



**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
MINUTES**

Tuesday, February 3, 2026
Magaguadavic Place, St. George

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor John Craig
Councillor Terry Lee
Councillor Alexa Detorakis
Councillor Darrell Tidd
Councillor Wayne MacQuarrie
Councillor Michael Thompson
Councillor Lisa McKay

MEMBERS ABENT: Deputy Mayor David R. Hatt
Councillor Adam Hatt

STAFF PRESENT: Jason N. Gaudet, CAO/Clerk
Lori Kelly, Project Management/Economic Development



GUESTS: 5 gallery attendees

1. CALL TO ORDER

The session of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of the Council for Eastern Charlotte held on Tuesday, February 3, 2026, at the Magaguadavic Place, St. George, was called to order by Mayor Craig at 6:30 pm.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion: To accept the Agenda for the meeting.
Moved by: Councillor McKay
Seconded by: Councillor MacQuarrie
Motion carried unanimously.


CLERK

MAYOR

3. DISCUSSION

- a. Childcare Building Project
 - Tender closed, 8 bids received. Staff gave updates on discussions with Province (RDC, MCBB).
- b. Blacks Harbour Water Projects Communication Sub-Committee
 - Updated draft terms of reference distributed to Council; some further changes required.
- c. Amendment of ATV By-law, EC-06-A
 - Draft by-law distributed to Council, add ATV permitted streets to current bylaw; some updates required. Scheduled for February Regular Meeting.

4. UPDATES FROM CAO

- a. Possible Acquisition of Green Space on Main Street – corner of Simpson Court and Main Street in St. George.
- b. Staffing – posting for FTE Public Works Labourer/Operator for Blacks Harbour.
- c. Update on New Truck(s) – while two (2) new pickup trucks have been ordered, an option for a 2022 truck was provided for the Parks & Rec truck. Council agreed to remain with original purchases of new vehicles.
- d. St. George IBA Projects – CBCL Engineering will provide an update to Council, likely at the April Council meeting, on the two (2) IBA projects in St. George: new Water Source Development and wastewater Expansion.
- e. A Sewer System Smoke Test will be conducted for the area around the municipal office, investigating on air quality issues at the office.

5. QUESTIONS FROM GALLERY

- a. Tori Hawkins (Pennfield) – questions on pending sub-committee, municipal tender qualifications.
- b. Sam Rubin (St. George) – childcare building.
- c. Archie & Diane Leslie (St. George) – war memorial location.
- d. Ann Middleton (St. George) – childcare building.

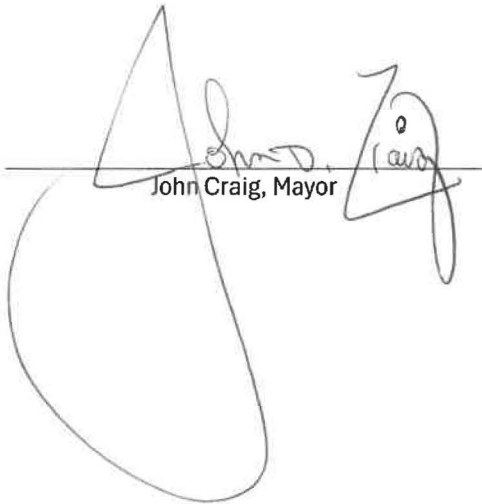
6. COUNCILLOR CONCERNS

- a. Councillor Detorakis – discussion with local retired General Contractor confirmed pre-qualification typical with multi-level tenders; need to enhance use of Gypsy Rest Park in St. George; expressed need for childcare in area.
- b. Councillor Thompson – lease agreement for proposed childcare building still in works.
- c. Councillor Tidd – expressed need for childcare service.

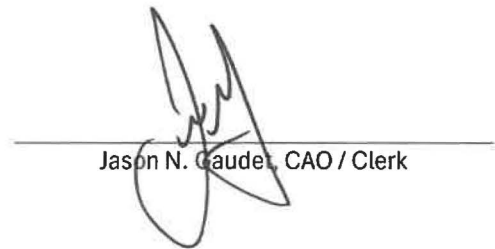
7. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: That the meeting be adjourned at 7:50pm.

Moved by: Councillor Tidd



John Craig, Mayor



Jason N. Gaudet, CAO / Clerk