Region of Queens Municipality Regular Council
Tuesday, June 23, 2026
4:00 p.m.

Meeting Recording: [2026-06-23 - Regular Meeting of Council]

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Minutes

Present:	Deputy Mayor Maddie Charlton Councillor Roberta Roy Councillor Courtney Wentzell Councillor Vicki Amirault Councillor Jack Fancy Councillor Stewart Jenkins Councillor Wanda Carver
Regrets:	Mayor Scott Christian
Staff:	Willa Thorpe, Chief Administrative Officer Angela Green, Municipal Clerk

1.0 Call to Order and Land Acknowledgement

Deputy Mayor Charlton called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. and acknowledged that we have the privilege to live and work in Mi'kma'ki, the traditional and unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq people. We are all treaty people and have responsibilities as treaty people.

2.0 Approval of Agenda

Deputy Mayor Charlton added item 14.3 – Rural Water Initiative.

Councillor Wentzell added item 14.4 – SW Nova Biosphere Committee Report.

It was moved by Councillor Amirault and seconded by Councillor Carver:

> **THAT** the Council of Region of Queens Municipality approve the June 23, 2026 agenda as amended.

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

3.0 In Camera

It was moved by Councillor Roy and seconded by Councillor Carver:

> **THAT** Council for Region of Queens Municipality move to Closed Session at 4:02 pm to discuss two items:
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> 3.1 Property Matter
> 3.2 Personnel

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

It was moved by Councillor Roy and seconded by Councillor Wentzell:

> **THAT** Council for Region of Queens Municipality return to Open Session at 4:23 pm.

The meeting recessed at 4:23 p.m. and resumed at 5:31 p.m.

Deputy Mayor Charlton accepted regrets from Mayor Christian.

4.0 Adoption of Minutes (1:02)

It was moved by Councillor Amirault and seconded by Councillor Jenkins:

> **THAT** Council for Region of Queens Municipality approve the June 23, 2026 Regular Council Meeting minutes as presented.

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

5.0 Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business to discuss.

6.0 Public Comment (1:28)

1. Easton Goodwyn, Liverpool (2:01)

Mr. Goodwyn attended Council to discuss the Astro Academy theater group Spotlight Guild, and educate Council on all aspects of their program and upcoming events.

7.0 Delegations and Presentations

There were no Delegations or Presentations to come before Council.

8.0 Staff Reports (4:18)

8.1 Wall Remediation at Queens Place Emera Centre (4:33)

It was moved by Councillor Jenkins and seconded by Councillor Wentzell:

THAT Council for Region of Queens Municipality direct staff to proceed with design work for replacing the failed façade at Queens Place Emera Centre with prefinished metal siding.

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

8.2 Accessible Washroom at Etli Milita'mk Universally Designed Play Park (12:58)

It was moved by Councillor Roy and seconded by Councillor Amirault:

THAT Council for Region of Queens Municipality direct staff to proceed with an accessible washroom facility adjacent to the playground at the Etli Milita'mk Universally Designed Playpark, to operate 365 days per year.

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

8.3 Road Naming in Summerville Centre (28:09)

It was moved by Councillor Jenkins and seconded by Councillor Roy:

> **THAT** Council for Region of Queens Municipality approve the naming of a new private road off Highway 3 in Summerville Centre as Flat Rocks Lane.

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

8.4 Medical Waste Collection (30:10)

It was moved by Councillor Wentzell and seconded by Councillor Jenkins:

> **THAT** Council for Region of Queens Municipality decline to proceed with a Medical Waste Exemption at this time.

MOTION CARRIED with five (5) in favour and (2) against.

It was moved by Councillor Carver and seconded by Councillor Amirault:

> **THAT** Council for Region of Queens Municipality direct staff to return with a report outlining potential amendments to the Solid Waste Bylaw to accommodate residents with excessive medical waste, including an increase to the black privacy bag allotment from one (1) to two (2) bags, and the results of consultation with GE regarding any proposed changes.

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

8.5 Quarterly Update – Strategic Action Plan and Grant Application Summary (54:52)

It was moved by Councillor Jenkins and seconded by Councillor Carver:

THAT Council for Region of Queens Municipality receive the report titled 'Quarterly Update – Strategic Action Plan and Grant Application Summary' for information.

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

The meeting recessed at 6:29 p.m. and resumed at 6:35 p.m.

9.0 Bylaws and Policies (1:04:58)

9.1 Second and Final Reading: Bylaw No. 27 – Private Road Maintenance Fees

It was moved by Councillor Jenkins and seconded by Councillor Carver:

THAT Council for Region of Queens Municipality give Second and Final reading to Bylaw No. 27 – Private Road Maintenance Charges.

MOTION CARRIED with four (4) in favour and three (3) against.

10.0 Correspondence for Action

There was no Correspondence for Action tonight.

11.0 Correspondence for Information

There was no Correspondence for Information tonight.

12.0 Report from In Camera (1:11:46)

It was moved by Councillor Carver and seconded by Councillor Amirault:

> **THAT** Council for Region of Queens Municipality enters into an easement agreement with Nova Scotia Power Inc. to grant use of land for the installation and maintenance of one utility pole and underground power transmission cabling along Old Cobbs Barn Road in Liverpool.

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

13.0 Mayor's Report

There was no Mayor's Report tonight as Mayor Christian sent his regrets.

14.0 Business of Council (1:12:57)

14.1 Police Advisory Board Report (1:12:59)

Councillor Amirault and Deputy Mayor Charlton gave a report on the last meeting of the Police Advisory Board and made the following motion arising from the Boards recommendation:

It was moved by Councillor Amirault and seconded by Councillor Wentzell:

> **THAT** Council for Region of Queens Municipality request that the Traffic Authority provide recommendations respecting traffic calming measures for Henry Hensey Drive.

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

14.2 Accessibility Advisory Committee Report (1:15:14)

Councillor Roy gave a report on the last meeting of the Accessibility Advisory Committee and their continuing initiatives.

14.3 Rural Water Initiative (1:20:06)

Deputy Mayor Charlton led a discussion on the Rural Water Initiative, specifically the rain barrels and totes.

It was moved by Councillor Amirault and seconded by Councillor Roy:

> **THAT** Council for Region of Queens Municipality direct staff to come back at the July 14th meeting with options on how we can expand our rain barrel and tote program.

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

14.4 South West Nova Biosphere Committee Report (1:30:40)

Councillor Wentzell gave a report on the last meeting of the South West Nova Biosphere Board and gave some background on their responsibilities and initiatives.

15.0 New Business

There was no New Business to discuss today.

16.0 Adjournment

The Meeting was adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

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Deputy Mayor Maddie Charlton, Chair

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Angela Green, Municipal Clerk

Date Approved: July 14, 2026