

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON FEBRUARY 17, 2026**

Present were: Mayor Gerry Brenton
Deputy Mayor Robert Warr
Councillor Joan Brown
Councillor Georgina Brushett
Councillor Andy Edwards
Councillor Keith Keating
Councillor Gary Myles

Also present: Greg Osmond, Town Manager
Randy Brockerville, Director of Operations & Public Works
Debbie Fitzpatrick, Director of Facilities, Recreation & Community Services
Melanie Kilfoy, Director of Finance & Administration
Ray Nolan, Director of Planning & Economic Development
Petrina Power, Town Clerk

1. Call to Order

Mayor Brenton called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

Before proceeding with the meeting, Mayor Brenton took a moment to recognize the passing of Ms. Brenda Walsh, mother of former Deputy Mayor Andrew Walsh. Mayor Brenton passed on condolences to the family and friends of Ms. Walsh, on behalf of Council and staff, and advised Council is available if needed.

Mayor Brenton thanked Deputy Mayor Warr for chairing the last two Council meetings while he was out of town.

2. Adoption of Agenda

Motion

MMC 2026 02 17/001R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Brushett

“BE IT RESOLVED the agenda be adopted.”

In favour: 7 (Brenton, Warr, Brown, Brushett, Edwards, Keating and Myles)

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

3. Adoption of Minutes

Motion

MMC 2026 02 17/002R

Moved by Councillor Brown, seconded by Councillor Brushett

“BE IT RESOLVED the minutes of the regular Council meeting held on February 3, 2026, be adopted.”

In favour: 7 (Brenton, Warr, Brown, Brushett, Edwards, Keating and Myles)

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

4. Business Arising

There was no business to bring forward.

5. Delegations

There were no scheduled delegations.

6. Committee Reports

Planning & Economic Development Committee

Councillor Brown reviewed the minutes of the Planning & Economic Development Committee meeting held on February 10, 2026.

Councillor Brown advised correspondence was received requesting a letter of tolerance for a property that was pending sale as the driveway for the property was encroaching on Town-owned land. That letter has since been signed and returned to the lawyer handling the sale.

Ms. Anna Meyers provides professional planning services to the Town and an agreement needs to be put in place regarding fees and payment. Based on usage, the Committee agreed that it would be more beneficial to pay an hourly rate of \$75.00 rather than the annual rate of \$10,000.00. This item has been referred to the Finance Committee for a recommendation.

The Committee had some discussion regarding a development in Creston South and the issue of improper civic numbering, water and sewer, etc. This will require further review and discussion.

The Committee discussed a pending amendment to the Town's Municipal Plan and Development Regulations that would accommodate short-term rentals in residential zones. The various options that were presented by the Town's planning consultant will need to be reviewed so a decision can be made as to whether to proceed with the amendment. While the Town's regulations do allow for B and B's, there is no accommodation for Airbnb's. There are currently several Airbnb's operating within Marystown that are not paying any taxes. This item will be discussed by the Finance Committee.

Motion

MMC 2026 02 17/003R

Moved by Councillor Brown, seconded by Councillor Edwards

“BE IT RESOLVED that an application received from G.L. Smith Design Inc. to do commercial renovations to the Dollarama Store located at 7 Mall Street be approved, subject to Government Services and Fire & Life Safety.”

In favour: 7 (Brenton, Warr, Brown, Brushett, Edwards, Keating and Myles)

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 02 17/004R

Moved by Councillor Brown, seconded by Councillor Edwards

“BE IT RESOLVED that an application received from Craig Dimmer to construct an accessory building measuring 12’ x 12’ at 184-186 Greenwood Street West be approved.”

In favour: 7 (Brenton, Warr, Brown, Brushett, Edwards, Keating and Myles)

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 02 17/005R

Moved by Councillor Brown, seconded by Councillor Brushett

“BE IT RESOLVED that an application received from Keith Brown to construct an accessory building measuring 20’ x 30’ at 24 Main Road, Rock Harbour, be approved subject to the Local Service District of Rock Harbour.”

In favour: 7 (Brenton, Warr, Brown, Brushett, Edwards, Keating and Myles)

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 02 17/006R

Moved by Councillor Brown, seconded by Councillor Edwards

“BE IT RESOLVED that an application received from Tamara Taylor to operate ‘Bayview Cottage’ as a short-term rental at 4 Ducey’s Lane be deferred pending a further review of a potential amendment to the Town’s Municipal Plan and Development Regulations.”

In favour: 7 (Brenton, Warr, Brown, Brushett, Edwards, Keating and Myles)

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Protection to Persons & Property Committee

Councillor Myles reviewed the minutes of the Protection to Persons & Property Committee meeting held on February 10, 2026.

Councillor Myles advised the Committee met with Staff Sergeant colin Thorne of the Burin Peninsula RCMP Detachment. Staff Sergeant Thorne transferred to Marystown from Alberta in June 2025.

Staff Sergeant Thorne provided an overview of their operations and noted the number one call they get is related to mental health. This often involves non-criminal matters however, hours of monitoring at the scene or at the hospital are required until the individual can be assessed by NL Health Services. This led to a discussion on the need for more mental health services to alleviate tying up RCMP resources. A large number of mental health cases are drug related, either drug trafficking or drug use. While the RCMP may know who the perpetrators are, they can’t do anything unless they witness a crime and short of that, they require evidence and witnesses in order to get search warrants to make a case. They do receive information through Crime Stoppers NL and the public is encouraged to use the service to report illegal activities.

Staff Sergeant Thorne advised that while there is no staff shortage at the detachment, they are not operating fully staffed but this is only temporary. There are fifteen constables and they are temporarily short by two. These constables patrol a large area of the Burin Peninsula south of Monkstown.

The RCMP was advised that the Town has received numerous complaints regarding speeding, especially in areas where the pavement is new or in very good shape. It’s a huge issue where school busses are concerned. The RCMP was asked to be more visible near the bus stops during pick-ups and drop-offs to help deter speeding.

Drinking and driving is still a problem as is drugs and driving although it is not as big a problem as it used to be.

The Positive Ticketing Program was discussed. Councillor Myles advised that this program is heavily supported by sponsors who provide gift cards or coupons for various treats, such as ice cream, and they are given out through a positive ticket that is issued usually to a young person for

doing something good or following the law, such as riding their bike with a helmet. It helps to create a positive image of the RCMP and the Town.

ATV usage was discussed and Staff Sergeant Thorne was advised that the Town has only one ATV friendly road and that is along a portion of Ville Marie Drive to facilitate users getting from the Marystown Hotel to the Garnish Pond Trail. While the rest of the roads are not ATV-friendly, the RCMP has been somewhat lenient with people utilizing the roads to get from point A to point B, unless they are driving recklessly.

The Committee is hoping to meet with the RCMP on a quarterly basis.

Motion

MMC 2026 02 17/007R

Moved by Councillor Myles, seconded by Councillor Brushett

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to declare the week of February 2-8, 2026, as White Cane Week.”

In favour: 7 (Brenton, Warr, Brown, Brushett, Edwards, Keating and Myles)

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 02 17/008R

Moved by Councillor Myles, seconded by Councillor Edwards

“BE IT RESOLVED be given to declare Thursday, March 12, 2026, as World Kidney Day.”

In favour: 7 (Brenton, Warr, Brown, Brushett, Edwards, Keating and Myles)

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 02 17/009R

Moved by Councillor Myles, seconded by Councillor Brown

“BE IT RESOLVED be given to amend Motion MMC 2025 09 02/013R to read as follows:

Motion

MMC 2025 09 02/013R

Moved by Councillor Myles, seconded by Councillor Hodder

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to register the Director of Planning & Economic Development to attend the NL Housing & Homelessness Network Conference taking place October 7-9, 2025 in Gander, NL.”

Motion carried unanimously.”

In favour: 7 (Brenton, Warr, Brown, Brushett, Edwards, Keating and Myles)

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Councillor Myles advised the Animal Control – Anti-Litter Officer has been dealing with several issues including a dog in custody at the SCPA, a roaming cat and ducks around residential areas. There was also discussion regarding the collection of bulk garbage.

While the Fire Department has been busy, the number of calls since the last Committee meeting has gone down to four.

Work on the warming/cooling centre will begin soon.

On behalf of the Fire Department, Councillor Myles thanked the Public Works Department and the public for helping to keep fire hydrants clear.

Earlier this evening, Council had a brief overview of the Town’s Emergency Plan.

Correspondence has been sent to the MNL to support and commit to the Climate-Ready Program.

Councillor Myles advised a meeting with the HR Committee is pending to discuss a new position for the Fire Department, a Fire Safety Officer/Firefighter position.

A recommendation is pending through the Finance Committee to reallocate funds for servicing and testing of the hydraulic tools for vehicle rescue.

On behalf of Council and the Fire Department, Councillor Myles expressed condolences to the family, Corner Brook Fire Department, friends and fellow firefighters of the late Deputy Fire Chief and former Fire Commissioner Derek Simmons.

Tourism & Special Events Committee

Councillor Brushett reviewed the minutes of the Tourism & Special Events Committee meeting held on February 10, 2026.

Councillor Brushett advised the Committee had some discussion on the Shining Seas Summer Festival and a list of events is being put together by the Director of Facilities, Recreation & Community Services.

Councillor Brushett and Committee member Cindy Warren attended the Valentine's Day Dance for Persons with Disabilities. The dance was well-attended and was a great event with lots of smiles. Councillor Brushett thanked Ms. Starr Smith for organizing it.

Councillor Brushett advised the Mary Mount statue on the Tolt will be celebrating its 50th anniversary on August 15th and the family will be planning a celebration for August.

Motion

MMC 2026 02 17/010R

Moved by Councillor Brushett, seconded by Councillor Edwards

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to declare Monday, February 16, 2026, as Heritage Day and February 16-22, 2026, as Heritage Week.”

In favour: 7 (Brenton, Warr, Brown, Brushett, Edwards, Keating and Myles)

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

A list of activities has been drafted for Canada Day.

Motion

MMC 2026 02 17/011R

Moved by Councillor Brushett, seconded by Councillor Myles

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to purchase fireworks for Canada Day Celebrations on July 1, 2026, and Marystown Day Celebrations on August 3, 2026, in the total amount of \$6,000.00.”

In favour: 7 (Brenton, Warr, Brown, Brushett, Edwards, Keating and Myles)

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

There was some discussion regarding live entertainment at the Dave Brenton Memorial Track & Field Complex for Canada Day, that would include a beer tent.

Motion

MMC 2026 02 17/012R

Moved by Councillor Brushett, seconded by Councillor Edwards

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to submit an application for a Special Events Liquor Licence to host live entertainment/beer tent for Marystown Day on August 3, 2026, at the Dave Brenton Memorial Track & Field Complex.”

In favour: 7 (Brenton, Warr, Brown, Brushett, Edwards, Keating and Myles)

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

The Director of Facilities, Recreation & Community Services has received a quote for pole banners.

Motion

MMC 2026 02 17/013R

Moved by Councillor Brushett, seconded by Councillor Myles

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to purchase ten pole banners from The Vinyl Frontier for the Town’s 75th Anniversary Celebrations at a cost of \$1,380.00 including HST.”

In favour: 7 (Brenton, Warr, Brown, Brushett, Edwards, Keating and Myles)

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

The Director of Facilities, Recreation & Community Services also received a quote for kids activities for a Family Sports Day.

Motion

MMC 2026 02 17/014R

Moved by Councillor Brushett, seconded by Deputy Mayor Warr

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to engage the services of NL Amusements for the provision of games and activities for a Family Sports Dy scheduled for Saturday, August 15, 2026, at a cost not exceeding \$2,000.00 including HST.”

In favour: 7 (Brenton, Warr, Brown, Brushett, Edwards, Keating and Myles)

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Councillor Brushett advised that all of these events/activities will be part of the Town’s 75th Anniversary Celebrations.

There was a suggestion by a committee member that the Town host an indoor bingo prior to the outdoor bingos starting up in May. This bingo could take place at the Kaetlyn Osmond Arena and utilize the old-fashioned bingo cards with the shutter sliders that cover the called numbers. Proceeds from the indoor bingo would be used to support the purchase of a Fire Protection Unit for the Fire Department.

Motion

MMC 2026 02 17/015R

Moved by Councillor Brushett, seconded by Councillor Brown

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to submit a lottery licence application to host an Indoor Bingo at the Kaetlyn Osmond Arena on April 28, 2026, with the proceeds going towards fundraising for the Fire Department’s Fire Protection Unit.”

In favour: 7 (Brenton, Warr, Brown, Brushett, Edwards, Keating and Myles)

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Mayor Brenton noted the Executive Assistant has been doing some posts on the Town’s Facebook Page to commemorate Heritage Week this week. Yesterday highlighted the fish plant and today highlighted early merchants. Mayor Brenton thanked the Executive Assistant for helping out with Heritage Week.

Mayor Brenton noted there has been a lot of enthusiasm and excitement around the Town’s 75th Anniversary and it should be a great celebration this year.

Recreation Committee

Deputy Mayor Warr reviewed the minutes of the Recreation Committee meeting held on February 10, 2026.

Deputy Mayor Warr noted the Recreation Committee meetings are well-attended with Committee members very engaged and things are moving ahead well.

Deputy Mayor Warr advised the Town provides a number of services at the Kaetlyn Osmond Arena, including canteen services and skate-sharpening services. These services are provided through third parties who pay a rental fee for space at the arena. Deputy Mayor Warr advised there is a photographer who is utilizing space at the arena to provide professional pictures of the players and it was agreed that a fee should be imposed to ensure fairness.

Motion

MMC 2026 02 17/016R

Rescinded at the regular Council meeting of March 3/26.

Moved by Deputy Mayor Warr, seconded by Councillor Brushett

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to charge a venue fee in the amount of \$200.00 per month effective February 1, 2026, to any photographer interested in providing professional photography services at the Kaetlyn Osmond Arena.”

In favour: 7 (Brenton, Warr, Brown, Brushett, Edwards, Keating and Myles)

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Deputy Mayor Warr noted there may be more discussion on that item as time goes on.

While the Town has always done work on the Jane’s Pond Walking Trail to keep it upgraded and in good shape, the Town’s doesn’t actually own the trail. A license to occupy the space is necessary in order to secure the necessary funding for improvements.

Motion

MMC 2026 02 17/017R

Moved by Deputy Mayor Warr, seconded by Councillor Brushett

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to submit an application to Crown Lands to obtain a lease to occupy the Jane’s Pond Walking Trail at a cost of \$172.50 including HST.”

In favour: 7 (Brenton, Warr, Brown, Brushett, Edwards, Keating and Myles)

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

The Dave Brenton Memorial Track & Field is closed to users other than to walkers around the track and dog park users. Caution should be exercised.

The Kaetlyn Osmond Arena is busy as usual. The sprinkler leak has been repaired and the other recommendations noted in the arena’s annual inspection in December were completed by Vipond when the company was here on February 9th and 10th.

Kraft Hockeyville is back again and the Kaetlyn Osmond Arena is once again in the running. It’s hoped that this year, the arena will win the grand prize of \$250,000.00. There are provincial winners this year. Residents were asked to submit their stories as they did last year – the arena was close last year and maybe this year will be the year. Anyone who needs assistance getting their story online can call the Town Office and speak to the Director of Facilities, Recreation & Community Services to get directions on how to submit their story. Deputy Mayor Warr advised that there has been an increase in entries on the website and thanked everyone for their participation, Deputy Mayor Warr noted that there is no need to be a resident of Marystown to upload a story – anyone who uses the arena, no matter where they live, can submit a story.

The MCHS Clippers competed in the Confederation Cup this past weekend bringing home silver.

The U15 Boys travelled to CBS this past weekend – no medals were won but it was a great representation of the association. This group also travelled to Paradise to show support to the MCHS Clippers.

The Ice Crystals Figure Skating Club sent 29 skaters to the Provincials where they won several medals. Deputy Mayor Warr took a moment to recognize the Ice Crystals Skating Club and the hard work and dedication put in by the skaters, coaches and parents.

The U16AAA hosted a tournament at home this past weekend. Deputy Mayor Warr thanked everyone for coming out and supporting home players Brayden Norman and Jayden Rose.

Deputy Mayor Warr congratulated the U13 Boys who won a silver medal this past weekend as well as the U15 Girls who also brought home a silver medal. The U18-1 Girls brought home a silver medal as well and the U18-2 Girls won the bronze. All games ended in a shootout.

Congratulations to all teams on a job well done!

Volunteer Appreciation Week is April 19th to 25th. This year, the Committee is looking to incorporate Volunteer Appreciation Night with the Town's 75th Anniversary and is looking for ideas to make it more special and really recognize the Town's volunteers. All suggestions can be brought to the attention of the Director of Facilities, Recreation & Community Services.

The Committee has talked about having a Facebook Page for the Kaetlyn Osmond Arena that is just for information purposes only that would be used to pass along details regarding events and other information. There would be no commenting on the Page.

Motion

MMC 2026 02 17/018R

Moved by Deputy Mayor Warr, seconded by Councillor Edwards

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to develop an Information Purposes Only Facebook Page for the Kaetlyn Osmond Arena.”

In favour: 7 (Brenton, Warr, Brown, Brushett, Edwards, Keating and Myles)

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Public Works Committee

Councillor Keating reviewed the minutes of the Public Works Committee meeting held on February 11, 2026.

Councillor Keating advised the Public Works Department has been busy as usual. Several tasks were completed since the last Committee meeting, including inspections on the compressors at the Town depot and water treatment plant.

The Committee discussed the Town's applications for funding under the Community Housing Infrastructure Fund Program. There has been no update on the status of those applications to date.

The water treatment plant is operating well and flows are normal.

All equipment is operating well and repaired as necessary.

The Public Works Department had a few instances of snow clearing, though not as many as reported at the last Council meeting. The instances of snow clearing/salting were as follows:

- January 28, 2026 – snow clearing
- January 29, 2026 – snow clearing
- January 31, 2026 – salting
- February 2, 2026 – snow clearing

Councillor Keating thanked all residents who take the time to keep the fire hydrants near their homes free of snow.

The Public Works Department was busy with pothole repairs today. Councillor Keating advised he took some time this past weekend to drive around town and look at some of the areas the Director of Operations & Public Works recommended for upgrades and noted that the section of Harris Drive near the Government Services Building is in poor shape. Councillor Keating recommended Council take some time to visit each of the roads noted to see for themselves the shape they are in.

Finance Committee

Councillor Edwards reviewed the minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held on February 11, 2026.

Motion

MMC 2026 02 17/019R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Brushett

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to pay Invoice No. 88 received from Large Time Entertainment dated January 15, 2026, in the amount of \$362.25 including HST.”

In favour: 7 (Brenton, Warr, Brown, Brushett, Edwards, Keating and Myles)

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 02 17/020R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Deputy Mayor Warr

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to pay the December Operating Grant received from the YMCA of Newfoundland and Labrador dated December 31, 2025 in the amount of \$30,251.00.”

In favour: 7 (Brenton, Warr, Brown, Brushett, Edwards, Keating and Myles)

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 02 17/021R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Brushett

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to pay Invoice No. 001 received from Rod’s Repairs dated January 23/26 in the amount of \$603.75 including HST for IT support from January 23-30, 2026.”

In favour: 7 (Brenton, Warr, Brown, Brushett, Edwards, Keating and Myles)

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 02 17/022R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Brushett

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to pay Invoice No. 250386-1 received from CG HVAC Services dated December 6/25 in the amount of \$908.50 including HST for remote connect to Marystown YMCA to investigate the cause of the mechanical systems shutting down.”

In favour: 7 (Brenton, Warr, Brown, Brushett, Edwards, Keating and Myles)

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 02 17/023R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Myles

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to pay Invoice No. 250173-1 received from CG HVAC Services dated December 10/25 in the amount of \$678.22 including HST for repairs to the spare contractors at the Marystown YMCA.”

In favour: 7 (Brenton, Warr, Brown, Brushett, Edwards, Keating and Myles)

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 02 17/024R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Brown

“BE IT RESOLVED Council ratify payment of the following:

- Invoice No. 2026-187 received from the Maritime Fire Chiefs Association dated January 5/26 in the amount of \$100.00 including HST for 2026 Annual Membership fees
- Invoice No. 9709 received from the Newfoundland and Labrador Association of Fire Services dated January 15/26 in the amount of \$350.00 including HST for 2026 Annual Fire Department Membership fees”

In favour: 7 (Brenton, Warr, Brown, Brushett, Edwards, Keating and Myles)

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 02 17/025R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Brushett

“BE IT RESOLVED Council ratify the payment of Invoice No. 00472 received from Economic Developers Association of Newfoundland and Labrador dated January 24/26 in the amount of \$100.00 including HST for the 2026 Annual Membership fees.”

In favour: 7 (Brenton, Warr, Brown, Brushett, Edwards, Keating and Myles)

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 02 17/026R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Deputy Mayor Warr

“BE IT RESOLVED Council ratify the payment of Invoice No. 103945 received from Saunders Equipment Ltd. dated January 15/26 in the amount of \$3,294.45 including HST for the electronic pressure regulator and fuel filter for the Zamboni.”

In favour: 7 (Brenton, Warr, Brown, Brushett, Edwards, Keating and Myles)

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 02 17/027R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Keating

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to reallocate funds within Capital Expenditure Out of Revenue for the Fire Department for the servicing and testing of the vehicle rescue equipment in the amount of \$2,472.50 including HST from the remaining funds allocated to the Fire Hose Test Unit.”

In favour: 7 (Brenton, Warr, Brown, Brushett, Edwards, Keating and Myles)

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 02 17/028R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Brushett

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to pay Invoice No. 002 received from Rod’s Repair dated February 6/26 in the amount of \$287.50 including HST for IT repairs in the Town Hall.”

In favour: 7 (Brenton, Warr, Brown, Brushett, Edwards, Keating and Myles)

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 02 17/029R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Keating

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to adjust half the interest on Account No. BARRD003 as the property owner has met the requirements of the principal payment plan.”

In favour: 7 (Brenton, Warr, Brown, Brushett, Edwards, Keating and Myles)

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Councillor Edwards advised that 50% of interest owing on an account in arrears can be adjusted provided the principal and the other 50% of interest owing is paid in full. This option is available to anyone whose account is in arrears. Councillor Edwards advised the Town also offers an equal payment plan wherein residents can pay off their account in equal monthly payments. Residents can sign up for the plan at any times but signing up early ensures lower payments. Councillor Edwards advised residents must be in good standing with their tax accounts to receive the senior’s discount.

Motion

MMC 2026 02 17/030R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Brushett

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to adjust the 2023 Business Tax for Account No. BRAND001 in the amount of \$2,037.10 as the business was not in operation at that time and another business was operating from the location.”

In favour: 7 (Brenton, Warr, Brown, Brushett, Edwards, Keating and Myles)

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 02 17/031R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Brown

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to remove the following as members of the Board of Directors for the Marystown Development Corporation:

- Brian Keating
- Bridget Hodder
- Alje Mitchell; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED approval be given to appoint the following persons as members of the Board of Directors for the Marystown Development Corporation with the understanding that Melanie Kilfoy will remain on the Board:

- Gerry Brenton
- Keith Keating
- Andy Edwards
- Greg Osmond”

In favour: 7 (Brenton, Warr, Brown, Brushett, Edwards, Keating and Myles)

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 02 17/032R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Keating

“BE IT RESOLVED that, as per the Assistance to Affiliates Policy, approval be given to provide financial assistance to three students from Marystown who will be attending the First Lego League World Festival taking place April 29-May 2, 2026 in Houston, Texas, in the amount of \$150.00 each.”

In favour: 7 (Brenton, Warr, Brown, Brushett, Edwards, Keating and Myles)

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 02 17/033R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Brushett

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to pay Invoice No. 27586 received from Cal LeGrow Insurance dated January 21, 2026, in the amount of \$296,607.50 HST exempt for the renewal of the Town of Marystown Policy No. P04174506 effective February 1, 2026 to February 1, 2027.”

In favour: 7 (Brenton, Warr, Brown, Brushett, Edwards, Keating and Myles)

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 02 17/034R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Keating

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to enter into an agreement between the Town of Marystown and A.M. Group Inc. for planning consulting services at a cost of \$86.25 including HST per hour.”

In favour: 7 (Brenton, Warr, Brown, Brushett, Edwards, Keating and Myles)

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 02 17/035R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Keating

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to advertise a Request for Proposals for an Age-Friendly Consultant to complete an Age-Friendly Assessment and Action Plan with funds to come from an Age-Friendly Newfoundland and Labrador Communities Program.”

In favour: 7 (Brenton, Warr, Brown, Brushett, Edwards, Keating and Myles)

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 02 17/036R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Keating

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to purchase two tickets for the Burin Peninsula Chamber of Commerce Annual General Meeting taking place February 25, 2026 at the Grand Bank Regional Theatre at a cost of \$25.00 per ticket.”

In favour: 7 (Brenton, Warr, Brown, Brushett, Edwards, Keating and Myles)

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 02 17/037R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Brushett

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given for the Town Manager to attend the Eastern Regional PMA Meeting taking place May 26, 2026, in Clarenville, NL with the understanding the Town Manager will attend in his capacity as Eastern Director of the PMA Board and associated travel costs will be the responsibility of the PMA.”

In favour: 7 (Brenton, Warr, Brown, Brushett, Edwards, Keating and Myles)

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 02 17/038R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Brushett

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given for Councillor Keating to attend the UMC April Meeting taking place in Channel-Port aux Basques, NL, on April 10-11, 2026.”

In favour: 7 (Brenton, Warr, Brown, Brushett, Edwards, Keating and Myles)

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 02 17/039R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Brushett

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to adjust the interest on Account No. NOLAJ010, under the condition that the principal balance owing on the account is paid in full.”

In favour: 7 (Brenton, Warr, Brown, Brushett, Edwards, Keating and Myles)

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 02 17/040R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Brushett

“BE IT RESOLVED Council approve Accounts Payable Listing No. 8-1 as of February 10, 2026, in the amount of \$104,156.53.”

In favour: 7 (Brenton, Warr, Brown, Brushett, Edwards, Keating and Myles)

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 02 17/041R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Keating

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to go to tender for the sale of a 2019 Chevrolet Colorado pickup truck.”

In favour: 7 (Brenton, Warr, Brown, Brushett, Edwards, Keating and Myles)

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 02 17/042R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Brushett

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to rescind the following motion made at the regular Council meeting of December 16, 2025:

Motion

MMC 2025 12 16/017R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Brushett

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to accept a proposal for the purchase of a parcel of land measuring approximately 3,700m² adjacent to land located at 113-117 Atlantic Street for the purchase price of \$4,600.00 including HST with the understanding the land will be sold as follows:

- Andrew Hillier – 70% of the parcel of land, approximately 2,590m²
- John McCarthy – 30% of the parcel of land, approximately 1,110m²

and with the further understanding the purchasers will be responsible for all survey, legal and other costs associated with the conveyance.”

Motion carried unanimously.”

In favour: 7 (Brenton, Warr, Brown, Brushett, Edwards, Keating and Myles)

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 02 17/043R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Keating

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to accept a proposal from Mr. Andrew Hillier for the purchase of a parcel of land measuring approximately 3,700m² adjacent to land located at 113-117 Atlantic Street for the purchase price of \$4,600.00 including HST, with the understanding the purchaser will be responsible for all survey, legal and other costs associated with the conveyance.”

In favour: 7 (Brenton, Warr, Brown, Brushett, Edwards, Keating and Myles)

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Councillor Keating referenced correspondence item no. 10 in the Finance Committee minutes as it related to an invoice from CG HVAC to remotely connect to the YMCA to investigate the cause of the mechanical systems shutting down. Councillor Keating questioned if a report on the incident had been received yet; the Director of Facilities, Recreation & Community Services advised there

was no report to date. Councillor Edwards noted it was his understanding that they haven't determined a reason for the shutdown yet. Councillor Keating advised he spoke with the Town's Electrician who advised that there are two systems on one breaker and when they both cut in at the same time, it causes the breaker to trip out. The Town's Electrician is recommending the installation of a second breaker. However, more will be known once a report is received from CG HVAC. Councillor Keating felt the Town's Electrician should be in on any discussion regarding a resolution to the issue. Deputy Mayor Warr agreed with sitting down with the experts to find out what needs to be done to keep the facility running without interruption.

7. Correspondence

- Email from YMCA dated January 30/26 re: December 2025 Operating Grant Claim in the amount of \$30,251.00. Grant for December 2024 was \$19,971.00.

Councillor Keating questioned why there is over \$10,000.00 in the difference between the claims in December 2024 and December 2025. Councillor Edwards advised that no reason has been provided by the YMCA and there is nothing that stands out in the claim. Deputy Mayor Warr advised the Financial Advisory Committee that was set up to meet with the YMCA on financial issues will be meeting with Mr. Jason Brown, CEO, the last Thursday of this month. Any Councillor who has questions can pass them along to Deputy Mayor Warr for follow-up during the meeting.

8. Approvals to Purchase

Motion

MMC 2026 02 17/044R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Myles

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to the Fire Department to purchase a fire hose test kit from K&D Pratt at a cost of \$9,278.58 including HST.”

In favour: 7 (Brenton, Warr, Brown, Brushett, Edwards, Keating and Myles)

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 02 17/045R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Brushett

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to the Fire Department to purchase two bunker suits from Fire Hose Service and Supply at a cost of \$5,756.90 including HST.”

In favour: 7 (Brenton, Warr, Brown, Brushett, Edwards, Keating and Myles)

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 02 17/046R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Deputy Mayor Warr

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to the Fire Department to purchase two 1.5” Quadracup foam nozzles from Safety Source Fire at a cost of \$3,762.80 including HST, with funds to come from fundraising.”

In favour: 7 (Brenton, Warr, Brown, Brushett, Edwards, Keating and Myles)

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 02 17/047R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Deputy Mayor Warr

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to the Recreation Department to engage Frontline Action for the rental of 4 bouncy castles, 2 attendants, generators, 2 zorball balls, 10 bubble soccer balls and a bazooka ball zombie shoot-out at a cost of \$4,832.88 including HST.”

In favour: 7 (Brenton, Warr, Brown, Brushett, Edwards, Keating and Myles)

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 02 17/048R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Keating

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to the Recreation Department to purchase 50 signs measuring 4’x4’ and 2 signs measuring 8’x8’ complete with 75th Anniversary logo from Modern Printing Group to distribute around town and have available to different businesses/service groups to use during their 75th Anniversary event at a cost of \$3,168.25 including HST.”

In favour: 7 (Brenton, Warr, Brown, Brushett, Edwards, Keating and Myles)

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Councillor Edwards declared a conflict of interest for the next recommendation as he is employed by the company in question. Councillor Edwards left his Chambers seat to sit in the public area of the Chambers and Councillor Keating presided as Chair of the Finance Committee.

Motion

MMC 2026 02 17/049R

Moved by Councillor Keating, seconded by Councillor Brushett

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to the Public Works Department to purchase salt for Miox production at the Water Treatment Plant from Aylward’s Home Centre at a cost of \$3,860.14 including HST.”

In favour: 6 (Brenton, Warr, Brown, Brushett, Keating and Myles)

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 1 (Edwards)

Motion carried.

Councillor Edwards returned to his Chambers seat and resumed his position as Chair of the Finance Committee.

9. Regulations

There were no regulations to bring forward.

10. Other Business

Councillor Brown reminded residents that this is now tax season and that she is a volunteer with the CRA and can file taxes for low-income residents at no cost to them. If anyone needs assistance with their taxes, Councillor Brown encouraged them to reach out to her. There will be someone from CRA and Service Canada coming to Marystown to do a clinic around March 11th for anyone who has questions regarding their Canada pension, Service Canada accounts, etc. Councillor Brown will confirm the date of the clinic.

Councillor Myles noted that some time back, it was suggested that Council seek out old jerseys from all of the teams around the peninsula to do a display for the Kaetlyn Osmond Arena’s 50th Anniversary and questioned how that was going. Councillor Myles noted it would be great if the Town could do the display. Deputy Mayor Warr advised a couple of people did reach out to him and noted they did have some jerseys the Town could borrow. Councillor Edwards noted that this would be a great first post to add to the information Facebook Page being created for the arena.

Mayor Brenton strongly encouraged residents to sign up for Kraft Hockeyville and get their stories in. If the Kaetlyn Osmond Arena makes it through the first round of the competition, the arena will participate in the voting stage. Voting will take place on two days only – April 3rd and 4th. Winning the grand prize of \$250,000.00 would assist a great deal in the Town’s plans to expand the arena and of course, the NHL Hockey Game would be a huge bonus.

Mayor Brenton advised a meeting has been scheduled with Ms. Victoria Dempster from Minister Joanne Thompson on Friday, February 20th, in St. John’s, to discuss defense spending and shipbuilding. Both Mayor Brenton and the Town Manager will be attending this meeting.

The Economic Development Committee met with officials from Kiewit Offshore Services earlier today and was advised by company officials that they are looking into some projects for the area and hopefully there will be some future development. The Town will continue to follow up on this item.

The Town advertised two Requests for Proposals for consulting services – one for a Streetscape and Connectivity Planning Initiative and the other for a Strategic Review of the Model Ship Gallery. Both requests closed on January 30th and to date, meetings have been held with officials from the Department of Energy & Mines and meetings are pending with ACOA to discuss the proposals. A meeting is also pending with Council as a whole.

11. Notices of Motion

There were no notices of motion to bring forward.

12. Adjournment

The next meeting will take place March 3, 2026.

Motion

MMC 2026 02 17/050R

Moved by Councillor Keating, seconded by Councillor Brushett

“BE IT RESOLVED the meeting was adjourned at 7:17 p.m.”

In favour: 7 (Brenton, Warr, Brown, Brushett, Edwards, Keating and Myles)

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Gerry Brenton
Mayor

Petrina Power
Town Clerk