

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON SEPTEMBER 1, 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 6:05 p.m.

2. Adoption of Agenda

Motion

MMC 2026 09 01/001R

Moved by Councillor Keating, 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 09 01/002R

Moved by Councillor Brown, seconded by Councillor Brushett

“BE IT RESOLVED the minutes of the regular Council meeting held on August 4, 2026, be adopted.”

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

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 09 01/003R

Moved by Councillor Brushett, seconded by Deputy Mayor Warr

“BE IT RESOLVED the minutes of the special Council meeting held on August 4, 2026, be adopted.”

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

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 09 01/004R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Brown

“BE IT RESOLVED the minutes of the special Council meeting held on August 20, 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 August 25, 2026.

Councillor Brown advised the Committee has been busy with applications for new builds, extensions, amendments and more.

The Committee completed a review of Municipal Plan Amendment Nos. 4, 5, and 6 and Development Regulations Amendment Nos. 4, 5 and 6 last week and changes were forwarded to the Town’s Planning Consultant. Changes have since been completed and the amendments are back for final review. It’s hoped they will be finalized soon.

Motion

MMC 2026 09 01/005R

Moved by Councillor Brown, seconded by Councillor Edwards

“BE IT RESOLVED that an application received from Barry Walsh to construct an accessory building measuring 26’ x 28’ at 16 Dock Point Street be approved.”

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

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 09 01/006R

Moved by Councillor Brown, seconded by Councillor Brushett

“BE IT RESOLVED that an application received from Curtis Cheeseman to construct a fence measuring 150’ on property at 231 Marine Drive be approved, subject to site inspection.”

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

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 09 01/007R

Moved by Councillor Brown, seconded by Councillor Edwards

“BE IT RESOLVED that an application received from Vay Bath to construct an accessory building measuring 25’ x 40’ at 820 Ville Marie Drive be approved, subject to discretionary use ad (as per section 5.2.2 (13b) of the Development Regulations which relates to the size of the accessory building compared to the dwelling on the lot and the sizes of structures on neighbouring properties) and site inspection.”

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

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 09 01/008R

Moved by Councillor Brown, seconded by Councillor Brushett

“BE IT RESOLVED that an application received from Keith Brown to construct a patio measuring 26’ x 8’ on a residence at 24 Main Road, Rock Harbour, be approved, subject to notification of the Local Service District of Rock Harbour and site inspection.”

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

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 09 01/009R

Moved by Councillor Brown, seconded by Councillor Edwards

“BE IT RESOLVED that an application received from Cynthia and Sean Broders to operate Rosie’s Dog Grooming as a home-based business at 313 Marine Drive be approved, subject to discretionary use ad (home-based business in a residential zone) and site inspection.”

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 August 25, 2026.

Councillor Myles advised that an inspection was carried out on a residence in Little Bay that is in a dilapidated state. There was some discussion on the removal of the residence. This item is ongoing.

An inspection took place on Memorial Drive after complaints were received of a sewer smell. The Director of Planning & Economic Development followed up with a Public Health Inspector and together, they carried out the inspection. While there was no smell of sewer at the time, water samples were collected for testing.

There have been some issues with vandalism of the Town’s recreational facilities and now, vandals have turned towards the Fire Department’s training grounds. Repairs have since been completed. Councillor Myles advised that if anyone is caught vandalizing Town property, they will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

A complaint was received regarding an overcrowded residence in Creston South. There are no bylaws regulating the number of people permitted to reside in a residence.

A clean-up order had been issued for an estate property on Marine Drive. Some progress has been made and an extension was approved. The director of Planning & Economic Development continues to follow up.

A letter was issued to several communities on the Burin Peninsula to request support for a new building for the Burin Peninsula Ground Search and Rescue. Councillor Myles advised that several sponsors have come forward with support.

The Town was invited by Emergency Services Division to Participate in a survey on the CSA Z1600 Emergency and Continuity Management Program Standard, which Fire Chief Bolt has completed.

Correspondence was received from Department of Forestry, Agriculture and Lands encouraging the Town to apply for the second call for funding applications under the Wildfire Prevention and Mitigation Program, which will be released soon. Fire Chief Bolt has an application ready for submission when the new funding is announced.

The Director of Planning & Economic Development is following up with the owner of a dilapidated residence on Mount Vincent Crescent. No response from the property owner has been received to date.

With bulk garbage collection currently at a halt, Councillor Myles advised there have been some issues with bulk garbage. Recently, a sofa had been placed at the curb on Creston Boulevard that has since been removed.

There were complaints regarding a roaming dog on Markland Road and Greenwood Street. Residents complained that the dog was aggressive. The Animal Control – Anti-Litter Officer followed up with the RCMP and it was noted that the owner of the dog cannot be ticketed until the dog is in her possession.

Complaints were received regarding roaming dogs in areas of town such as Creston South and Forest Road; the dogs were ultimately returned to their owners.

The Marystown Volunteer Fire Department remains very busy.

The Town is still waiting for the contractor to start at the Salvation Army for the warming/cooling centre project.

The Department's hovercraft has become unreliable and the Department will be purchasing a new boat and motor to replace it.

Fire Chief Bolt has completed the first draft of the Request for Proposals for the purchase of a new Structure Protection Unit.

The Department is continuing efforts to recruit Neighborhood Champions for the FireSmart Program. Anyone interested should reach out to the Department.

The Fire Department's museum received numerous visitors over the summer season. Councillor Myles thanked Noah and Ethan for their work with the Fire Department this summer.

Councillor Myles offered congratulation to Firefighter Jerry Hanrahan and all recent recipients of the 75th Anniversary Medal of Distinction awards.

As previously reported, repairs relating to the vandalism at the Fire Department's training grounds were completed.

On behalf of Fire Chief Bolt, Councillor Myles thanked the Town, businesses and residents, such as Cermaq, Burin Peninsula Auto Care, Adam's Candy Sparkes, Pittman's Auto, Tag Team Mechanical and others, for their continued support over recent weeks.

Councillor Myles thanked those who have donated items for the online auction in support of a Structure Protection Unit for the Fire Department.

Councillor Myles noted the Fire Department had submitted a letter regarding YMCA memberships for the firefighters. This item is being discussed.

The Committee discussed the Cell Phone Hotspot Program however; there have been no updates.

The Committee discussed the digital sign belonging to St. Gabriel's Hall on Town property that was damaged during a storm and is currently secured by straps and cement blocks. The Town Manager will be following up with St. Gabriel's Hall regarding repairs.

Tourism & Special Events Committee

Councillor Brushett reviewed the minutes of the Tourism & Special Events Committee meeting held on August 24, 2026.

Councillor Brushett advised that with major events such as the Shining Seas Summer Festival behind them, the Committee hasn't had a lot of discussion in the past couple of weeks.

There was some discussion on the Town's 50/50 draw. Information will be posted on the Tourism & Special Events Facebook regarding where tickets can be purchased and it's possible the committee may engage the assistance of various organizations to help sell the tickets.

The Committee had some discussion on their fall events which include:

- Back to School Bash – September 12, 2026
- Trunk or Treat – October 25, 2026
- Bonfire Night – November 5, 2026
- Remembrance Day – November 11, 2026
- Christmas Tree Lighting – December 3, 2026
- Santa Claus Parade – December 5, 2026
- Mummers Parade – To be determined

An email was received from a resident back in July with some suggestions for events for children. The Director of Facilities, Recreation & Community Services replied to the resident to advise of several events already offered in Marystown and the Burin area. No further response has been received from the resident.

MADD Burin Peninsula will be setting up a mock car crash in the Town of Burin this year similar to the display that was set up previously in Marystown on the intersection of McGettigan Boulevard/Ville Marie Drive. The opening of the display is tentatively booked for September 19, 2026.

MADD Canada will host a Jail Day at the Tim Hortons parking lot from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on September 5th to raise funds in support of local programming. Anyone interested in 15 minutes of jail time can come forward and volunteer.

Recreation Committee

Deputy Mayor Warr reviewed the minutes of the Recreation Committee meeting held on August 24, 2026.

A concern was brought forward by a resident regarding the lack of accessible parking at the Dave Brenton Track & Field complex. The Committee reviewed a proposed drawing and agreed there is ample space to install four spaces near the gate entrance however, there is a portion of the area that needs to be paved. The Committee further agreed that this could be accomplished through Town forces.

Motion

MMC 2026 09 01/010R

Moved by Deputy Mayor Warr, seconded by Councillor Edwards

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to install additional asphalt at the Dave Brenton Memorial Track & Field Complex for the installation of four accessible parking spaces.”

Discussion

The Director of Operations & Public Works advised that the Town will purchase approximately 5 tons of asphalt and install the asphalt using Town forces as stated. Councillor Keating noted Nortech Construction recently paved Harris Drive and questioned why that section of asphalt at the complex wasn't done at that time. The Director of Operations & Public Works advised that Harris Drive was being paved under the Municipal Capital Works Program utilizing cost-shared funding. Councillor Myles questioned the cost of the asphalt to which the Director of Operations & Public Works advised it will cost \$165.00 plus tax per ton. Deputy Mayor Warr advised that accessible parking at the complex has been an issue for some time and it needs to be addressed.

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

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

The Recreation Department purchased colour-changing lights some time ago and the plan was to have them installed on the Town Hall. Follow-up was made with NL Power to have them installed however, due to the building's location on a sloping hill, it would be difficult for the trucks to access the sides of the building. The Committee discussed stringing the lights on the Town's Christmas tree and changing out the colours for various events. This item will be further discussed.

Correspondence has been received from the CEO of the YMCA of Newfoundland and Labrador regarding a date for a meeting with Council. The Town Clerk has been following up on this item.

Correspondence has been received from a representative with the Accessibility Confident Employers (ACE) Project with a request to connect with someone about free, online, on-demand accessibility training that is available to municipalities and organizations across Newfoundland and Labrador. The Director of Facilities, Recreation & Community Services will follow-up to obtain further information regarding the project and bring it back to the Committee.

Correspondence has been received from the office of MHA Jeff Dwyer regarding the Active Living and Wellness Fund 2026-27 through the Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts and Recreation. Applications are now being accepted and the Director of Facilities, Recreation & Community Services is in the process of completing the application.

The Director of Facilities, Recreation & Community Services has been corresponding with Council regarding the startup of the Kaetlyn Osmond Arena. The Director of Facilities, Recreation & Community Services is interested in starting the winter season earlier than last year. Council has approved that the startup of the Kaetlyn Osmond Arena for the winter season will be September 14, 2026.

A request has been received for a letter of support for a new indoor inclusive playground.

Motion

MMC 2026 09 01/011R

Moved by Deputy Mayor Warr, seconded by Councillor Edwards

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to write a letter of support, under Mayor Brenton’s signature, for Urly’s Place to begin the process of submitting funding applications for the indoor inclusive playground.”

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

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Correspondence has been received from MHA Jeff Dwyer’s Office to advise that the Town has been approved for the total of \$55,675.77 in funding under the 2026-27 Community Enhancement Employment Program (CEEP). This funding will be utilized for the development of the new Burin Peninsula Ground Search & Rescue Building.

Membership has been holding steady at the YMCA and is currently at 1,170 members which is great to see especially during the summer months. The new program guide is scheduled to be issued on September 9, 2026. Due to popularity, the Drums Alive and Chair Fitness programs have been added to the schedule on a regular weekly basis. Summer swimming lessons have ended and Fall registration began on September 1, 2026. Summer Camp has finished - it was very busy all summer with great attendance. A swim meet took place August 15, 2026, with five teams in attendance. The Marystown Marlins participated in the Provincial swim meet took place in Gander this past weekend. New equipment has been ordered for the YMCA through Matrix.

Residents were reminded to be respectful of the accessible parking signs at the Dave Brenton Memorial Track and Field Complex. Signs are posted on the fence and unless someone has been issued an accessible parking permit, they are not permitted to park there.

Deputy Mayor Warr advised there have been issues with e-bikes and motorized scooters on the track at the Dave Brenton Track & Field Complex which deters others from using the track. The track is supposed to be a safe space for seniors and other walkers and residents were asked to not bring e-bikes or motorized scooters to the track.

The U20 Softball Provincials will be held here in Marystown on September 11-13/26 at the Dave Brenton Memorial Track and Field Complex.

Keep Cool will be at the Kaetlyn Osmond Arena on September 14th to start up for the season. If all goes well the ice should be ready by September 25th. There will be an increase in fees this year; most fees will increase by \$10.00. The Town does its best to keep the fees low and doesn't raise them very often. A meeting will take place tomorrow at the arena for all users to review the schedule for use of the arena.

The annual Classics Car Show will take place at the arena September 12th and 13th.

Registration is open online for both Minor Hockey and Figure Skating. Those interested should reach out to the appropriate association for more information.

The Director of Facilities, Recreation & Community Services is applying for funding under the Active Living and Wellness Fund 26-27 and if successful, the funding will be used for accessible playground equipment/appropriate ground surface for wheelchairs.

Deputy Mayor Warr thanked the Department's students for all their help this summer – Grace Jackman, Jack Kelly, Adam Clarke, Ethan Hiscock and Noah Nolan. Their hard work was greatly appreciated.

An Adult Soccer Group has been started in Marystown and currently has over 40 players registered. Anyone wanting more information should reach out to Andrew Walsh.

Deputy Mayor Warr congratulated the following groups:

- the GU15 CYL Soccer Team competed in St. John's for their playoff weekend; they competed against St. John's and brought home the bronze medal with a 2-0 win
- the GU17 CYL Soccer Team competed in St. Lawrence winning Gold against St. John's; the team was down 3-0 and came back to win 6-3
- the GU13 team participated in the 2026 NLSA Rising Stars Tournament winning against Lake Melville 5-2, bringing home the gold medal and being named the Rising Stars Grey Champs
- the BU13 teams participated in the Rising Stars Tournament as well; they finished this tournament with 1 win, 2 ties and 1 loss
- The Marystown Marlins participated in the Provincial Swim Meet in Gander this past weekend; this swim meet has always been hosted in Gander and it's hoped that Marystown will be able to host it in the near future

Deputy Mayor Warr thanked all of the volunteers, coaches, parents and the Marystown Minor Soccer Executive for their constant support of the Marystown Soccer Program. Without their support this program would not be as successful as it is.

Deputy Mayor Warr thanked the Burin Peninsula Hurricane Softball Association for their hard work and countless volunteer hours for another successful softball season.

The fence has been put back in place at the Greenwood Street Playground. Deputy Mayor Warr thanked those who contributed to this project. Special thanks went out to Councillor Keating, the Public Works Department, the Recreation Department and the JCP workers for their assistance.

Deputy Mayor Warr recognized the following teams and their wins:

- the U15 BP Hurricane Softball team travelled to Carbonear to participate in the slo-pitch softball provincials; they competed against 17 teams and they placed 4th overall
- the U17 BP Hurricane Softball Team hosted the Slo-Pitch Provincials on the home field; 10 teams attended and the BP Hurricane's placed 3rd
- the U13 BP Hurricanes Softball Team travelled to Clarenville; there were 16 teams competing and they finished in 3rd place
- the U11 BP Hurricane Softball Team travelled to Carbonear and competed against 16 teams, placing 4th overall
- throughout the summer, various volunteers hosted the Dan Cheeseman, Gary Hynes and Fireball Tournaments – thanks went out to everyone who make these events happen year after year
- the Softball league wrapped up; there were four teams and U17 won this year
- the Men's team with players Jack Green, Curtis Babcock and Ben Fancey from minor ball (U17) traveled to Moncton and finished 3rd overall
- coming up, Marystown will be hosting the U20 Slo-Pitch Softball Provincials from September 11th to 13th with High School Provincials in October

Motion

MMC 2026 09 01/012R

Moved by Deputy Mayor Warr, seconded by Councillor Edwards

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to rehire Ms. Jackie Ball as a Seasonal Arena Custodian at the Kaetlyn Osmond Arena effective September 16, 2026, for a period of 26 weeks.”

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

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 09 01/013R

Moved by Deputy Mayor Warr, seconded by Councillor Georgina

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to extend the contract held by Mudder Pucks to provide canteen services at the Kaetlyn Osmond Arena by one year to December 31, 2027, with the understanding the contract may be renewed prior to its expiration.”

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 August 26, 2026.

Correspondence was received from a business owner on Creston Boulevard with concerns regarding improper drainage from a property across the road that was causing flooding issues for his business. The Town determined this was not a Town issue.

As noted earlier, the Town received a complaint regarding a sewer smell on Memorial Drive which was followed up on.

The Committee discussed upgrades to the floor at the Municipal Depot and requested an estimate from Edwards & Associated Ltd. The firm has also been requested to provide estimates for several Municipal Capital Works projects for which funding applications will be submitted to the government in September.

The Committee had a brief discussion regarding the Canada Housing Infrastructure Funding (CHIF) and MCW funding programs. The Town was not successful in securing CHIF funding during the last call for applications and will be looking at submitting applications again.

The Public Works Department has been very busy since the last meeting and Councillor Keating referenced a list of 46 items completed since the last meeting including the installation of a fire hydrant near 259 Creston Boulevard and the clearing of bamboo. Councillor Keating encouraged residents to assist the Department by clearing away bamboo from the roads if possible as the Department may not get to it in a timely fashion due to other priorities or ongoing projects.

The Department transported a generator and tank to the new pad installed by the Town Hall in the event of a power failure. Asphalt patching was completed on Catherine Street, Kelly's Pond Road and Mount Vincent Crescent.

The Mayo's Road/Levi's Road Water and Sewer Project and the Chlorination Building Project have been completed in full. The Harris Drive Road Upgrades Project has also been completed and the Ville Marie Drive Road Upgrades Project is ongoing.

Flows are good at the water treatment plant with no major issues to report.

All equipment is in good working order with no major issues to report.

The Town should be receiving its road salt order later this month.

There is no update with regards to waste management. There have been some minor issues with bulk garbage within town.

Motion

MMC 2026 09 01/014R

Moved by Councillor Keating, seconded by Councillor Edwards

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to amend Motion MMC 2026 08 04/018R made at the Regular Council Meeting held on August 4, 2026 to read as follows:

Motion

MMC 2026 08 04/018R

Moved by Councillor Keating, seconded by Councillor Edwards

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to advertise a fulltime permanent Maintenance Operator position with Excavator experience with the Public Works Department.”

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

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried”

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

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 09 01/015R

Moved by Councillor Keating, seconded by Councillor Edwards

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to advertise a second fulltime permanent Maintenance Operator position with Excavator experience with the Public Works Department.”

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

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

The online auction in support of a Structure Protection Unit for the Fire Department will start on Monday, September 7th and finish on Sunday, September 13th. Anyone wishing to donate an item can reach out to the organizers.

Following the installation of the fence at the Greenwood Street Playground, Councillor Keating received a call from Mr. Albert Stacey expressing appreciation. Those in the area who look after the playground are very proud of the facility they have provided to the children and it is one of the most used playgrounds in town. Councillor Keating thanked everyone involved.

Motion

MMC 2026 09 01/016R

Moved by Councillor Keating, seconded by Councillor Edwards

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to hire Jack Dimmer as permanent fulltime Maintenance Operator with Excavator experience for the Public Works Department.”

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

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Finance Committee

Councillor Edwards reviewed the minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held on August 26, 2026.

Motion

MMC 2026 09 01/017R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Keating

“BE IT RESOLVED Council ratify payment of the annual CPA Canada Membership for the Director of Finance & Administration at a cost of \$230.00 including HST.”

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

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 09 01/018R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Brushett

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to pay the June Operating Grant received from the YMCA of Newfoundland and Labrador dated June 30, 2026, in the amount of \$38,350.00.”

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

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 09 01/019R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Brown

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to pay Invoice No. 9019808378 received from Grainger Canada dated August 21/26 in the amount of \$480.70 including HST for SCBA Flow Testing at the Marystown Fire Department.”

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

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 09 01/020R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Deputy Mayor Warr

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to pay five annual leave days to Mr. Clesson Fiander in the amount of \$1,260.40.”

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

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 09 01/021R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Brushett

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to credit the remaining 50% of interest on Account No. CULLJ003 in the amount of \$196.44 as the resident 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 reminded residents having issues with arrears that the Principal Payment Plan is available. Letters were issued last week to residents whose accounts are in arrears.

Motion

MMC 2026 09 01/022R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Deputy Mayor Warr

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to adjust the following accounts as basement apartments were previously decommissioned:

- 2026 Water Tax for Account in the amount of \$468.00 plus interest for the following accounts:
 - Account No. BRUSS002
 - Account No. MAYOM004
- 2026 Water and Sewer Taxes in the amount of \$648.00 plus interest for the following accounts:
 - Account No. DAVIA002
 - Account No. HOOPJ003
 - Account No. MURPT006
 - Account No. SPENG003
 - Account No. WALSK012
 - Account No. WHITJ003
 - Account No. PERRD001”

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

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 09 01/023R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Keating

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to adjust the interest on Account No. BRENN001 as the interest was charged in error.”

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

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Councillor Brown declared a conflict of interest for the next recommendation as she works in the building owned by Grace Sparkes House. Councillor Brown removed herself from the Council table.

Motion

MMC 2026 09 01/024R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Keating

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to make an annual donation to Grace Sparkes House in the amount of \$2,500.00.”

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

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 1 (Brown)

Motion carried.

Councillor Brown returned to the Council table.

Motion

MMC 2026 09 01/025R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Deputy Mayor Warr

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to advertise a business card-sized ad in the Royal Canadian Legion Newfoundland and Labrador Command Veterans Service Recognition Book at a cost of \$255.00 including HST.”

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

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 09 01/026R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Keating

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to adopt the revised Tax Collection Policy, with the understanding that all previous versions of the policy are repealed and replaced.”

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

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 09 01/027R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Deputy Mayor Warr

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to hire Mr. Darren Crocker as the fulltime, permanent Recreational Maintenance Worker/Supervisor of CEEP and JCP Projects for the Recreation Department.”

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

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 09 01/028R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Brown

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to advertise for a Temporary Seasonal Arena Operator position in the Recreation Department for this season’s start-up.”

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

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 09 01/029R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Brushett

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to advertise for a Fulltime Permanent Arena Operator position with refrigeration experience in the Recreation Department effective January 2027.”

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

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 09 01/030R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Keating

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to terminate the pilot project between the Town of Marystown and the Marystown YMCA and accept the following rates implemented by the YMCA of Newfoundland and Labrador:

- all continuous membership fees, with the exception of seniors, increase by \$5.00 bi-weekly
- all Seniors’ continuous membership fees remain status quo
- all short-term passes remain status quo”

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

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 09 01/031R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Brushett

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to increase the rental rates at the Kaetlyn Osmond Arena for the 2026/2027 Winter Season at a rate of \$10.00 per hour including HST as per the following fee structure with the understanding that the per person rates will not increase:

- Regular Rate - \$170.00 including HST
- Prime Rate - \$185.00 including HST
- Minor Group Rate – 150.00 including HST
- Minor Tournament Rate - \$150.00 including HST
- School Rate - \$120.00 including HST
- Early Morning Rate – 140.00 including HST
- Birthday Parties - \$150.00 including HST
- Stat Holidays - \$170.00 including HST
- Snow Days - \$150.00 including HST”

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

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 09 01/032R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Brushett

“BE IT RESOLVED Council approve Accounts Payable Listing No. 8-1 as of August 24, 2026, in the amount of \$246,037.45.”

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

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 09 01/033R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Brushett

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to amend Motion MMC 2026 08 04/039R made at the Regular Council Meeting of August 4, 2026 as follows:

Motion

MMC 2026 08 04/039R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Brushett

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to register the following to attend the MNL Conference taking place November 5-7, 2026 in St. John’s, NL:

- Mayor Gerry Brenton
- Deputy Mayor Robert Warr
- Councillor Joan Brown
- Town Manager Greg Osmond

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED approval be given to designate Mayor Brenton and Deputy Mayor Warr as voting delegates for the MNL Conference.”

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

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.”

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

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 09 01/034R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Keating

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to amend Motion MMC 2026 07 17/004S made at the Special Council Meeting of July 17, 2026 as follows:

Motion

MMC 2026 07 17/004S

Moved by Councillor Brushett, seconded by Councillor Brown

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to allocate funding up to \$2,000.00 for necessary expenses for the Shining Seas Summer Festival and Marystown Day.”

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

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.”

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

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 09 01/035R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Brushett

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to amend Motion MMC 2026 06 16/033R made at the Regular Council Meeting of June 16, 2026 as follows:

Motion

MMC 2026 06 16/033R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Brushett

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given for Mayor Brenton and Deputy Mayor Warr to attend the Urban Municipalities Committee meeting taking place August 28-29, 2026 in Bay Roberts.”

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

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.”

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

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 09 01/036R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Deputy Mayor Warr

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to pay severance to Mr. Gerard Baker, former Arena Operator, in the amount of \$27,008.00 for the maximum of 20 years of service upon retirement.”

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

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 09 01/037R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Brushett

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to pay out severance to 13.75 days of annual leave Mr. Gerard Baker, former Arena Operator, in the amount of \$3,713.60.”

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

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 09 01/038R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Brushett

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to pay the following invoices received from Downhome Publishing Inc. as follows:

- Invoice No. 1592435 dated May 26, 2026 in the amount of \$194.35 including HST for Explore Guide 2026 Print and Online Listing for the Marystown Model Ship Gallery
- Invoice No. 1592436 dated May 26, 2026 in the amount of \$194.35 including HST for Explore Guide 2026 Print and Online Listing for the Shining Seas Summer Festival”

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

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 09 01/039R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Brushett

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given for the Town of Marystown to donate five \$100.00 Gas Cards from North Atlantic to the Fire Structure Protection Unit Online Auction in the total amount of \$500.00, with the understanding the gift cards will be purchased with points accumulated through the Yay Card Program.”

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

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 09 01/040R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Keating

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to pay Invoice No. 105791 dated August 27, 2026, in the amount of \$3,335.03 including HST for the preparation of Municipal Capital Works Applications Estimates for the following projects:

- Harris Drive Phase 1
- Harris Drive Phase 2
- Ville Marie Drive Phase 2
- Gifford’s Road
- Hollett’s Road
- Lambe’s Road
- Catherine Street
- Levi’s Road (Phase 2, 3 and combined)
- Brennan’s Road”

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

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

7. Correspondence

There was no correspondence to bring forward.

8. Approvals to Purchase

Motion

MMC 2026 09 01/041R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Keating

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to the Fire Department to purchase a 12.5’ BRIS inflatable rescue boat from Amazon at a cost of \$2,228.70 including HST with funds to come from the Fire Department’s Capital Expenditure Out of Revenue Budget.”

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

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 09 01/042R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Brushett

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to the Fire Department to purchase a 9.9 HP Yamaha motor for a rescue boat at a cost of \$3,390.20 including HST with funds to come from the Fire Department’s Capital Expenditure Out of Revenue Budget.”

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

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 09 01/043R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Keating

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to the Fire Department to purchase a a Jordair SCBA Compressor and Fill Station from Grainger Services to replace an existing SCBA Compressor at a cost of \$82,076.68 including HST with funds to be cost-shared as follows:

- \$52,100.99 (after GST rebate) to come from Government funding
- \$10,000.00 (after GST rebate) to come from Fire Department fundraising
- \$12,329.00 (after GST rebate) to come from surplus funding”

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

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 09 01/044R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Brushett

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to the Fire Department to register three firefighters (Fire Chief Justin Bolt, Captain Wayde Clarke and Firefighter Terry Mallay) to attend the annual NL Association of Fire Services Convention in Gander from September 25th to 28th at a cost of \$1,914.75 including HST.”

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

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 09 01/045R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Brown

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to the Fire Department to expend funds for estimated expenses (travel, meals and accommodations) for three firefighters to attend the annual NL Association of Fire Services Convention in Gander from September 25th to 28th at a cost of \$3,608.57 including HST.”

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

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 09 01/046R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Myles

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to the Public Works Department to purchase water and sewer materials for daily operations from Wolseley at a cost of \$7,066.95 including HST.”

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

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Motion

MMC 2026 09 01/047R

Moved by Councillor Edwards, seconded by Councillor Brushett

“BE IT RESOLVED approval be given to the Recreation Department to purchase ice paint (10 white, 1 red, 1 blue and 1 goal crease blue), a paper line kit and a 24” rubber face-off dot for the Kaetlyn Osmond Arena from Jet Ice at a cost of \$2,654.55 including HST with the understanding the purchase will be cost-shared with the Town of Fortune with the Town of Fortune purchasing 6 white paint and paying for half the shipping cost at a cost of \$1,084.05.”

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

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Before moving on to other business, Councillor Keating questioned when the Town’s new accommodations tax came into effect and was advised it became effective September 1/26.

Councillor Keating also questioned the increase in rates for the arena and was advised that there was no change in the per person rates.

9. Regulations

There were no regulations to bring forward.

10. Other Business

Deputy Mayor Warr wanted to formally recognize Mr. Gerard Baker’s retirement from the arena effective August 28/26 following well over 40 years of service. Deputy Mayor Warr advised it has been a pleasure to work with Mr. Baker, who was a dedicated worker who worked with a lot of Councillors during his time with the Town. Deputy Mayor Warr wished Mr. Baker many years of health and happiness in his retirement.

Deputy Mayor Warr touched briefly on the UMC meeting he and the Mayor recently attended in Bay Roberts. The sessions were informal but very informative with lots of opportunity for engagement. One of the sessions was on ‘What Keeps You Up at Night’ and for Deputy mayor Warr, it’s declining population and lack of employment. Other municipalities spoke of the opposite - an increase in their populations. Deputy Mayor Warr advised he and the Mayor ensured their concerns were heard by government officials who were present at the session.

At this point, Councillor Edwards left the meeting at 7:22 p.m. due to a personal commitment.

Minister Barry Penton, Municipal & Community Affairs, who was in attendance at the UMC meeting, advised he is advocating for federal defence infrastructure spending in Marystown. Council is fighting for a portion of the Bay du Nord project as well to ensure jobs for the peninsula so residents working away can come home.

Councillor Keating advised that what keeps him up at night is the fact that he and several other residents don't have a family doctor. Councillor Keating spoke to MHA Dwyer on this issue. Councillor Keating is interested in setting up a committee and would like to set up some meetings in St. John's. It's an important issue, especially if some people are leaving the area for that reason and it needs to be resolved.

Councillor Brown questioned if there was any update on bulk garbage collection. Mayor Brenton advised the Burin Peninsula Regional Service Board is waiting for the government to get back to them but the recent cabinet shuffle has caused delays. Councillor Brown questioned what residents should do if they want a car wreck removed from in front of their property but they don't own the vehicle. The Director of Planning & Economic Development advised that if the vehicle has been abandoned, the details can be provided to the Town for follow-up.

Mayor Brenton advised there was a meeting with Burin Peninsula Ground Search & Rescue regarding a new building for the organization. The process is moving ahead and it's hoped the Town will break ground soon.

Mayor Brenton reassured residents that the Town is lobbying for employment in the region and working hard to showcase what the area has to offer.

Councillor Myles questioned the status of two studies – the Streetscape Connectivity Study and the Model Ship Gallery Review. The Town Manager advised that funding has been approved (through ACOA) and a consultant has been engaged who is hoping to start the studies soon.

Councillor Myles expressed some concern for the condition of the dog park. Complaints have been received from some residents regarding other users who are not picking up after their dogs, which affects the overall enjoyment of the facility. If those users don't start picking up after their dogs, then responsible users will stop bringing their dogs to the facility, which is not fair to them. Deputy Mayor Warr advised there is a dog park committee in place but encouraging everyone to pick up after their dogs has always been an issue. While the dog park was established by the Town, a committee was put in place to oversee the operation of it and the Town should not be responsible for dealing with irresponsible dog owners. If the issues continue, the dog park will eventually become an unsafe space and a health inspector could close it. It's important that all dog owners pick up after their dogs. Councillor Myles suggested the Town post on Facebook the need to keep the dog park clean for all users. Councillor Keating questioned if the Town provides doggy bags. Deputy Mayor Warr confirmed they are provided but are not being used. All residents need to treat the Town's facilities as they would their own – look after them and keep them clean.

11. Notices of Motion

There were no Notices of Motion to bring forward.

12. Adjournment

The next meeting will take place September 15, 2026.

Motion

MMC 2026 09 01/048R

Moved by Councillor Keating, seconded by Councillor Brown

“BE IT RESOLVED the meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.”

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

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried.

Gerry Brenton
Mayor

Petrina Power
Town Clerk