

# Perth-Andover Village Council Meeting Minutes

**RVCC, Monday, August 8th, 2022**

Present: Mayor Bell, – Deputy Mayor McPhail, Councillors - Sheila Cummings, Cindy McLaughlin, Sheldon Shaw, Jason Green and Dan Dionne, CAO

1. Mayor Bell called the meeting to order, and no conflicts of interest were declared.
2. Councillor Cummings **MOVED** the approval of the July 18th meeting minutes. **SECONDED** by Councillor McLaughlin. **MOTION CARRIED.**
3. The CAO presented an update on Local Government Reform which included an update on the budget process, capital asset management, light utility expansion request, unconditional grant reform, Council pay options being considered for the new entities, and RSC budget process.
4. Staff shared the housing survey that has been distributed to apartment owners in the community. This project is being done in conjunction with the NB Non-Profit Housing Association. Staff will post land available for housing development on the village website.
5. Staff will work on an outline for networking opportunities to be held over the holidays.
6. A letter was received from DTI stating that applications for the 2025–29 designated Highway program has been put on pause.
7. The CAO presented municipal department reports, strategic plan updates, and the Fire Department report. The quarterly financial statements were presented and have been posted on the share point site.
8. Mayor Bell provided an update from UMNb and discussed the upcoming zone meeting. Deputy Mayor Titus provided a detailed report on her experiences at the FCM conference.
9. Councillor Cummings **MOVED** the approval of the following resolution to be presented at the UMNb zone meeting for further consideration.

Be it resolved that UMNb lobby the provincial government for

- 1) appropriate financial funding for municipalities to compensate for staff time already required and to be required by the province to assist in the process of municipal reform;
- 2) reimbursement of municipal legal, accounting, and consulting expenses incurred because of municipal reform, including those already incurred and those arising in the coming year; and

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- 3) adequate subsidies to expanded municipalities for the costs of providing services within any new entity where those costs are not covered due to tax increase limits imposed by the province

**SECONDED** by Deputy Mayor Titus. **MOTION CARRIED.**

10. The garbage truck request for proposals are currently being reviewed by staff.
11. The CAO provided an overview of the regional destination marketing organization being proposed for our region. This proposal has been sent to the RSC board of directors for consideration.
12. Staff will consult with the local ATV and snowmobile clubs regarding proposed names for the new Quad NB trailhead.
13. Discussion was held regarding signage regulations. Staff will forward documents to local tourism operators.
14. The CAO provided an overview of the NB Power hearings on the open access transmission tariff and rate design.
15. The CAO provided an outline of the upcoming municipal election promotional materials. Additional documents have been posted on the SharePoint site.
16. Meeting adjourned.