

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES – FEBRUARY 25, 2026

TOWN OF EASTPORT HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON FEBRUARY 25, 2026, AT 7:00 PM

ATTENDANCE:

Council Members

Mayor Peter Moss

Councillor Jackie Crisby

Councillor Linda Babstock

Deputy Mayor Amanda Handcock

Councillor Sheila Dyke

Councillor Shannon Powell

Councillor Karen Powell

Staff

Town Clerk – D. Hickey

Town Manager – G. Moss

Delegates

Kathy Hodder

Karen Saunders

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by Mayor Moss.

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

MOTION: 018-26

Councillor S. Powell/ Councillor Crisby

Be it resolved that the agenda be adopted with the addition of Fall Cleanup & Winter Carnival

In favour – 7: Mayor P. Moss, Deputy Mayor A. Handcock, Councillors: S. Powell, J. Crisby, S. Dyke, K. Powell, L. Babstock.

Opposed – 0

3. ADOPTION OF COUNCIL MINUTES

MOTION: 019-26

Councillor Babstock /Deputy Mayor Handcock

Be it resolved that the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on 11 February 2026 be adopted as presented.

In favour – 7: Mayor P. Moss, Deputy Mayor A. Handcock, Councillors: S. Powell, J. Crisby, S. Dyke, K. Powell, L. Babstock.

Opposed – 0

4. DELEGATE – KATHY HODDER & KAREN SAUNDERS. Damnable Trail Network Inc.

Kathy Hodder and Karen Saunders addressed council on behalf of the Damnable Trail Network Inc. (DTN). They provided some background and set up of the DTN. Primary concern right now is the damage to the High Tide Trail – they wanted to ensure that Council was aware of the

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ongoing issue and that they would appreciate support of Council to find a way forward in repairing the trail.

5. NEW BUSINESS

Joint Council Meeting

Next joint council meeting will be held on Thursday, February 26. It was agreed that Mayor Moss, Deputy Mayor Hancock, and Town Manager Greg Moss would represent the Eastport Town Council at this meeting.

Auditor – 2025 Audit

MOTION: 020-26

Councillor K. Powell /Councillor Crisby

Be it resolved that Jody Cooper, CPA would be retained to complete the 2025 financial audit.

In favour – 7: Mayor P. Moss, Deputy Mayor A. Hancock, Councillors: S. Powell, J. Crisby, S. Dyke, K. Powell, L. Babstock.

Opposed – 0

Fall Clean-up

This item will be deferred to the next meeting to allow time to put together costs associated with an additional clean-up.

Winter Carnival

MOTION: 021-26

Deputy Mayor Amanda Hancock /Mayor Moss

Be it resolved that the Town would organize a Snow Sculpture Contest. Dates to be decided. Winner will receive a \$100 gift certificate for a local business.

In favour – 7: Mayor P. Moss, Deputy Mayor A. Hancock, Councillors: S. Powell, J. Crisby, S. Dyke, K. Powell, L. Babstock.

Opposed – 0

6. FINANCE COMMITTEE

- Cheque Register – Town of Eastport - \$73,505.53
- Cheque Register – Fire Department - \$2,426.88

MOTION: 022-26

Councillor Babstock /Mayor Moss

Be it resolved that invoices be adopted as presented.

In favour – 7: Mayor P. Moss, Deputy Mayor A. Hancock, Councillors: S. Powell, J. Crisby, S. Dyke, K. Powell, L. Babstock.

Opposed – 0

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7. TOWN MANAGER REPORT

- a. **Administrative Assistant Position.** The new Administrative Assistant will start on Monday, March 2. Also starting on this date, the office will be open Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- b. **Public Work Trainee** – The hiring committee will be interviewing four (4) applicants for the position. Tentative date for interviews is March 11 or 12.
- c. **Fire Department Liaison** - It was agreed that Councillor S. Powell will be the fire department liaison – attending fire department meetings and reporting back to Council as required.
- d. **Emergency Management Planning (EMPC) Liaison** – It was agreed that Mayor Moss will be the EMPC liaison – attending EMP meetings and reporting back to Council as required.
- e. **By-Law – Council Meetings, Remote Attendance**

MOTION: 023-26

Deputy Mayor Handcock/Councillor Crisby

Be it resolved to adopt the by-law for remote attendance of council meetings as presented.

In favour – 7: Mayor P. Moss, Deputy Mayor A. Handcock, Councillors: S. Powell, J. Crisby, S. Dyke, K. Powell, L. Babstock.

Opposed – 0

8. CORRESPONCE

- a. **Adventure Biking Project.** General consensus was that Council agrees with the youth bike race pending approval of any private landowners that will be affected by the race.
- b. **Provincial Bike Race** – General consensus was that Council has no concerns regarding the Provincial Bike Race being planned in the Eastport area again in 2026.
- c. **Easter Seals Month Proclamation** – General consensus of Council was to sign the proclamation for Easter Seals Month, March 2026.

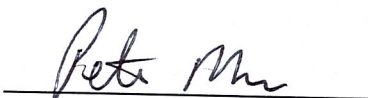
MOTION: 024-26

Councillor S. Powell

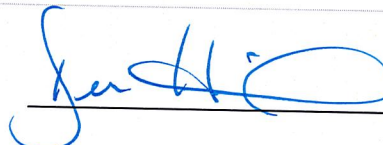
Be it resolved that the meeting adjourn at 8:27 PM

In favour – 7: Mayor P. Moss, Deputy Mayor A. Handcock, Councillors: S. Powell, J. Crisby, S. Dyke, K. Powell, L. Babstock.

Opposed – 0



Mayor, Peter Moss



Town Clerk, Denise Hickey