

The regular scheduled meeting of Trenton Town Council was held in the Council Chamber on Tuesday, April 08, 2025, beginning at 6:00 PM.

Present:	Mayor Alec Dove	Also in Attendance: Allison
	Deputy Mayor Scott Cameron	Ellsworth-Cameron,
	Councilor Donald Cullen	Shannon MacInnis & Darryl
	Councilor Nicole LeBlanc	Marcott
	Councilor Stephanie MacKinnon	
	Alanna Grover, CAO	
	Marilou Sutherland, Deputy Clerk	

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Alec Dove.

Land Acknowledgement – Mayor Alec Dove

At the Town of Trenton, we acknowledge that we are in Mi'kma'ki, the ancestral and unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq people. This land is governed by the treaties of Peace and friendship, first signed by the Mi'kmaq. We reside by Pictou Landing First Nation, which is governed by a Chief and Five Council.

Approval of Agenda

Moved by Councilor Cameron
Seconded by Councilor LeBlanc
To approve the Agenda as presented
Motion carried.

Presentation: Craig Murray and Emily Morton – Active living Plan

Emily Morton gave an overview of the Active Living Plan for Trenton. She emphasized the importance of engagement and movement.

Approval of Minutes

Regular Council Minutes – March 11, 2025
The minutes are approved as presented.

Reports

- Public Works Report
- Water Report
- Fire Report
- Parks and Recreation Report
- Police Report
- Animal Control Report

The reports are approved as submitted by Department Managers

Council Committee Reports

Police Commission Package Report – February 2025

Pictou County Shared Service Authority Minutes, Minutes from January 20, 2025 and Agenda for March 31, 2025.

The reports are accepted for information only.

Correspondence

NSFM Survey on Municipal Policing Review

Code of Conduct Letter, Honourable John Lohr

Healthy Pictou County – March 2025

Premier Tim Houston – Statement on U.S. Tariff’s Announcement

The correspondence is accepted for information only.

Recommendation from Committee of the Whole

Trenton Accessibility Plan 2025-27

Moved by Councilor LeBlanc

Seconded by Councilor MacKinnon

To accept the Trenton Accessibility Plan 2025-27 as presented.

Motion carried.

Regional Equity and Anti-Racism Plan 2025

Moved by Councilor LeBlanc

Seconded by Councilor MacKinnon

To accept the Regional Equity and Anti-Racism Plan 2025

Motion carried.

New Business

Provincial Capital Assistance Program Resolution – Sanitary Sewer Line

Replacement Oak Street

Moved by Councilor LeBlanc

Seconded by Councilor Cullen

To support the submission of the project of the Sanitary Sewer Line Replacement on Oak Street through the Provincial Capital Assistance Program estimated value of \$1.2 million plus HST.

Motion carried.

2025-26 Patching Tender Recommendation

Moved by Councilor Cullen

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Cameron

To ensure timely completion of 2025-26 Street Patching, Council approve staff move forward with tendering of street patching at an estimated cost of \$110,000 plus HST.

Motion carried.

2025-26 Street Paving Recommendation

Moved by Councilor LeBlanc

Seconded by Councilor MacKinnon

To ensure timely completion of 2025-26 Street Repaving, Council approve the recommended list of street mill and repaving list as prepared by the Town Engineer and direct staff to move forward with tendering of Street Repaving, at an estimated cost of \$196,508 plus HST.

Motion carried.

Street Priority Score as recommended by Superintendent of Public Works and Town Engineer the streets to be paved this year are; Park Street from Bernard's Land - Strickland Avenue, Scotia Street from Park Street- Main Street, Crook Street from Duke Street-Twelfth Street, Charles Street from Caroline Street-Rose Avenue.

Strickland Avenue Recommendation

Moved by Councilor Cullen

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Cameron

As per the recommendations received from the Town Engineer and reviewed at the March Committee of the Whole meeting on March 25, regarding the issue of Strickland Avenue Sewer Back-ups, this motion is to move forward with the initial investigative work of catch basin dye testing, sewer lateral videoing and videoing of mains at an approximate cost of \$50,000 plus HST.

Motion carried.

Policy Number: COM-2025.04.08 Campground Committee Terms of Reference

Moved by Councilor MacKinnon

Seconded by Councilor LeBlanc

To accept Policy COM-2025-04-08 Campground Committee Terms of Reference.

Motion carried.

Scotia Ball Park

Cindy and Mike MacKinnon are seeking permission to conduct renovations to Scotia Ball Park. The CAO stated that in order for the renovations to be completed at Scotia Ball Park which is a town asset, the project must be processed through the Town of Trenton. In order for receipts to be issued for the Bleacher project, receipts must be provided by Trenton Minor Ball ensuring that the project flows through the proper channels.

Storm Sewer Phase 2

Moved by Councilor MacKinnon

Seconded by Council Cullen

To move forward with the tendering of the Storm Sewer Phase 2 on Seventh Street to Dickie Street.

Motion carried.

Debenture Resolution

Moved by Councilor LeBlanc

Seconded by Councilor Cullen

To move forward with the borrowing Resolution for the Storm Sewer on Seventh Street Phase 1, in the amount of \$200,000.

Motion carried.

Irving Oil Property

Moved by Councilor MacKinnon

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Cameron

To contact Irving Oil to request permission to create a green space on the Duke Street and Main Street property.

Motion carried.

Round Table

- Councilor LeBlanc stated that there are plans to have an opening for the Skateboard Park during FunFest. There are two cairns on both sides of the Skateboard Park area and the Pickle Ball Courts, if the Town is naming the complex it may be a good idea to look at the cairns. Thank you to Express Yourself Café for providing free coffee for the two Go Clean Get Green events.
- Councilor MacKinnon inquired about the grants the Town applied for. The CAO will do a follow up. Are there any plans to acknowledge the Town of Trenton celebrating 115 years in 2026.
- Deputy Mayor Cameron reported that the Trenton Elementary School will participate in the Go Clean Get Green during the week. The Trenton Park Campground Committee has 12 members and have had two meetings. They are waiting to hear from St. FX about having their fourth year accounting students submit a business plan.
- Mayor Dove announced that the new pickleball group has a name, "Steeltown Pickleball Club". Can the Police talk to the skateboard participants on helmet safety and four wheelers in the Park be enforced.

Adjournment

Moved by Councilor LeBlanc to adjourn meeting

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Alec Dove

Mayor

Alanna Grover

CAO