

TOWN OF NEW GLASGOW
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES

MONDAY, JUNE 15, 2026

A regular meeting of New Glasgow Town Council was held on Monday, June 15, 2026, at 6:30 p.m. at Glasgow Square. Present were Mayor Dicks, Deputy Mayor Peters, Councillors, Joe MacDonald, Jessica MacDonald, Dorrington, Fraser, and McKenna. Also present were: Lisa MacDonald, CAO; Kim Livingston, Director of Corporate Services; Rebecca Lewis-MacNeil, Director of Human Resources and Corporate Communications; Michelle Ward, Director of Community Development; Earl MacKenzie, Director of Engineering and Public Works; Ryan Leil, NGP Chief; Ross White, Director of Fire, Inspection and Emergency Services, Alison Tait, Deputy Clerk; Jeff Hamelin, Information Technology Support Services; and Frank DeMont, Solicitor. Absent from the meeting was staff member Derek Eisan, Director of I.T.

Mayor Dicks expressed her heartfelt condolences to the family of the late Kevin Adshade, remembering him as a valued friend of the Town of New Glasgow whose dedication to journalism consistently reflected the Town in a positive light. In recognition of his outstanding media contributions, Kevin was acknowledged during Town of New Glasgow's 150th Sports celebration. His commitment to sharing local stories and promoting the community will be fondly remembered.

AGENDA

It was regularly moved and seconded that the agenda be approved as presented.

Motion carried.

MATTERS FOR SENIOR STAFF

MEMO WITH RECOMMENDATION - ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING AND PUBLIC WORKS – AWARD RECOMMENDATION NEW 2026 JCB BACKHOE

Council reviewed the memo for the evote recommendation submitted by the Assistant Director of Engineering and Public Works that Council pre-approve the canoe tender submission, contract award to A.L.P.A. Equipment Limited in the amount of \$231,490.95 [\$240,426 Net HST] as the successful proponent to provide a new JCB 2026 Backhoe using funds from the approved 2026/27 General Capital Budget.

It was regularly moved and seconded that the recommendation be formally approved as presented by the evote results.

Motion carried.

RECOMMENDATION ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY LEAD – TRAVEL OUTSIDE OF ATLANTIC CANADA

Council reviewed a recommendation submitted by the Environment and Sustainability Lead recommending that Council approve the Environment and Sustainability Lead attend the Adaptation Canada 2026 conference in Toronto, Ontario on September 24-26, 2026.

It was regularly moved and seconded that the recommendation be approved as presented and the outside of Atlantic Canada travel be authorized.

Motion carried.

MEMO FOR INFORMATION – NEW GLASGOW POLICE CHIEF – 2025 ANNUAL AUDIT OF ANTISEMITIC INCIDENTS IN CANADA

Council reviewed a memo from the New Glasgow Police Chief providing the 2025 Annual Audit of Antisemitic Incidents in Canada.

It was regularly moved and seconded that the memo be received and placed on file.

Motion carried.

MEMO FOR INFORMATION – NEW GLASGOW POLICE CHIEF – IMPLEMENTATION OF MENTAL HEALTH FINANCIAL SUPPORT PROGRAM

Council reviewed a memo from the New Glasgow Police Chief providing an overview of the Mental Health Financial Support Program implemented by the New Glasgow Police.

It was regularly moved and seconded that the memo be received and placed on file.

Motion carried.

MEMO FOR INFORMATION – NEW GLASGOW POLICE CHIEF – NOVA SCOTIA POLICING STANDARDS

Council reviewed the memo from the Managing Auditor for the Public Safety Audit Function for the Nova Scotia Department of Justice requesting input on potential audit topics involving Nova Scotia Policing Standards and Chief Leil's correspondence in response.

It was regularly moved and seconded that the memo and correspondence be received and placed on file.

Motion carried.

MEMO FOR INFORMATION – NEW GLASGOW POLICE CHIEF – NATIONAL WASTEWATER DRUG SURVEILLANCE

Council reviewed a memo from the New Glasgow Police Chief providing an overview of the first results from Health Canada's National Wastewater Drug Surveillance Program for Pictou County being conducted through the East River Environmental Control Centre for March 2026.

It was regularly moved and seconded that the memo be received and placed on file.

Motion carried.

MEMO FOR INFORMATION – ACTIVE LIVING MANAGER – ATLANTIC RECREATION AND FACILITIES CONFERENCE UPDATE

Council reviewed a memo from the Active Living Manager with an update regarding the Atlantic Recreation and Facilities Conference held in Halifax from May 20-22, 2026.

It was regularly moved and seconded that the memo be received and placed on file.

Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

MEMO – PICTOU COUNTY REGIONAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ORGANIZATION UPDATE

Council reviewed a memo from the CAO regarding the recent meetings for the new Regional Emergency Management Organization (REMO) structure that took place on May 20 and May 28, 2026.

It was regularly moved and seconded that the memo be received and placed on file.

Motion carried.

MEMO – PICTOU COUNTY WELLNESS CENTRE BUILDING AUTHORITY INC. UPDATE

Council reviewed a memo from the CAO regarding the regular quarterly meeting held on May 26, 2026.

It was regularly moved and seconded that the memo be received and placed on file.

Motion carried.

MEMO – PICTOU COUNTY TRANSIT AUTHORITY UPDATE

Council reviewed a memo from the Director of Corporate Services regarding a special meeting that was held on April 30, 2026, to approve F2026 and F2027 budgets.

It was regularly moved and seconded that the memo be received and placed on file.

Motion carried.

**MEMO – CAO ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO NOVA SCOTIA DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY
MANAGEMENT**

Council reviewed a memo from the CAO regarding the Nova Scotia Department of Emergency Management Advisory Committee held on May 19, 2026 in Halifax.

It was regularly moved and seconded that the memo be received and placed on file.

Motion carried.

BUSINESS REPRESENTATIVE APPOINTMENT TO BUSINESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Council reviewed a memo from the CAO to approve the business representative appointment for the Committee of Council as presented:

Business Advisory Committee – Stellarton/Westville Road Corridor Representative – Tanja Markovic-Pollard.

It was regularly moved and seconded that Tanja Markovic-Pollard be appointed as the Stellarton/Westville Road Corridor Representative on the Business Advisory Committee.

Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

UPDATED LETTER FROM MINISTER MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS – 12 MONTHS NOTICE

Council reviewed an updated letter from the Minister of Municipal Affairs providing the required 12 months' notice of a provincial administrative action that may increase municipal expenditures including emergency management, police standards and FOIPOP. Effective June 1, 2027, recoverable costs charged to municipalities for adjustments to catch basins, manholes, and water

valves during construction projects will increase. The cost of manhole and catch basin adjustments will rise from \$600 to \$1200, while water valve adjustments will increase from \$300 to \$600.

It was regularly moved and seconded that the updated letter be received and placed on file.

Motion carried.

IN-CAMERA

The meeting was concluded at 6:37 p.m. at which time Council moved to an in-camera session.

ADJOURNMENT



Mayor Nancy Dicks
Approved July 20, 2026