



**Financial Services Committee**  
**Tuesday, February 17, 2026, following Property Services Meeting**  
**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 January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2026
  
6. **Presentation:** Cindy MacKinnon, executive director of DEANS, will provide a review of the tourism levy. (**Information enclosed**)
  
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 – January 2026
  - 8.2 Internet Accounts Paid – January 2026
  
9. **Business Items or Items Requiring Action (Information enclosed)**
  - 9.1 **MSG Grant Extension Requests**
    - 9.1.1 **District 2 - Little Harbour Community Centre - \$16,000.00 – Kitchen Renovations**

**Action:** Tenders are out but the work is not expected to be finished this fiscal year so the community centre is asking for extension of its 2025 MSG.

**9.1.2 District 3 – Seaboard Cemetery - \$1000.00 – Maintenance work**

**Action:** The Seaboard Cemetery was able to complete some work but still has a \$1000.00 remaining and would like to use that in 2026 to continue maintenance work.

**9.1.3 District 6 and District 7 Northumberland Regional High School – \$5000.00 each for a total of \$10,000.00 - Greenhouse Expenses**

**Action:** The school group has tenders out to purchase a greenhouse, but it has not been able to start the project yet, so the funding has not been used. It would like an extension for 2026.

**9.1.4 District 8 – Abercrombie Community Centre - \$2013- Hall Renovations**

**Action:** This MSG was granted in August 2024 for \$4025.00 and an extension was given in 2025. The centre has spent a portion of the MSG and is asking for another extension in 2026 to spend the remaining \$2013.00.

**9.1.5 District 10 – District 13 Recreation and Planning Comm- \$680.00 - Grant for Community Coordinator Position**

**Action:** District 13 Recreation is asking for an extension for its 2025 Community Coordinator Grant.

**9.2 Council Grant Extension**

**Seniors Outreach- \$715.00 – Lunch and learn program expenses**

**Action:** In 2024, Seniors Outreach received an extension of its council grant for \$2860.00 and in 2025 it received an additional council grant of \$2,500.00. It is asking for an extension of this grant for \$715.00 to host lunch and learns in West River and Garden of Eden this spring.

**9.3 AI Policy**

**Action:** Artificial Intelligence is becoming a part of our work life at the MOPC so a policy has been developed to guide staff on how it should be used.

**9.4 Governance Policy for Rural Broadband Oversight Committee**

**Action:** The MOPC is developing an oversight committee for its rural broadband project and this policy will define its governance.

10. Deferred Business

11. Motions of Reconsideration

12. Community Announcements

13. Adjournment