

Committee of the Whole Meeting

February 10, 2026

Location: Council Chambers

Present: Warden Lois Landry, Deputy Warden Amanda Mombourquette, Councillor Brent Sampson, Councillor Brian Marchand, Councillor Shawn Samson

Staff: Troy MacCulloch, Chief Administrative Officer (CAO), Shelley David, Municipal Clerk

1. Call to Order

Warden Lois Landry called the meeting to order at 5:45 p.m.

Moved by Councillor Brent Sampson, seconded by Deputy Warden Amanda Mombourquette, that the meeting move to an In Camera session at 5:45 p.m.

Motion carried.

2. In Camera Session – Legal (Virtual)

Moved by Councillor Brent Sampson, seconded by Deputy Warden Amanda Mombourquette, that the meeting revert to “Regular” session at 5:59 and

FURTHER MOVE that the Committee break for recess from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Motion carried.

3. Recess for By-law/Policy Committee Meeting

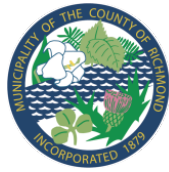
4. Opening Acknowledgement

The Warden reconvened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. and made the following opening acknowledgment:

We are proud to acknowledge that we are gathered today on Unama'ki, the Land of Fog, a part of Mi'kma'ki, the unceded traditional territory of the Mi'kmaq people, since time immemorial. We honour and thank the Mi'kmaq for sharing their land and home with us.

5. Recommendations from In Camera

There were no recommendations from the In Camera session.



6. Items Added to the Agenda (Approval of Agenda)

Moved by Deputy Warden Amanda Mombourquette, seconded by Councillor Brent Sampson, that the agenda be approved.

Motion carried.

7. Review of Minutes – January 13, 2026

Moved by Councillor Shawn Samson, seconded by Deputy Warden Amanda Mombourquette, that the minutes of the January 13, 2026, Committee of the Whole meeting be adopted as presented.

Motion carried.

8. Presentation

a) Molly Foster, Community Navigator, Clean Foundation, and Martin Thomsen, Manager of Energy Sector Development, Municipality of the County of Richmond and Town of Port Hawkesbury, Re: Community Climate Capacity Program

Molly Foster and Martin Thomsen presented the Community Climate Capacity Program presentation.

b) Laura MacLean, Assistant Director, and Ann Smith-Macquarrie, Assessor, Property Valuation Services Corporation (PVSC), Re: MOCR PVSC 2026 Assessment Roll

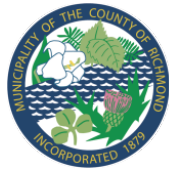
Laura MacLean and Ann Smith-Macquarrie presented the MOCR PVSC 2026 Assessment Roll presentation.

9. New Business, Re:

a) Three-Year Cost-Share Agreement for Subdivision Streets from the Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal

Moved by Deputy Warden Amanda Mombourquette, seconded by Brent Sampson, that the Committee of the Whole recommend to Council to authorize the Warden and the CAO to sign Cost Share Agreement No. 2026-018.

Motion carried.



10. Warden, Re:

- a) Review of Warden's Council Report – January 2026

For information only.

11. CAO, Re:

- a) Administration Operations Report

For information only.

12. Community Acknowledgements

For information only.

13. Correspondence

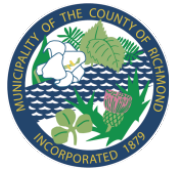
- a) Action Required

- i. Email from Jennifer Enright, Volunteer, Canadian Amyloidosis Support Network, Re: Amyloidosis Awareness Month proclamation request
Moved by Councillor Brian Marchand, seconded by Councillor Brent Sampson, that the Committee of the Whole recommend to Council to approve the proclamation to proclaim March 2026 as Amyloidosis Awareness Month in Richmond County.

Motion carried.

- b) For Information Only

- i. Letter from the Honourable Julie Dabrusin, Minister of the Environment, Climate Change and Nature, Re: Boat launch ramp, St. Peter's Canal (ocean side)
- ii. MOCR letter to Mayor Sean Cameron, Town of Antigonish, Re: Support for the need for a secondary, permanent access route to the Saint Martha's Regional Hospital
- iii. Letter from Nicholas MacInnis, Warden, Municipality of the County of Antigonish, Re: Letter to the Honorable Tim Houston regarding the Nova Scotia Power Rate Application for 2026/2027
Moved by Councillor Brent Sampson, seconded by Councillor Shawn Samson, that the Committee of the Whole recommend to Council to authorize the Warden write a letter of support.
Motion carried.



- iv. Cape Breton Regional Enterprise Network – Richmond County & Town of Port Hawkesbury, Information and Activity Report Q3 – 2025/26
 - v. MOCR letter to the Honourable John A. MacDonald, Minister of Municipal Affairs, Re: Request for amendments to the Municipal Government Act that would enable municipalities to offer property tax rebates and other tax-based incentives to developers pursuing affordable housing projects
14. Review of Cheques Issued Re:
a) January 2026
15. Review of Action Items
a) Action Items
For information only.
16. Items Added to the Agenda
n/a
17. 15 Minute Question Period - (902) 226-9885
There were no questions.
18. Adjournment
There being no further business, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 8:12 p.m.

Chairperson

Municipal Clerk