

Present: Mayor Campbell
Councillor Elderkin
Councillor Land
Councillor Jonah
Councillor Coates

Councillor Ward-Russell

Absent:

Staff Present: Sean Wallace – Chief Administrative officer
Kim Beers – Director, Legislative Services/Clerk

Call to Order

Mayor Campbell called the Oath of Office ceremony to order at 6:00 p.m.

Adoption of the Agenda

IT WAS MOVED BY *Councillor Coates* and **SECONDED by *Councillor Jonah* THAT** the agenda for the Oath of Office ceremony be adopted.

MOTION CARRIED (unanimously)

Conflict of Interest Declarations

NONE

Meeting Minutes

IT WAS MOVED by *Councillor Land* **SECONDED by *Councillor Elderkin* THAT** the Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held May 1, 2026 be approved.

MOTION CARRIED (unanimously)

IT WAS MOVED by *Councillor Jonah* **SECONDED by *Councillor Coates* THAT** the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held May 5, 2026 be approved.

MOTION CARRIED (unanimously)

Correspondence

The Village Clerk read the Declaration after Poll has been taken from [Elections NB](#)

Presentation – Outgoing Members of Council

Councillor Land thanked residents, Council members, and staff for their support and confidence during his 13 years of service on Council. He reflected on the responsibilities and commitments involved in municipal government, congratulated the newly elected and returning members of Council, and wished them success in their upcoming term.

Councillor Coates reflected on his involvement in local government, beginning with the Hillsborough Parish LSD Committee and later participating in the local governance reform process. He noted the significant time commitment required to serve in municipal government and encouraged newly elected members to be prepared for the responsibilities of the role. **Councillor Coates** wished the new Council members success in their term and thanked everyone for the opportunity to serve the community.

Councillor Jonah congratulated the newly elected members of Council and reflected on his experience serving in municipal government. He noted that the role brings both rewarding opportunities and challenges and emphasized the importance of resilience, perseverance, and maintaining perspective when faced with criticism. He wished the incoming Council members success in their term.

A statement from **Councillor Ward-Russell** was read into the record, as she was unable to attend due to work commitments. In her message, **Councillor Ward-Russell** reflected on her three and a half years of service, describing the role as both challenging and meaningful. She expressed pride in the work accomplished by Council, thanked residents, colleagues, and supporters for their trust and encouragement, and noted her appreciation for the feedback received following the election. **Councillor Ward-Russell** wished **Councillor Phillips** success as the new representative for Ward 6 and encouraged the incoming Council to remain focused on transparency, communication, and serving the best interests of residents. She concluded by expressing her gratitude for the opportunity to serve the community.

Mayor Campbell thanked outgoing Council members and staff for their support, guidance, and collaboration during her time on Council following the by-election. He reflected on the challenges and accomplishments of serving together and expressed appreciation for the advice and encouragement he received. **Mayor Campbell** presented a commemorative gift to the outgoing members of Council.

Administration of Oath of Office

Ms. Beers welcomed members of the public, family, friends, staff, and both outgoing and incoming Council members to the swearing-in ceremony. The Clerk noted that the event marked the beginning of a new term of Council and outlined the important role of Council in providing leadership and making decisions on behalf of the community. The Clerk then explained the oath-

taking process and proceeded with the administration of the Oaths of Office to the newly elected members of Council.

The Village Clerk administered the Oath of Office to **Ward 1 Councillor Derek Lackey; Ward 2 Councillor Loretta Elderkin; Ward 3 Councillor Jeff Cooke; Ward 4 Councillor Scott Reid; Ward 5 Councillor Rebecca Davis; Ward 6 Councillor Darren Phillips;** and the **Mayor, Jim Campbell**

Adjournment

Councillor Elderkin adjourned the meeting at 6:25 pm.

Clerk

Mayor