TOWN OF TRENTON
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

February 10, 2026
Trenton Town Hall

Council Present: A. Dove, S. Cameron, D. Cullen, N. LeBlanc, S. MacKinnon

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1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Dove called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Mayor Dove acknowledged that the Town of Trenton is in Mi'kma'ki, the ancestral and unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq people.

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved: D. Cullen
Seconded: N. LeBlanc

That the February 10, 2026, Council Meeting agenda be adopted with the following changes:

- *Deletion of Item 6.2 - Sponsorship Request – 2026 RibFest*
- *Addition of Item 6.3 - Sponsorship Request – Skate Nova Star 1-3 Competition*
- *Addition of Item 8.6 – Fire Dept Report*
- *Addition of Item 9.2 – Crosswalk Safety*

In Favour (5): A. Dove, S. Cameron, D. Cullen, N. LeBlanc, S. MacKinnon

Motion Carried

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

None

5. PRESENTATIONS

None

6. CORRESPONDENCE

6.1 Sponsorship Request - 2026 U13 AAA Provincials

Moved: N. LeBlanc
Seconded: S. Cameron

That Council donate $125.00 to the U13AAA Fundy Highland Stars in support of them hosting the 2026 U13AAA Female Hockey Nova Scotia Provincials.

In Favour (5): A. Dove, S. Cameron, D. Cullen, N. LeBlanc, S. MacKinnon

Motion Carried

6.2 Sponsorship Request - 2026 RibFest

This Item was deleted from the agenda.

6.2 Sponsorship Request - Skate Nova Star 1-3 Competition

Moved: D. Cullen
Seconded: S. MacKinnon

That Council donate $125.00 (Silver Sponsorship) to the Mariposa East Skating Centre in support of them hosting the Skate Nova STAR 1-3 Competition.

In Favour (5): A. Dove, S. Cameron, D. Cullen, N. LeBlanc, S. MacKinnon

Motion Carried

7. BYLAWS

None

8. REPORTS

8.1 Public Works Report

Council inquired about getting sand spread on the walking track of the ballfield.

8.2 Water Report

No motions arose from this report.

8.3 Parks and Recreation Report

No motions arose from this report.

8.4 Police Report

No motions arose from this report.

8.5 Temporary Borrowing Resolution

Moved: D. Cullen
Seconded: N. LeBlanc

WHEREAS Section 66 of the Municipal Government Act provides that the Council of the Town of Trenton, subject to the approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, may borrow to expend funds for a capital purpose as authorized by statute;

WHEREAS the Council of the Town of Trenton has adopted a capital budget for this fiscal year as required by Section 65 of the Municipal Government Act and are so authorized to expend funds for capital purposes as identified in their capital budget; and

WHEREAS the specific amounts and descriptions of the projects are contained in Schedule "A" (attached);

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED

THAT under the authority of Section 66 of the Municipal Government Act, the Council of the Town of Trenton borrow a sum or sums not exceeding Four Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars ($ 450,000) for the purpose set out above, subject to the approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing;

THAT the sum be borrowed by the issue and sale of debentures of the Council of the Town of Trenton to such an amount as the Council deems necessary;

THAT the issue of debentures be postponed pursuant to Section 92 of the Municipal Government Act and that a sum or sums not exceeding Four Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars ($450,000) in total be borrowed from time to time from any chartered bank or trust company doing business in Nova Scotia;

THAT the sum be borrowed for a period not exceeding Twelve (12) Months from the date of approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing of this resolution;

THAT the interest payable on the borrowing be paid at a rate to be agreed upon; and

THAT the amount borrowed be repaid from the proceeds of the debentures when sold.

In Favour (5): A. Dove, S. Cameron, D. Cullen, N. LeBlanc, S. MacKinnon

Motion Carried

8.6 Fire Dept Report

No motions arose from this report.

9. NEW BUSINESS/CONTINUING BUSINESS

9.1 Community Bylaw Compliance

- The CAO explained to Council that if a property is in contravention of a bylaw, then a Compliance Order is issued to bring the property into compliance. If compliance is not achieved through the Order, then the process is elevated to a legal proceeding to achieve compliance.

9.2 Crosswalk Safety

- No crossing guard was present at the crossing at Duke St. and 6th Avenue this week.
- Council asked that an online post be made to remind residents to slow down in School Zones for child safety.

10. COUNCILLOR UPDATES

Mayor Dove:

- Thanks to Public Works staff who have been doing a great job with snow clearing this year.
- NS Power has built two battery storage facilities and an RFQ has been issued for more storage facilities. The Mayor and CAO will reach out to NS Power executives for a meeting on future storage projects.

Councillor Cameron:

- Two people may be interested in the Accessibility Committee.
- Kudos to the rink staff for great maintenance and service during a recent tournament.

Councillor Cullen:

- The Forge Society is up and running, with the aim to raise funds for Parks and Recreation equipment and facilities, as well Town beautification. The next meeting will be held on February 18 at 6:00 pm.

Councillor LeBlanc:

- A Revenue Committee has been struck to examine fundraising options for libraries.
- The Grade 8 Trip is on for this year.
- Welcome to the Burger Jerk restaurant.

Councillor MacKinnon:

- Thank you to everyone who shoveled out fire hydrants in the community.
- The ballpark has been plowed for walking.
- Snowshoes and headlamps are available to borrow from the Town.

11. PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

- Sidewalks are being done much better now; thank you to Public Works staff
- It was suggested that Council contact the School to put a reminder about school bus and crosswalk safety in their newsletter.
- Concern raised about a Town vehicle coming close to children in a crosswalk. The CAO will investigate.

12. CLOSED SESSION

Moved: N. LeBlanc
Seconded: S. MacKinnon

That in accordance with the MGA, Council move into closed session (6:37 pm).

In Favour (5): A. Dove, S. Cameron, D. Cullen, N. LeBlanc, S. MacKinnon

Motion Carried

Council returned to the open portion of the Council Meeting at 7:59 pm.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Moved: S. Cameron
Seconded: S. MacKinnon

That the February 10, 2026, Council meeting be adjourned. (8:00 p.m.)

In Favour (5): A. Dove, S. Cameron, D. Cullen, N. LeBlanc, S. MacKinnon

Motion Carried

Original Signed

Alec Dove
Mayor

Original Signed

Gabryel Joseph
Chief Administrative Officer