

**Rural Community of Upper Miramichi
6094 Route 8, Boiestown, October 27, 2025**

PLACE: The Council meeting of the Rural Community of Upper Miramichi was held in the Upper Miramichi Community Center on October 27 at 7:00 p.m.

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

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor MA Douglas Munn called the meeting to order.
2. **AGENDA:** It was moved by Councillor Ross and seconded by Councillor McKeil to approve the agenda with amendments of 15.1 Tarp Building Usage and 15.2 NB Power. Motion carried.
3. **MINUTES:** It was moved by Councillor McKeil and seconded by Councillor Munn to approve the minutes of September 22 as presented. Motion carried.
4. **NOTATION OF QUORUM:** Mayor MA Douglas Munn noted that a quorum was present.
5. **DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST:** No conflict declared by Council.
6. **RCMP REPORT:** No RCMP representative was present. It was suggested to contact the RCMP to let them know when our next meeting is.
7. **BUILDING INSPECTOR REPORT:** Councillor Wellwood presented Nolan Astle's report.
8. **FINANCIAL REPORT:** Mary Hunter presented the financial report. It was moved by Councillor Ross and seconded by Councillor Wellwood to approve the financial report as presented. Motion carried.
9. **RSC UPDATE:** Mayor Munn was unable to attend the last meeting. It was noted the Greater Miramichi Service Commission will be presenting the 2026 Budget on October 29 for approval. It has also been expressed to GMSC that the times of the meetings are difficult for attendance by Council.
10. **FIRE DEPARTMENT AND EMO REPORT** – Councillor Munn reported the fire department responded to 1 MVI. Training was on hoses and first aid.

Councillor Munn said the water leak Central NB Woodmen's Museum has been completed.

Councillor Munn said the 6 SCBA tanks have arrived. Truck 1 is waiting for a part to fix it.

EMO – Councillor Munn said he does not have any updates.

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

11. RECREATION & PARKS REPORT – Councillor Ross said the court resurfacing has been completed. It was moved by Councillor Ross and seconded by Councillor McKeil that sum of \$34,700.00 be transferred from the General Capital Reserve Fund to the General Capital Fund for Maritime Tennis & Pickleball Court Builders & Refinishers for the tennis court project. Motion carried.

Councillor Ross commented that Winter Fun Day is scheduled for February 14 with snow day February 15.

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

12. TOURISM and TRANSPORTATION REPORT:

Tourism:

Councillor McKeil said he has been preparing the site for the tourism kiosk. He has a quote for the pad. He has been in contact with Skyline Surveyors regarding the geographical center marker.

Transportation:

Councillor McKeil said he been getting things prepared for the speed sign installation.

Councillor McKeil said he has been contacted regarding a sign for school bus stop for a disabled child. He will check into this.

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

13. CORRESPONDENCE

An email was received from Lloyd Smith with information about a veterans cross that was found and turned into RCUM office. He has found the grave that it belongs to and he has installed it.

Received an invitation to the Housing Forum 2025. Councillor McKeil and Councillor Ross will register to attend.

Carrie Price of Discover Miramichi sent a brochure and letter about how to best advertise events in the region.

A letter was received from Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure regarding the process for municipalities to submit highway priorities to the province.

14. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES & UPDATES:

14.1 *Gas Tax Projects* – Councillor Ross has a quote from Hogan’s Paving to place reclaim for .5 km at Porter Cove on the trail.

14.2 *Former Nursing Home* – Councillor Ross said a meeting has been set up for November 5 with Peter Milan of NB Housing. Councillor Ross, Councillor McKeil and Rebecca Matchett talked to MLA Kevin Russell about the former nursing home.

14.3 *Personnel Policy Review* – Mary Hunter said she does not have any thing to report.

14.4 *Unsightly Premises / Dangerous* – Councillor Munn said he has some contact information for the property in Ludlow. He will also contact the Fire Marshall to see what steps RCUM can take.

14.5 *Donations and Grants* – Mary Hunter said she contacted Astle Recreation Center and they have decided to withdraw their request.

14.4 *2026 Budget* – Mary Hunter said she has been receiving some of the information needed from the Province to complete the 2026 Budget.

15. NEW BUSINESS:

15.1 *Tarp Building Usage* – Mayor Munn had a request from MP Mike Dawson to use the tarp building for an information session. Council agreed there is not any restriction on what types of events can be held there. Mayor Munn will contact MP Mike Dawson to inform him of the decision.

15.2 *NB Power* – Councillor McKeil attended the session for the independent group reviewing NB Power.

16. DATE OF NEXT MEETING: The next regular monthly meeting will be held on November 24, 2025 at the Community Room at the Upper Miramichi Community Center.

17. ADJOURNMENT: The motion to adjourn was made by Councillor Wellwood at 8:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Hunter
Administrative Clerk/Treasurer

MA Douglas Munn,
Mayor