

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES – APRIL 8, 2026

TOWN OF EASTPORT HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON APRIL 8, 2026, AT 7:00 PM

ATTENDANCE:

Council Members

Mayor Peter Moss Councillor Shannon Powell Councillor Karen Powell
Councillor Jackie Crisby Councillor Sheila Dyke
Councillor Linda Babstock (virtual attendance)

Staff

Town Clerk – D. Hickey Town Manager – G. Moss

Absent

Deputy Mayor Amanda Handcock

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Mayor Moss.

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

MOTION: 044-26

Councillor S. Powell / Councillor Crisby

Be it resolved that the agenda be adopted with the addition of “Council meeting schedule” and “Salvation Army May Red Shield”.

In favour – 6: Mayor P. Moss, Councillors: J. Crisby, S. Dyke, S. Powell, K. Powell, L. Babstock

Opposed – 0

3. ADOPTION OF COUNCIL MINUTES

MOTION: 045-26

Councillor Dyke / Councillor K. Powell

Be it resolved that the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on 25 March 2026 be adopted as presented.

In favour – 6: Mayor P. Moss, Councillors: J. Crisby, S. Dyke, S. Powell, K. Powell, L. Babstock

Opposed – 0

4. BUSINESS ARISING

a) Credit Union – Community Grant Program

Consensus was to apply for this funding. Council will apply for funding for solar lighting, which falls under the Environmental Sustainability category.

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5. NEW BUSINESS

a) Municipal Assessment Review Commissioner

MOTION: 046-26

Councillor Crisby / Councillor S. Powell

Be it resolved that Council would appoint Greg Rumbolt as the Assessment Review Commissioner for the Town of Eastport.

In favour – 6: Mayor P. Moss, Councillors: J. Crisby, S. Dyke, S. Powell, K. Powell, L. Babstock

Opposed – 0

b) Draft By-laws

i. TRAILER OCCUPANCY & NUISANCE PROPERTY CONTROL

After review, it was decided that further changes were required and it will be tabled for review again once edits are complete.

ii. CONTROL OF DOGS & OTHER ANIMALS

MOTION: 047-26

Councillor Babstock / Councillor K. Powell

Be it resolved the Council adopt the CONTROL OF DOGS & OTHER ANIMALS by-law as presented.

In favour – 6: Mayor P. Moss, Councillors: J. Crisby, S. Dyke, S. Powell, K. Powell, L. Babstock

Opposed – 0

c) NL Power - 2026 Envirofest Grant

MOTION: 048-26

Councillor S. Powell / Councillor Crisby

Be it resolved that Council would apply for the NL Power – 2026 Envirofest Grant. The application will request funding for the required upgrades and maintenance at the playground and community garden areas.

In favour – 6: Mayor P. Moss, Councillors: J. Crisby, S. Dyke, S. Powell, K. Powell, L. Babstock

Opposed – 0

d) Regular Council Meetings

MOTION: 049-26

Councillor S. Powell / Councillor K. Powell

Be it resolved that regular council meetings would be changed from twice per month to once per month commencing immediately. Meetings will be held the second Wednesday of each month going forward.

In favour – 6: Mayor P. Moss, Councillors: J. Crisby, S. Dyke, S. Powell, K. Powell, L. Babstock

Opposed – 0

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6. COMMITTEE REPORTS

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT, RECREATION & SOCIAL COMMITTEE

a) New playground equipment

MOTION: 050-26

Councillor Crisby / Councillor S. Powell

Be it resolved that Council would purchase a new piece of equipment for the playground. Price is \$8,900 plus tax.

In favour – 6: Mayor P. Moss, Councillors: J. Crisby, S. Dyke, S. Powell, K. Powell, L. Babstock

Opposed – 0

b) Community Garden

The community garden requires several repairs and maintenance. Tasks will be communicated to public works staff.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

- Cheque Register – Town of Eastport - \$58,610.67
- Cheque Register – Fire Department - \$6,860.71

MOTION: 051-26

Councillor Crisby / Councillor Dyke

Be it resolved that invoices be adopted as presented.

In favour – 6: Mayor P. Moss, Councillors: J. Crisby, S. Dyke, S. Powell, K. Powell, L. Babstock

Opposed – 0

7. TOWN MANAGER REPORT

- Heating – Town Office & Fire Hall – The plan for the Town Office is to use an oil tank that the Beaches Heritage Center no longer requires. This is allowed if it is moved and reinstalled by a licensed installer. The plan for the Fire Hall is to upgrade to central heating. Waiting on a quote.
- New Janitor – A new janitor has been hired. Jacqueline Oldford will start on Friday, April 10, 2026.
- Sandringham – request for assistance. Mayor of Sandringham has requested emergency assistance from our public works employees. Consensus was that council would need to verify that it doesn't violate the existing Shared Services Agreement.

MOTION: 052-26

Councillor Crisby / Councillor Dyke

Be it resolved to enter a closed meeting, as per section 41.(1) of the TLSDA, at 8:40 p.m.

In favour – 6: Mayor P. Moss. Councillors: J. Crisby, S. Dyke, S. Powell, K. Powell, L. Babstock

Opposed – 0

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MOTION: 053-26

Councillor S. Powell / Councillor Crisby

Be it resolved to return to an open meeting at 8:48 p.m.

In favour – 6: Mayor P. Moss. Councillors: J. Crisby, S. Dyke, S. Powell, K. Powell, L. Babstock

Opposed – 0

MOTION: 054-26

Councillor Dyke / Councillor K. Powell

Be it resolved to issue water shut off notices for PAR IDs: 056206, 056406, 256986, and 056301

In favour – 6: Mayor P. Moss. Councillors: J. Crisby, S. Dyke, S. Powell, K. Powell, L. Babstock

Opposed – 0

8. CORRESPONDENCE

- a) **Provincial Bike Race – Time Trail Race.** Consensus was to approve the Time Trail Race on Saturday, August 29, if it doesn't impede regular traffic.
- b) **Salvation Army – May Red Shield.** Consensus was to approve the Salvation Army setting up a toll gate in Eastport on May 28, to support the May Red Shield campaign.

MOTION: 055-26

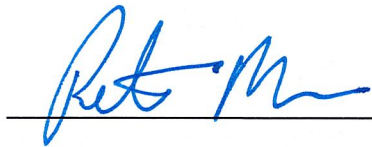
Councillor S. Powell / Councillor Dyke

Be it resolved that the meeting adjourn at 8:55 p.m.

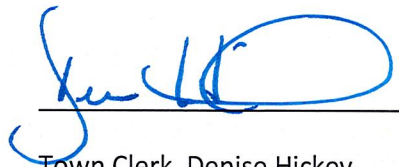
In favour – 6: Mayor P. Moss, Councillors: J. Crisby, S. Dyke, S. Powell, K. Powell, L. Babstock

Opposed – 0

Next meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 13, 2026, 7:00 at the Eastport Town Hall.



Mayor, Peter Moss



Town Clerk, Denise Hickey