

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

**September 18, 2025, 5:30 PM
AT THE OROMOCTO MUNICIPAL BUILDING**

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

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

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

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

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Resolution Number: 2025-090

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Sheridan Mawhinney

Seconded by: Councillor Jeff Kirkbride

RESOLVED: THAT the agenda for the Oromocto Town Council Meeting in Regular Session on Thursday, 18 September 2025, be approved.

CARRIED

3. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Nil

4. MAYOR'S COMMENTS

The Mayor acknowledged the passing of two prominent volunteers in the community:

1. Ruth Kavanaugh was a charter member of Transition House in Fredericton and the former Director of the Oromocto and Area Food Bank for many years up until she was 72 years old. He expressed condolences to the Kavanaugh family.
2. Ron Bagnell was a volunteer all his life with the Boys Scouts Canada and "Mr. Everything" to the Lintuhtine Music Academy. He also acknowledged the many years he spent organizing the weekly Summer Concert Series in Oromocto. Condolences were expressed to Ron's wife Helen and family.

5. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Resolution Number: 2025-091

Moved by: Councillor Lorraine Dawe

Seconded by: Councillor Brad Whalen

RESOLVED: THAT the minutes for the Oromocto Town Council Meeting in Regular Session on 21 August 2025 be approved.

CARRIED

6. PETITIONS, PRESENTATIONS OR DELEGATIONS

Nil

7. COUNCILLOR REPORTS

7.a RSC 11

The Mayor advised he attended a meeting on 28 August 2025 of the Capital Region Service Commission to kick off their budget process. On 4 September 2025 he attended the monthly meeting where the Finance Committee presented the draft 2026 Budget.

Invasive Species Council presentation was held with the Economic Development Committee. Signage was requested within communities to make people aware.

7.b Oromocto and Area Chamber of Commerce

The Oromocto & Area Chamber of Commerce held its regular monthly Board meeting on 03 September 2025. A few items from the board meeting were:

— Introduction of Sarah Holdsworth, our new Chamber Executive Assistant.

— Looking for a new Ignite representative for the Board.

— Directors Role/Responsibilities — more involvement from the Board is required and were asked to review the committee list and identify our area of interest.

— Oromocto Shopping Passport — community initiative, from August to December, designed to encourage residents and visitors to explore the vibrant local businesses that make our town special.

The next Board meeting is scheduled for October 08th, 2025 @ 8:00 am. The Chamber's AGM will be held at the same time.

7.c Oromocto and Area Health Care Recruitment Committee

The Mayor report the Oromocto and Area Health Care Recruitment Committee met on Monday, 15 September 2025, at 5:30 pm in Council Chambers. A discussion was held about the new Health Centre on Base and how the opening has been held up as the funding model has not yet been finalized and neither has the support staff been put in place. He reported that Dr. Paulin's medical clinic has added two new doctors with another one arriving very soon.

There will be a family medicine resident recruitment event happening on the 24-25 September 2025 in St. Andrews, NB and three members of the recruitment committee will be in attendance.

On 9 July 2025, the City of Fredericton and the Town of Oromocto participated in a physician recruitment activity. Oromocto entertained nine of the medical students for over five hours and provide a tour of the Oromocto Public Hospital, a boat ride on the Oromocto River and lunch.

8. CONSIDERATION OF BY-LAWS

Nil

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

10. NEW BUSINESS

10.a Corporate Services - Request for Position

Resolution Number: 2025-092

Moved by: Councillor Lorraine Dawe

Seconded by: Councillor Jeff Kirkbride

RESOLVED: THAT the Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to create a new position within the Corporate Services division whose primary focus will be related to grant writing as well as generating revenue for capital projects.

CARRIED

10.b Provincial-Municipal Highway Partnership Program 2028-2030

Resolution Number: 2025-093

Moved by: Councillor Gary von Richter
Seconded by: Councillor Ryan Carr

RESOLVED: THAT Council approves the 2028-2030 Provincial-Municipal Highway Partnership Program, as reviewed by Council in Committee on 16 September 2025.

CARRIED

10.c Canada Housing Infrastructure Program Contribution Agreement

Resolution Number: 2025-094

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

RESOLVED: THAT the Mayor and Chief Administrative Officer/Town Clerk be authorized to enter into and execute the Canadian Housing Infrastructure Fund Contribution Agreement related to the Cyr Street extension project.

CARRIED

11. **ADJOURNMENT**

Resolution Number: 2025-095

Moved by: Councillor Raymond Henry
Seconded by: Councillor Kelly Murdock

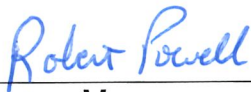
RESOLVED: THAT the Regular Session of Oromocto Town Council on Thursday, 18 September 2025, be adjourned.

CARRIED



Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk





Mayor