THE OROMOCTO TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

IN REGULAR SESSION

September 17, 2026, 5:30 PM
AT THE OROMOCTO MUNICIPAL BUILDING

Present:	Councillor Jeff Kirkbride, Councillor Brad Whalen, Councillor Sheridan Mawhinney, Councillor Kelly Murdock, Councillor Ryan Carr, Deputy Mayor Gary von Richter, Councillor Dean Grattan, Councillor Joe Myers
In Attendance:	Mayor Robert Powell, John Jackson, CAO/Clerk, Gillian Mersereau, Information Services Coordinator

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1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Resolution Number: 2026-101

Moved by: Councillor Jeff Kirkbride
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Gary von Richter

RESOLVED: THAT the agenda for the Oromocto Town Council Meeting in Regular Session on 17 September 2026, be accepted.

CARRIED

3. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

4. MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Powell commented on the passing of long-time Town employee Leo Hynes. Mr. Hynes served the Town for 37 years prior to his retirement and contributed to numerous committees throughout his tenure. Mayor Powell noted that Mr. Hynes passed away on September 14, 2026, and acknowledged his many years of dedicated service to the community.

5. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Resolution Number: 2026-102

Moved by: Councillor Sheridan Mawhinney
Seconded by: Councillor Joe Myers

RESOLVED: THAT the minutes for the Oromocto Town Council Meeting in Regular Session on 20 August 2026 be accepted.

CARRIED

6. PETITIONS, PRESENTATIONS OR DELEGATIONS

7. COUNCILLOR REPORTS

7.a Capital Region Service Commission

Mayor Powell reported that the CSRC met on August 26 at 9:00 a.m., beginning with a Regional Roundtable session with Minister Aaron Kennedy. This was followed by a Committee of the Whole meeting at 11:30 a.m., during which the 2027 budget was discussed. He further reported that the CSRC regular monthly meeting was held on September 1, where the Finance Committee report, the 2027 draft budget, and staff reports were reviewed and discussed.

7.b Planning and Advisory Committee

Councillor Mawhinney reported that the committee met on September 5th and discussed the proposed Municipal Plan and Zoning by-law amendments.

7.c Oromocto and Area Chamber of Commerce

Members were advised that a monthly meeting was held last week, with planning underway for the upcoming members' event. Representatives from Arcadia were invited to attend, as they are currently exploring the establishment of a Chamber of Commerce in their area. The Chamber is also considering hosting the annual Tree Lighting event again this year and continues work on the development of a mobile application.

7.d Oromocto Pioneer Gardens

The committee met on September 16 and discussed how operations had progressed over the summer months. Members reported that sales have been performing well. Efforts are underway to recruit additional volunteers interested in assisting with property maintenance activities such as mowing and weeding. It was also noted that there has been a change in leadership, with Rich Burchill stepping down as President after three years of service. Ross Wetmore has assumed the role of President.

8. CONSIDERATION OF BY-LAWS

8.a 2nd Reading in its Entirety of Proposed Municipal Plan By-Law 510-G, A By-Law to Amend the Municipal Plan By-Law

Resolution Number: 2026-103

Moved by: Councillor Dean Grattan
Seconded by: Councillor Ryan Carr

CARRIED

8.b 2nd Reading in its Entirety of Proposed Municipal Plan By-Law 510-H, A By-Law to Amend the Municipal Plan By-Law

Resolution Number: 2026-104

Moved by: Councillor Kelly Murdock
Seconded by: Councillor Joe Myers

CARRIED

8.c 2nd Reading in its Entirety of Proposed Zoning By-Law 522-K, A By-Law to Amend the Zoning By-Law

Resolution Number: 2026-105

Moved by: Councillor Sheridan Mawhinney
Seconded by: Councillor Jeff Kirkbride

CARRIED

8.d 2nd Reading in its Entirety of Proposed Zoning By-Law 522-L, A By-Law to Amend the Zoning By-Law

Resolution Number: 2026-106

Moved by: Councillor Dean Grattan
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Gary von Richter

CARRIED

8.e 3rd Reading by Title Only for Enactment of Proposed Municipal Plan By-Law 510-G, A By-Law to Amend the Municipal Plan By-Law

Resolution Number: 2026-107

Moved by: Councillor Kelly Murdock
Seconded by: Councillor Jeff Kirkbride

CARRIED

8.f 3rd Reading by Title Only for Enactment of Proposed Municipal Plan By-Law 510-H, A By-Law to Amend the Municipal Plan By-Law

Resolution Number: 2026-108

Moved by: Councillor Sheridan Mawhinney
Seconded by: Councillor Joe Myers

CARRIED

8.g 3rd Reading by Title Only for Enactment of Proposed Zoning By-Law 522-K, A By-Law to Amend the Zoning By-Law

Resolution Number: 2026-109

Moved by: Councillor Ryan Carr
Seconded by: Councillor Dean Grattan

CARRIED

8.h 3rd Reading by Title Only for Enactment of Proposed Zoning By-Law 522-L, A By-Law to Amend the Zoning By-Law

Resolution Number: 2026-110

Moved by: Councillor Joe Myers
Seconded by: Councillor Jeff Kirkbride

CARRIED

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

10. NEW BUSINESS

10.a Assent for New Public Street - Cyr Street Extension

Resolution Number: 2026-111

Moved by: Councillor Sheridan Mawhinney
Seconded by: Councillor Ryan Carr

RESOLVED: THAT Pursuant to Section 88 of the *Community Planning Act*, the Town gives assent to and accepts the Local Government Service Easement as shown on the Tentative Subdivision Plan, prepared by Skyline Surveys titled "Subdivision Plan Town of Oromocto Subdivision 2026-1, Creating Lot 2026-1, Cyr Street, Town of Oromocto, Parish of Burton, County of Sunbury, Province of New Brunswick.

CARRIED

10.b Wilmot Circle - Infrastructure Upgrades

Resolution Number: 2026-112

Moved by: Councillor Joe Myers
Seconded by: Councillor Sheridan Mawhinney

RESOLVED: THAT Council accepts the low bid from Dexter Construction Company, in the amount of $3,891,00 (three million, eight hundred and ninety-one thousand dollars), plus HST, for the Wilmot Circle Infrastructure upgrades. Funding is available through the Capital Assistance Program

CARRIED

10.c Veniot Avenue/Oneida Street Infrastructure Upgrades

Resolution Number: 2026-113

Moved by: Councillor Dean Grattan
Seconded by: Councillor Jeff Kirkbride

RESOLVED: THAT Council accepts the low bid from L.C.L. Excavation Ltd. in the amount of $3,580,730 (three million, five hundred and eighty thousand and seven-hundred thirty dollars), plus HST, for the Veniot Avenue and Onieda Street Infrastructure upgrades. Funding is available through the Capital Assistance Program.

CARRIED

10.d Provincial Municipal Highway Partnership Program 2028-2030

Resolution Number: 2026-114

Moved by: Councillor Jeff Kirkbride
Seconded by: Councillor Kelly Murdock

RESOLVED: THAT Council approves the 2028-2030 Provincial-Municipal Highway Partnership Program, as reviewed by Council in Committee on 15 September 2026.

CARRIED

10.e Town of Oromocto/City of Fredericton Trail Partnership

Resolution Number: 2026-115

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Gary von Richter
Seconded by: Councillor Joe Myers

RESOLVED: THAT Council authorizes the Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk and the Director of Recreation and Tourism to negotiate and enter into a partnership agreement with the City of Fredericton for the purpose of trail maintenance and the submission of funding applications, including, the Capital regional Service Commission Trails Connectivity Fund.

CARRIED

10.f Municipal Capital Borrowing Board - Issue and Sell Debentures

Resolution Number: 2026-116

Moved by: Councillor Ryan Carr
Seconded by: Councillor Dean Grattan

RESOLVED: THAT the Mayor, Chief Administrative Officer/Town Clerk and Treasurer be authorized to issue and sell to the New Brunswick Municipal Finance Corporation a debenture in the amount of $5,635,000 (five million and six hundred thirty-five thousand dollars) on such terms and conditions as are recommended by the New Brunswick Municipal Finance Corporation, and

BE IT RESOLVED: THAT the Town of Oromocto agree to issue post-dated cheques payable to the New Brunswick Municipal Finance

Corporation as and when they are requested in payment of principal and interest charges on the above debenture.

CARRIED

10.g Municipal Capital Borrowing Board Application - Oromocto West Wastewater Solution

Resolution Number: 2026-117

Moved by: Councillor Kelly Murdock
Seconded by: Councillor Sheridan Mawhinney

RESOLVED: THAT the municipality of Oromocto submit to the Municipal Capital Borrowing board an application for authorization to borrow for a capital expense for the following term and amount:

Purpose: Environmental Health Services – Water Sewer System Upgrades

Amount: $3,250,000 (three million and two hundred and fifty thousand dollars)

Term: 30 Years.

CARRIED

10.h Contribution Agreement - Wastewater Treatment Plant Construction

Resolution Number: 2026-118

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Gary von Richter
Seconded by: Councillor Jeff Kirkbride

RESOLVED: THAT Council authorizes the Mayor and Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk to enter into and execute a Contribution Agreement with the Government of Canada for the design and construction of the proposed wastewater treatment plant.

CARRIED

10.i Engineering & Public Works New Position

Resolution Number: 2026-119

Moved by: Councillor Dean Grattan
Seconded by: Councillor Joe Myers

RESOLVED: THAT Council authorizes the Chief Administrative Officer/ Clerk to create a new Junior Technologist position within Engineering & Public Works as reviewed at Council in Committee on 15 September 2026.

CARRIED

10.j October 2026 Council Dates

Resolution Number: 2026-120

Moved by: Councillor Sheridan Mawhinney
Seconded by: Councillor Kelly Murdock

RESOLVED: THAT Council approves the alternate meeting dates of Monday, October 19, 2026, for Council in Committee, and Wednesday, October 21, 2026, for Regular Session.

CARRIED

11. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution Number: 2026-121

Moved by: Councillor Sheridan Mawhinney
Seconded by: Councillor Joe Myers

RESOLVED: THAT the Regular Session of Oromocto Town Council of

CARRIED

Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk

Mayor