Minutes

Regular Meeting

DATE OF MEETING	**October 19th, 2026**
TIME	**7:00 PM**
MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY	**Mayor Jones**

IN ATTENDANCE

Mayor Aaron Jones, Deputy Mayor Laurie Barry-Kinney, Councillor Tony Wright, Councillor James Parish, Councillor John Sharkey, Councillor Kevin Thompson, Councillor William Eagles

Staff: Patty St. Peter, CAO/Clerk, Amanda Jenkins McAskill, Administrative Services Officer

Gallery attendance

Mayor Jones stated, "We begin today by acknowledging that the land on which we gather is the traditional unceded territory of the Wolastoquey. These territories are covered by treaties of peace and friendship of the Wolastoquey people first signed with the British Crown in 1725."

Mayor Jones noted, "I would like to offer our thoughts and deepest condolences to all the soldiers and families affected by the tragedy at CFB Wainwright Alberta this weekend. Everyday the brave members of the Canadian Armed Forces work and train to protect our country. They dedicate themselves to serving Canada, sometimes facing unimaginable risks and making the ultimate sacrifice. I would like to take a moment of silence to honor those affected by this tragedy to remember those who serve and to keep the impact of soldiers and their families in our thoughts during this difficult time.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Approval of agenda –
Moved by: Deputy Mayor Barry-Kinney
Seconded by: Councillor Wright

Motion Carried 202610-01

DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of Regular Meeting September 14th, 2026 –
Moved by: Councillor Eagles
Seconded by: Councillor Sharkey

Motion Carried 202610-02

Approval of Special Meeting September 14th, 2026, and September 28th, 2026 –
Moved by: Councillor Wright
Seconded by: Councillor Eagles

Motion Carried 202610-03

PRESENTATIONS

Stephanie Hamilton – 2027 Budget Plaster Rock Public Library – Not much has changed from 2026 to 2027 budget. Most expenses are for supplies, computer IT, and regular operating costs. The biggest concern is accessibility to the library; there is a ramp, but not an automatic door system. The library is actively looking into some funding and grants for this. The approximate cost for this would be $4,000. The other concern the library has is staffing. Hoping to have the part-time library position filled soon as it has been vacant for a year.

Gilles Beaulieu – Chamber of Commerce – Mr. Beaulieu presented how the Chamber of Commerce can benefit our area. Businesses can work together, have a collective voice, participate in Chamber activities and initiatives, connect with other businesses throughout the existing territory, become part of the regional network, and gain a stronger understanding of the needs of your community. Mr. Beaulieu has invited the District of Tobique Valley to become a member.

Jennifer Eagan – Tobique Valley Community Health Centre – In the last year the TVCHC has become a more efficient community centre. The whole first floor has become our therapeutic wing with Occupational Therapist, Dietitian, and RT office. Upstairs they have created an administrative wing, pharmacy, lunchroom, and education room for staff and patients. Roof repairs are complete as well as creating a history wall. Future repairs will be boiler system and the railing on the front steps.
Recruiting and expanding services:

- Physician Assistant – Works Wednesdays and Thursdays in the walk-in clinic however need appointment so the flow can be controlled
- Nurse Practitioner – starting in November – will be working Mondays and Tuesdays. She will be taking appointments.
- Nurse Practitioner that comes in Thursday evenings and sometimes Friday mornings depending on his schedule

- Nurse Practitioner who is on a leave, but when she returns, she will continue to onboard patients.
- Physician – coming in spring. Their office will be upstairs and will be rostering patients.
- Been in contact with 3 local nurses taking the program to try to recruit them to our area. This will give them a chance to work with the experienced nurses and give us a succession plan.
- The OT and Dietitian is shared with Perth
- Diabetic Education Nurse will be starting November 2nd and will also be shared, Michaela Harding
- Enterostomal Therapy Nurse started in September on Fridays – Jordyn Mockler who specializes in wound and ostomy care
- Interviews for an LPN
- Services: Metabolic Health Clinic, Diabetic Clinic with team focus, Diabetic Support Clinic starting in January, Concussion Clinic, ELS training, Ear Syringing Clinic, Blood Pressure Clinics on and off-site, Assistant in accessing community resources, Wound and Ostomy Care, Weight-Inclusive Initiatives, Baby Friendly Initiative, Referral Initiative, Chronic Pain Clinic, Zoomers, Pulmonary Rehab will be in the spring, Cardiac Rehab is coming, Domestic Violence Counseling, Quarterly newsletters for providers, starting a monthly calendar for patients
- New Equipment: ECG machine, thanks to our foundation, able to complete renovations, Purchased a body composition analyzer, ABI machine (ankle brachial index machine), smart boards for the education room, new office equipment
- Wondering about changing the hours of the health centre from 8am-8pm to 7am-7pm – would like to know what the community wants.
- Looking for organizers to help raise money for a new X-ray Suite

Jenna Brewer – Tobique Valley Nursing Home Without Walls – The program was introduced to help seniors age of 60 and over at home to keep them out of a facility. Across New Brunswick there are 39 locations. Tobique Valley NHWW has over 150 registered clients within the District, however we do provide services for more as you do not have to be registered to receive the services. In 2026 alone, NHWW has provided more than 2,400 services to seniors. Services provided would include: diabetic foot care, which is a regular scheduled clinic for over 80 members, services navigation, walking program, exercise classes, education sessions, social events, caregiver support, respite care, blood pressure clinics, transportation to medical appointments, wellness checks – weekly calls, overall senior support with no charge to the clients.

Ms. Brewer is also a Certified Senior Home Safety Specialist with Age Safe Canada, which helps with their home and safety.

Program launched this summer was the Heat Safety Program, which entailed any senior that was at risk would receive a minimum one phone call a day during those extreme heat advisories. Also taught how to use home cooling kits and distributed over 40 in home thermometers with an education session on how to use them and where the dangerous level of heat in their home is.

NHWW has partnered with the Alzheimer Society to bring Memory Cafes to Tobique Valley, CVCVB for older adults, Riley Brook Rec Center, River Valley Thunder Hockey Team, and the Community Development & Tourism Department.

Celebrating the first anniversary of the program on November 4th at the Welcome Centre, called Wellness Fair which will showcase and highlight everything that our community has to offer in one spot for seniors, Council is invited.

Committee Reports

Mayor Jones

Regional Service Commission

Deputy Mayor Barry-Kinney attended the last RSC meeting. The budget was presented.

Mayor Jones attended the Western Valley Youth Career Fair on October 16th in Woodstock. It was great to see the opportunities that were brought forward for youth from all the communities up and down the valley. Schools from Edmundston, Grand Falls, Plaster Rock, Perth Andover, Florenceville-Bristol, Nackawic, Hartland, and Woodstock attended.

UMNB

Council attended the UMNB conference in Moncton October 1st to 4th.

Deputy Mayor Barry-Kinney

Christmas Committee

- Started the committee meetings.
- The parade is Friday, December the 4th.
- Senior social dinner planned
- The Christmas Tree lighting will be the weekend before the parade, including a little surprise.
- Activities here at the PSMC for kids
- Sounds of the Season on Sunday

More information will be coming out the end of the month.

Education

Melanie and Deputy Mayor Barry-Kinney met with the principal at Tobique Valley Middle High School, Danielle Fillamore, and requesting if the District can host event days on the schools PD days. This program is being piloted down river.

Tourism

Deputy Mayor Barry-Kinney will be meeting with Brenda Lee from the Age Friendly Community in the near future.

Councillor Parish

Economic Development

- Chamber of Commerce – we will be looking into this
- Sign on By-Pass – will get businesses and developments in town to advertise
- October 8th, met with Turtle Island Development about some housing initiatives in the community. They are ready to go with Councils approval.

Health

Councillor Parish noted Ms. Eagan's presentation covered all basis.

Finance

Met with the CAO/Clerk and everything is in decent shape. We are running a surplus in the General of $694,000, and water is running a surplus as well.

Budget meeting is coming up on October 26th.

Councillor Tony Wright

Pond Hockey

Registration finished up in September, and 80 men's and 10 ladies' teams have been picked with a waiting list.

Facility

- Zamboni blades taken for sharpening
- Ice paint received
- New banner received

- Arena floor prepped for ice installation
- Cimco plant start up sept 23rd
- Pool house prepped and closed for winter
- Regular lawn maintenance last mow
- Ice sprayer prepped for installation
- Condenser tower cleaned
- Dock at lake repaired
- Contacted Acetox for propane for Zamboni
- Ball diamond shut down which included the flags and porta potty removed, bases put away and garbage cans removed.
- Dressing Rooms cleaned and ready for the season
- Building Inspections Complete
- Chain saw course completed by Guy Sept. 10th
- Yard cleaned for debris for Zamboni Tire cleanliness
- Marty's Electric fixed urinals in park washrooms
- Swept and mopped players benches
- Soccer field nets were put in storage
- Picnic tables were put away
- Opened Suction valves on ice plant
- Ice Floods began Sept 25th which were 8 floods done daily, resulting in 56 floods including Painting. Saunders came to check Zamboni on Oct 13th and fixed a scraping issue.

Fire Department

No Report

Councillor Thompson

Policy & By-Laws

No Report

Cemetery

No Report

Transportation

No Report

Councillor Sharkey

Community Development & Tourism

September and the beginning of October have been busy with lots of great community activities!

- In September, we celebrated National Potato Day with a loaded baked potato lunch. It was another great addition to our National Food Day events.
- October started with National Seniors Day in collaboration with Gathering Place for Seniors, a full day dedicated to celebrating our local seniors with breakfast, games, refreshments, desserts, and a movie. Students from TLA and TVHS also joined us to help serve and welcome our seniors throughout the morning.
- Great turnout at our Fall Vendor Festival at the Pavilion, featuring local vendors, live music by Cathy Hutch, horse rides, a scavenger hunt, pumpkin activities, and delicious food from Chipmaker.
- Our Walking Club is also wrapping up another great season, with oct 7th as our final walk.
- I have also been busy preparing for the upcoming ice season, working on the ice schedule, taking rental bookings, and finalizing agreements for weekly recurring ice times. This has involved coordinating with user groups to ensure schedules and facility needs are organized for the season ahead.
- Held our first Christmas Committee meeting of 2026, and planning is officially underway! We're already working on an exciting lineup of festive activities and events.
- I had the pleasure of meeting with Jenna from Nursing Home Without Walls to learn more about the wonderful work she is doing for seniors in our community. What a fantastic initiative she has going on! Jenna has kindly invited the District of Tobique Valley to participate in their Seniors Wellness Fair in celebration of their 1year anniversary. The event will be held on November 4, 2026, at the Welcome Centre. This will be a great opportunity to showcase the programs and activities we offer for seniors.
- Behind the scenes, I have been meeting with Kelly Beveridge, Occupational Therapist, and Allison Giberson, Dietitian, at the Tobique Valley Community Health Centre (TVCHC) to collaborate on an exciting new program and opportunity for the upcoming year. Our focus is on promoting health, wellness, and community engagement through meaningful activities and initiatives for our residents. There are lots of great things in the works, and I am excited about the possibilities ahead! I look forward to sharing more details with the community as these plans come together.
- I also had the opportunity to meet with Justine Waldeck, Regional Sport and Recreation Consultant, to discuss future recreational programs, activities, and opportunities for the District of Tobique Valley throughout the year. We explored new ideas, potential initiatives, and resources that could help enhance recreation and community involvement year-round.

Library

- Interviews have been completed for the Library Assistant position. The interview board has selected a candidate. We will have to wait to get the go ahead from HR before an offer can be made. I am hoping the new Assistant will be in place by Nov. 2nd.
- October is Canadian Library Month, a time to encourage participants to support public libraries and their contributions to communities. This year's theme is "Where small moments spark big ideas". To celebrate the library is having 2 contests: a Colouring Contest with categories for all ages, and our 3rd Annual Pumpkin Painting Contest.
- The library will be accepting painted pumpkin creations for our 3rd Annual Pumpkin Painting Contest until the end of the day, Monday, Oct. 19th. Voting will take place in the library from Oct. 20-28, and the winners (1st place & runner up) will be announced on Oct. 29th. Anyone can enter and anyone can vote!
- The Canadian Library Month Colouring Contest will run the entire month of October. All ages are welcome to participate, so stop by the library and pick up a colouring page from your age group. One winner from each category will be selected on Oct. 30th by random draw.
- Tara from Talk with Me is here on Tuesday mornings for the month of October, with the Songs & Rhymes Program for ages 0-5yrs. She will continue until the snow flies or attendance drops.
- CVCV returns for their monthly craft session on Wednesday, Oct.14th.
- Story Time is offered on Wednesday mornings at 10:30.
- The library will be closed on Monday, October 12th for Thanksgiving.
- The library's board will meet on October 13th at 4:30.
- Pumpkin Painting will be held on Friday, Oct. 16 at 3:15. Registration is required so that we have enough pumpkins for everyone. Participants can choose to take their creations home or enter them into our contest.
- Spice Club's spice/seasoning spice for October is Pumpkin Spice. New members are always welcome.
- Rug Hooking meeting dates are Tuesday, Oct. 13th & 27th.
- Lego Club will be held on Tuesday, October 20th.
- Book Club will meet on Thursday, October 22 at 3:00 to discuss "The Lighthouse Witches" by CJ Cooke. We are trying out a new time for the fall/winter months. New members are always welcome.
- Free passes for the NB Provincial Parks are available from May 15 – October 11. Passes can be redeemed during their summer season (same dates). Once issued passes are only good for 3 days, so patrons must plan accordingly.
- Free passes for the Beaverbrook Art Gallery are available for the month of October. Passes can be redeemed any time during October. One pass per card and kids under 5 are free.
- Stephanie will be away from the library on Oct. 14, 15 & 23 for training. The library will remain open with casual staff.

Long Term/Palliative Care

No Report

Councillor Eagles

Public Works

- Retaining wall & sidewalk project completed
- Generator commissioned at wellhouse
- Roulston Avenue North End paved and shouldered
- 2 new tires installed on Backhoe
- Repaired water main leak
- 8 water samples all acceptable results

EMO

- Ongoing updates with the Emergency Preparedness
- Good session at UMNB

Tobique Forestry Advisory Committee

No Report

Reports be accepted as submitted and accounts payable
Moved by: Councillor Wright
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Barry-Kinney

Motion Carried 202610-04

Councillor Eagles asked what we as a district, need to get the developers in place. Councillor Parish noted they are ready to go anytime, and the developers need a letter of support from Council noting what the District needs in housing. Councillor Eagles would like to get the letter of support in motion for the developers to be able to start construction in spring. Councillor Parish agrees but the conversation needs to be had of what the community needs and what we can offer.

Chief Administrative Officer

- The Lagoon Project remains ongoing.
- Graffiti on the bridge has been removed.

- Livestreaming Update. Four different companies have been contacted. One company will be here on October 19th for an onsite visit. Another is scheduled to be here hopefully within the next week.
- The properties located on Centennial Court have been posted on the district's website, with a purchase price of $5,000 per lot.
- Received information regarding the permit application process and the standards to be considered when selecting locations for "Welcome To" signs. A separate application will be required for each sign, along with the proposed sign design for approval. The sign dimensions and the text size for each line, measured in inches for both uppercase and lowercase letters, must also be provided. Once the proposed locations and sign designs have been determined, the completed applications and required information will be submitted for review and approval.
- A letter was forwarded to Minister Chuck Chiasson requesting a review of the provincial contribution toward the 2027 paving of Tobique Street. Copies of the letter were sent to Margaret Johnson, MLA and Pierre Morin, DTI District Engineer.
- Public Safety has been notified of the street name change from Fraser Street to Dionne Street, effective October 19, 2026.
- Continued with ongoing administrative duties.
- Coffee Break with Staff October 5th, part of the steering committee for the climate plan
- October 16th, meeting with Service New Brunswick to review the 2027 assessment base
- October 16th, meeting with RBC business manager that over sees the District accounts

Councillor Eagles asked if there would will be unveiling of Dionne Street with the family present. CAO St. Peter noted she only received the direction to put the street sign up. Councillor Parish noted it would be nice to acknowledge it. Deputy Mayor stated a date can still be made.

The Chief Administrative Officer report be accepted
Moved by: Deputy Mayor Barry-Kinney
Seconded by: Councillor Wright

Motion Carried 202610-05

Business Arising from the Minutes

a) Jim Melanson - Proposal to Support the Gathering Place for Senior asking the District of Tobique Valley:

- To help with the snow removal.
- Sept thru April to support with $650/month for heating and lights and to use the large auditorium space
- Letter of support for grants

MOTION: Councillor Eagles made a motion to give the Tobique Lions Club a $1,000 from the community fund towards their fundraiser for winter and a letter of support for grants.

Councillor Wright asked where this is a non-profit organization will there be others coming forward for a winter fundraiser? Deputy Mayor noted the application process is open in January for other organizations to request funding in the community development fund.

Councillor Wright noted he does not have a problem helping them with snow removal. Councillor Eagles disagreed as we would have to do snow removal for all organizations.

RESOLUTION: To give the Tobique Lions Club a $1,000 from the community fund towards their fundraiser for winter and a letter of support for grants.

Moved by: Councillor Eagles
Seconded by: Councillor Sharkey

Motion Carried 202610-06

New Business

a) District of Tobique Valley Draft Procedural By-Law No. 2026 – Final Reading By Title and Enactment.

Summary of Draft Procedural By-law No. 2026-10

District of Tobique Valley – A By-law Respecting the Procedures and Organization of Council
The proposed Procedural By-law establishes rules for conducting Council meetings, managing public participation, maintaining order, making decisions, and ensuring consistent municipal governance. It is intended to replace the existing Procedural By-law No. 2023-05 and its amendments.

Key Provisions

Area	Summary of proposed requirements
Regular Council Meetings	Meetings will normally be held at 7:00 p.m. on the third Monday of each month at the Phil Sharkey Memorial Centre. If the meeting falls on a statutory or civic holiday, it moves to Tuesday unless Council decides otherwise.
Committee of the Whole	Meetings will normally be held at 7:00 p.m. on the first Monday of each month. These meetings provide an opportunity for discussion, planning and recommendations. Final decisions are generally reserved for Council meetings. Meetings will not be livestreamed.
Newly Elected Council	The first meeting must be held by June 15, subject to the stated exception. Council will appoint a Deputy Mayor by vote, who will serve until the next

	municipal election. Members must complete conflict-of-interest disclosure requirements.
Meeting Decisions	Council decisions must be adopted by by-law or resolution in accordance with the proposed by-law.
Special and Emergency Meetings	Meetings may be called as permitted by legislation. Only business authorized for the meeting may be considered.
Electronic Participation	Members may participate electronically when appropriate technology is available and legislative requirements are met. Confidentiality must be maintained during closed meetings.
Public Conduct	Members of the public must behave respectfully and may speak only when the matter is on the agenda and permission has been granted. Disruptive individuals may be required to leave.
Member Conduct	Councillors must treat others respectfully, avoid personal attacks and follow the Presiding Officer's procedural rulings, subject to appeal and applicable law.
Meeting Curfew	No new business may be dealt with after 9:30 p.m. unless Council votes by a two-thirds majority to continue.
Agenda Preparation	Items must be submitted in writing, with supporting information, by noon on the first Wednesday of each month.
Presentations and Delegations	A public presentation request form will be available online. Presentations are normally limited to 10 minutes unless additional time is granted.
Closed Meetings	Closed discussions are permitted only for matters authorized by the Local Governance Act. Decisions must comply with the Act's restrictions on decision-making during closed meetings.

Motions and Notices of Motion	Motions must be clear and generally moved and seconded before debate. Notices of Motion allow Council to review matters and conduct research before debate or a decision.
Debate and Speaking Limits	Councillors will generally receive up to five minutes for an initial contribution and up to two minutes for a second round on substantive matters, subject to adjustments by the Presiding Officer.
Voting and Conflicts of Interest	Members must vote as required by law and declare conflicts of interest. Members with a declared conflict must leave the Council Chamber during the discussion and vote on the matter, as proposed.
Minutes and Correspondence	Minutes will record meeting details, attendance, proceedings, decisions and required voting records. Correspondence may be included on the agenda, referred to staff or brought forward for Council direction.
Committees and Reports	Council may establish committees and should provide terms of reference. Committee recommendations must be brought to Council for consideration.
Reconsideration of Decisions	Previously decided matters may be reconsidered where permitted by law and applicable procedural requirements are met.
By-law Enactment	By-laws must be considered, amended, read and enacted in accordance with applicable legislation.

Overall summary: The proposed by-law provides a more structured framework for Council meetings, with clearer expectations for public participation, member conduct, debate, agenda preparation and decision-making. The provisions identified above should be reviewed before final adoption to help ensure the by-law is clear, workable and consistent with New Brunswick legislation.

Deputy Mayor Barry-Kinney asked if 13.5 if the timeline should be for the full four years or annually. Mayor noted it can be brought to a councillor and brought forward. Councillor Parish said it is not a hard rule, so if someone brought if forward again, we can reconsider it.

Amendments:

Below is the revised wording for all sections identified in the review of Draft Procedural By-law No. 2026-10. The revisions are intended to improve clarity, consistency and practical application while retaining Council's intended procedures.

3.2 – Suspension of Procedural Rules

3.2 Council may suspend a procedural rule established under this by-law where permitted by applicable legislation. A motion to suspend a procedural rule shall require an affirmative two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members present, unless otherwise required by law. No provision of this by-law may be suspended where doing so would contravene applicable legislation.

4.6 – First Meeting of Newly Elected Council

4.6 The first meeting of a newly elected Council shall be held within the time prescribed by the *Local Governance Act*. Where the declaration of an elected member is delayed and affects the scheduling of the meeting, the first meeting shall be held as soon as practicable in accordance with the Act.

4.8 – Council Decisions

4.8 All decisions of Council shall be made in accordance with the *Local Governance Act* and other applicable legislation. Decisions requiring a by-law or resolution shall be formally adopted in the manner prescribed by law and recorded in the official minutes of Council. Other proceedings and decisions shall be documented in the minutes as required by legislation and this by-law.

6.1 – Special Meetings

6.1 Special meetings of Council may be called by the Mayor or by any other person authorized to do so under the *Local Governance Act*. Notice of a special meeting shall be provided to all members of Council and the public in accordance with the Act and applicable notice requirements. Where practicable, the Mayor shall provide the Clerk with at least twenty-four (24) hours' notice to allow sufficient time for the necessary notifications and meeting arrangements.

9.5 – Failure to Comply with Meeting Procedures

9.5 Where a member refuses to comply with this by-law or a ruling of the Presiding Officer, the Presiding Officer may remind the member of the applicable requirements and direct the member to comply. Any further action taken to address continued non-compliance shall be consistent with the *Local Governance Act*, this by-law and the applicable Code of Conduct for Members of Council. No member shall be required to leave a meeting except where such action is authorized by applicable law.

10.1 – Meeting Curfew

10.1 Council meetings shall ordinarily conclude by 9:30 p.m. No further business shall be considered after 9:30 p.m. unless Council approves a motion to continue the meeting by an affirmative two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members present.

12.6 – Agenda Submission Deadline

12.6 All items proposed for inclusion on a regular Council meeting agenda shall be submitted to the Clerk in writing, together with all relevant supporting information and presentation materials, no later than noon on the first Wednesday of each calendar month. Items received after the deadline may be deferred to a subsequent meeting unless Council determines by resolution to add agenda item in accordance with this by-law and applicable legislation.

13.1 – Public Presentation Requests

13.1 Persons wishing to make a presentation or appear as a delegation before Council shall submit a completed public presentation request form, available on the district's website, to the Clerk no later than noon on the first Wednesday of the month in which the

regular Council meeting is to be held. Requests shall include a description of the subject matter and any relevant supporting documentation. Requests received after the deadline may be considered for a subsequent meeting unless Council determines otherwise in accordance with this by-law and applicable legislation. Submission of a request does not guarantee placement on the agenda.

13.5. Previous Presentations and Council Decisions - Addition

Where a presentation or delegation has been made to Council and Council has rendered a decision on the matter, that decision shall remain in effect for the duration of the current Council's term of office, unless Council formally reconsiders the matter in accordance with this by-law and applicable legislation, or a review is required due to legal implications arising from the previous decision.

17 – Voting and Conflicts of Interest - replaced with:

17.1 Members of Council shall vote on questions put to Council in accordance with the *Local Governance Act* and other applicable legislation, except where a member is legally disqualified from voting or is otherwise excused as permitted by law.

17.2 Votes shall be taken and recorded in the manner required by legislation. Where a recorded vote is requested and permitted by law, the Clerk shall record each member's vote in the official minutes.

17.3 The Mayor and Councillors shall participate in voting as required by the *Local Governance Act*, subject to any applicable conflict-of-interest requirements or other legal restrictions.

17.4 A member who has an actual or potential conflict of interest shall disclose the conflict and complete the required declaration or disclosure form in accordance with the *Local Governance Act* and applicable procedures.

17.5 A member who is required to withdraw from consideration of a matter because of a conflict of interest shall not participate in the discussion or vote on that matter and shall leave the Council Chamber for the duration required by applicable legislation. The Clerk shall record the declaration and the members' withdrawal in the minutes in accordance with the Act.

26 – Reconsideration of Decisions

26.1 A matter previously decided by Council may be reconsidered only where permitted by the *Local Governance Act* and other applicable legislation. A request for reconsideration shall be submitted to the Mayor and Clerk in accordance with the applicable agenda deadlines and procedural requirements.

26.2 The notice, procedure and voting requirements for reconsideration shall be determined in accordance with applicable legislation and any relevant provisions of this by-law. Nothing in this section authorizes Council to reconsider a matter where doing so is prohibited by law.

26.3 Where reconsideration is permitted and approved, Council may confirm, amend, rescind or otherwise vary its previous decision, subject to applicable legal requirements.

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Barry-Kinney motioned to accept the District of Tobique Valley Procedural By-Law 2026-10 with the amendments noted.

RESOLUTION: To accept the District of Tobique Valley Procedural By-Law 2026-10 with the amendments noted.

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Barry-Kinney
Seconded by: Councillor Wright

Motion Carried 202610-07

b) Deputy Minister, Cade Libby Natural Resources – Share Your Perspective: NB Natural Gas Review by October 23rd, 2026
c) Western NB Service Commission Budget

WVRSC has waived the tourism, economic development and community development fees for 2027 again.

d) Route 108 By Pass Sign

Councillor Parish noted it gives three businesses opportunity to advertise on it using the size 4'x8'. Councillor Parish met with Tyson for a costing for a sign of $380 for both sides. Councillor Parish suggested we offer it to the closer businesses first and contract the advertising for three years at $700/year. Councillor Parish mentioned Tyson's signs will last up to five years.
Dean Dionne will have a sign on the By Pass for free as long as he owns the store for giving the District the sign.

MOTION: Councillor Parish motioned to advertise businesses on the By Pass sign for $700 per year for a three-year contract.

RESOLUTION: To advertise businesses on the By Pass sign for $700 per year for a three-year contract.

Moved by: Councillor Parish
Seconded by: Councillor Wright

Motion Carried 202610-08

Councillor Parish noted if there are a lot of businesses who would like to advertise on the sign, and they will not fit, maybe we need another sign advertising businesses in the area.

Correspondence:

a) Lori Clark, President & CEO Information on NB Power's 2027-2030 General Rate Application of October 7, 2026, asking that an average rate increase of 5.5% across all customer classes, effective April 1st in each of the next three years, subject to approval by the NBEUB
b) Sandi Green on behalf of the Board of Directors extends thanks to Mayor and Council for allowing the Victoria County SPCA to hold its flea market in the arena. The market had another successful year with a net profit of $22,260.89.

Next Meeting Date

Next Meeting Date is Monday, Nov. 16th, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. at the Phil Sharkey Memorial Centre

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Barry-Kinney
Seconded by: Councillor Wright

Motion Carried 202610-09

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned @ 9:15 p.m.

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Barry-Kinney
Seconded by: Councillor Parish

Motion Carried 202610-10

Aaron Jones, Mayor	**Patty St. Peter, CAO/Clerk**