy Mayor Monica Bull, Councillors: Shannon Powell, Ben Patey, Art Crisby, David Decker, Barry Brown. Opposed – 0. Carried.	

Audrey Moss and Amanda Handcock left the meeting.

5. NEW BUSINESS

a) Spring Clean-up

MOTION:	062-25
Proposed by:	Art Crisby
Seconded by:	Barry Brown
Resolved that clean-up week be tentatively scheduled for May 26-30, 2025. Dates will be confirmed once the Public Works Supervisor confirms these dates are acceptable.	
In favour – 7. Mayor Kim Powell, Deputy Mayor Monica Bull, Councillors: Shannon Powell, Ben Patey, Art Crisby, David Decker, Barry Brown. Opposed – 0. Carried.	

Public works employees need to start picking up garbage and debris from roads and ditches

General consensus was that new ideas should be explored for the next clean-up. One idea was to have a set time period that residents could bring their bulk garbage to the dump, and the Town would pay the tipping fee. This idea is not feasible for this spring clean-up but could be explored for the next scheduled clean-up.

b) RCMP District Public Forum

MOTION:	063-25
Proposed by:	Art Crisby
Seconded by:	Ben Patey
Resolved that the Interim Town Clerk Manager would contact the office of Staff Sgt. Larry Turner to check his availability to attend a public forum in Eastport, where residents of the Eastport Peninsula could discuss concerns about increased crime and drugs in the area. He could also provide some information regarding the lack of police patrol of the area.	

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6. FINANCE REPORT

MOTION: 064-25
Proposed by: Ben Patey
Seconded by: David Decker

Resolved that the following invoices be adopted for payment as presented and report tabled:

March 2025

Cheque Register, General Account – \$44,544.66

Cheque Register, Fire Protection – \$5,640.03

In favour – 7. Mayor Kim Powell, Deputy Mayor Monica Bull, Councillors: Shannon Powell, Ben Patey, Art Crisby, David Decker, Barry Brown. Opposed – 0. Carried.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Works Committee

- Additional camera will be set up at the exterior of the Town Depot to provide additional coverage.
- New doorknobs and deadbolt locks will be purchased and put on exterior doors of the Town Office.

MOTION: 065-25
Proposed by: Art Crisby
Seconded by: David Decker

Resolved to get a quote from Woodman's to tow the 2015 truck from Gander to Eastport. Police took the truck to Grand Falls to be processed for evidence after it was stolen on April 12, 2025.

In favour – 7. Mayor Kim Powell, Deputy Mayor Monica Bull, Councillors: Shannon Powell, Ben Patey, Art Crisby, David Decker, Barry Brown. Opposed – 0. Carried.

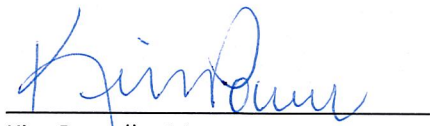
8. TOWN CLERK REPORT

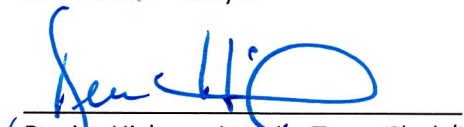
Concrete Rubble, Former Sewage Disposal Site – The Town was notified by the Environmental Protection Officer, Jody Hunt, that he received a complaint that the Town dumped concrete rubble at the former sewage site in Eastport. Mr. Hunt suggested that if the Town had a spot available to bury the concrete, that would be preferable to bringing the material to the Central NL Waste site. He confirmed the material would be safe to bury. General consensus was to bury the material at the bonfire area next to the rink.

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10. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION:	066-25
Proposed by:	Ben Patey
Seconded by:	Art Crisby
Resolved that the meeting adjourn at 7:55 p.m. and the next Regular Council meeting would be scheduled for May 14, 2025, at the Town Hall at 7:00 p.m.	
In favour – 7. Mayor Kim Powell, Deputy Mayor Monica Bull, Councillors: Shannon Powell, Ben Patey, Art Crisby, David Decker, Barry Brown. Opposed – 0. Carried.	


Kim Powell – Mayor


Denise Hickey – Interim Town Clerk/Manager