



## Regular Council Meeting

Tuesday, March 25, 2025

7:00 p.m.

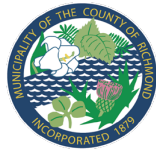
Council Chambers

### AGENDA

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Opening Acknowledgement**
3. **O'Canada**
4. **Roll Call of Councillors**
5. **Items Added to the Agenda** (Approval of Agenda)
6. **Review of Minutes, Re:**
  - a) Special Meeting, March 6, 2025
  - b) Regular Council, February 25, 2025
7. **Question Period:**
  - Restricted to items on the committee reports
  - Phone in: (902) 226-9885 (see question period details below)
8. **Committee Reports:**
  - a) **Committee of the Whole**
    - Funding Contribution request from Cape Breton South Recruiting for Health
    - 2025 Heavy Collection
    - Strait of Canso Clean Fuels Domestic Use Strategy
    - Construction and demolition debris landfill expansion
    - St. Peter's-Grand River-Loch Lomond Pastoral Charge grant request for the Type 4 – Regional/Health/General Funds for \$2,645.00
    - St. Peter's-Grand River-Loch Lomond Pastoral Charge grant request for the Type 1 – Infrastructure Funds for \$5,000.00
    - D'Escousse Civic Improvement Society grant request for the Type 1 – Infrastructure Grant Funds for \$5,000.00



- Richmond Rize Volleyball Association grant request for the Type 4 – Regional/Health/General Funds for \$9,919.83
  - St. Louis Parish Council grant request for the Type 4 – Regional/Health/General Funds for \$2,000.00
  - Request from a resident regarding flags
  - Conversations around housing
  - CT Scanner for the Strait Richmond Hospital
  - Eastern Counties Regional Library’s allocation of funding for the St. Peter’s Hub project to be included in the municipality’s 2025-2026 annual operating budget
  - Eastern District Planning Commission operating estimates for the 2025-2026 fiscal year
  - Multi-Party First Nations and Municipal Agreement
  - Richmond Arena
- b) **By-Law/Policy Committee**
- Council Procedural Policy amendment
- c) **IDEA Committee**
- IDEA Plan Refresh Report
- d) **Planning Advisory Committee**
- Planning new areas to have two-lane roadways with turning areas suitable for fire apparatus and provisions for water supply planning
  - Letter to be sent to the Nova Scotia Federation of Municipalities (NSFM) regarding the Canadian Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC)
  - Conducting an open process to engage with developers to determine ways the municipality can support housing development
  - Request for the sale of municipal property, PID 78178905
  - Request for the sale of municipal property, PID 75029892
  - Lot size restrictions and technology for on-site sewage in unserved areas



**9. Motion to Adopt, Re:**

- a) 2025-2026 Grants Policy

**10. Motion to Approve First Reading, Re:**

- a) Amendments to the Land Use By-Laws for West Richmond, Central Richmond, Isle Madame, St. Peter's, and Richmond County to reduce the variance appeal period from 21 days to 14 days to align with the Municipal Government Act.

**11. New Business**

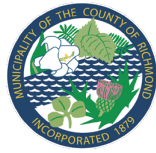
- a) ABCC Citizen Appointee Vacancies – Staff Memo
- b) Flood Hazard Mapping Project – Staff Briefing Note
- c) Climate Risk Assessment and Prioritized Adaptation Plan Project – Staff Briefing Note

**12. Correspondence**

- a) **Action Required:**
  - i. Letter from Rose Merrick, Chair of the River Bourgeois Community Services Society, regarding a request for MOCR to provide funding in the yearly budget for the power/base lights at the River Bourgeois Lighthouse.
- b) **For Information Purposes**
  - i. Letter from Strait Area Chambers of Commerce regarding the Strait Area Collaborative Housing Initiative.
  - ii. Letter from Hon. John Lohr, Minister of the Department of Municipal Affairs, regarding the municipality's request for the property assessment cap to be applied to all Nova Scotians who have lost their homes due to disaster.
  - iii. Letter from Hon. John Lohr, Minister of the Department of Municipal Affairs, regarding the mandatory Code of Conduct training for all local elected officials in Nova Scotia.

**13. Unfinished Business**

- a) Recommendation from the Special Meeting of Council



**14. Review of Action Items**

- a) Action Items List

**15. Items Added to the Agenda**

**16. Question Period**

- Restricted to the remainder of the agenda following the Committee Reports
- PHONE IN: ( 902) 226-9885 (see Question Period Details Below)

**17. Adjournment**



### **Question Period Details PHONE IN: (902) 226-9885**

Any member of the public may ask a question on any item listed in the agenda without giving notice. A maximum of ten (10) minutes is set aside for Question Period. Anyone wishing to ask a question either in person or by phone must identify who they are prior to asking the question.

Comments must be phrased in the form of a question. Council will hear the question and will answer if appropriate.

No person speaking during Question Period shall:

- Speak disrespectfully
- Use offensive words
- Disobey the rules of order or a decision of the Chair

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