



Committee of the Whole Report April 2026

The Committee met on April 14, 2026.

The Committee discussed the new agreement with the Richmond County Truckers Association for the transportation of municipal solid waste and recycling.

I move that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole, and authorize staff to proceed with execution of a new agreement with the Richmond County Truckers Association for transportation of municipal solid waste and recycling with a 12% increase to the base trucking rates, and further recommended that the base rates be adjusted annually on April 1 to reflect changes in CPI for the prior 12 months. The new base rates, effective April 1, 2026, would be \$411.60 and \$517.44 (at 0% TANS surcharge) for shipments to Guysborough and Edwardsville.

The Committee discussed the Isle Madame New Horizon Seniors Club grant request for the Tier 1 – Community Grant Funds for \$1,000, submitted as the host organization for the Persons with Impaired Vision Group.

I move that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and defer the Isle Madame New Horizon Seniors Club grant application, submitted as the host organization for the Persons with Impaired Vision Group, until the 2026-2027 budget is approved.

The Committee discussed the Richmond Rize Volleyball Association sponsorship request for \$1,000.

I move that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and defer the Richmond Rize Volleyball Association sponsorship request until after the approval of the 2026-2027 budget.

The Committee discussed the Letter from John Bain, Director, Eastern District Planning Commission, regarding staff appointments.

I move that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and accept the Eastern District Planning Commission staff appointments as outlined in the letter to Council.



The Committee discussed the request from Terry Smith, CEO of Destination Cape Breton, regarding amendments to the MOCR Marketing Levy By-law for short-term rental platforms.

I move that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and refer the Marketing Levy By-law to the By-law/Policy Committee.

The Committee discussed the request from Donna Lugar, Vice-President of the Nova Scotia Lyme & Tick-Borne Diseases Association, to proclaim May as Lyme Disease Awareness Month.

I move that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and proclaim May as Lyme Disease Awareness Month.

This concludes the Committee of the Whole Report for the month of April 2026, and I move its adoption.



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March 23, 2026

Mr. Troy A. MacCulloch, CAO
Municipality of the County of Richmond
P.O. Box 120
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Reference: Revised Appointments

Dear Mr. MacCulloch,

As in years past we would ask that the Municipality of the County of Richmond Council make the following appointments at your next regular session of Council replacing all previous appointments of District Planning staff to various Municipal positions effective **immediately**:

- **Building Inspection:**
Building Inspectors: **André Samson** and **Sean Donovan**
Assistant Building Inspector: **Todd Samson**
Alternates: David MacKenzie, Jonathan Martin and Luke Ross
- **Development Officer: Andrew Jones**
Alternates: John Bain; Hetvi Joshi; Brendan MacDonald; Kristen Scanlan, and Mikayla Tait.
Assistant Development Officers: Todd Samson; Heike Bruckner and André Samson
- **Fire Inspectors: André Samson and Todd Samson**
Alternates: S. Donovan; D. MacKenzie; J. Martin and L. Ross.
- **Dangerous or Unsightly Premises**
Administrators: **Sean Donovan** and **John Bain**
Alternates: Todd Samson, Luke Ross and André Samson
- **Special Constables: Building/Fire Codes, Dangerous or Unsightly Premises, Land Use By-laws**
Sean Donovan and **Jonathan Martin**

These appointments stay in place so long as they are employees of the Commission or until they are replaced by new appointments. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours truly,

John Bain
Director

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PROCLAMATION

Lyme Disease Awareness Month May 2026

WHEREAS Lyme disease is a serious illness caused by the bite of a blacklegged tick infected with the bacterium *Borrelia burgdorferi*; and

WHEREAS blacklegged ticks carrying a variety of diseases or illnesses can now be found in all parts of Nova Scotia; and

WHEREAS awareness, education, and practicing preventative measures, such as daily tick checks and proper tick removal, can help reduce your chances of contracting tick-borne diseases;

THEREFORE, be it resolved that I, Warden Lois Landry, on behalf of Richmond County Municipal Council, do hereby proclaim May 2026 as “Lyme Disease Awareness Month”.

Dated at Arichat, Nova Scotia, this ___ day of ____, 2026

Warden Lois Landry