COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
MINUTES

Tuesday, July 28, 2026
Magaguadavic Place, St. George

MEMBERS PRESENT:	Mayor John Craig Deputy Mayor Adam Hatt Councillor Patty Borthwick Councillor Logan Martin Councillor Sam Rubin Councillor Lucy Stevens Councillor Michael Thompson Councillor David R. Hatt
MEMBERS ABENT:	Councillor Matthew Hall
STAFF PRESENT:	Jason N. Gaudet, CAO/Clerk Lori Kelly, Economic Development
GUESTS:	4 gallery attendees

1. CALL TO ORDER

The session of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of the Council for Eastern Charlotte held on Tuesday, July 28, 2026, at the Magaguadavic Place, St. George. Mayor Craig called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion: To accept the agenda for the meeting.
Moved by: Councillor Borthwick
Seconded by: Councillor Rubin
Motion carried unanimously.

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3. DISCUSSION

a. IBA Projects (St. George) – Exit 56

- CBCL Engineers David Morgan, P.Eng, and Amy Winchester, P.Eng, provided Council will a presentation on the drafted "*Water and Sewer Expansion Options Analysis*" which looks at current utility systems and possible expansion, particularly for the area of Highway 1 Exit 56 in Upper Letang/Utopia.
- Option #1: Central Water and Sanitary System at Exit 56 - class D estimated cost $44.4m
- Option #2: Extension of Existing Municipal System to Exit 56 - class D estimated cost $31.4m
- Option #3: Stand-alone Well & Septic Systems
- Well# 4 needs further study to ensure operating fully.
- Further investigation into several maximum volume days over the last few years.

b. Code of Conduction Bylaw (EC-02-A)

- CAO reviewed some changed to drafted update to Code of Conduct of Council Bylaw.

4. UPDATES FROM CAO

a. Riverside Park – complaint from resident on Friday Outdoor Market, complaint via JD Irving and possible meeting with the resident.

b. CAO provided details from DTI on School Zones, confirming that school zone speeds are only applicable to school days and times.

c. Review of pending land acquisitions from GNB, on agenda for August meeting.

d. Dangerous & Unsightly Properties in Blacks Harbour – 2 new files assigned to Bylaw Enforcement. Concern on state of old hospital building.

5. AUDIENCE QUESTIONS - CONCERNING ITEMS DISCUSSED IN THIS MEETING

a. Ann Middleton (St. George) – comments on support for Riverside Park.

6. COUNCILLOR CONCERNS

a. Councillor Rubin – questions on costing of multi-use (childcare) building.

b. Deputy Mayor Hatt – comments/concerns on difficult process on acquiring building permit, need to SNBSC to have an office in Eastern Charlotte, at least for a day or so at first, to assist residents with required documentation for building permit application.

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c. Councillor Thompson – questions on SNBSC Public Safety Committee, inquired on status of updated dog control by-law, CAO is awaiting email from NBSPCA.

d. Councillor Stevens – question on dog clean up stations at Canal Beach, CAO said new dog station was installed in the spring.

e. Councillor Hatt – request new social media post on ATV only allowed on specific roads.

f. Councillor Borthwick – question on new signage for St. George Gorge, donations to Fundy Alumni Event, Post Office plaza. CAO asked for some clarification on signage need.

g. Councillor Rubin – request patching for Carleton Street Extension, question on when grad banners would be taken down, CAO stated in August.

h. Councillor Martin - requested bushing to be completed on trail access behind ScotiaBank in St. George.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: That the meeting be adjourned at 9:15pm.
Moved by: Councillor Rubin

John Craig, Mayor

Jason N. Gaudet, CAO / Clerk