

**Minutes
Rural Community of Fundy Shores
Regular Council Meeting
Community Building
March 4, 2026 – 6:00 pm**

Call to Order

Mayor Cogswell called the meeting to order at 6:00pm

Roll Call

Mayor George (Denny) Cogswell, Deputy Mayor Heather Saulnier, Councillor Deanna Bent, Councillor Tina Dealy, Councillor Lorraine Thompson, Chief Administrator Officer/Clerk Linda Sullivan Brown, Administrative Assistant Jillian Holland

Declaration of Conflict of Interest

None.

Additions, Deletions and Approval of the Agenda

2026.03.04.27 Moved by Councillor Dealy, **seconded** Deputy Mayor Saulnier to approve the agenda.

Motion Unanimously Carried

Approval of the Minutes

2026.03.04.28 Moved by Councillor Thompson, **seconded** by Councillor Bent to approve the minutes of the February 4, 2026 Regular Council meeting and the February 18, 2026 Committee of the Whole meeting as written.

Motion Unanimously Carried

Presentation to Council

None.

Business Arising from the Minutes/Old Business

a. Procedural By-Law

2026.03.04.29 Moved by Councillor Dealy, seconded by Councillor Bent to declare that the by-law A-7-2026, being the Procedural By-Law for the Rural Community of Fundy Shores be read for the second time by title and by summary.

Motion Unanimously Carried

The following was read by CAO Linda Sullivan Brown: *“This by-law provides directions on the fundamental principles for Council meetings, conflict of interest, vacancies on Council, procedures for all meetings of Council and Committees. It further outlines the type of participation from Council, Staff and Public as meetings to*

help maintain order and transparency.”

Department Reports

a) General Government

- i) Mayor's Report- Mayor Cogswell submitted his reports online. Additionally, Denny informed Council that he had received several messages and emails regarding the potential closure of Fundy Shores Elementary School. He advised that he had sent a letter to the Minister of Education and will share any updates with Council as further information becomes available.
- ii) Councillor's Reports
 - 1. Deputy Mayor Heather Saulnier- Deputy Mayor Saulnier submitted her report online.
 - 2. Councillor Deanna Bent- Councillor Bent submitted her reports online. Councillor Bent added that there will be a Community Development meeting with the Regional Services Commission on Thursday, March 5, 2026.
 - 3. Councillor Tina Dealy- Councillor Dealy submitted her reports online.
 - 4. Councillor Lorraine Thompson- Councillor Thompson submitted her reports online.
- iii) **CAO Report to Council**
2026.03.04.30 Moved by Councillor Dealy, **seconded** by Deputy Mayor Saulnier to approve the CAO report as submitted.
Motion Unanimously Carried

b) Planning and Inspection

- i. **2026.03.04.31 Moved** by Councillor Bent, **seconded** by Deputy Mayor Saulnier to approve the Planning Director's Report for February 2026 as submitted online.

c) Public Safety

- i. **2026.03.04.32 Moved** by Councillor Bent, **seconded** by Councillor Thompson to approve the Musquash Fire Department Report for February 2026 as submitted online.

Motion Unanimously Carried

- ii. RCMP Q3 Report was provided for information only.

d) Economic Development

- i. **2026.03.04.33 Moved** by Councillor Dealy, **seconded** by Councillor Thompson to approve the Synergi Report for February 2026 as submitted.

Motion Unanimously Carried

Standing Committee Reports

- a) **Community & Economic Empowerment Committee**
No meeting in February and no committee report was submitted.
- b) **PRAC Committee**
PRAC did not meet in February. There was no report.
- c) **Safe Community & Emergency Preparedness Committee**
No meeting in February and no committee report was submitted.
- d) **Recreation & Destination Committee**
No meeting in February and no committee report was submitted.

Correspondence

- a) **Correspondence Received**
 - i. Council received a letter from Irving Woodlands regarding the province's decision to deny Irving's Proposed Harvesting Plan.
- b) **Correspondence Issued**
 - ii. Mayor Cogswell informed Council that he met with the Canadian Nuclear Isotope Council regarding the potential development of medical isotope production at the Point Lepreau Nuclear Generating Station. He noted that the meeting was informative and provided detailed information on the initiative.
Mayor Cogswell and MLA Ian Lee were also given a tour of the facility and met with staff who would be involved in the production of medical isotopes. He advised that the process will take time, potentially over a year, but noted that meeting with PLNGS represents an important first step toward the development and processing of medical isotopes.

Approval of Payments

2026.03.04.34 Moved by Councillor Bent, **seconded** by Councillor Thompson to accept payment of General Government Invoices of February 2026.

Motion Unanimously Carried

Approval of Accounts

2026.03.04.35 Moved by Councillor Dealy, **seconded** by Deputy Mayor Saulnier to approve the Expense Report for February 2026.

Motion Unanimously Carried

New Business

- a. Upon receiving a request from the Epilepsy Association of the Maritimes (EAM) to declare March 26 Epilepsy Awareness Day, council agreed to the request.

- b. **2026.03.04.36 Moved** by Councillor Bent, **seconded** by Councillor Thompson to have the Fundy Shores Human Resources Manual submitted for approval by Council.

Motion Unanimously Carried

- c. After reviewing the Commercial and Residential Incentive Package document, Council agreed to defer further discussion to a future meeting before sending it to legal review.
- d. Council decided to postpone the implementation of the Tourism Accommodation Levy and agreed to revisit the matter at the April 2026 Committee of the Whole meeting.
- e. Council requested a meeting with NB Health Minister Dornan to discuss the proposed Paramedicine Clinical Pilot Project in Fundy Shores.
- f. CAO Linda Brown received four proposals for fire trucks for the Musquash Fire. These offers are under review for compliance, and a recommendation will be provided as soon as possible.

Closed Session

None.

Next Meetings

- a) Committee of the Whole
Community Building
March 18, 2026- 6:00 pm
- b) Regular Council Meeting
Community Building
April 1, 2026- 6:00 pm

Announcements

None.

Adjournment

2026.03.04.37 Moved by Councillor Bent, **seconded** by Deputy Mayor Saulnier to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 6:40 pm.

Motion Carried

George (Denny) Cogswell

Linda Sullivan Brown

Mayor
Rural Community of Fundy Shores

Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk
Rural Community of Fundy Shores