RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF MURRAY HARBOUR

MINUTES of REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

September 9, 2026

In Attendance: Mayor, Terry White ;Deputy Mayor, Gary MacKay; Cllr. Paul White; Cllr. Pam Oickle; Cllr. John Robertson

Absent: Cllr. Kelly Matheson

Staff: Anne Harnesk (CAO)

1. Call to Order:

   Mayor White called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm

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. Declaration of Conflict of Interest

   No conflicts declared.

4. Approval of Agenda

   Moved by Cllr. White and seconded by Cllr. Oickle

   that the agenda for the September 9, 2026, Council Meeting be accepted as submitted.

   Vote was 4-0 in favour; motion carried.

5. Approval of Minutes

   Moved by Cllr. Oickle and seconded by Cllr. White

   that Council hereby approve the minutes of the regular Council meeting of June 10, 2026 as submitted.

   Vote was 4-0 in favour; motion carried.

6. Delegations – Rachel Buell – PEI Community Navigator

   Rachel was unable to attend the meeting at the last minute. She sends her apologies.

7. Business Arising from Previous Meeting

   June 10, 2026

   a. Rehanging of Pictures/Plaques

      The pictures and plaques were rehung by Cllr. Robertson and a group of assistants. They look good back up on the wall.

8. Correspondence - Shawn Landon – See attached.

9. CAO Report

a. Administrative Report – See attached.

b. Financial Report: see attached.

Moved by Deputy Mayor MacKay and seconded by Cllr. Oickle,

that the CAO's report and Financial Report be received as information.

Vote was 4-0 in favour; motion carried.

10. Committees

Planning - Deputy Mayor Mackay, Chair

See attached.

Capital Projects – Deputy Mayor MacKay, Chair

See attached.

Maintenance & Infrastructure – Deputy Mayor MacKay, Chair

See attached.

Parks and Recreation – Cllr. Matheson, Chair

Nothing to report.

Newsletter – Councillor Chapman, Chair

I asked if Marlene Chapman would consider doing the November/December newsletter and she declined. There likely will not be a November/December 2026 newsletter. Hopefully one of the new Councillors will take on this portfolio.

Community Garden –

No one to report.

Sewage Utility – Deputy Mayor MacKay – Chair

See attached.

EMO – Councillor Oickle - Chair

See attached.

Fundraising – Councillor White – Chair

End of Summer event went well despite the poor weather. Getting ready for the 70-Mile Yard Sale next.

11. New Business

a. Motion to Appoint Margaret Brady as Deputy CAO in my absence – Anne Harnesk

As I will be going on vacation from October 5th to 28th Margaret will be covering the October 14th Council Meeting for me. Margaret will be covering the Office from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm while I am away.

Moved by Cllr. White and seconded by Cllr. Oickle

that Council hereby approve the appointment of Margaret Brady as Deputy CAO to act on behalf for the Rural Municipality of Murray Haerbour when the CAO is away.

Vote was 4-0 in favour; motion carried..

b. Newsletter – Anne Harnesk

Item was covered under the Committees section.

c. Donation of Piano – Cllr. Robertson

To be determined in November.

d. Activity in Basement – Mayor White

The Community of Murray Harbour will be hosting the Montague Lions' Club with their Toys for Tots initiative. The old janitor area in the basement has been repurposed to hold the donated toys. This area will be used to sort and wrap the toys and people will come to the Community Centre to pick them up. If donations are made during office hours, they will be stored in the office until they can be put downstairs.

e. Snow Removal around Community Centre – Anne Harnesk

Discussion regarding a snowblower for around the Community Centre and the need for someone to shovel the stairs, ramps and landings at both entrances to the Community Centre, the pathway to the dog park, as well as keeping the gates at the dog park cleared.

12. Adjournment

Moved by Cllr. Oickle and seconded by Cllr. White to adjourn at 7:00 pm.

The next regular meeting of the Council will be on October 14, 2026, at 6:00 pm in the Boardroom.

Mayor Terry White

Anne Harnesk, CAO