

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, July 14, 2026 6:15 p.m.

In Attendance: Mayor Larry Fitzpatrick, Deputy Mayor Danelle Elliott, Councillor's Don Humphrey, Arthur Baker, Nathan Paton, Bernadette McInnis and Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) Sonya Martin | Regrets: Councillor Donna Campbell Dixon | Members of the Public:0

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:17 p.m.

2. Conflicts of Interest Declaration – Individual Councillors – MGA 96.(1-8)

No conflicts were heard.

3. Agenda Approvals

It was moved by Councillor Don Humphrey and seconded by Councillor Arthur Baker to approve the agenda as presented with the removal of #5. SeaRoots Alliance Presentation. All were in favour and the motion was carried. Votes For: 5 | Votes Against: 0 | Result: Motion Carried

4. Minutes Approval(s)

a) Council Meeting Minutes June 09, 2026. It was moved by Deputy Mayor Danelle Elliott and seconded by Councillor Don Humphrey to approve the minutes as presented. All were in favour and the motion was carried. Votes For: 5 | Votes Against: 0 | Result: Motion Carried

5. Presentation/Speak before Council –None

6. Reports

a) Mayor

i) PEI Energy Corporation Communications. There has been no recent contact from the Energy Corporation CEO or their Board Members. Minister Ernie Hudson is out of the office until July 14, 2026.

ii) Election Info Session June27/26 – Two interested persons showed up at the info session.

iii) A council info package for "Campaigning as a Current Municipal Council Member" and nominations forms were distributed to council.

b) CAO Report

i) Income and Bank Statement as at June 30, 2026 (See Appendix A)

ii) Municipal Funding Grant – 2nd installment of 15K – Resolution to transfer. It was moved by Councillor Don Humphrey and seconded by Councillor Nathan Paton, that the CAO transfer the second installment of the Municipal Funding Grant from the operational account to the reserve fund account until a further allocation of the funds can be determined. All were in favour and the resolution was approved. Votes For: 5 | Votes Against: 0 | Result: Resolution Approved

iii) Development reports. Permit Data & complaints | Private Roads Planner Opinion | Trailers on empty lots; Section 45 of the Provincial Regs was reviewed. (See Appendix B)

iv) Fly Program Report – A variety of areas were covered in the report, including applications to 150 sites and initial drone training. (See Appendix C)

v) Canada Summer Jobs (CSJ) Student Assistant. Our student has input 25 years of digitized development data into excel to date. We have received the first wage installment of \$1,722.00 from the program. Our Development and Subdivision records date back to 1981. The digitized data will be available after September 01, 2026.

vi) AOR360 website status. The new website documents are 90% uploaded. Council will be advised when the launch happens. It will take a few days to switch over.

7. New Business

a) RMEK Council Laptop Policy. The policy was reviewed and Council felt it should be tabled until after the municipal general election.

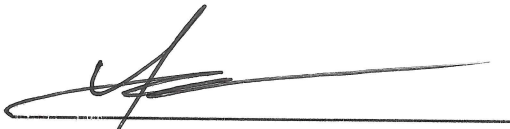
8. Business Arising

a) FPEIM Legal Review of "Changes to the Energy Legislation", status. The CAO noted that the last communication received from FPEIM on the review topic, was April 10, 2026. The CAO will continue to follow up on the matter.

9. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:31 p.m. It was moved by Councillor Arthur Baker and seconded by Councillor Don Humphrey. All were in favour and the motion was carried.

Signed in accordance, *Municipal Government Act* S.116(4)



Larry Fitzpatrick, Mayor

11 AUG 2026
Date



Sonya Martin, Chief Administrative Officer

August 11, 2026
Date



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APPENDIX A

Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) Report July 14, 2026

Bank Statement for the month of JUNE 2026

Souris Credit Union - Business Operational Account

Opening Balance on **June 01, 2026** **\$160,002.95**
Closing Balance at **June 30, 2026** **\$145,026.13**

Shares & Patronage

Business Shares Savings at **June 30, 2026** **\$5.14**
Patronage Share Savings at **June 30, 2026** **\$291.63**

Gas Tax (Restricted Funds) Account

Opening Balance on **June 01, 2026** **\$5.84**
Interest **\$0.01**
Closing Balance **June 30, 2026** ***\$5.85**

RMEK Reserve Funds Savings Account

Opening Balance at **June 01, 2026** **\$131,897.09**
Interest **\$276.44**
Closing Balance at **June 30, 2026** **\$132,173.53**

APPENDIX B

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2026 DEVELOPMENT PERMITS & SUBDIVISION APPROVALS

DEVELOPMENT PERMITS [EKDP]

Permit No.	Date - D/M/Y	Name & Civic Address	PID #	Details	Estimated Value
EKDP01-2026	15/01/2026	Wendell Baker 1126 Munns Road, Lakeville	376681	240 sq. ft. attached shed.	\$5000.00
EKDP02-2026	22/01/2026	Jamie Bruce 708 Baltic Road, East Baltic	896613	4000 sq. ft. storage building.	\$200,000.00
EKDP03-2026	05/02/2026	Stefan Soloviev 3482 East Point Road, South Lake	432690	9960 sq. ft. storage building.	\$800,000.00
EKDP04-2026	19/03/2026	Blythe and George Bruce 3982 East Point Road, South Lake	680066	912 sq. ft. attached garage.	\$120,000.00
EKDP05-2026	19/03/2026	Gerald and Susan MacPhee	868448	2479 sq. ft. home.	\$750,000.00

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		5900 Northside Road, North Lake			
EKDP06-2026	07/05/2026	Alana McKie and William Howard 22 Carl's Lane, Kingsboro	410886	1173 sq. ft. cottage with a 300 sq. ft. deck.	\$325,000.00
EKDP07-2026	14/05/2026	Dawn Mallard 5 Campbells Cape Lane Priest Pond	1127703	336 sq. ft. accessory building.	\$19,000.00
EKDP08-2026	14/05/2026	Lisa Townshend 52 Blinkbonnie Lane, Priest Pond	525519	Installation of utility poles and power lines	TBD
EKDP09-2026	28/05/2026	Linda Elliott 3197 East Point Road, Kingsboro	108647	343.37 sq. ft. ground mounted solar array	\$15,944.50
EKDP10-2026	04/06/2026	Keith Schurman TBD Stanley Drive, Kingsboro	1173343	160 sq. ft. cottage with a new septic system and a seasonal trailer permit.	\$45,000.00
EKDP11-2026	11/06/2026	Devin Bruce Lot 1B, Tommy's Lane Priest Pond	942466	Installation of utility poles and power lines	TBD
EKDP12-2026	11/06/2026	Don Humphrey 367 Munns Road, Kingsboro	108839	338.07 sq. ft. accessory building.	TBD.
EKDP13-2026	26/06/2026	Rusty Elliott/Elliott Enterprises 3212 East Point Road, Kingsboro	109314	480 sq. ft. accessory building,	\$40,000.00.
EKDP14-2026	09/07/2026	Devin Murphy 104 Tommy's Lane, Priest Pond	1013051	Season Camper Permit	n/a
EKDP26-2024(B)	09/07/2026	Robert Kerr 64 Shipbuilding Road, Kingsboro	834473	Extension of permit EKDP26-2024. 216 sq. ft. accessory building.	\$1,500.00.

SUBDIVISION APPROVALS

Permit No.	Date D/M/Y	Name & Civic Address	PID #	Details
S14F-2025	15/01/2026	Austin Humphries and Marvyn's Garden Inc. 560 East Tarantum Road, Lakeville	112185	Subdivide two lots off an existing 59-acre parcel.
S01F-2026	22/01/2026	Winston Baker and Carl Baker 1077 Munns Road, Lakeville	947440 and 111880	Subdivide 4.1 acres from PID 111880 and append it to PID 947440.
S02F-2026	19/02/2026	Sheila and Michael Poole 6592 Northside Road, Lakeville	938589	Subdivide two new lots off an existing 13-acre parcel.
S03F-2026	23/04/2026	Ruth O'Connell, Anne Millar, and Marvyn's Garden Inc. PID: 110775 Northside Road, East Point	110775	Subdivide approximately 24 acres from an existing 112-acre parcel.



APPENDIX C

July 9, 2026

RMEK Municipal Biting Fly Program - June 2026 Report

Kendall Schurman and Eric Cameron

- Continued treatment in affected areas and monitoring
- Stream maintenance
- Trail maintenance
- Additional data logging of GPS points and correction of inaccurate data
- Increased vegetation in most areas
- Monitoring of dragonfly population (increased)
- Overall positive interactions with landowners about the fly program
- Recommend public identifiers for “RMEK Fly Program” like, T-shirts/Ball caps/magnetic signs for vehicles or flags to pop into the ground

Vegetation: Areas that had increased vegetation are becoming harder to access so we now have to create access paths in order to treat these areas. It is a slow process in some cases as there is also deadfall across paths occasionally. In some cases, these areas have 6ft tall grass which makes it difficult to treat properly. If owners have the means and are willing, they can create paths to some of these areas which would be greatly appreciated.

Trail maintenance: Areas that had a lot of deadfall and new growth across paths are now being cleared to create easier/faster access to treatment areas. Since Fiona and multiple other storms, the trees in these areas are now weakened which means increased deadfall. Time and patience are needed in these circumstances as it is time consuming plus we are now into hotter weather. Some areas have access paths already which is a bonus, with some additional clearing and maintenance it makes for easy walking to treatment points.

Stream maintenance: Once at the treatment sites, we are met with deadfall across streams which collect larvae eggs and in turn creates a breeding ground for the fly population. Clearing of these areas is essential to increase water flow and get rid of debris. Heavily clogged areas take time to clear taking into account for next spring when ice and water will create a flood situation, so any debris that is cleared needs to be removed far enough away that spring breakup will not take branches and brush back into streams. Culverts in these areas need to be cleared which also takes time and is essential to not create a dam situation and breeding site.

Data logging: Ongoing data processing of GPS points is taking place regularly. Both with the old system and new accurate points, processing takes place daily. Data is put into a spreadsheet with GPS points, access points to these areas, watershed locations, date and time it was treated, temperature of air/water and how much product was used in that area.

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Drone training: Facilitators conducted a on half-day training course on drone usage providing members with a wealth of knowledge to use at our discretion. Some time is needed additionally to familiarize users with use of our DJI drone. Also, some additional products associated with the drone are needed for data processing and increased usage ie: an additional battery, memory card. Use of the DJI drone will prove successful in areas that are hard to access and will provide a clear picture of possible treatment sites not yet available.

Land/property owners: The community members that we have engaged with have positive things to say about the program, and welcome our presence and our mission. As mentioned, if property owners are aware of a treatment site on their property and have a means of cutting grass to these areas, it would be greatly appreciated. A simple walking path is all that is needed to apply product to treatment sites.

Overview of May 2026

- Testing for Class B Certification for the application of biological larvicide
- Arrival of 4 litre backpack sprayers
- Familiarizing with the area and writing up location/access instructions
- Inputting of correct GPS Coordinates into digital data files
- Walking to & from all 150+ sites + monitoring within the Eastern Kings boundaries
- Trail maintenance to access to sites
- June 5th, DJI Drone Training & Registration with Transport Canada, with Charlie MacKinnon [charles@C-3D.co / Captur3D]

Preliminary Findings May

Klines Brook-Seascape Lane – heavy blackfly presence, treatment applied [46.4302778/62.0216667]

Keith Burkes Stream-Snake Road – Mosquito larvae in stream, 4th instar stage (adult)
[46.3894149 / 62.1389359]

Baltic Road – S Turns – Clogged culverts creating standing water, cleared culverts partially to get water flowing, applied treatment [46.3852923 / 62.1432346]

Dixons Dam Baltic Road – Heavy downfall on east side of bridge, creating catch basins for leaves and debris – [46.4271516 / 62.1599656]

Kitson Road – Marsh – Heavy blackfly presence, applied treatment and flagged access points [46.3726283 / 62.1225421]

Youngs Hill – Basin Head – Giant Hogweed found on east side land (invasive species) [46.3823025 / 62.1181060]

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