



Regular Council Meeting

Tuesday, June 24, 2025

5:30 - 6:00 p.m., Items 1-2, Richmond Room

6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m., Item 3, Recess for Public Hearing, Council Chambers

7:00 p.m., Items 4-20, Council Chambers

AGENDA

1. **Call to Order**
2. **In Camera Session**
 - a) Personnel
 - b) Contract Negotiations
3. **Recess**
4. **Opening Acknowledgement**
5. **O'Canada**
6. **Roll Call of Councillors**
7. **Recommendation(s) from In Camera Session**
8. **Items Added to the Agenda (Approval of Agenda)**
9. **Review of Minutes, Re:**
 - a) Special Meeting, May 22, 2025
 - b) Regular Council, May 27, 2025
 - c) Special Meeting, June 4, 2025
 - d) Special Meeting, June 9, 2025
 - e) Special Meeting, June 16, 2025
10. **Question Period:**
 - Restricted to items on the committee reports
 - Phone in: (902) 226-9885 (see question period details below)
11. **Committee Reports:**
 - a) **Committee of the Whole**
 - Temporary borrowing resolution for the Loch Lomond volunteer fire department
 - Community Climate Capacity Cohort grant application 2025-2026
 - Deferral of grant applications until after budget approval
 - Tax Exemption By-law (By-law 56)
 - Advocacy for involuntary destruction
 - Credit freeze
 - Harbour Wars sponsorship request
 - Advocacy for public library funding
 - b) **By-law/Policy Committee**
 - Capital Improvement and Development Policy
 - Guidelines for Designation and Use of Off-Leash Dog Areas



c) **Planning Advisory Committee**

- Review of zoning across the county relative to the CMHC catalogue.
- Follow-up to initial meetings with developers
- Review of permitting practices for standalone buildings (garage/utility/shed)
- Amendments to the Nova Scotia Building Code Regulations

12. Motion to Adopt

- a) Capital Improvement and Development Policy as amended

13. Second Reading Approval

- a) Proposed amendments addressing the maximum setbacks for commercial wind turbines in response to new provincial setback requirements:
- i. Proposed amendments to Policy 5-52 of the MOCR Municipal Planning Strategy as presented. *(Amendment attached)*
 - ii. Proposed amendments to section 6:35.9(a) and 6.35.9 (b) of the MOCR Land Use By-Law as presented. *(Amendment attached)*
 - iii. Proposed amendments to Part 9 and Part 15 of the West Richmond Planning Area Land Use By-Law as presented. *(Amendment attached)*.
- b) Accessory Dwelling Units
- i. Proposed amendments to the Municipal Planning Strategy for the Isle Madame Plan Area, Chapter 3 Sub-Section 3(a) and Policy G-3.1(a) as presented. *(Amendment attached)*
 - ii. Proposed amendment to the Land Use By-Law for the Isle Madame Plan Area, Section 33 as presented. *(Amendment attached)*
- c) Dog Control By-law
- i. Proposed new By-law that will repeal and replace the previous Respecting Dogs By-law as presented. *(Dog Control By-law attached)*

14. New Business

- a) La Picasse Community Cultural Centre – Re: Tier 1 Community Grant Fund application in the amount of \$1,000
- b) Framboise Community Centre – Re: Tier 1 Community Grant Fund application in the amount of \$1,000
- c) Arichat Community Development Association – Re: Tier 1 Community Grant Fund application in the amount of \$1,000

15. Correspondence

a) **Action Required:**

- i. Letter from Bob MacEachern, Board Chair, Celtic Colours International Festival – Re: Request for support
- ii. Rochelle Heudes, President, Acadien Festival of Petit de Grat – Re: Sponsorship request



b) For Information Purposes

- i. Letter from Honourable Colton LeBlanc, Minister of Growth and Development – Re: Joint Management of Point Tupper Heavy Industrial Park and Inclusion in Atlantic Port Assessment
- ii. MOCR letter of support to Dalhousie University – Re: Dalhousie University’s Transformation 2026 application titled Minding (more than) the gaps: a transformative research initiative for offshore wind in support of Canada’s energy transition.
- iii. Email from Tynette Deveaux, Regional Program Manager, Canadian Association of Physicians for the Environment – Re: Health risks of uranium exploration and mining
- iv. MOCR Summer Programming – Re: Registration opens June 27, 2025
- v. Letter from Warden Eleanor Roulston, East Hants – Re: Library Funding
- vi. MOCR Press Release – Richmond County Approves 2025–2026 Budget with No Increase to Tax Rates and Continued Investment in Community Wellbeing
- vii. Email from Dani Coffrey, Director, Policy and Government Relations – Re: Concerns about CMHC
- viii. MOCR Email to housing and property developers – Re: Request for information from Developers by NSF and CMHC

16. Unfinished Business

- a) Nova Scotia’s Public Authorities Reciprocal Plan Agreement – Re: Defined Benefit (DB) Plans (Information email)
- b) Riverdale Community Services Society – Re: Tier 2 Community Grant Fund application in the amount of \$7,250.39

17. Review of Action Items

- a) Action Items List

18. Items Added to the Agenda

19. Question Period

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

20. 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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