



AGENDA

Rural Municipality of Murray Harbour – Regular Council Meeting
January 14, 2026 6:00 pm • Boardroom • Community Centre

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Acknowledgement**
In the spirit of Reconciliation, we acknowledge that the land upon which our organization stands is unceded Mi'kmaq territory. Epekwitk (PEI), Mi'kma'ki, is covered by the historic Treaties of Peace and Friendship. We pay our respects to the Indigenous Mi'kmaq People who have occupied this Island for over 12,000 years; past, present, and future.
3. **Declarations of Conflict of Interest**
4. **Approval of Agenda**
5. **Approval of Minutes of the regular Council Meeting of November 12, 2025.**
6. **Delegations – None**
7. **Business Arising from Previous Meetings**

May 14, 2025

b. Dogs at large

Derek Squirell and I have been working on the Animal Control bylaw, a copy of which is attached to your meeting package. Bylaw is ready for first reading. This bylaw is with the Lawyer for review. I received the first draft from the lawyer and have sent it back for further review.

Speaking with the lawyer, we cannot put a bylaw with enforcement criteria in place without an enforcement bylaw. We also cannot reference the PEI Humane Society in the bylaw as they do not have capacity. It was also pointed out that if the Village mentions vicious dogs in the bylaw that removes the responsibility from the province and puts it on the Village.

At this point it would be a useless bylaw. Anne to speak with Derick Squirell to discuss where to go from here. As a side note the province just changed to Dog Act to the Dog Owners Act which took effect on November 1, 2025.

September 10, 2025

Delegations

Alicia McDonald – PEI Library

Alicia stated that the library has a great working relationship with the Murray Harbour council and community. Spoke about the possibility of some kind of emergency alert for Sue when working alone. Alicia will look into this and get back to council. See attached Annual Report to the Community for additional information on library services.

Alicia provided information on a “panic button” type of alarm system when working alone. Anne to follow up with further clarification from Alicia. Anne to get information on the library’s budget. Anne to also reach out to the RCMP for their recommendations as well as Signal Solutions. Emailed with Alicia. She understands that once a panic button is pressed it triggers a call to 911. How that works or if you can add another number she does not know. Individual branches do not have their own budgets. The Province/Library system covers it.

I had a quick meeting with Grace and Alicia from the Public Library. They wanted to let council know the Public Libraries Act is being updated. The update is to remove outdated verbiage and services I have a copy of the current Act and a summary of the changes if anyone would like a copy. I also asked Alicia to speak with Sue regarding a wish list for the Library.

8. **Correspondence – None**

9. **CAO Report**

Administrative Update – see attached.

Financial Update – see attached.–

10. **Reports of Committees**

Planning – Deputy Mayor MacKay

See attached.–

Capital Projects – Deputy Mayor MacKay

See attached.

Maintenance and Infrastructure – Deputy Mayor MacKay–

See attached.

Parkes & Rec – Cllr. Matheson

Newsletter – Cllr Chapman

Project Nectar – Cllr Chapman

Sewage Utility – Cllr White

See attached

EMO – Cllr Oickle

Nothing to report this month.

Fundraising – Cllr White

11. **New Business**
 - a. Councilor Disclosure Statement – Anne Harnesk
 - b. Confirmation of 2026 Council Meeting Dates – Anne Harnesk
 - c. Christmas Dinner – Cllr. Robertson
12. **Motion to Adjourn**