

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Barrington Municipal Council held in the Council Chambers, in the Administrative Centre, in Barrington, N.S., on Tuesday, August 27, 2024. The meeting was called to order by the Warden at 7:00 p.m., with the following members present:

- Warden Lindsay (Eddie) Nickerson
- Deputy Warden Jody Crook
- Councillor Shaun Hatfield
- Councillor Andrea Mood-Nickerson

- Chris Frotten, CAO
- Debbie Mader, Municipal Clerk

-George El-Jakl – absent (vacation)

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Being duly moved and seconded that the agenda be approved as circulated.

Motion carried unanimously.

DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Councillor Mood-Nickerson declared a conflict of interest for the Barrington Area Soccer Association grant request. Councillor Mood-Nickerson is a member of this association.

Deputy Warden Crook declared a conflict of interest for the Barrington Cemetery Association grant request. Deputy Warden Crook's wife is a member of this association.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Being duly moved and seconded that minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held July 23, 2024 be approved as circulated.

Motion carried unanimously.

MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

There were no matters arising from previous meetings.

REPORT OF WARDEN

The Warden provided a brief report on his activities since the last meeting of Council.

REPORT OF COUNCILLORS

The Deputy Warden and each Councillor provided a brief report on their activities since the last meeting of Council.

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REPORT FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL

Deputy Warden Jody Crook reported on recommendations from the Committee of the Whole Council.

Goose Lake Road Association Charge Increase Request

Resolution C240801

Being duly moved and seconded to approve the increase in fees and move forward with a By-law amendment as required.

Motion carried unanimously.

Date of Amended Voter List

Resolution C240802

Being duly moved and seconded that August 30, 2024 be the date that the amended voter list be presented to the Returning Officer as recommended by the Returning Officer.

Motion carried unanimously.

Presentation Re: Connect2

The Connect2 project will connect Island View Park to the Rail to Trails by installing a pathway for walkers and cyclists. This request is for unbudgeted funds as the initial application was denied funding and was just recently approved for 75% funding from the Provincial Government.

Resolution C240803

Being duly moved and seconded to move forward with the RFP process for the Connect2 project.

Motion carried unanimously.

Parkdale Cemetery Association

Resolution C240804

Being duly moved and seconded to provide a grant in the amount of \$500 to Parkdale Cemetery Association.

Motion carried unanimously.

Barrington Area Soccer Association

Conflict of Interest

Councillor Mood-Nickerson declared a conflict of interest and vacated her seat.

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Resolution C240805

Being duly moved and seconded to provide a grant to Barrington Area Soccer Association in the amount of \$500.

Motion carried unanimously.

Councillor Mood-Nickerson returned to the meeting.

Yarmouth Hospital Foundation

Resolution C240806

Being duly moved and seconded to provide a grant to Yarmouth Hospital Foundation in the amount of \$1500.

Motion carried unanimously.

Building Official & Special Constable Appointment – Devan Waybret

Resolution C240807

Being duly moved and seconded to appoint Devan Waybret as a building official and special constable.

Motion carried unanimously.

RFP Evaluation Report – MODB 2402 Sandy Wickens Memorial Arena Canteen Services

Resolution C240808

Being duly moved and seconded to award the contract to Shawn and Paula Landry – Wheely Good Grub, with an added clause of there being a one-year probation period added to the contract.

Motion carried unanimously.

Barrington Cemetery Association

Deputy Warden Crook declared a conflict of interest and vacated his seat.

Resolution C240809

Being duly moved and seconded to provide a grant to Barrington Cemetery Association in the amount of \$500.

Motion carried unanimously.

Deputy Warden Crook returned to the meeting.

STAFF REPORT

The Chief Administrative Officer prepared a report for the period ending August 27, 2024 of which a copy is attached and forms part of the minutes.

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NEW OR OTHER BUSINESS

There was no new or other business to report.

CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence to report.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

Warden

Chief Administrative Officer

Secretary for the Meeting

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OPERATIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

We hosted the largest Nova Scotia Marathon to date on July 21. How we determine a "sell-out" is by the number of medals we have. We have increased our order over the past 4 years and had 600 adult and 50 kid medals on hand. 550 adult registrants along with 50 virtual were registered. The kids run, which took place on July 20, was also full at 50.

We assisted in the celebrations commemorating the 75th anniversary of the Causeway on August 5. There was entertainment, kids activities, kayaking and other activities. It was great to see the area so used and the Shelburne County Fish and Game's Mackerel Derby had over 100 participants - a huge success for them!

Our Physical Activity Coordinator launched an equipment loan promotional video on August 1, which showcases some of the equipment residents can borrow for free. Since the release of the video, we have had one request for borrowing bicycles, and 9 occasions for our kayaks since the release of the video.

Our Physical Activity Coordinator also presented at the last Committee of the Whole meeting asking for extra funds for a pathway project. The pathway will connect Island View Park to Barrington Bay Trail. The Connect2 program has awarded the Municipality \$38,812.00, which covers 75% of the project.

In the month of July, 380 people used the Sherose Island Trail. The highest single use day was July 3 with 81 people. Construction of the new Recreation Centre does not seem to have significantly impacted trail use.

We are close to the completion of a very busy and exciting summer recreation program and pool schedule. Program evaluations will go out next week and reporting will be available in late September.

From July 14 to August 17, 23 permits were issued for a total construction value of \$649,700. This represents a \$1,361,800 decrease from the same period last year. 94 building inspections, 4 fire inspections and 3 re-inspections were conducted over this period. 6 locations were visited to discuss civic numbering with 2 new numbers being issued and 2 numbers being deleted. 3 new subdivision applications were received and 2 were sent for registration. We currently have 5 open subdivision files. 2 new by-law complaints were received and we now have 7 outstanding.

Devan Waybert, our new Junior Building Official / By-Law Enforcement Officer began on July 29. He has already begun observing inspections and working on by-law matters.



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This past month, our Fire Services and EMO Coordinator met with the new Red Cross Emergency Management Coordinator who is reviewing and cataloging shelter sites in our area, met with Kerry Maclean who is the new EMPO for region 3, completed fire and life safety inspections on municipal properties, and continued to monitor precipitation amounts and maintain situational awareness of any tropical storm development.

The Island and Barrington Passage Fire Department has elected Greg Duggan as their new Chief and Devan Waybret has been elected as their new Deputy Chief. The Woods Harbour Shag Harbour Fire Department’s Chief has stepped down and has been replaced by Jason Shand and Shannon Newell is now their new Deputy Chief.

Fire departments responded to 20 calls this July compared to 31 in July 2023.

BARRINGTON MUNICIPAL FIRE SERVICE							
EMERGENCY CALLS July 2024							
FIRE DEPARTMENT	Fire	Mut	Auto	MFR	MVC	Other	TOTAL
		Aid	Aid				
Barrington/Port La Tour FD	1		1			3	5
Island Barrington Passage FD	1				4	3	8
Woods Harbour/Shag Harbour FD			1	5	1		7
TOTALS	2		2	5	5	6	20
B/PLT -							
IBP - 1 structure							
WH/SH-							



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UPCOMING INITIATIVES

The local event recognizing volunteers is scheduled for September 25 in Clark's Harbour and we are working with the Town of Clark's Harbour to secure a venue with the Legion being unavailable now for use. Councillors from Barrington and Clark's Harbour will be invited to celebrate local volunteers and the work they do. The Provincial Volunteer Awards takes place on September 18 in Truro where Jacquelyn Coffin will be recognized as our Volunteer of the Year.

We are partnering with the Barrington Leisure Park to present a "Movie in the Park". We will secure the movie and open it to the community at no charge and other fundraising can happen to support the Leisure Park at the event. Because of the later sunset, the movie will be geared to school age children and their families. Themed activities will be scheduled as a "pre-show".

Our Physical Activity Coordinator met with NS Walks representative to review a free walking audit tool that Coordinators will look at conveying in the fall. Coordinators will use the survey in the Barrington Passage area starting at Barrington Leisure Park - No Frills.

Our Physical Activity Coordinator also met with Jon Young, who is a well-known bicycle expert in Argyle, to coordinate a bicycle maintenance workshop led by Jon in September. The workshop will comprise of basic maintenance skills for cyclers in our community.



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CAPITAL PROJECT UPDATE

Here is an update on our 2024-2025 Capital Projects:

ID #	Project	Status
1	Pool Lift	In Progress
4	Barrington Ballfield Lights	In Progress
5	Portable Restrooms (Stoney Island)	In Progress
6	Portable Restrooms (Barrington Ballfield)	In Progress
7	Sidewalk Crossing Improvements	In Progress
8	Administration Office Roof Replacement	In Progress
11	Digital Road Sign	In Progress
12	Goose Lake Road Improvements	In Progress
13	Community Health Centre	In Progress
14	Recreation Centre	In Progress
15	Sidewalk Extension – Barrington Passage	In Progress
2	Curling Club Heat Pumps	Completed
3	Arena Board Replacement	Completed
9	Property Services Vehicle	Completed
10	Kiack Brook Parking Lot Resurfacing	Cancelled

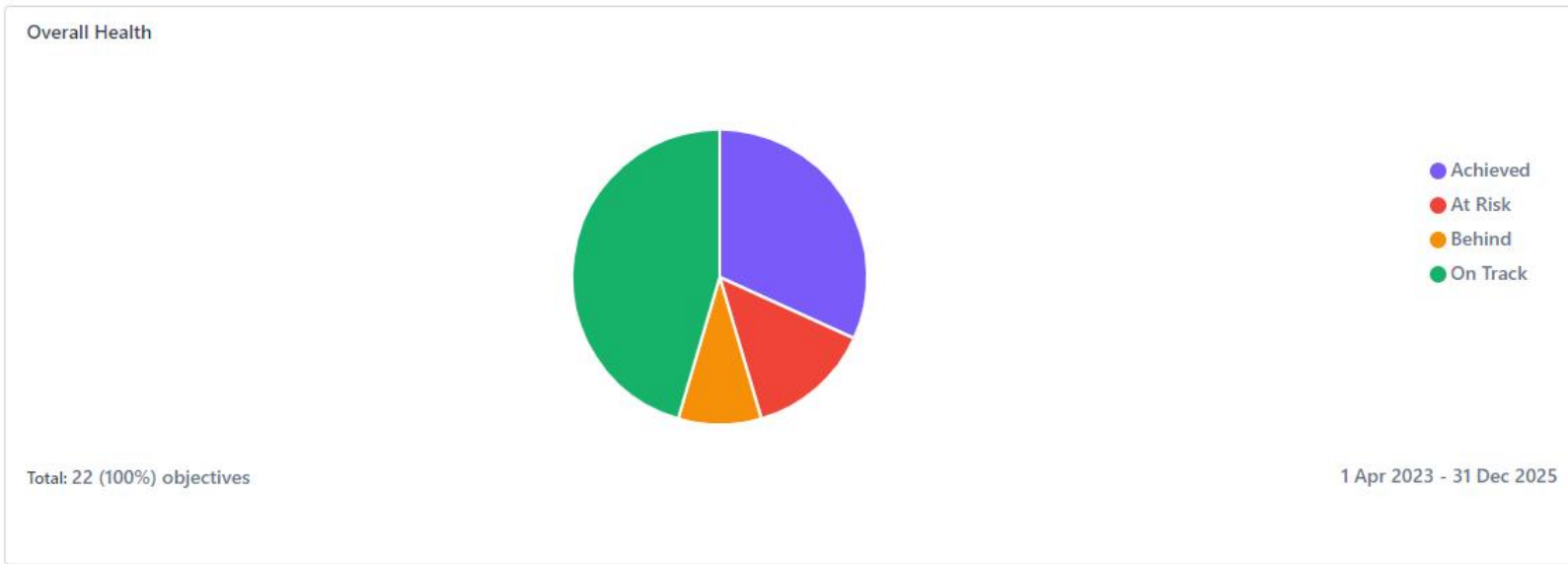


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2022-2025 Strategic Plan Update

Here is a brief update on our strategic plan's progress. This update outlines our achievements, key performance indicators, and the impact of initiatives.



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FOCUS AREA: STRENGTHEN OUR COMMUNITIES				
PLAN: 2022-2025 STRATEGIC PLAN				
+	Objective	Health	Progress Change (MoM)	Time Frame
🎯	Housing	● Behind	↑ 59% (0% - 59%)	Jan 01, 2024 Dec 31, 2024
🎯	Diversity and Inclusion	● On Track	↑ 52% (0% - 52%)	Jan 01, 2024 Dec 31, 2025
🎯	Improve Wastewater Services	● At Risk	0% (0% - 0%)	Apr 01, 2024 Dec 31, 2025
🎯	Accessibility	● On Track	↑ 92% (0% - 92%)	Apr 01, 2023 Dec 31, 2024
🎯	Infrastructure Renewal	● Achieved	↑ 100% (0% - 100%)	Mar 01, 2023 Dec 31, 2023
FOCUS AREA: OPERATE EFFICIENTLY				
PLAN: 2022-2025 STRATEGIC PLAN				
+	Objective	Health	Progress Change (MoM)	Time Frame
🎯	Consider the Expansion of the C&D Site	● On Track	↑ 67% (0% - 67%)	Apr 01, 2024 Dec 31, 2025
🎯	Develop an Employee Retention Program	● Achieved	↑ 100% (0% - 100%)	Mar 01, 2023 Dec 31, 2023
🎯	Create an Economic Development Office	● At Risk	↑ 31% (0% - 31%)	Jan 01, 2024 Dec 31, 2024
🎯	Transparency	● Achieved	↑ 100% (0% - 100%)	Apr 01, 2023 Dec 31, 2024



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FOCUS AREA: GROW OUR ECONOMY				
PLAN: 2022-2025 STRATEGIC PLAN				
+	Objective	Health	Progress Change (MoM)	Time Frame
🎯	Invest in our Beaches and Parks	● On Track	↑ 91% (0% - 91%)	Mar 01, 2023 Dec 31, 2024
🎯	Attract Accommodations	● On Track	↑ 95% (0% - 95%)	Mar 01, 2023 Dec 31, 2024
🎯	Municipal Property Development	● At Risk	↑ 32% (0% - 32%)	Mar 01, 2023 Dec 31, 2024
🎯	Improved Cell Service	● On Track	↑ 83% (0% - 83%)	Apr 01, 2024 Dec 31, 2025
🎯	Renewable Energy	● Achieved	↑ 100% (0% - 100%)	Mar 01, 2023 Dec 31, 2023
FOCUS AREA: KEEP BARRINGTON MOVING				
PLAN: 2022-2025 STRATEGIC PLAN				
+	Objective	Health	Progress Change (MoM)	Time Frame
🎯	Sherose Island Recreation Complex Strategy	● Behind	↑ 20% (0% - 20%)	Apr 01, 2024 Dec 31, 2025
🎯	Increase the Number of Outdoor Spaces Strategy	● Achieved	↑ 100% (0% - 100%)	Apr 01, 2023 Dec 31, 2024
🎯	Enhance Recreation Programs	● Achieved	↑ 100% (0% - 100%)	Apr 01, 2023 Dec 31, 2024
🎯	Trail Expansion	● On Track	↑ 83% (0% - 83%)	Jan 01, 2024 Dec 31, 2024
🎯	Sidewalk Expansion	● On Track	↑ 83% (0% - 83%)	Apr 01, 2024 Dec 31, 2025



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FOCUS AREA: INVEST IN OUR PEOPLE				
PLAN: 2022-2025 STRATEGIC PLAN				
	Objective	Health	Progress Change (MoM)	Time Frame
	Public Transit	● Achieved	↑ 100% (0% - 100%)	Mar 01, 2023 Dec 31, 2023
	Community Health Centre	● On Track	↑ 76% (0% - 76%)	Mar 01, 2023 Sep 01, 2025
	Doctor Recruitment & Retention	● On Track	↑ 73% (0% - 73%)	Mar 01, 2023 Dec 31, 2024

