



Financial Services Committee
Monday, March 16, 2026 @ 7 p.m.
Council Chambers/YouTube Streaming

Financial Services Agenda

1. Call to Order
2. Land Acknowledgement
3. Approval of Agenda
4. Emergency Resolutions (**Majority Consent Required**)
5. **Errors and Omissions/Corrections to Minutes:**
 - 5.1 February 17, 2026
6. **Correspondence**
 - 6.1 Letter from the Pictou -Antigonish Regional Library regarding funding cuts.
 - 6.2. Letter from NS Government on the release of 20206-2027 Budget, defending Nova Scotia.
 - 6.3 Letter from NS Attorney General regarding RCMP Retroactive Pay Liability
7. **Reports Not Requiring a Motion**
 - 7.1 Communications
 - 7.2 Recreation
 - 7.3 Warden's Report
 - 7.4 Internet Report
 - 7.5 Healthy Pictou County Report
 - 7.6 Tax Receivable Report
 - 7.7 Deed Transfer Tax Report
8. **Reports Requiring a Motion**
 - 8.1 Accounts Paid – February 2026
 - 8.2 Internet Accounts Paid –February 2026
9. **Business Items or Items Requiring Action (Information enclosed)**
 - 9.1 **Grant Extension Request**
 - 9.1.1 **Cairn Refugee Sponsorship**

Action: A Council Grant for Cairn which sponsors refugees is asking for an extension of its \$5000.00 Council Grant from 2024-2025. It was granted an extension for 2025-2026 and is now asking for another extension as it waits for a family to arrive.

9.1.2 Re-Branding Quote

Action: Council asked Re-branding for the MOPC, so requests be considered as a 2026-2027 budget item so requests for quotes and New Brooklyn Media is being recommended by staff. They are a Pictou County based company who have worked with other regional organizations. The quote is included in this package.

9.1.3 Recreation Capital Grant Request

Action: The Pictou County Arm Wrestling Club has put in a request for a Recreation Capital Grant for this fiscal year to purchase training equipment. As per the MOPC policy, the finance committee can recommend up to 50 per cent of the cost of the project, up to \$1000.00. Therefore, staff recommends the club be granted \$1000.00

9.1.4 Watervale Area Recreation Centre

Action: The Watervale Area Recreation Centre (Joint stock registry # 1292777) is requesting the MOPC issue tax receipts for donations on its behalf.

9.1.5 Creative Pictou County Funding Request

Action: Creative Pictou County is asking each municipal unit for funds to help it through this fiscal year. The request is between \$500 and \$1000.00.

9.1.6 School Bursaries and Graduation Expenses

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| Action: Northumberland Regional High School | \$2,000.00 | Graduation/Bursary |
| North Nova Education Centre | \$2,000.00 | Graduation/Bursary |
| Pictou Academy | \$200.00 | Bursary |
| Tatamagouche Regional High School | \$200.00 | Bursary |
| | Total | \$4,400.00 |

9.1.6 Committee Nominations:

Action: Terms on several of our committees are coming to an end and nominations were called for the 2026-2028 term.

9.1.7 Nominations of elected members to the Rural Broadband Oversight Committee.

Action: There are three positions available for elected members of Council to sit on this committee. Members can put their names forward at the meeting and a draw will be held if necessary.

9.1.8 International Network of Michelin Cities

Action: Staff recommends the MOPC join the INMC for at least one year to determine opportunities and develop relationships in the Network.

10. Deferred Business

11. Motions of Reconsideration

12. Community Announcements

13. Adjournment