

AGENDA

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

2. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

3. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**
 - 3.1. Committee of the Whole Meeting – September 3, 2024
 - 3.2. Committee of the Whole In-camera Meeting Minutes – September 3, 2024

4. **PROCLAMATIONS**
 - 4.1. Fire Prevention Week – October 6-12, 2024
 - 4.2. Mi'kmaq History Month – October 2024

5. **PRESENTATIONS**
 - 5.1. Nictaux Baptist Church – Inn from the Cold – Rev. Jeff Milne

6. **ANYTHING BY CITIZENS**

Procedure: A thirty-minute period will be provided for members of the public to address Council regarding questions, concerns and/or ideas. Each person will have a maximum of two minutes to address Council with a second two-minute period provided there is time remaining within the thirty-minute "Anything by Citizens" period.

7. **INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS**
 - 7.1. Dangerous and Unsightly Status Report for September 2024 – CAO

8. **ANTHING BY MEMBERS**

9. **ADJOURNMENT**



Proclamation

FIRE PREVENTION WEEK
October 6 to October 12, 2024

- WHEREAS** the **Town of Middleton** is committed to ensuring the safety and security of all those living in and visiting Middleton; and
- WHEREAS** fire is a serious public safety concern both locally and nationally, and homes are the locations where people are at greatest risk from fire; and
- WHEREAS** cooking is the leading cause of home fires and injuries resulting from home fires. Between 2005 and 2014, cooking resulted in an average of 30% of all residential fires (Statistics Canada); and
- WHEREAS** more than half of reported non-fatal home cooking fire injuries occurred when the victims tried to fight the fire themselves (National Fire Protection Association); and
- WHEREAS** children under five face a higher risk of non-fire burns associated with cooking than being burned in a cooking fire (National Fire Protection Association); and
- WHEREAS** **Town of Middleton** residents should turn pot handles toward the back of the stove; always keep a lid nearby when cooking; keep a three-foot kid-free zone around the stove, oven, and other things that could get hot; watch what they heat; and set a timer to remind them that they are cooking; and
- WHEREAS** working smoke alarms cut the risk of dying in reported home fires almost in half; and
- WHEREAS** **Town of Middleton** first responders are dedicated to reducing the occurrence of home fires and home fire injuries through prevention and protection education; and
- WHEREAS** **Town of Middleton** residents are responsive to public education measures and can take personal steps to increase their safety from fire, especially in their homes; and
- WHEREAS** the 2024 Fire Prevention Week™ theme, “Smoke Alarms Make Them Work for You”. Pay attention to fire prevention™,” effectively serves to remind us to stay alert and use caution when cooking to reduce the risk of kitchen fires.

THEREFORE, be it resolved that I, **Sylvester Atkinson, Mayor of the Town of Middleton**, do hereby proclaim October 6–12, 2024, as **Fire Prevention Week**, and I urge all the people of the **Town of Middleton** to check their kitchens for fire hazards and use safe cooking practices during Fire Prevention Week 2024, and to support the many public safety activities and efforts of **Town of Middleton’s** fire and emergency services.

Dated at Middleton, Nova Scotia
this 7th day of October 2024.

Sylvester Atkinson, Mayor



Proclamation

MI'KMAQ HISTORY MONTH October 2024

- WHEREAS** the Government of Nova Scotia recognizes that the Mi'kmaq have the inherent right to self-government within Canada; and
- WHEREAS** the Province of Nova Scotia and the Mi'kmaq Nation recognize their mutual need to live in peace and friendship in accordance with the spirit of their treaty and nation-to-nation relationship; and
- WHEREAS** the Government of Nova Scotia recognizes all Treaties which were signed in good faith between the Crown and the Mi'kmaq; and
- WHEREAS** the Province of Nova Scotia and the Mi'kmaq Nation recognize that their mutual peace and friendship requires the public awareness of the history, values and the diversity of cultures; and
- WHEREAS** the Government of Nova Scotia and the Mi'kmaq Nation wish to promote public awareness for all citizens of Nova Scotia.

THEREFORE, be it resolved that I, **Sylvester Atkinson, Mayor of the Town of Middleton**, do hereby proclaim October 2024, to be observed as "**Mi'kmaq History Month**" in the **Town of Middleton**.

Dated at Middleton, Nova Scotia
this 7th day of October 2024.

Sylvester Atkinson, Mayor

DANGEROUS AND UNSIGHTLY 2023

Complaints and Status Report

Complaint #	Date Complaint Received	Address of Owner	Complaint Form Completed	Property Inspection and Form Completed	Initial Notice Sent	Complainant Updated	Follow-up Inspection Must Be Done By:	Follow-up Property Inspection Completed	Is Clean Up Required? Y / N	Estimate of Cost for Clean Up \$\$	Council Approval for Clean Up Y / N	Notice to Owner of Clean Up	Owner Invoiced for Costs or Lien Placed	STATUS	Mark Complete When File is Closed
23-DU002	5-Jun-23	82 Victoria	7-Jun-23	8-Jun-23	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	Y			14-Nov-23		Owner requested extension of 4 months to previous deadline of March 14, 2024. New deadline was set at July 11, 2024 and another extension request was made, new deadline November 11, 2024. Owner continues to upgrade the property.	
23-DU004	5-Jun-23 24-Aug-23	50 School	7-Jun-23	7-Jun-23										Fire Inspection was conducted Nov 21/23. Administrator to follow up with inspectors and re-visit property for outside inspection.	
23-DU006	6-Jun-23	121 Main	7-Jun-23	7-Jun-23	30-Jun-23	2-Aug-23	15-Jul-23	25-Jul-23	N	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	Property Owner intends to demolish section of building that is unsightly. A permit form was given to the Property Manager.	
23-DU007	7-Jun-23	75 Victoria	7-Jun-23	7-Jun-23	30-Jun-23		15-Jul-23							Property is changing hands. Property was re-visited on May 30/24 and is still dangerous/unsightly. Property is being cleaned up.	
23-DU009	16-Jun-23	153 Meadow Lane	16-Jun-23	31-Aug-23	7-Jun-24									Property was re-visited on May 30/24 and is still unsightly. Letter was sent.	
23-DU011	16-Jun-23	174 Main	16-Jun-23	31-Aug-23	7-Jun-24									Property was re-visited on May 30/24 and is still unsightly. Letter was sent.	
23-DU013	16-Jun-23	28 Bridge	16-Jun-23	31-Aug-23	7-Jun-24									Property was re-visited on May 30/24 and is still unsightly. Letter was sent.	
23-DU016	16-Jun-23 1-Aug-23 8-Aug-24 30-Sep-24	8 Spring Garden	16-Jun-23	29-Aug-23	7-Jun-24									Property was re-visited on May 30/24 and is still unsightly. Letter will be sent. Jun 12/24 - Renter called and stated that in her rental agreement, the landlord is supposed to be taking care of all yard work.	
23-DU018	16-Jun-2023 13-May-2024	5 George	16-Jun-2023 13-May-2024	31-Aug-23	7-Jun-24									Property was re-visited on May 30/24 and is still unsightly. Letter was sent.	
23-DU019	5-Jun-23	54 School	16-Jun-23	7-Jun-23	25-Jul-23		8-Aug-23	30-May-24						Met with property owner on Jul 31/23 and they communicated that the conveyor belt will be removed by mid-November. Property was re-visited May 30/24 and conveyor belt has not been removed. Reminder letter to be issued.	

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24-DU004	24-May-24	16 Bridge Street	24-May-24											Administrator to visit property.	
24-DU005	14-Jun-24	229 Marshall Street	14-Jun-24											Administrator to visit property.	
24-DU006	15-Aug-24	357 Main	15-Aug-24											Administrator to visit property.	