

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES – AUGUST 12, 2026

TOWN OF EASTPORT HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON AUGUST 12, 2026, AT 7:00 PM

ATTENDANCE:

Council Members

Mayor Peter Moss Deputy Mayor Amanda Handcock Councillor Karen Powell
Councillor Linda Babstock

Staff

Town Clerk – D. Hickey

Regrets

Councillor Jackie Crisby Councillor Sheila Dyke Councillor Shannon Powell
Town Manager – Greg Moss

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 PM by Mayor Moss.

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

MOTION: 092-26

Councillor K. Powell / Councillor Babstock

Be it resolved that the agenda be adopted as presented.

In favour – 4: Mayor Moss, Deputy Mayor Handcock, Councillors: K. Powell, L. Babstock

Opposed – 0

3. ADOPTION OF COUNCIL MINUTES

MOTION: 093-26

Deputy Mayor Handcock / Councillor K. Powell

Be it resolved that the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on 8 July 2026 be adopted as presented

In favour – 4: Mayor Moss, Deputy Mayor Handcock, Councillors: K. Powell, L. Babstock

Opposed – 0

4. BUSINESS ARISING

a. 20 Beach Road

Stated conflict of interest: Deputy Mayor Handcock remained in the meeting but did not participate in the discussion.

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MOTION: 094-26

Councillor K. Powell / Councillor Babstock

Be it resolved to approve the development application for a new garage and fence extension for 20 Beach Road, as per the application received on June 9, 2026.

In favour – 3: Mayor Moss, Councillors: K. Powell, L. Babstock

Opposed – 0

Defeated – insufficient number of councillors to vote. Retable at next meeting.

b. 19 Beach Road

MOTION: 095-26

Councillor K. Powell / Councillor Babstock

Be it resolved to approve the water/sewer tax exemption request for 19 Beach Road. Due to the size and location of this property, the town would not approve a development application for this property. Vacant land tax will still apply.

In favour – 4: Mayor Moss, Deputy Mayor Handcock, Councillors: K. Powell, L. Babstock

Opposed – 0

c. Bank Road

Council had an opportunity to review the “Bank Road – Water Flow Issues & Management Storm Drainage Report” that was completed by Cecon in 2024. Due to the ongoing concerns regarding the stability of the bank, council will investigate getting a geotechnical study completed.

5. NEW BUSINESS

a. Agenda Items – Next Joint Council Meeting

Eastport Council will add google mapping and joint/shared recreation director to the agenda for the next joint council meeting on September 15, 2026.

b. Lights at the beach

Bulbs have been replaced and lights are now working. No action required.

c. Google Mapping

This item has been deferred to the next Joint Council meeting, as it is an issue that concerns all neighboring communities, not just Eastport.

d. Public Works

The main priority for public works is the application for Municipal Capital Work program (Main Street Waterline), which is due this fall.

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High Tide Trail – the new step ladder with handrail system is currently under construction. When complete, access from Eastport Beach to Northside beach will be restored.

e. 2027 Budget

Councillors should have a list of items they want included in the 2027 budget submitted to the Town Clerk by the end of August.

6. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance Committee

MOTION: 096-26

Councillor K. Powell / Deputy Mayor Handcock

Be it resolved that the following invoices be approved for payment as presented and report tabled:

Cheque Register, Town of Eastport – \$52,241.03

Cheque Register, Fire Department - \$1,346.06

In favour – 4: Mayor Moss, Deputy Mayor Handcock, Councillors: K. Powell, L. Babstock

Opposed – 0

Public Works Committee

31 Tulk's Road

MOTION: 097-26

Councillor K. Powell / Deputy Mayor Handcock

Be it resolved to approve the development application for a new shed, as per the application received on August 7, 2026.

In favour – 4: Mayor Moss, Deputy Mayor Handcock, Councillors: K. Powell, L. Babstock

Opposed – 0

7. CORRESPONDENCE

a. Damnable Trail Network

MOTION: 098-26

Councillor K. Powell / Councillor Babstock

Be it resolved to give a \$500 donation to the Damnable Trail Network Inc. for the fifth annual Damnable Trail Festival.

In favour – 4: Mayor Moss, Deputy Mayor Handcock, Councillors: K. Powell, L. Babstock

Opposed – 0

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b. Eastport Organics

Council received a letter from Eastport Organics detailing proposed separation of properties into residential vs agricultural lands. Council stated that additional information will be required from the owner before this issue can move forward. A follow up letter will be sent to Eastport Organics.

8. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: 099-26

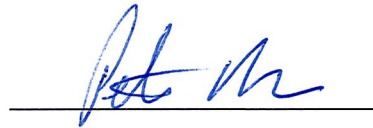
Councillor K. Powell / Councillor Babstock

Be it resolved that the meeting adjourn at 7:56 PM

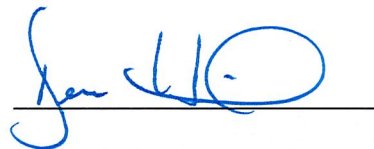
In favour – 4: Mayor Moss, Deputy Mayor Handcock, Councillors: K. Powell, L. Babstock

Opposed – 0

Next meeting will be held on **Wednesday, September 9, 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall.**



Mayor, Peter Moss



Town Clerk, Denise Hickey