

Minutes
Rural Community of Fundy Shores
Regular Council Meeting
Community Building
January 8, 2025 – 6:00 pm

Call To Order

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

Roll Call

Mayor George (Denny) Cogswell, Deputy Mayor Susan Farquharson (Virtual), Councillor Tina Dealy (Virtual), Councillor Heather Saulnier, Councillor Lorraine Thompson, Councillor Deanna Bent (Virtual), Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk Linda Sullivan Brown, Xander Geopen – Planner SNBSC, Brian Cooke – Executive Director Synergi, Officer Jeff Peters & Officer Chris Henderson RCMP

Declaration of Conflict of Interest

None.

Addition, Deletion, or Approval of the Agenda

2025.01.08.01 Moved by Councillor Thompson, **seconded** by Councillor Saulnier to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion Unanimously Carried

Approval of the Minutes

2025.01.08.02 Moved by Councillor Saulnier, **seconded** by Councillor Thompson to approve the minutes of December 4 and 5, 2024.

Motion Unanimously Carried

Presentation to Council

RCMP Policing Presentation –

Officer Jeff Peters & Officer Chris Henderson provided a review of the RCMP's operations in Fundy Shores over the past two quarters and the arrests and investigations into operating effecting the community.

Officer's left the meeting after their presentation was concluded.

Business Arising from the Minutes

Rural Plan

2025.01.08.03 Moved by Deputy Mayor Farquharson, **seconded** by Councillor Saulnier that be it resolved that By-law C-2-2024, A Rural Plan for the Rural Community of Fundy Shores, dated January 8, 2025, a by-law to repeal and replace the Lepreau Musquash Planning Area Rural Plan Regulation being the Rural Plan for the Rural Community of Fundy Shores be read by title for the first time.

Motion Unanimously Carried

Council requested that the Rural Plan include a section that all animals listed under the by-law be required to remain on their own property, regardless of home use or farming.

Xander Geopen left the meeting after the Rural Plan discussion.

Economic Development Plan

2025.01.08.04 Moved by Councillor Saulnier, **seconded** by Councillor Thompson that be it resolved to adopt the Economic Development Plan, with the expectation that the Indigenous Relationship Building portion of the document, be redrafted to better reflect the wishes of Council.

Motion Unanimously Carried

Department Reports

General Government

Mayor's Report – Mayor Cogswell submitted his report online, however wanted to thank Logan and Katie for hosting activities for the children following breakfast with Santa in December.

Councillor's Report

Deputy Mayor Susan Farquharson – Deputy Mayor submitted her report online.

Councillor Deanna Bent – Councillor Bent submitted her report online.

Councillor Tina Dealy – Councillor Dealy submitted her report online and thanked everyone for their participation in the Breakfast with Santa event.

Councillor Heather Saulnier – Councillor Saulnier did not have written report, however she indicated that she attended various events through the month.

Councillor Lorraine Thompson – Councillor Thompson submitted her report online.

CAO Report to Council –

There was no report submitted.

Planning & Inspection

2025.01.08.05 Moved by Councillor Saulnier, **seconded** by Councillor Bent to accept the Planning Directors Report.

Motion Unanimously Carried

Public Safety

2025.01.08.06 Moved by Deputy Mayor Farquharson, **seconded** by Councillor Thompson to accept the Fire Department's reports for November and December.

Motion Unanimously Carried

Economic Development

No report submitted.

Community Coordinator

2025.01.08.07 Moved by Councillor Thompson, **seconded** by Councillor Bent to approve the Community Coordinator's report.

Motion Unanimously Carried

Standing Committee Reports

All standing committee information was provided during Councillor's reports.

Correspondence Received

John Williamson MP –

Mr. Williamson issued a letter to Council to advise them Linda Robichaud had been selected as the recipient of the King Charles Coronation medal.

Correspondence Issued

Mayor Cogswell indicated correspondence had been send to the Department of Public Safety, Transportation and NB Power requesting a meeting and a letter to the Department of Education indicating Fundy Shores was interested in hosting the new Francophone School.

Approval of Payments

General Government

2025.01.08.08 Moved by Councillor Bent, **seconded** by Councillor Thompson to approve the invoices.

Motion Unanimously Carried

Approval of Payments

Sewerage Commission – Thompson Subdivision

2025.01.08.09 Moved by Deputy Mayor Farquharson, **seconded** by Councillor Saulnier to approve the payments.

Motion Unanimously Carried

Approval of Accounts

No report for December 2024.

New Business

Deputy Mayor Election

Councillor Susan Farquharson was nominated to hold the seat of Deputy Mayor for the next year by Councillor Lorraine Thompson.

No other nominations were put forward. Councillor Susan Farquharson accepted the nomination and will continue as Deputy Mayor for 2025.

Alzheimer's Awareness Proclamation

2025.01.08.10 Moved by Deputy Mayor Farquharson, **seconded** by Councillor Saulnier to proclaim January 2025 as Alzheimer's Awareness month in Fundy Shores.

Motion Unanimously Carried

Dog Control By-Law

Council requested the by-law be reviewed by the Public Safety Committee and ask they review the rules around dog collars, leashing and euthanasia.

EMO By-Law

Council requested this by-law be reviewed by the Public Safety Committee for comment.

Fire Truck

This item was information only.

2025.01.08.11 Moved by Councillor Saulnier, **seconded** by Councillor Thompson to table the closed session item until February.

Motion Unanimously Carried

Council moved into Closed Session at 6:50pm.

Next Meetings

Committee of the Whole
Community Building
January 15, 2025 – 6:00 pm

Regular Council Meeting
Community Building
February 5, 2025 – 6:00 pm

Announcements

Adjournment

2025.01.08.12 Moved by Councillor Saulnier, **seconded** by Councillor Bent to adjourn the meeting.

George (Denny) Cogswell
Mayor
Rural Community of Fundy Shores

Linda Sullivan Brown
Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk
Rural Community of Fundy Shores