TOWN OF TRENTON
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

June 16, 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 June 16, 2026, Council Meeting agenda be adopted.

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

Motion Carried

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved: S. MacKinnon
Seconded: S. Cameron

That the following Council Meeting minutes be adopted:

- *April 14, 2026*
- *April 28, 2026*
- *May 12, 2026*

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

Motion Carried

5. PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS

5.1 Delegation – Carol MacDonald addressed Council regarding Pride Week and the Council Flag Raising Policy.

6. CORRESPONDENCE

None

7. BYLAWS

None

8. REPORTS

8.1 Public Works Report

No motions arose from this report.

8.2 Parks and Recreation Report

No motions arose from this report.

8.3 Council Correspondence (verbal report)

The CAO updated Council that there had been a technical problem with the "Mayor and Council" email, but that problem has been resolved. Council discussed what correspondence it would prefer be added to the agenda. Staff will add all correspondence to the agenda and Council will review the practice in the future.

8.4 Outdoor Pool Update (verbal report)

The CAO warned residents to exercise caution when making online donations to anyone saying they are collecting for the outdoor pool as the Town is not involved with any online fundraising programs.
The Town is currently in discussions with a third party to operate the pool.

9. NEW BUSINESS/CONTINUING BUSINESS

None

10. COUNCILLOR UPDATES

Mayor Dove:

- Met with IESO.
- Met with MLA, Danny MacGillivray to discuss future potential for the Town.
- Met with NRSTOR to discuss the future of their battery project in Trenton.
- Meeting with NS Power Inc. next week to discuss future potential of the Trenton Generating Station.
- A meeting has been requested with Minister MacLeod.

Councillor Cameron:

- Community volunteers, Cindy and Mike MacKinnon previously took out a personal loan to contribute to improvements at the ballfield. They still have money owing on that loan, so anyone making a purchase at the ballfield canteen helps them to pay off this loan.

Councillor Cullen:

- No update.

Councillor LeBlanc:

- Dept of Natural Resources is solidifying processes for urban deer studies and culls in NS.
- Attended the 10-tables round table discussion at the Pictou County Climate Change Summit.

- Attended the Pictou Antigonish Regional Library AGM. The PARL has formed a Revenue Committee for fundraising. In the last year, Trenton Library saw 10,368 visitors despite being a small library.

Councillor MacKinnon:

- The Garden Club has been very active and is planning a learning memorial garden in honour of Marilou Sutherland, working in connection with the Town Recreation Dept.. The memorial garden project has received support from various community partners, including $4,000 from TD, $3,500 from the Kinsmen, and in-kind contributions from Weeks Construction, Kinetic Fencing and Eastcut. Thank you to Tim and Elesa from Express Yourself Café who have been instrumental in the planning and to Town Public Works staff for excavating the site.
- Special thank you to Jean Arsenault for many years of planting flowers around Town.
- A rain barrel fundraiser will be wrapping up soon. Contact Councillor MacKinnon if you are interested in getting a barrel.

11. CLOSED SESSION

Moved: N. LeBlanc
Seconded: S. MacKinnon

That in accordance with the MGA, Council move into closed session (6:49 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 8:03 pm.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Moved: S. Cameron
Seconded: D. Cullen

That the June 16, 2026, Council Meeting be adjourned. (8:04 p.m.)

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

Motion Carried

Original Signed
Alec Dove
Mayor

Original Signed
Gabryel Joseph
Chief Administrative Officer