
Town of North River Meeting Minutes August 4, 2026
Town Council Chambers 43 North River Road, North River, NL

In Person Attendance: Mayor Patrick Mackey, DM John Newell, Councillors, Kelly Hall, Blair Hurley and Henry Morgan
Absent: Councillors James Cummings and Dwight Snow
Also Present: Katie O’Flaherty – Town Clerk, William Newell

Call to Order:

Mayor Mackey called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Adoption of Agenda:

Motion 2026-2589 – Morgan/Hurley

Resolved that the agenda for August 4, 2026, meeting be adopted as circulated
All in Favor, Motion Carried

Adoption of Minutes

Motion 2026-2590 – Hall/DM Newell

Resolved that minutes from the July 14, 2026 meeting be adopted as circulated.
All in Favor, Motion Carried

Delegation:

William Newell attended the meeting to discuss his development at 284 North River Road and next steps.

Council advised that an approval in principle has been previously granted for a residential property. The current structure could be reclassified as residential pending the completion of the extension approved during the August 5, 2025, making the structure compliant with the Town’s Development Regulations. A certificate of approval from Service NL is also required. Mayor Mackey suggested working on the septic application for Service NL as that is required for power supply.

Business Arising:

Standing Offer – 2 bids received.

Motion 2026-2591 – Hurley/DM Newell

Resolved that council shred quotes and obtain quotes once current standing offer expires.
All in Favor, Motion Carried

Ditching – to be completed under current agreement. Councillor Hurley to contact contractor.

NRHFDS – review correspondence. Council to explore options for community centre as previously discussed.

New Business:

Yoga – proposal reviewed. Proceed

Moving for Health – proposal reviewed. Proceed

Motion 2026-2592 – Hurley/DM Newell

Resolved that council proceed with the quote from Provincial Fencing for the installation of galvanized fencing at the community garden.
All in Favor, Motion Carried

Motion 2026-2593 – Hall/Hurley

Resolved that council approve use of hall for First Aid training.
All in Favor, Motion Carried

Magnet sign – Clerk to reach out to community groups for upcoming events, etc..

Development Applications:

DM Newell asked if council felt he was in conflict. Council did not.

Motion 2026-2594 – Hall/Morgan

Resolved that the application for extension at 322 North River Road be approved pending site visit.
All in Favor, Motion Carried

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Motion 2026-2595 – Hurley/Hall

Resolved that the application for a shed at 288-290 North River Road be approved pending site visit.
All in Favor, Motion Carried

Motion 2026-2596 – DM Newell/Morgan

Resolved that the application for a shed at 304-306 North River Road be approved pending site visit.
All in Favor, Motion Carried

Correspondence for Information:

Dept. of Transportation & Infrastructure	Intake extended	File. Intake only extended for indigenous groups.
Emergency Services	EMP	Working on
Lynch's Trucking	Request for increase	Request meeting
Dept. of Tourism, Culture, Arts & Recreation	Cultural grant	Apply
Dept. of Seniors	Seniors Social Inclusion grant	Apply
Dept. of Tourism, Culture, Arts & Recreation	Active NL	Apply
Emergency Services	EMP	File
ATIPPA	Statutory Review	File
MAA	Update	File
Dept. of Transportation & Infrastructure	Project signs	File
Water Resources	Boat launch	Follow up with Crown Lands

Committee Reports

Events Committee: Nothing to report.

Joint Council: Nothing to report.

Bay De Grave: Nothing to report.

Animal Control: Nothing to report.

Occupational Health Safety: Nothing to report.

Bills

Review payment request. Clerk to investigate further with questions presented by council.

Motion 2026-2597 – DM Newell/Hurley

Resolved that council pay bills as presented in the amount of \$23,106.76
All in Favor, Motion Carried

Clerk away from August 26-September 3. Office reopening August 4.

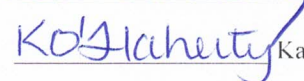
Note – change in September's meeting date. September's meeting will be held on September 8, 2026.

Adjournment

Motion 2026-2598 – Hall/DM Newell

Resolved that this meeting of the council be adjourned until the next regular meeting on September 8, 2026, at 7PM.
All in Favor, Motion Carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:03pm.

 Mayor

 Katie O'Flaherty – Town Clerk

Let's build a great community together.