

**THE OROMOCTO TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
IN REGULAR SESSION**

**May 21, 2026, 5:30 PM
AT THE OROMOCTO MUNICIPAL BUILDING**

Present: Councillor Lorraine Dawe, Councillor Jeff Kirkbride, Councillor Raymond Henry, Deputy Mayor Sheridan Mawhinney, Councillor Kelly Murdock, Councillor Ryan Carr, Councillor Gary von Richter

Members Absent: Councillor Brad Whalen

In Attendance: Mayor Robert Powell, Cindy Goguen, Assistant Town Clerk, John Jackson, CAO/Clerk

Visitors: Council Elect Joseph Myers
Council Elect Dean Grattan

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Resolution Number: 2026-047

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Sheridan Mawhinney
Seconded by: Councillor Raymond Henry

RESOLVED: THAT the agenda for the Oromocto Town Council Meeting in Regular Session on 21 May 2026 be approved.

CARRIED

3. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

Nil

4. MAYOR’S COMMENTS

Mayor Powell acknowledged that Council-Elect Joe Myers and Council-Elect Dean Grattan were present in the audience. He thanked Councillor Raymond Henry (elected in 2016) and Councillor Lorraine Dawe (elected in 2012) for their years of dedication and service to the Town. Both Councillors responded to the Mayor's comments and acknowledged the support they received and the opportunities to serve the community while on Council.

5. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Resolution Number: 2026-048

Moved by: Councillor Lorraine Dawe
Seconded by: Councillor Raymond Henry

RESOLVED: THAT the minutes for the Oromocto Town Council Meeting in Regular Session on 16 April 2026 be approved.

CARRIED

6. PETITIONS, PRESENTATIONS OR DELEGATIONS

Nil

7. COUNCIL REPORTS

7.a Capital Region Service Commission

7.a.1 Economic Expansion Committee

Nil

7.b Planning Advisory Committee

The Deputy Mayor reported there was one item, a variance that was denied, for a sea-can to be placed temporarily at a residence.

7.c Oromocto and Area Chamber of Commerce

Councillor Dawe reported the Chamber met on the 13 May 2026 and that the Chamber would like to host an open forum during small business week that includes representation from the Town. The Business After Hours event was successful and the next Business After Hours will be held at the Scotiabank. The Chamber's next meeting will be held on 10 June 2026.

7.d Oromocto Pioneer Gardens

The Deputy Mayor advised the committee met on 20 May 2026 and announced the cemetery is now open for both interments and internments. He noted as well that most of the major projects have come to completion or are being finalized.

8. CONSIDERATION OF BY-LAWS

Nil

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Nil

10. NEW BUSINESS

10.a 2025 Annual Report

Resolution Number: 2026-049

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Sheridan Mawhinney

Seconded by: Councillor Kelly Murdock

RESOLVED: THAT Council approves the 2025 Town of Oromocto Annual Report.

CARRIED

10.b Municipal Emergency Management Plan

Resolution Number: 2026-050

Moved by: Councillor Gary von Richter

Seconded by: Councillor Ryan Carr

RESOLVED: THAT Council accepts the quote received from Transitional Solutions Inc in the amount of \$61,390 (sixty-one thousand, three hundred and ninety dollars (plus HST and expenses) for the review and modernization of the Town of Oromocto's Municipal Emergency Management Plan, including associated training and exercise components.

CARRIED

10.c Smith Subdivision UV Treatment

Resolution Number: 2026-051

Moved by: Councillor Lorraine Dawe

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Sheridan Mawhinney

RESOLVED: THAT Council authorizes the expenditures of \$55,097.46 (fifty-five thousand and ninety-seven dollars and forty-six cents), plus HST, for the Smith Subdivision UV equipment and electrical upgrades. Funding is available from within Capital Account # 9526.

CARRIED

10.d Trail Barriers

Resolution Number: 2026-052

Moved by: Councillor Raymond Henry

Seconded by: Councillor Lorraine Dawe

RESOLVED: THAT Council authorizes the Director of Recreation and Tourism to remove the jersey barriers and explore reasonable, non-restrictive alternatives to reduce motorized traffic on non-designated trails.

Councillor Kirkbride's nay vote was recorded.

CARRIED

11. ADJOURNMENT

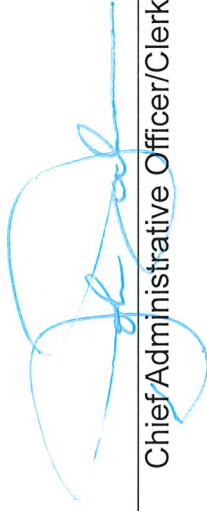
Resolution Number: 2026-053

Moved by: Councillor Jeff Kirkbride

Seconded by: Councillor Raymond Henry

RESOLVED: THAT the Regular Session of Oromocto Town Council Meeting in Regular Session on Thursday, 21 May 2026 be adjourned.

CARRIED



Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk



Mayor

