

Community Centrum: Grand Bay Room – Broadcast for the Public

1. Call to Order

Mayor Merrifield called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

2. Acknowledgement of Treaty Land

We respectfully acknowledge that Grand Bay-Westfield exists on the traditional Wolastoqey (WOOL-US-TOOK-WAY) land.

The lands of Wabanaki (WAH-BAH-NAH-KEE) people are recognized in a series of Peace and Friendship Treaties to establish an ongoing relationship of peace, friendship and mutual respect between equal nations.

The river that runs by our town is known as Wolastoq (WOOL-LUSS-TOOK), along which live Wolastoqiyik (WOOL-US-TOO-GWEEG) - the people of the beautiful and bountiful river.

We, the staff and elected representatives, pay respect to the elders, past and present, and descendants of this land.

3. Mayor's Comments

4. Record of Attendance

Mayor Merrifield, Deputy Mayor Toole, Councillor McIntosh Lawrence, Councillor Day, Councillor Balcomb, Councillor Balemans, and Councillor Burpee in attendance.

Regrets:

Staff Attendance: John Enns-Wind, James Barrington, David Taylor, Bruce Gault, Gary Clark, Christopher Crabbe, Broc Belding Troy Gautreau, and Nicole Goddard

ADOPTED
March 24, 2025

5. Agenda Approval

That the Council of the Town of Grand Bay-Westfield approve the Agenda of February 24, 2025, as presented with the deletion of the 7.a Dog Bites presentation postponed to March 10, 2025.

Motioned by: Councillor Balemans

Seconded by: Councillor Burpee

Carried

6. Disclosure of Conflict of Interest

None

7. Public Hearings/Presentations/Delegations/Petitions

8. Minutes of Previous Meeting

a) Regular Council Minutes of January 27, 2025

That the Council of the Town of Grand Bay-Westfield adopt the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 27, 2025 as presented.

Motioned by: Councillor Balcomb

Seconded by: Councillor Balemans

Carried

9. Unfinished Business

10. By-Laws

11. New Business/Recommendations

a) Animal Control Contract

That the Council of the Town of Grand Bay-Westfield authorize the CAO to renew the Animal Control Contract with Ann Savoy, for the year 2025.

Motioned by: Councillor McIntosh Lawrence

Seconded by: Councillor Burpee

Carried

b) Reserve Transfer

That the Council of the Town of Grand Bay-Westfield authorize the following transfer:

1. \$610,000 transfer from the General Revenue Capital Reserve Fund to the General Revenue Fund.

Motioned by: Deputy Mayor Toole

Seconded by: Councillor McIntosh Lawrence Carried

c) Colonel Nase Boulevard, Subdivision Lot 25-1, Land for Public Purposes

That the Council of the Town of Grand Bay-Westfield accept \$392 as money in lieu of Land for Public Purposes, for the creation of one new building lot out of PID #00221218 on Colonel Nase Boulevard. As shown on Tentative 500607 NB Ltd. Subdivision Plan, Lot 25-1 as prepared by Don-More Surveys & Engineering Ltd., dated January 27, 2025.

Motioned by: Councillor Balemans

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Toole Carried

d) Health and Safety Policy

That the Council of the Town of Grand Bay-Westfield approve PP-GG-015 Health and Safety Policy.

Motioned by: Councillor Balemans

Seconded by: Councillor Balcomb Carried

e) Municipal Kilometrage Maintenance Agreement 2025

That the Council of the Town of Grand Bay-Westfield approve the Summer and Winter Maintenance Agreement as prepared by the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure, for the period covering January 1, 2025 until December 31, 2025.

Motioned by: Deputy Mayor Toole

Seconded by: Councillor McIntosh Lawrence Carried

12. Bills for Payment

- a) That the Council of the Town of Grand Bay-Westfield authorize the February 24, 2025 bills for payment as presented in the amount for \$737,813.86.

Motioned by: Councillor Burpee

Seconded by: Councillor Balemans

Carried

13. Consent Agenda

- a) Building Report – January 2025
- b) Animal Control Report – January 2025
- c) Fire - Rescue Department Report – January 2025
- d) Fire - Rescue Department Annual Report 2024
- e) Planning Advisory Committee Minutes December 2, 2024
- f) Letter – The New Brunswick Emergency Measures Organization (NBEMO) to Mayor and Council
- g) Letter – Business Leaders re tariffs
- h) Memo – Review of internal trade barriers – Public Procurement
- i) Letter – National Farmers Union
- j) Letter – Nature Trust NB Seeking Funding
- k) Letter – Empowering Women in Business – Request for Sponsorship
- l) Letter – ACAP
- m) Letter – Epilepsy Association of the Maritimes (EAM) and Purple Day
- n) Letter – Primary Health Care – Horizon
- o) Fiscal Reform Update – February 2025
- p) UMNIB Infographic
- q) Grand Bay-Westfield – Spike Protection Mechanism Report

End Consent Agenda

That the Council of the Town of Grand Bay-Westfield receive and file the consent agenda items for February 24, 2025.

Motioned by: Deputy Mayor Toole

Seconded by: Councillor Balcomb

Carried

14. Council Reports

15. Business Arising from Committee of the Whole

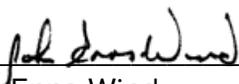
16. Adjournment

That the Council of the Town of Grand Bay-Westfield adjourned the meeting at 7:36pm.

Motioned by: Councillor McIntosh Lawrence

Seconded by: Councillor Burpee

Carried



John Enns-Wind
CAO



Brittany Merrifield
Mayor