



Municipality of the District of St. Mary's

Regular Council Meeting
Wednesday, January 21, 2026

We acknowledge that we are gathering in Mi'kma'ki the traditional unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq people.

1. Meeting, Date & Time:

The Regular Council meeting of the St. Mary's Municipal Council was called to order on Wednesday January 21st, 2026, at 5:00pm in the Council Chambers Sherbrooke, N.S.

2. Attending:

Warden James Fuller
Deputy Warden Beulah Malloy
Councillor Dana O'Connell
Councillor Scott Beaver
Councillor Emma Tibbo

Also Attending:

Lesley McFarlane, Chief Administrative Officer (CAO)
Jadzia Rudolph, Municipal Clerk
Keren Ruller, Director of Economic Development

3. Additions to the Agenda:

- There were no additions to the agenda.

4. Approval of Agenda:

On motion of Councillor Tibbo and seconded by Deputy Warden Malloy, Council approved the agenda as presented.

Motion approved.

5. Approval of Previous Minutes:

Warden Fuller called for errors, omissions or amendments to the previous minutes, hearing none, Council approved the minutes from the Council meeting held December 3rd, 2025.

Motion approved.

6. Business Arising from the Minutes:

- There was no business arising from the minutes.

Councillor Beaver joined the meeting at 5:06pm.

7. Recommendations from Committees of Council:

Committee of the Whole – December 3rd, 2025

No recommendations were made at this meeting.

Committee of the Whole – January 7th, 2026

On motion of Councillor Tibbo seconded by Councillor O'Connell, Council approve Strait Engineering Ltd to develop a plan by March 31, 2026, for St. Mary's to fulfill the requirements of Section 18 of the NS Department of Environment and Climate Change Transfer Station C&D Approval to Operate, for the quoted price of \$16,300+HST, funded from the remaining available \$30,000.

Motion approved.

On motion of Councillor Tibbo seconded by Deputy Warden Malloy, Council agree to provide a Loan Guarantee to the Sherbrooke and Area Volunteer Fire Department for the acquisition of a 2013 Freightliner Pumper Truck in the amount of \$125,000 through the Royal Bank of Canada on a 5 Year Term. If the Department defaults on the terms of the loan the Municipality will fund the loan payments through annual fire tax levy revenue collected on behalf of the Sherbrooke and Area Volunteer Fire Department.

Motion approved.

8. Outside Committee Reports

- a. Eastern Region Solid Waste Management Committee – November 27, 2025
 - Please see the agenda/package for the outside committee report.
- b. Tourism Guysborough County Association – January 2026.
 - Please see the agenda/package for the outside committee report.

9. Other Matters of Business:

- There were no other matters of business.


10. CAO Report:

- Please see the Agenda/Package for the report.
- Lesley McFarlane, Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) informed Council of the November and December updates and highlights, as follows:
 - Recreational activities and programs are prepared such as the upcoming Winter Fun Fest which takes place February 28th.
 - Residents may have been aware the Recplex was out of commission for the past several days. The issue has been rectified, and programs and activities will resume Saturday, January 24th, 2026.
 - The shared service between Municipality of the District of Guysborough, Town of Mulgrave and Municipality of the District of St. Mary's Regional Emergency Management Organization (REMO) is proceeding. The EMO Coordinator position is actively being advertised and is currently accepting applications.

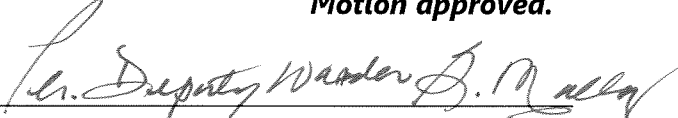
Adjournment

On motion of Warden Fuller, there being no further matters of business, the Council adjourned at 5:08pm.

Motion approved.

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Recorded By
Jadzia Rudolph, Municipal Clerk

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Approved By
Warden Fuller