



## Public Council Meeting

Town of Truro

Monday February 2, 2026 – 1:00 p.m.

Town Hall – Council Chambers

- Present: Mayor C. Hinton, Deputy Mayor B. Thomas, Councillors J. Flemming, W. Talbot, I. McGrath, D. Pryor
- In Attendance: CAO M. Dolter, Director of Planning J. Fox, Director of Public Works O. Browning, Director of Parks, Recreation & Culture A. Simms, Fire Chief B. Currie, Police Chief D. MacNeil, Manager of Strategic Services A. Grant, Town Solicitor C. Thompson
- Regrets: Councillor A. Graham, Director of Corporate Services T. Russell

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*Mayor C. Hinton called the meeting to order, beginning with a Land Acknowledgement. She recognised that we are gathered on Mi'kma'ki, the ancestral and traditional lands of the Mi'kmaq People, and acknowledged the significant contributions of the African Nova Scotia Community to our province over the past 400 years, despite enduring generations of inequality due to systemic racism.*

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1) **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

The agenda for the February 2, 2026, Public Council Meeting was approved as presented.

2) **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of the January 12, 2026, Public Council Meeting were approved as circulated.

3) **PETITIONS, DELEGATIONS AND CORRESPONDENCE**

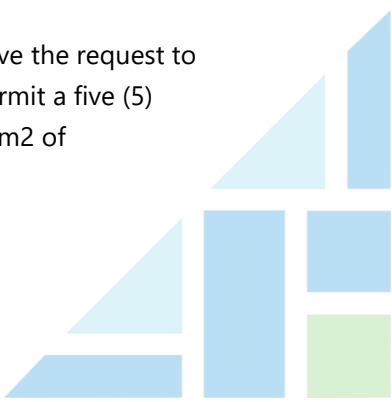
4) **OLD BUSINESS**

a) **Request for Decision: Approval of Non-Union Compensation System**

By motion of Councillors I. McGrath and W. Talbot it was moved that Council approves the proposed changes to the non-union compensation system as presented. Motion carried.

b) **Request For Decision: 67 Inglis Place Development Agreement**

By motion of Councillors D. Pryor and I. McGrath it was moved that Council approve the request to enter into a development agreement with Factory 58 Holdings Incorporated to permit a five (5) storey multi-unit residential development consisting of 35 dwelling units and 525 m2 of commercial space at 67 Inglis Place (PID No. 20195442). Motion carried.



a) **Request for Decision: Request for Decision: Ford Street Park**

By motion of Deputy Mayor B. Thomas and Councillor I. McGrath it was moved that Council officially name the park at the corner of Ford Street and Robie Street, "The Marsh Community Park." Motion Carried.

5) **IN-CAMERA SUMMARY REPORT**

CAO M. Dolter reported that an in-camera meeting was held on January 12, 2026, regarding a legal matter, on January 15, 2026, regarding a personnel matter and on January 29, 2026, regarding a legal matter. An in-camera meeting is scheduled to take place following the Public Council Meeting on February 2, 2026.

6) **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

a) **CAO Report**

The CAO report for the month of January was presented to Council.

b) **Corporate Services Report**

The Corporate Services report for the month of December was presented to Council.

Councillor W. Talbot noted that Grant Applications were to be submitted to the Town by January 31, 2026. He asked when approved funds would be released. CAO M. Dolter replied that grant funding would be released in April, after approval by Council.

c) **Fire Service Report**

The Fire Service report for the month of January was presented to Council.

d) **Planning & Development Report**

The Planning & Development report for the month of January was presented to Council.

Councillor W. Talbot noted that current Bylaws do not address Sight Lines at intersections which presents a safety issue and requested that this issue be considered in the Bylaw review.

e) **Police Service Report**

The Police Service report for the month of January was presented to Council.

f) **Public Works Report**

The Public Works report for the month of January was presented to Council.

Council discussed ongoing issues with vehicles parking too close to intersections, noting the standard prohibition of parking within 10 metres of a stop sign. Proposed solutions included installing physical barriers, painting road markings, and adding signage to stop signs indicating the 10-metre rule. Police Chief D. MacNeil advised that ticketing offenders is an effective deterrent and encouraged the public to report violations to Truro Police.

g) **Parks, Recreation & Culture Report**

The Parks, Recreation & Culture report for the month of January was presented to Council.

By Motion of Councillors I. McGrath and D. Pryor, it was moved to approve the department reports. Motion carried.

7) **QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS**

By motion of Councillors I. McGrath and J. Flemming, it was moved that Council request a staff report on the options available to Council for providing tax exempt relief to non-profits who are providing affordable housing within the Town of Truro. Motion carried.

By motion of Councillor I. McGrath and D. Pryor, it was moved that Council write a letter to Minister Ritcey requesting him to investigate the province funding the Truro library to the degree that is set out under the current funding model. Motion carried.

8) **NEW BUSINESS**

a) **Request for Decision: 46/48 Ford St and 22/38 Rexdale Dr, Development Agreement**

By motion of Councillors I. McGrath and J. Flemming it was moved that Council set a Public Hearing date for March 2, 2026 to consider entering into a development agreement with Wallace Retirement Living to permit two 6-storey 50-55 unit buildings and two 4-storey 35-40 unit buildings on lands off Marshland Drive with access via Rexdale Drive and Ford Street. Motion carried.

13) **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 2:54 pm.

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Cathy Hinton  
Mayor

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M. Dolter  
Chief Administrative Officer