

**Rural Community of Upper Miramichi
6094 Route 8, Boiestown, February 23, 2026**

PLACE: The Council meeting of the Rural Community of Upper Miramichi was held in the Upper Miramichi Community Center on February 23 at 7:00 p.m.

ATTENDANCE: Mayor MA Douglas Munn, Councillor Frank McKeil, Councillor Wendy Wellwood, Councillor Dustin Munn, Margie McKay-Lyons, Mary Hunter and Nolan Astle were in attendance. Councillor Grant Ross sent regrets.

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor MA Douglas Munn called the meeting to order.
2. **AGENDA:** It was moved by Councillor McKeil and seconded by Councillor Wellwood to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.
3. **MINUTES:** It was moved by Councillor McKeil and seconded by Councillor Wellwood to approve the minutes of January 26 as presented. Motion carried.
4. **NOTATION OF QUORUM:** Mayor MA Douglas Munn noted that a quorum was present.
5. **DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST:** A conflict was declared by Councillor McKeil regarding the donation requests for Landmark Lodge #51 F@AM.
6. **RCMP REPORT:** No RCMP representative was present. Mayor Munn and Mary Hunter met with Cpl Jason LeBlanc.
7. **BUILDING INSPECTOR REPORT:** Nolan Astle presented his report.
8. **RSC UPDATE:** Mayor Munn commented that February meeting will be held on February 25th.
9. **FIRE DEPARTMENT AND EMO REPORT** – Councillor Munn reported the fire department responded to 2 fire calls.

EMO – Councillor Munn has nothing to report.

It was moved by Councillor Wellwood and seconded by Councillor McKeil to accept the Fire Department and EMO report as presented. Motion carried.

10. **RECREATION & PARKS REPORT** – Councillor Ross sent his regrets. The Winter Fun Days were successful again this year but did notice the numbers were down.

11. TOURISM and TRANSPORTATION REPORT:

Tourism:

Councillor McKeil asked Dan Rooney, Executive Director, to speak on behalf of the Central NB Woodmen's Museum. He said that they would like to work with RCUM in the future. The tourism

kiosk that is at the RCUM office will be better used at the Museum. We will contact Carrie Price from GMSC to if she can help us out with it.

Transportation:

Councillor McKeil noted that the RCMP have been around lately.

Councillor McKeil also talked about economic development. He has been communicating with a gentleman regarding building homes using sea cans.

It was moved by Councillor Munn and seconded by Councillor Wellwood to accept the Tourism and Transportation report as presented. Motion carried.

12. CORRESPONDENCE

New Brunswick Association of Fire Chiefs requesting support for their Annual campaign. Council declined.

Email from Central NB Academy asking for yearbook ad placement. It was moved by Councillor Munn and seconded by Councillor Wellwood to continue to purchase an ad for the yearbook at \$250. Motion carried.

Mary Hunter brought to Council's attention that Jessie McAleer has an upcoming 100th Birthday. Council will send a certificate.

Melanie Rousselle, GMSC, sent an email regarding Atlantic Circular Recycling and Environmental Solutions. Councillor Wellwood agreed to look into it.

Melanie Albert, GMSC, sent an email with information dealing with Cultural Sensitivity Workshop.

Mary Hunter discussed the Community Wildfire Plan that was sent by Roberta McIntyre, GMSC.

13. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES & UPDATES:

13.1 *Gas Tax Projects* – Mayor Munn said the groomer will be using the trailhead building for repairs. The heater in the garage part needs to be fixed.

13.2 *Former Nursing Home* – Councillor McKeil briefed Council on the meetings that are being held every two weeks.

13.3 *Unightly Premises / Dangerous* – Councillor Munn said he has been talking with the Province regarding the property in question.

13.4 *Capital Renewal Fund* – Mary Hunter reviewed the Capital Renewal Plan with Council. It was moved by Councillor McKeil seconded by Councillor Wellwood “that the document entitled Rural Community of Upper Miramichi 2026-2029 Capital Renewal Plan (CRP) for the capital renewal funding (CRF) allocation be adopted”. Motion carried.

14. NEW BUSINESS:

14.1 *Miramichi Sno Goers* – Mayor Munn discussed with Council the value of supporting the Miramichi Sno Goers (Club 22) and how the recreational activities help bring in people that support business in Upper Miramichi. It was moved by Councillor Munn and seconded by Councillor McKeil to an annual sponsorship of \$1000 to the Miramichi Sno Goers (Club 22) as long as the fee does not change. Motion carried.

14.2 *Grants and Donations* –Councillor McKeil removed himself from Council chambers at 8:14 pm as he had a conflict of interest with the Landmark Lodge #51 F@AM grant request.

Mayor Munn reviewed the Landmark Lodge #51 F@AM donation request. It was moved by Councillor Munn and seconded by Councillor Wellwood to grant the request of \$500 to the Landmark Lodge #51 F@AM for repairs to plumbing. Motion carried.

Councillor McKeil came back to Council chambers at 8:16 pm.

Mayor Munn reviewed the Central NB Woodmen’s Museum grant request. It was moved by Councillor Munn and seconded by Councillor Wellwood to grant the request of \$10,000 to the Central NB Woodmen’s Museum to replace windows. Motion carried.

14.3 *In-camera session* –Mayor Munn asked any audience to remove themselves from Council Chambers.

It was moved by Councillor McKeil and seconded by Councillor Wellwood to move to “In-camera Session” at 8:20 pm. Motion carried.

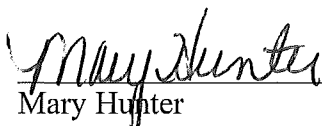
It was moved by Councillor Wellwood and seconded by Councillor McKeil to move back to regular meeting at 8:23 pm. Motion carried.

It was moved by Councillor Munn and seconded by Councillor Wellwood to accept the counteroffer to purchase land from the Boiestown United Church – PID 40331514 for \$42,000. Motion carried.

15. DATE OF NEXT MEETING: The next regular monthly meeting will be held on March 30, 2026 at the Community Room at the Upper Miramichi Community Center.

16. ADJOURNMENT: The motion to adjourn was made by Councillor Wellwood at 8:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Mary Hunter
Administrative Clerk/Treasurer



MA Douglas Munn,
Mayor

Reason for closed session:

Local Governance Act, Section 68(1)(d) the proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land.