



**TOWN OF LOCKPORT
COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2024 AT 6:00 P.M.
AGENDA**

1. Call to order

2. Silence Electronic Devices

3. Approval of Agenda, including additions or deletions

Draft Motion – That Council approve the agenda for the September 9, 2024, meeting as presented.

4. Approval of Minutes

- Regular Council Meeting Minutes July 22, 2024

Draft Motion – That Council approve the Minutes from the Regular Council Meeting of July 22, 2024, as circulated with the exception of Motion 07-22-24-07. The date should reflect August 29, 2024 not September 3, 2024.

5. Business arising from Previous Minutes

Anna Chetwynd was in attendance and expressed concern regarding lack of recreational opportunities for children this summer. This issue will be addressed through the Recreation Department.

6. Community Forum (Open Mic)

- 20 Minutes Maximum
- Each resident is allowed a maximum of five minutes
- The resident is to speak directly to Council
- There will be no interaction by Council at this time
- If questions are posed by residents the question will be recorded to be researched

7. Presentations

There are no presentations scheduled for this meeting.

8. Finance

- List of invoices already paid in the amount of \$174,388.15 (Page 1- 3)
- Request for new lawn tractor from Public Works Department. The expense of Mark Williams fixing the Boardwalk in front of the Little School Museum has been transferred to the Sustainable Services Growth Fund account because that was an accessibility issue, and therefore, qualified. By doing this, approximately \$7,600 became available in the streets budget. I would like a motion to purchase a new lawn tractor with these funds, for the Public Works Department, to replace the machine they currently have, which is 16 years old. Kevin and his crew have done some research and have found the machine they want in Yarmouth. (Page 4)

Draft Motion – That Council approve that some, or all, of the money (\$7,600.00) that was saved by using the Sustainable Services Growth Fund to fund the work to the Museum Boardwalk, to be used toward the purchase of a new lawn tractor.

9. Other Business

- Proposed Sale of Old Roseway Manor Building (Page 5 – 6)

Draft Motion – That Council agree to contact Nova Scotia Health to determine their interest in purchasing the Roseway Manor property, with a deadline to respond by December 31, 2024.

- I.B.E.W. – Contract Negotiations dates (Page 7)
- NSFMC Conference – November 26 – 29, 2024 in Halifax (Page 8-9)

10. Council Reports

- Mayor Cory Nickerson
- Deputy-Mayor Dawn DeMings-Taylor
- Councillor Dayle Eshelby (Page 10)
- Councillor Kent Balish (Page 11)
- Councillor Mary Meagher (Page 12-17)
 - o Shelburne County Mental Health and Wellness – May and July reports

11. Correspondence

12. Information Only

- New Fee schedule for C & D site (Page 18)
- Certificate of Appreciation for contributing to the 2024 Community Volunteer Income Tax Program (Page 19-20)
- Code of Conduct update from the Honourable John Lohr, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing (Page 21-33)
- Canada Housing Infrastructure Fund from Hardy Stuckless, Executive Director, Municipal Infrastructure and Finance (Page 34-35)

13. Date of next meeting

- September 23, 2024, at 1:00 p.m.

14. “In Camera”

15. Adjournment



LIST ON INVOICES ALREADY PAID TO BE PRESENTED AT THE		
SEPT 9, 2024 MEETING		
4 IMPRINT	GOLF BALLS AND CAPS	2,617.62
AGAT LABRATORIES	WATER SEWER TESTS	414.58
AGAT LABRATORIES	WATER SEWER TESTS	357.08
ATWELL, DANIEL	ENTERTAINMENT FOR BEACH BASH	300.00
ATWELL, DANIEL	ENTERTAINMENT FOR BEACH BASH	700.00
ATWELL, GARY	SHINGLE BABY BARN AT BEACH CENTRE	756.36
BECKY'S YARN AND KNIT SHOP	PRIZES FOR PARADE OF LIGHTS	172.50
BELL ALIANT	BEACH CENTRE - JULY	103.36
BELL ALIANT	BEACH CENTRE - AUG	159.01
BELL ALIANT	REC OFFICE, FAX, FIRE DEPT. KITCHEN, LIBRARY, SEWER, REC. CENTRE, EMO	779.40
BELL ALIANT	OFFICES, ELEVATOR PHONE	172.52
BELL ALIANT	FIRE DEPT.	69.44
BELL MOBILITY	STREETS, RECREATION, GENERAL GOVERNMENT	283.91
BLL ENTERPRISE	DIESEL EXHAUST FUEL	67.93
CBCL	WASTEWATER PROJECT	4,226.25
CULLIGAN WATER	DRINKING WATER	59.80
CULLIGAN WATER	DRINKING WATER	86.30
FUNDY TEXTILES	T SHIRTS (MAKE YOUR MOVE LOCKEPORT)	1,248.68
GREEN DIAMOND	LAWN MOWER PART	235.54
HARDING, JUNE	MILEAGE CLAIM AND LIFE AND MEDICAL INSURANCE	61.82
HARLOW CONSTRUCTION	FORD F-550 WORK ON TRUCK - RAN CODES FOUND HIGH SOOT LEVEL	306.19
HAYES, FAITH	HONORARIUM FOR FACILITY MAINTENANCE WORK	95.00
HUPMAN, EMILY-ANN	HONORARIUM FOR ASSISTING WITH SR. PROGRAM	55.00
I.B.E.W	UNION DUES	284.48
LOCKEPORT PHARMACY	BEACH CENTRE SUPPLIES	17.24
LOCKEPORT SEA DERBY	REST OF JULY FIRST PRIZE MONEY FOR DAY PASSES	100.00
LOCKEPORT TOWN MARKET	SR BINGO, BEACH DAY, MULTICULTURAL DAY, INDIGNEOUS DAY	110.70
LOCKEPORT TOWN MARKET	JULY 1ST, SR. BINGO	68.64
LOCKEPORT WELDING	TENNIS COURTS AND BIKE RACK AT BEACH CENTRE	132.69
LYDGATE LOCK STOCK AND BARREL	ASPHALT REPAIR, PUBLIC WORKS SUPPLIES, REC. SUPPLIES	371.01
MANULIFE	EMPLOYEE'S PENSION	1,661.96
MBW COURIER	COURIER SERVICE	187.00
MINISTER OF FINANCE	HAYDEN LAKE UTILITIES	717.41



MUNICIPALITY OF THE DISTRICT OF SHELBURNE	SHARED SERVICES	44,130.20
NICKERSON, CORY	STREET DANCE DJ, SOUND FOR CHERYL GRAUL GROUP FOR JULY 1ST	675.00
NICKERSON, CORY - REIMBURSEMENT	GIFT CARDS FROM VERNON D'EON	175.00
NOVA SCOTIA POWER	STREET LIGHTS, PLAYGROUND, TREATMENT PLANT - JULY 23	2,645.64
NOVA SCOTIA POWER	BOARDWALK - JULY 24	129.61
NOVA SCOTIA POWER	BOARDWALK - AUG 26	129.61
NOVA SCOTIA POWER	LIFT STATIONS 6 - 13 JULY 26	740.91
NOVA SCOTIA POWER	TRANSPORTATION BLD, ROOD'S HEAD, LIBRARY, WIDOW'S WALK - JULY 29	537.36
NOVA SCOTIA POWER	FIRE HALL, POINT ST, MEDICAL CENTRE, MARINE ROOM, SCHOOL MUSEUM - JULY 26	2,452.84
NOVA SCOTIA POWER	BANDSTAND, CANTEEN, BEACH CENTRE - JULY 26	3,361.21
NOVA SCOTIA POWER	TOWN HALL POWER AND HEAT PUMP INTEREST AND PRINCIPAL, REC CENTRE POWER, HEAT PUMP INTEREST AND PRINCIPAL - JULY 29	1,694.08
NOVA SCOTIA POWER	LIGHTHOUSE STAGE AND MFR BUILDING - JULY 29	348.76
NOVA SCOTIA POWER	LIFT STATION 1 - 5 - JULY 29	995.68
NOVA SCOTIA POWER	UV SYSTEM - AUG 22	508.40
NOVA SCOTIA POWER	STREET LIGHTS, PLAYGROUND, TREATMENT PLANT - AUG 22	2,736.57
PAYROLL	JULY 13 - JULY 26	19,933.12
PAYROLL	JULY 27 - AUG 9	20,787.57
PAYROLL	AUG 10 - AUG 23	19,177.97
RBC VISA - MAYOR	WALL MOUNT BRACKET FOR TV AT BEAH CENTRE	59.27
RBC VISA - TOWN CLERK/TREASURER	ELECTION MATERIAL, COMPUTER, FAUCETS FOR BEACH CENTRE, COMPUTER PROGRAM (MICROSOFT)	2,276.09
REGION OF QUEENS	TIPPING FEES - JULY	3,677.40
REGION OF QUEENS	TIPPING FEES - AUGUST	4,270.92
ROACHE, DALE	HONORARIUM JULY 7 - 20	60.00
ROACHE, DALE	HONORARIUM JULY 21 - AUG 3	60.00
ROSZEL, HOWARD	MILEAGE FOR RCMP MEETING	34.62
SALTWIRE NETWORK	ADS FOR ELECTIONS	401.35
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SCOTIA BUSINESS CENTRE	ELEVATOR MONITORING, MFR AND FIRE DISPATCH	488.98
SCOTT,FRANCES	MILEAGE FOR JULY	34.62

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Proposed Motion:

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Good Morning Warren & June,

After confirming with Ramsay the end of May the following:

Exert from the unapproved minutes of the Roseway Board Meeting of May 23, 2024 as recorded by Ramsay Duff.

Moved by Mary, Seconded by Heidi

“Roseway Board Members appointed from their respective Councils are to return to their Councils for discussion on the future of the existing Roseway Manor building and to further express to their Councils the recommendation to first engage in a conversation with the Nova Scotia Health Authority”

Approved (unanimous)

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June Harding

From: Warren MacLeod <Warren.MacLeod@municipalityofshelburne.ca>
Sent: Tuesday, July 30, 2024 3:21 PM
To: Sarah Mattatal; June Harding (townoflockeport@ns.sympatico.ca)
Cc: Warden Penny Smith; Erin Hartley
Subject: Old Roseway Building Motion

Sarah & June,

On June 12th, the Municipality passed the following motion:

“Being duly moved and seconded, be it resolved that the Council of the Municipality of the District of Shelburne agree to contact Nova Scotia Health to determine their interest in purchasing the Roseway Manor property, with a deadline to respond by December 31, 2024.”

Can you please let us know if you have passed a similar motion or when you plan to pass the motion. The sooner we all pass the motion the more time we will have to sell the manor to NSH. I look forward to hearing from you.

Warren MacLeod

Chief Administrative Officer (CAO)
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August 3, 2024

Ms June Harding
Town Clerk/Treasurer
Town of Lockeport
PO Box 1894
Lockeport, NS B0T 1L0

Dear Ms. Harding:

In accordance with Article 28 of the current Collective Agreement between I.B.E.W., Local 1928 and The Town of Lockeport, please consider this correspondence as our formal written notice to revise our Agreement.

I.B.E.W., Local 1928 wishes to open the Agreement for the purpose of negotiating amendments. Therefore, I am requesting you to contact me to discuss possible dates for commencing contract negotiations.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James Sponagle".

James Sponagle
Business Manager/Financial Secretary
IBEW, Local 1928

Cc: Frances Scott

June Harding

From: NSFM Communications <communications@nsfm.ca>
Sent: Wednesday, August 21, 2024 8:00 AM
Subject: NSFM 2024 November Conference Accommodations Information

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Flagged

Notice to Members RE: Conference Hotel Rooms 2024



The NSFM Conference will be held from November 26th – 29th at the Westin Hotel in Halifax.

Book your accommodations now!

Host Conference Hotel – [The Westin Nova Scotian Hotel](#)

The block of rooms is now available for booking at the Westin. Our accommodations are in high demand and the room block will fill quickly. The Westin will hold the block until November 1st, 2024.

Room rates range from \$174 - \$184 ++ per night.

Please use [THIS BOOKING LINK](#) to book your room.

If you prefer to call: 1-866-761-3513 – please indicate that you are attending the Nova Scotia Federation of Municipalities Conference to receive our conference rate.

Optional Hotels

[Cambridge Suites Halifax](#)

Single \$129 ++ | Double \$139 ++ (Government Rate)

Call 1-800-565-1263 and ask for the government rate - be sure to have your municipal government ID available when checking in. There is no block of rooms at the Cambridge, but they have agreed to give NSFM members the government rate.

[Prince George Hotel](#)

Single: \$179 ++ | Double: \$189 ++ (Government Rate)

Call 1-800-565-1567 and ask for the government rate - be sure to have your municipal government ID available when checking in. There is no block of rooms at the Prince George, but they have agreed to give NSFM members the government rate.

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Once these hotels are full there are several other options available in Halifax. [Click here](#) for an easy reference link. NSFM does not have room blocks at these hotels.

The event will begin with a meet and greet reception on the evening of November 26th. The official conference program will begin on Wednesday, November 27th at 8:15 a.m. and conclude at 11:30 a.m. on Friday, November 29th.

Watch for more information and registration coming out early in September!

NSFM 2024 Conference Presenting Sponsor



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Councillor Eshelby Meetings for July and August 2024

July 1st Canada Day

July 8th Roseway Charitable Foundation Bylaws - Shelburne

July 8th Town Council

July 10th Council Discussion

July 10th Future Proofing Lockeport

July 15th Recreation

July 16th Museum Webinar

July 17th Senior Social

July 22nd Town Council

July 22nd July 1st

July 23rd Crescent Beach Centre presentation

July 24th Seniors Champions meeting

August 12th Museum Governance workshop

August 13th Museum Webinar

August 19th Housing workshop

August 19 Pemsik Indigenous event

August 20th Mi'kmaq relationship building Coaching, Museum TRACK program

August 21st Roseway Manor document signing - Shelburne

August 21st Senior Champion meeting

August 22nd Meeting with Melissa Labrador, Indigenous/Pemsik

JULY AUGUST 2024 REPORTS FOR COUNCILLOR BALISH

JULY 2024

08 COUNCIL

10 DISCUSSIONS

18 EASTERN SHELburne COUNTY RCMP

22 COUNCIL

AUGUST 2024

NONE

COUNCILLOR MEAGHER MEETING REPORT FOR JULY 2024

July 8 Council Meeting

July 10 Council Discussion

July 10 Future Proofing Lockeport

July 15 Recreation Meeting

July 16 Make Your Move Meeting

July 22 Council Meeting

Shelburne County Mental Health and Wellness Association
Minutes Tuesday May 21, 2024

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson, Kevin Grant in Meeting Room B of the Shelburne Community Center.

Present: Kevin Grant, Chairperson; Marilyn Johnston, Secretary; Tamara McIntyre, Co-Warm Line Coordinator; Penny Smith, Treasurer and Warden Mun of Shelburne (by phone);

Regrets: Loretta Nickerson, Executive Director SASI; Mary Meagher, Councilor Town of Lockeport; Kelly Goudie, Health Promotion Specialist, Mental Health and Addictions; Peggy O'Malley; Cheryl Baker, Director at Large Western Shelburne County

2. Minutes of April 16, 2024

The Minutes of April 16, 2024 were emailed out to members.

3. Who does What in Mental Health in Shelburne County

Nothing new to add. The most up to date version is on our website.

4. Treasurer and Vice-Chairperson Positions

We need a treasurer, a vice-chairperson, and a Director at Large in Eastern Shelburne County. No volunteers at this time.

5. Grants and Funding

- Age Friendly Grant – A grant of \$21,270 was approved and received to operate the Warm Line from February 1 until the September 30.

- Community Health Board Wellness Funds – Kevin has applied for funding for the Seniors Connect NS pilot project in Shelburne, Queens, Lunenburg Counties and HRM. The funding if approved will be used for outreach mailouts, Honorariums for program providers, and promotional material.

6. NS Warm Line Tamara's Report

There were 232 conversation in April with 2 of them being texts. There were 40 unique callers with one that came in as a crisis call. Tamara is checking on this one. We usually get 34-36.

Tamara had a response from Friendly Voice (a call in program for Seniors). They have a new coordinator and would like to talk with Tamara perhaps next week.

The Warm Line has been very busy. We had 2 referrals from 211. Shelly Kingston (LINCS) contacted Tamara. She was excited about what we do and will tell others. Tamara has referred a few of our clients to Seniors Connect. She is waiting to hear how it turned out from Rebecca McCarthy, the Coordinator.

The issues Linda was having with dropped calls has been resolved. She is now using her own laptop instead of ours. Our laptops have outlived their use time.

We need to figure out a date to inform 211 of our shutdown. Maybe in July as we will not be taking calls starting in October. That gives 211 two months to adjust. We will still be operating the call out to Seniors program. We have 35-37 senior clients.

Options regarding the laptop Tamara uses were discussed. It was agreed to purchase a replacement for \$500 or less. Tamara to follow up, pay for it, and submit the bill to Penny to be reimbursed.

Tamara will be on vacation June 3-7 and July 29- Aug. 2: Approved. Linda will fill in for her. When Linda takes vacation Tamara will fill in for her.

We have lost one of our volunteers; Peggy has completed her time on the warm Line and intends to join the Board again; and things are working out well with Linda.

Seniors Connect NS Pilot Project - The soft launch for the Seniors Connect program is underway. It started last week and will go on until the end of May. The full launch starts the first of June. Kelly said in her email today that she is excited to see where the Seniors Connect program goes. Kevin and Tamara represent our Association on the Seniors Connect NS Working Group.

Tamara will inform the warm line volunteers about the Seniors Connect NS Program after the website goes live. The website address is www.seniorsconnectns.ca
The future of the seniors call out program is still up in the air. We will start to transition seniors to other services at the end of September if we haven't found another group to take it on.

7. Queens County Seniors Expo June 6

Kevin and Rebecca, Seniors Connect Coordinator will attend as the Seniors Connect N.S. program. The website

8. Red Cross Courses – Self Care and Caring for Others

They are making 2 of their courses available to us. It was agreed that 10 volunteers and 10 members of the public for a total of 20 might access the online courses. Both would be excellent courses to have for a resume and/or personal information.

9. NS Mental Health Knowledge Collaborative

Nothing new to report right now.

10. TriCounty Aging Well Together Coalition

This group will probably meet again in the fall.

11. NSH/Community Stakeholder

A hybrid in person/online meeting is scheduled for June 3. The in person meeting alternates between the Roseway Hospital and Municipality of Shelburne offices.

12. Next Meeting, July 16., 2024

It was decided that we no longer need to meet every month. We will meet every second month in person: July, September, November and then in December and finally in January of 2025 until complete dissolution of our Association. All meetings will be held in Meeting Room B of the Shelburne Community Center.

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, July 16 at 10:30am in Shelburne in Meeting Room B of the Shelburne Community Center. Marilyn to book it.

12. Adjournment

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

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Shelburne County Mental Health and Wellness Association
Minutes Tuesday July 16, 2024

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson, Kevin Grant in Meeting Room A of the Shelburne Community Center.

Present: Kevin Grant, Chairperson; Marilyn Johnston, Secretary; Penny Smith, Treasurer and Warden Mun of Shelburne; Kelly Goudie, Health Promotion Specialist, Mental Health and Addictions;

Regrets: Loretta Nickerson, Executive Director SASI; Mary Meagher, Councilor Town of Lockeport; Tamara McIntyre, Co-Warm Line Coordinator.

2. Minutes of May 21, 2024

The Minutes of May 21, 2024 were emailed out to members.

3. Who Does What in Mental Health in Shelburne County

The most up to date listing is on our website.

5. Grants and Funding

- Age Friendly Grant – A grant of \$21,270 was approved and received to operate the Warm Line from February 1 until the September 30.
- Community Health Board Wellness Funds approval results- Shelburne County (approved \$2,111.41), Queens County (no approval) , Lunenburg County (\$3,500) for the Seniors Connect NS pilot project. The funding will be used for outreach mailouts, Honorariums for program providers, and promotional material. We also have an additional \$10,000 made up of 2 grants previously received, one for \$6,000 (Community Links) and the other for \$4,000 (Good Companions for the work of the Pilot project Seniors Connect NS formerly known as Seniors Center Without Walls) .
Our bank balance to June 30, 2024 is \$22,951.04

We can pay Izzy (after the end of Sept.) and for our website (after Sept. 21) on a monthly basis. We should have several thousand dollars remaining in our bank account when we dissolve in January 2025. We will need to give the funds to another nonprofit organization or qualified donee and receive a receipt for the funds to prove to Joint Stocks that we have done it.

6. Mental Health Expo in Yarmouth in Oct.

A new organization has been formed to organize the Mental Health Expo that had been done by "Because We Care". It will be held in Yarmouth at the Rodd Grand in October. It was suggested that we should have a Mental Health Expo in Shelburne County. Kelly and Penny said they would help with it. It could be held in late January/February 2025 or during Mental Health Awareness Week in May 2025. It was noted that our organization is dissolving the end of January 2025. Perhaps a Mental Health Expo Working Group could take it on.

7. Warm Line Report

Tamara will send Marilyn a Report that will be added to the Minutes.

We purchased a new Chromebook for Tamara.

Kevin noted that Tamara will be meeting with "Friendly Voice" soon to discuss if they might be interested in taking on our clients.

Our website has been updated noting that the Association will be dissolving in early 2025 and that warm line users should seek alternative sources of support asap. We will start transitioning seniors to some other service, unknown at present, if we have not found another group to take them on.

Kevin updated our listing with 211 and will do it again the end of September to remove the Warm Line listing with 211.

Warm Line Coordinator Report (received by email July 18/24)

I've just finished a great meeting with A Friendly Voice. They are open and excited to work with us to transition our seniors' call out program to them. They feel they have enough volunteers and support to take on our program as a call out program through them, broadening their offerings beyond a seniors' call in peer support program. We discussed the

training their volunteers go through, and it suits our program - covering all the same important areas of boundaries, peer support, compassion vs sympathy, resource supplying, and "not trying to fix things".

A few things we agreed on ...

- the transition should be gradual, not working on a hard date to make the shift. We discussed September as the start date, transitioning the clients over the course of a few months.
- at the same time, start introducing our referral partners (Seniors' Connect NS, Seniors' Safety, etc) to A Friendly Voice and developing a referral process that works for them
- create an IZZY account for Kelly, their coordinator, so she can experience IZZY, make a few calls to our seniors to see how our calls go compared to their cold call-ins. They were very interested in IZZY and how it works!
- during the client transfer period, Warm Line staff will start to say that we are calling on behalf of the Warm Line and A Friendly Voice, in order to make the transfer smoother.
- meet again towards the end of August to work on next steps and what going forward will really look like - Kevin to be invited to this one!
- once we start transferring clients, add A Friendly Voice partnership to the website until the transfer is complete and we shut down.
- invite our volunteers to volunteer with A Friendly Voice when the time comes.

Warm Line

Our calls over the past couple of months were slightly higher, and we've taken on 5 new call out clients. We were able to do this as the board agreed to pay our remaining two volunteers a maximum of 4 hours/week each to spread their work over multiple shifts

This means that neither Linda nor I work alone on any given shift (except where life happens) and therefore are able to get through most, if not all, of the outgoing seniors calls while still fielding calls from our self-care clients.

We have received no incoming cold calls over the past 4 weeks related to peer support. This is most likely due to the phone number being removed from the web site. The next step will be to update our listing on 211 to be Seniors' Call Outs only.

A new chrome book was purchased (and reimbursed) for me and is working well. No technical issues with IZZY yet! I did confirm with Eric that IZZY worked on chrome books before ordering. Linda has not reported any new problems. Would the board consider selling it to me once we shut down? I do have the 3 previous laptops under my couch and will eventually reformat them to remove any WL info. It was previously suggested I then take them for electronics recycling. Please let me know if this is still the preferred plan.

8. Seniors Connect NS Pilot Project

The website for Seniors Connect NS is <http://www.seniorsconnectns.ca/>

Kevin and Kelly attended the Queens County Seniors Expo on June 6 representing the Seniors Connect N.S. program. Kevin felt that attendance was not as high as last year but it was still a great opportunity to network in Queens County. Good Companions had to switch their telecommunications provider from Mercury to Dialpad. Mercury just suddenly stopped working. We have not had any communication with them since. Dialpad is working out well. It is toll free to Seniors and it is only \$50 per month.

The Working Group has decided to extend the timeline of the pilot project to at least the end of May. The Coordinator's one year contract goes to the end of March anyway. Community Links budgeted a large amount for telecommunications but in fact the amount needed is low so that opened up the ability to extend several months. Kevin has told them that our Association's involvement will end the end of January 2025, however both Kevin and Tamara are willing to stay on volunteering with the Working Group. Spencer house and Community Links want to stick with Seniors Connect NS.

Spencer House is open to seeking funding to keep the project going past the pilot phase with the cooperation of the Working Group. The hope remains to gradually expand all across Nova Scotia.

9. NS Mental Health Knowledge Collaborative

Nothing new to report right now.

10. TriCounty Aging Well Together Coalition

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11. NSH/Community Stakeholder

A hybrid in person/online meeting probably in September. The in person meeting alternates between the Roseway Hospital and Municipality of Shelburne offices.

12. Next Meeting Dates

September 17 - AGM and a regular meeting

November 19 – regular meeting

January 21 – the meeting to pass the resolution to dissolve. Go to <https://beta.novascotia.ca/wind-and-dissolve-society> for details on what we need to do to dissolve. A financial statement will be required for the meeting and a decision to pass on our remaining funds will be made.

All meetings will be held in Meeting Room A of the Shelburne Community Center. Marilyn will book the room for the meetings.

13. Adjournment

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.



NEW FEES

Effective August 27, 2024

Regional Materials and Recovery Facility

4571 Highway 3 West Green Harbour, NS

Material	Resident User	Commercial user	Non-Resident
Clean Wood	\$80/MT	\$90/MT	\$100/MT
Treated Wood	\$100/MT	\$130/MT	\$140/MT
Mixed C&D (Landfill items)	\$80/MT	\$90/MT	\$100/MT
Shingles	\$80/MT	\$90/MT	\$100/MT
Drywall	\$80/MT	\$90/MT	\$100/MT
Brush-Leaf and Yard Waste	\$40/MT	\$60/MT	\$70/MT
Scrap Metal	Flat rate (\$5.00)	Flat rate (\$5.00)	Flat rate (\$5.00)
Wire Lobster Traps	Flat rate (\$5.00)	Flat rate (\$5.00)	Flat rate (\$5.00)
Rope	Flat rate (\$5.00)	Flat rate (\$5.00)	Flat rate (\$5.00)

Commercial User Definition:

Refers to any business, organization, or entity that utilizes the site for the disposal of waste generated through commercial, industrial, or institutional activities. These users typically generate waste as part of their operations and/or generate a profit from the creation or disposal of waste.

Non-Resident Definition:

Refers to any non-commercial user who is not the registered owner or registered tenant of a property within the boundaries of Shelburne Shared Services (Municipality of Shelburne, Town of Lockeport or Town of Shelburne). Staff may ask for identification to confirm your address.



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LOCKEPORT TOWN OFFICE
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July 26, 2024

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Thank you for partnering with the Community Volunteer Income Tax Program (CVITP) or the Income Tax Assistance – Volunteer Program (ITAVP) in Quebec for the 2024 tax-filing season.

Whether you have been part of the CVITP/ITAVP for many years or you are new to hosting free tax clinics, your contribution has made a significant difference in the lives of many Canadians.

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Your desire to support those in need serves as a model of inspiration to others and a testament to the strength of our communities across Canada.

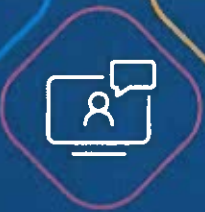
In recognition of your great work, please accept the enclosed Certificate of Appreciation signed by the Honourable Marie-Claude Bibeau, Minister of National Revenue.

We hope you will continue to participate in the CVITP/ITAVP for years to come.

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To All Nova Scotia Elected Officials and Chief Administrative Officers/Village Clerks:

I am writing to inform you of an update on the municipal and village codes of conduct. In January 2022, the Code of Conduct Working Group was established to develop a set of recommendations on the code of conduct framework, which included content to include in the code, sanctions that may be imposed if a breach occurred, and options for an investigator model. This collaborative working group included representatives from the Nova Scotia Federation of Municipalities (NSFM), the Association of Municipal Administrators of Nova Scotia (AMANS), the Association of Nova Scotia Villages (ANSV), and the Department of Municipal Affairs and Housing (DMAH).

Following significant consultation with municipalities in September 2022, March 2023, and September 2023 on the code of conduct framework, the Code of Conduct Working Group developed 25 recommendations for me to consider as Minister. I am pleased to advise, after careful consideration, I am accepting all 25 recommendations presented by the Code of Conduct Working Group. The recommendations, along with the anticipated framework are appended to this letter for your reference.

The code of conduct framework will be coming into effect following the October municipal election. The legislative provisions require municipalities and villages to adopt a code of conduct consisting of the model code of conduct as outlined in the regulations. As Minister, I will prescribe that all municipalities and villages must adopt the model code of conduct within 60 days following the October election and provide confirmation of their notice of adoption. Should a municipality or village fail to meet the above requirements, municipal funding will be withheld pursuant to the *Municipal Grants Act*. As one of the first items to discuss on your agendas, I trust this will bring an unequivocal understanding of the conduct to uphold as an elected official in Nova Scotia.

I understand and recognize that code of conduct training is an important component to make the framework successful. The NSFM will be the lead organization on the development of a robust code of conduct training module, and it is expected this module will be available in early 2025. To bridge the gap between when the regulations will be in place to when the robust training module will be ready in early 2025, the Department will provide municipalities and villages resources that can be shared with councils and commissions.

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As we move toward a new standard for elected officials following the election, I would encourage you to share the documents appended in this letter with all candidates running in the upcoming municipal election. Candidates should be notified about the new expectations surrounding the code of conduct.

In closing, I would like to thank the Code of Conduct Working Group members for their hard work and dedication to this initiative over the past two years. This initiative is a wonderful example of collaboration between the Department and our municipal partners.

Sincerely,



Honourable John A. Lohr
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

Attached

- c: Code of Conduct Working Group
- Mayor Carolyn Bolivar-Getson, NSFM
- Juanita Spencer, CEO NSFM
- Kim Ramsay, President AMANS
- David Campbell, Executive Director AMANS

Proposed Recommendations from Code of Conduct Working Group

The Code of Conduct Working Group (COCWG) has developed their proposed recommendations for the code of conduct regulations for the Department of Municipal Affairs and Housing (DMAH) to review. The 25 recommendations below reflect the consensus opinion from the COCWG.

Application:

- There should be one code for all municipalities and villages.
- The code of conduct should operate together and as a supplement to other applicable laws, including the bylaws and policies with the municipality or village.
- The code of conduct should apply to elected officials at all times with respect to their behaviour regarding any action that negatively impacts the municipality or tarnishes its reputation.
- Nothing in the code of conduct is intended to silence elected officials from sharing or expressing dissenting opinions.
- The code of conduct should apply from the time elected officials are declared elected until their resignation, their disqualification, or their successor being sworn into office.

Content to include:

- The code will include 45 provisions under various headings (e.g. general conduct, confidential information, etc.) See Appendix A for detailed provisions.
- 13 possible sanctions that can be imposed on a member for breaching the code of conduct. See Appendix B for the sanctions.
- 7 considerations elected officials shall evaluate before they can impose a sanction. See Appendix B for detailed considerations.
- Failure to comply with a sanction imposed is considered a breach of the code itself and will go to council with the investigator's recommendation only.

Complaint and investigator process:

- Municipalities and villages will appoint an investigator and have their contact information readily available on their website. See Appendix C for detailed complaint and investigator process.
- Investigators should have experience in conducting investigations, and experience applying the principles of natural justice and procedural fairness.
- No conflict of interest can exist between the investigator and the parties involved.
- A complaint can be submitted no later than 6 months from discoverability.
- The CAO/Clerk shall be notified by the investigator that a complaint has been received and Council/Commission shall be notified if a complaint makes it to the investigation stage.

- The investigators report shall be brought to council/commission no later than 6 months from the time the complaint is received by the investigator. Extensions may be granted by council/commission for extenuating circumstances.
- Any complaints brought forward during the municipal election period between nomination day and ordinary polling day will not be investigated until the election has concluded.
- A member who has a complaint lodged against them will be able to review and respond to the information in the investigators report prior to council's vote.
- A member who has had a complaint lodged against them, or who has made the complaint, may not participate in the vote on whether there was a breach, and if applicable, may not participate in the decision regarding what sanction to impose.
- The Code of Conduct will state that a decision of a Council on a code of conduct matter is final and binding on all parties.
- At the conclusion of the investigation, require public disclosure of the section a complaint was lodged under, and the investigator's recommendation.

Training:

- Elected officials should be required to complete the training within 30 days of being sworn into office and failure to do so is considered a breach of the code itself and may go to council without an investigation.
- Any breach of the code determined by council shall result in additional code of conduct training for the person who committed the breach.
- Training to be developed and delivered in an online module format with quizzes and a minimum pass rate to ensure a minimum level of understanding.

Review:

- A review on the code of conduct shall begin 3 years post implementation to consider the effectiveness for municipal elected officials.
- Review the Municipal Elections Act (MEA) to see if there is potential to reduce the gap between the sanctions in the code of conduct and the Municipal Elections Act.

Appendix A: Recommended Prescribed Code of Conduct

The recommended prescribed code of conduct would be applicable to all municipalities and villages with separate codes being developed to reflect the difference in terminology (e.g. village versus municipality, Chief Administrative Officer versus Clerk).

Code of Conduct shall apply to elected officials from the time that they are declared elected until:

- a) their resignation;
- b) their disqualification while in office; or
- c) their successor is sworn into office, or, if there is no successor, until the meeting at which the successor would have been sworn into office if there was a successor

The guiding principles to be included are:

- a. Collegiality – members of council will work together to further the best interests of the municipality in an honest and honourable way.
- b. Respect – members of council will demonstrate respect towards one another, the democratic decision-making process, and the role of staff.
- c. Integrity – members of council are expected to act lawfully and adhere to strong ethical principles by giving the municipality or village interests priority over private individual interests.
- d. Professionalism – members of council will create and maintain an environment that is respectful and free from all forms of harassment, including sexual harassment and discrimination. They must show consideration for every person's values, beliefs and contributions, and supporting and encouraging others to participate in council activities.
- e. Transparency – members of council will be truthful and open regarding their decisions and actions and make every effort to accurately communicate information openly to the public.
- f. Responsibility – members of council are responsible for the decisions that they make and must be held accountable for their actions and outcomes. They must demonstrate awareness of their own conduct and consider how their words or actions may be perceived as offensive or demeaning.

General Conduct

- Members of Council must be truthful and forthright, and not deceive or knowingly mislead Council, the CAO, or the public.

- Members of Council will respect the presiding officers, colleagues, staff and members of the public that present during the council meeting or other proceedings/meetings of the municipality.
- Members of Council will adhere to procedure and direction of presiding officers in respect to rules of procedure.
- Members of Council must conduct Council business and all of the member's duties in an open and transparent manner, other than for those matters which Council is authorized by law to deal with in private.
- Members of Council must ensure that they are not impaired by alcohol or drugs while attending any meeting of the municipality.

Confidential Information

- No Member of Council will disclose or release by any means to any member of the public, any confidential information acquired by virtue of their office, in either oral or written form, except where required by policy or law or authorized by the Council to do so.
- No Member of Council will use confidential information for personal or private gain or for the gain of any other person or entity.
- Members of Council should not access or attempt to access confidential information in the custody of the municipality unless the information is necessary for the performance of their duties and its access is not prohibited by legislation or by the by-laws or policies of the Municipality.
- Members of council must not discuss any matters relating to an active investigation under this Code of Conduct with anyone other than the investigator or their own legal representative, unless required by law.

Gifts and Benefits

- No Member of Council shall accept a fee, advance, cash, gift, gift certificate or personal benefit that is connected directly or indirectly with the performance of their duties of office, except for the following:
 - i. gifts or benefits that normally accompany the responsibilities of office and are received as an incident of protocol or social obligation;
 - ii. a suitable memento of a function honouring the member of Council;
 - iii. sponsorships and donations for community events organized or run by a member of Council or by a third party on behalf of a member of Council;
 - iv. compensation authorized by the municipality.

- A fee or advance paid, or a gift or benefit provided, with the Member's knowledge, to a person closely connected to a member is deemed to be a gift to the Member of Council.

Use of Municipal Property, Equipment and Services

- No Member of Council shall use, or request the use of, any municipal property, including surplus material or equipment for personal convenience or profit, unless the property is:
 - i. available for such use by the public generally and the member of Council is receiving no special preference in its use; or,
 - ii. made available to the member of Council in the course of carrying out council activities and duties.
- No Member of Council shall use, or request the use of, for personal purpose any municipal property, equipment, services, supplies or other municipally-owned materials, other than for purposes connected with the discharge of municipal duties.
- No Member of Council shall obtain, or attempt to obtain, personal financial gain from the use or sale of municipally-developed intellectual property.
- No Member of Council shall use information, or attempt to use information, gained in the execution of their duties that is not available to the general public for any purposes other than carrying out their official duties.
- No Member of Council, or person closely connected to a member, shall tender on such items such as the sale of older and extra equipment.

Building, Development, Planning, or Procurement Proposals before Council

- No Members of Council shall solicit or accept support in any form from an individual, group or corporation, with any building, development, planning, or procurement proposal before Council.

Improper Use of Influence

- No Member of Council shall use the influence of their office for any purpose other than for the exercise of their official duties.

Business Relations

- No Member of Council shall allow the prospect of their future employment by a person or entity to affect the performance of their duties to the municipality.
- No Member of Council shall borrow money from any person who regularly does business with the municipality, unless such person is an institution or company

whose shares are publicly traded and who is regularly in the business of lending money.

- No Member of Council shall act as an agent of a person or entity before Council or a committee of Council or any agency, board or committee of the municipality.

Employment of Persons Closely Connected to Members of Council

- No Member of Council shall attempt to influence any municipal employee to hire or promote a person closely connected to the member.
- No Member of Council shall make any decision or participate in the process to hire, transfer, promote, demote, discipline or terminate any person closely connected to the member.

Fairness

- No Member of Council shall give special consideration, treatment or advantage to any individual or entity beyond that which is accorded to all.
- No Member of Council shall give special consideration, treatment or advantage to an organization or group due to the member or person closely connected to the member being involved with or a member of the organization or group.

Adherence to Policies, Procedures, Bylaws and Other Laws

- Members of Council will adhere to the Code of Conduct.
- Members of Council will adhere to the applicable national and provincial legislation.
- Members of Council will adhere to the procedures, policies and bylaws of the municipality.
- Members of Council will adhere to the expense and hospitality policy of the municipality.

Respect for Council as a decision-making body

- A Member of Council must abide by and act in accordance with any decision made by Council, whether or not the member voted in favour of the decision.
- Members of Council must not encourage non-compliance with a statute, regulation, bylaw, policy or procedure.

Communicating on behalf of Council

- A Member, other than the Mayor/Warden, must not claim to speak on behalf of Council unless the member has been authorized to do so.
- The Mayor/Warden/designated individual may speak on behalf of Council and must make every effort to convey the intent of Councils' decision accurately.

Interactions of Council with Staff and Service Providers

- Members of Council must respect the role of the CAO as head of the administrative branch of government of the municipality and must not involve themselves directly in the administration of the affairs of the municipality, including, without limitation, the administration of contracts.
- No Member of Council shall direct, or attempt to direct, the CAO, other than through a direction provided by the Council as a whole.
- Members of Council shall be respectful of the role of CAO and municipal employees to advise based on political neutrality and objectivity and without undue influence from any individual member or faction of the Council.
- Members of Council must not direct or influence, or attempt to direct or influence any municipal employees in the exercise of their duties or functions.
- Council cannot direct municipal employees except through the CAO.
- Members of Council are not to issue instructions to any of the contractors, tenderers, consultants or other service providers to the municipality.
- No Member of Council shall require or request that a municipal employee undertake personal chores or tasks for the Council member unrelated to municipal business.
- Members of council shall refrain from making public statements that are critical of specific and/or identifiable municipal employees and/or service providers.

Respectful Interactions

- A Member of Council must not engage in discrimination or harassment on the grounds articulated in the Human Rights Act of Nova Scotia.
- A Member of Council must not sexually harass any person.
- A Member of Council must not engage in any discriminatory or harassing action or conduct, verbal or non-verbal, directed at one or more individuals or groups that creates a poisoned environment.

Reprisal

- A Member must not undertake any act of reprisal or threaten reprisal against a complainant in a matter under this Code of Conduct or any person providing relevant information in relation to a matter under this Code of Conduct.

Appendix B: Recommended Sanctions Framework and Possible Sanctions to be imposed

Sanctions Framework:

A Council or Commission shall consider all of the following criteria prior to imposing a sanction or sanctions:

1. The nature of the code contravention;
2. The length or persistence of the code contravention;
3. If the member intentionally contravened the code of conduct;
4. Has the member taken any steps to remedy the contravention;
5. If the member previously contravened the code of conduct;
6. Any external factors that exist to the member's contravention (e.g. family situation, mental health); and
7. The resources the member will need to complete their job.

Sanctions:

1. Member will receive a letter of formal reprimand or warning, as directed by council.
2. Member will issue a letter to include acknowledgement of breach of code and an apology within 15 days.
3. Require the member to attend training, appropriate to the incident, as directed by council.
4. Censure the member publicly.
5. Limit the member's access to certain local government facilities, equipment and/or property.
6. Suspending or removing the member as deputy head of council and/or the chair of a committee, if applicable.
7. Suspending or removing the member for no longer than 6 months from some or all committees and/or boards.
8. Impose a limit on the member's participation on behalf of the municipality.
9. Impose a limit on the member's travel and/or expense reimbursement on behalf of the municipality.
10. Impose a fine on the member for up to \$1,000 per occurrence, which is to be paid no later than 6 months from the decision of council and to be collected in the same manner as other taxes.
11. Impose an appropriate reduction in remuneration to the member for no longer than 6 months.
12. Make member repay any direct monetary loss realized by the municipality as a result of the member's action in any amounts determined by the investigator.
13. Make member repay any direct monetary gain they obtained from their actions in any amounts determined by the investigator.

Appendix C: Recommended Complaint and Investigator Process

1. Municipality or village will appoint a person or entity other than a Council Member or an employee of the municipality to receive and investigate complaints.
 - a. The person or entity appointed must have experience in conducting investigations and in applying the principles of natural justice and procedural fairness. No conflict of interest can exist between the investigator and the parties involved.
 - b. Municipalities must include the investigator's contact information on their publicly accessible website.
2. A complaint must be submitted to the investigator no later than 6 months from discoverability.
 - a. Any complaints brought forward during the municipal election period of nomination day until ordinary polling day will not be investigated until the election has concluded.
3. When a complaint is received by the investigator, the investigator shall notify the CAO/clerk of the fact that a complaint has been received.
4. Investigator will determine if there is validity to the complaint. If no validity, then complaint can be dismissed.
5. If the investigator finds that the complaint is valid, the investigator shall notify the member who is the subject of the complaint that a complaint has been made about them, and it is proceeding to an investigation.
6. The investigator will begin their investigation and notify Council/the Commission through a confidential email or in camera of the fact that a complaint is proceeding to the investigation phase.
7. The investigator shall protect the confidentiality of the complainant, the subject(s) of the complaint, and all persons involved in the investigation, to the greatest extent possible, while still applying the principles of natural justice and ensuring procedural fairness.
8. The investigator shall present a report to Council, no later than 6 months from the time the complaint is brought forward, on the investigation and include a

recommendation regarding the validity of the complaint and, if applicable, a recommendation regarding an appropriate sanction.

- a. If complaint is brought forward during the municipal election period of nomination day until ordinary polling day it will not be investigated until the election has concluded. Investigations already in progress at the time of nomination day will continue;
 - b. Council may grant the investigator an extension on when the report can be brought to council for extenuating circumstances, including a delay during a municipal election period;
 - c. Council is able to discuss the investigators report in camera; and
 - d. The member who had the complaint lodged against them will have the opportunity to review and respond to the information in the investigator's report, and make submissions to Council, prior to the Council's vote.
9. Council determines if a breach occurred and determines the sanction(s) to impose. If a councillor is the subject of the complaint or has made the complaint under the Code the councillor shall:
- a. In the case of a closed meeting, leave the room in which the meeting is held
 - b. In the case of a public meeting, either leave the room or remain in the room in the part of the room for general public; and
 - c. Refrain from voting on any question relating to the matter
10. Any breach of the code determined by councils shall automatically retrigger the required Code of Conduct training.
11. The section under the Code of Conduct the complaint was lodged and the investigators recommendations are made public.
12. The decision or penalty of Council/Commission on a Code of Conduct matter is final and binding on all parties.

June Harding

From: AMANS List Serve <amans@lists.gov.ns.ca>
Sent: Wednesday, August 21, 2024 5:47 PM
To: AMA Maritime List Serve
Subject: Canada Housing Infrastructure Fund

Hi Everyone,

I am happy to provide the following information shared by the federal government regarding a new Infrastructure Program called the **Canada Housing Infrastructure Fund (CHIF)**.

Description: To accelerate the construction and upgrading of housing-enabling infrastructure, including water, wastewater, stormwater, and solid waste infrastructure to support the construction of more homes and help improve densification.

Funding: \$1B (over 8 years, starting in 2024-25) will be available through an intake administered by Housing, Infrastructure and Communities Canada (HICC) and aims to support priority infrastructure needs to enable more housing and affordability; and \$5 billion (over 10 years, starting in 2024-25) will be provided through agreements with provinces and territories to support long-term priorities. Provinces and territories will be required to dedicate 20% of this funding to projects in rural, northern and Indigenous communities.

Eligible Recipients: Provinces and territories (Provincial/territorial agreement stream only), municipal or regional governments, public sector bodies, not-for-profit organizations, a private sector, for-profit body (if they are working in collaboration with an eligible public sector entity), and Indigenous proponents.

Conditions: Provinces, territories and municipalities must commit to key actions that increase housing supply. Municipalities in provinces will be required to have adopted some actions prior to applying under either CHIF stream. These conditions do not apply to municipalities in territories.

- Require municipalities to broadly adopt four units as-of-right and allow more “missing middle” homes, including duplexes, triplexes, townhouses, and other multi-unit apartments.
- Implement a three-year freeze on increasing development charges from April 2, 2024, levels for municipalities with a population greater than 300,000.

Provinces and territories will be asked to work with HICC and their respective municipalities to endorse and implement a series of forthcoming housing enabling measures.

- Adopt forthcoming changes to the National Building Code to support more accessible, affordable, and climate-friendly housing options.
- Require as-of-right construction for the government’s upcoming Housing Design Catalogue.
- Implement measures from the Home Buyers’ Bill of Rights and Renters’ Bill of Rights.

To Apply: \$1B Direct application stream – **Anticipated fall 2024 launch** of the direct application stream via the HICC funding portal.

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\$5B PT agreement stream – Provinces and territories may submit prioritized projects once bilateral agreements are signed (by January 1, 2025, for provinces and by April 1, 2025, for territories).

While we do not have any further information to share at this time, we will be sure to do so once we have more.

Regards,

Hardy Stuckless (he/him)

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