



**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
MINUTES**

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

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor John Craig
Deputy Mayor David R. Hatt
Councillor Terry Lee
Councillor Lisa McKay
Councillor Michael Thompson

MEMBERS ABENT: Councillor Alexa Detorakis
Councillor Darrell Tidd
Councillor Adam Hatt
Councillor Wayne MacQuarrie

STAFF PRESENT: Jason N. Gaudet, CAO/Clerk
Lori Kelly, Eco Dev/Project Management

GUESTS: 9 gallery attendees

1. CALL TO ORDER

The session of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of the Council for Eastern Charlotte held on Tuesday, March 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 Lee

Seconded by: Councillor Thompson

Motion carried unanimously.

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CLERK

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MAYOR

3. DISCUSSION

a. Blacks Harbour Water Projects Communication Sub-Committee

- CAO update Council on 1) the call for applications being posted for the Communications Sub-Committee; 2) discussion with Connors Bros. on installing a filtration system at the farm reservoir, currently looking at several options and discussion with Province on possible financial support, awaiting filtration options outline from Connors to be reviewed by municipal engineers Englobe; 3) Englobe will make a presentation to Council on March 12.

b. Childcare Building Project

- Lori Kelly provided details on calls with Province and that there has been no further confirmed increase to allocation/support despite some early interest by RDC to review funding for possible increase. Tendering of building on agenda for Special Meeting of March 10 for Council's decision on file.

c. Zoning Amendment for Blacks Harbour property (PID# 1222991, 226 Greenlaw Valley Road)

- Amendment will change property from Residential (R1) to Integrated Development (ID) zone for the construction of five (5) small (600 sq ft) dwellings and being self-services/non-municipal service. Amendment is on agenda for March 18 Regular Monthly Meeting.

4. UPDATES FROM CAO

- a. Staffing – update on posting for FTE Public Works Labourer/Operator for Blacks Harbour & staffing; review one (1) name for accountant replacement (Mark Porter's retirement).
- b. Ongoing audit of NB Power Accounts

5. QUESTIONS FROM GALLERY

- a. Ann Middleton (St. George) – question on childcare funding and possibility of using allocation provincial funds for other projects.

6. COUNCILLOR CONCERNS

Deputy Mayor Hatt – discussed need to Provincial financial for Blacks Harbour Water project and remarked on positive cooperation/discussion with Connors Bros. with filtration project.


7. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: That the meeting be adjourned at 7:05pm.

Moved by: Councillor Lee



John Craig, Mayor



Jason N. Gaudet, CAO / Clerk