

**MINUTES OF GENERAL COUNCIL MEETING HELD  
In COUNCIL CHAMBERS MARCH 12, 2026**



**PRESENT**

Mayor Christopher Dredge  
Deputy Mayor Ralph LeGrow  
Councillor Heidi Kolodniski  
Councillor Neville Collins

**REGRETS**

Councillor Craig LeGrow

**GUESTS**

Town Manager Craig Dyer  
Assistant Town Clerk Amanda Mahoney

**GALLERY**

2 Residents

**1.0 CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Chris Dredge called the meeting to order at 7p.m

**2.0 ADOPT AGENDA**

**MOTION 28 / 2026**

Councillor Neville Collins moved to **ADOPT** the agenda as presented.

Seconded by Councillor Heidi Kolodniski  
All In Favour.

Motion **CARRIED**

**3.0 ADOPT MINUTES**

Adopt the Minutes TCM of 19 of February 2026

**MOTION 29/ 2026**

Deputy Mayor Ralph LeGrow moved to **ADOPT** the minutes as presented

Seconded by Councillor Neville Collins  
All In Favour.

Motion **CARRIED**

Adopt the Minutes HR Committee Meetings of 18 of December 2025, 24 of February 2026, 8 of March 2026, 9 of March 2026

**MOTION 30/ 2026**

Councillor Neville Collins moved to **ADOPT** the minutes as presented

Seconded by Councillor Heidi Kolodniski  
All In Favour.

Motion **CARRIED**

Adopt the Minutes Public Works Committee of 3 of March 2026

**MOTION 31/ 2026**

Councillor Heidi Kolodniski moved to **ADOPT** the minutes as presented

Seconded by Councillor Neville Collins  
All In Favour.

Motion **CARRIED**

#### **4.0 BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

4.0.1 Water Concerns: Britta Water Jugs offered to residents below the hill, small improvement in water pressure. The email chain of residents affected with water pressure issues is working well for information purposes.

4.0.2 Engineering Quotes (Basketball, Water Shed): Details should be available next meeting

4.0.3 Policy Committee: NIL

4.0.4 Laptops Dell computers received, Town Manager offered training with google if needed.

4.0.5 Streetlight: Town Manager to drive by and check locations

4.0.6 Community Committee: Committee will be asked what they need for an operations budget and given the chance to determine operating expenses, instead of a fixed amount.

4.0.7 Discussion With Church Purchase Options: A public meeting was held regarding the church sale. It was determined that additional information must be compiled in order to support informed decision-making, including the preparation of a clear and comprehensive financial analysis. It was agreed that the Church Board will be contacted to request an extension of two additional months to allow sufficient time for this work to be completed.

A subcommittee or council will be established to gather and compile the necessary information. At the same time, the Town emphasized that the process should not be prolonged unnecessarily, as extended delays could reduce opportunities with other potential buyers. Planning & Development, in collaboration with the Finance Department, will coordinate and schedule a follow-up meeting with the Church to review progress and next steps.

4.0.9 Gax Tax: Mayor Chris Dredge has reached out and will report back, and the Town Manager will look over previous projects.

4.0.10 Lieu Time / Annual Leave / Work from Home Policy: Referred to HR committee

4.0.11 Audit Update: High Priority

4.0.12 Town Plan Update: NIL

Live Streaming: Questioned on whether committee meetings can be done virtually, deferred to be discussed at next meeting

Fallen Trees: Mayor Chris Dredge has reached out regarding fall/ broken trees by the road, hasn't got a reply back yet.

## **5.0 APPLICATIONS**

Applications currently being looked at by planning and development

## **6.0 CORRESPONDENCE**

6.0.1 Municipal Governance Reform - For Council Awareness: outlines concerns regarding structural imbalances in Newfoundland and Labrador's municipal governance framework, as presented by Grant C. Abbott

6.0.2 2026 NL Habitat Conservation Workshop Invitation: The Stewardship Association of Municipalities (SAM) Inc. is hosting the 2026 Newfoundland and Labrador Habitat Conservation Workshop from May 28th to 29th, 2026

6.0.3 Circular: overview of the "Reminder of Code of Conduct Requirements for Municipalities" issued by the Department of Municipal and Community Affairs on March 3, 2026

6.0.4 Funding Streams Available: This summary outlines various funding streams available to Newfoundland and Labrador communities as of February 2026, provided by Tract Consulting Inc

6.0.5 Ministers Letter to Council - Financial Responsibility: outlines the responsibilities of town councils regarding financial and human resource oversight as provided by the Minister of Municipal and Community Affairs.

6.0.6 Fire and Emergency Services Training School, Marystown: The 2026 Fire and Emergency Services Training School will take place in Marystown from May 23–29, 2026. The event provides a variety of training programs, seminars, and practical sessions aimed at strengthening local emergency management and response.

6.0.7 Community-Wildfire-Resiliency and FireSmart Webinar: The Newfoundland and Labrador Community Wildfire Prevention and Mitigation Program supports municipalities and Local Service Districts in assessing and reducing wildfire risks to life, property, and critical infrastructure. The program provides funding for the development of Community Wildfire Resiliency Plans and community-based prevention or mitigation.

**MOTION 32/2025**

Councillor Neville Collins moved to **APPLY** for funding under Newfoundland and Labrador Community Wildfire Resiliency Funding Program with Pouch Cove.

Seconded by Councillor Heidi Kolodniski  
All in favor.

*Motion CARRIED*

6.0.8 Epilepsy-Proclamation: Reviewed and Signed

6.0.9 Juniper Ridge Wellness & Exploration Day: Juniper Ridge Intermediate is hosting a Biannual Junior High Student Wellness & Exploration Day for Grade 7 and 8 students on Friday, April 24, 2026. The school is seeking individuals, businesses, and organizations to lead workshops.

**7.0 NEW BUSINESS**

NIL

**8.0 REPORT FROM TOWN MANAGER & ASSISTANT TOWN CLERK**

8.0.1 Mandatory Orientation Training: Town Manager request List of updated training completed.

8.0.2 Volunteer Appreciation Social: April 19th, 7pm, Nomination form for volunteer of the year to go out to the community, Assistant Town Clerk to take lead on planning.

**8.1 Finances**

8.1.1 Financial Statements :

**MOTION 33/2025**

Councillor Heidi Kolodniski moved to **ACCEPT** The Financial Statements as presented.

Seconded by Councillor Neville Collins  
All in favor.

*Motion CARRIED*

8.1.2 Outstanding Payables:

**MOTION 34 /2025**

Councillor Neville Collins moved to **APPROVE** the outstanding payables as presented.

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Ralph LeGrow  
All in favor.

*Motion CARRIED*

## 9.0 TABLE DISCUSSION

- Deputy Mayor Ralph LeGrow asked Town Manager to check into property tax bills
- Councillor Kolodnski: Councillor Kolodnski and Councillor Collins attended the ClimAtlantic Community-Based Resilience and Climate Action Workshop at the Johnson Geo Centre.  
CBC morning show gave a shout out to Bauline when talking about municipal composting programs.
- Mayor Chris Dredge congratulate resident Terry Hillier on receiving national recognition for his dedication to small craft harbours.

## 10.0 NEXT GENERAL MEETING

Mayor Chris Dredge scheduled the Next Meeting for **Thursday April 2, 2026 @ 7:00pm**

## 11.0 ADJOURNMENT

**MOTION 35 /2026**

Deputy Mayor Ralph LeGrow moved to **ADJOURN** the meeting of March 12, 2026

**Mayor Christopher Dredge adjourned the meeting 9:18PM**

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Christopher Dredge  
Mayor  
Town of Bauline

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Craig Dyer  
Town Manager  
Town of Bauline

