

COUNCIL SNAPSHOT

FROM COUNCIL

- Councillor Archibald thanked staff for providing portions of the agenda package early.
 - Councillor Fournier also expressed appreciation for receiving all information in advance.
- Councillor Bartlett asked who is responsible for the benches and noted some benches require repair.
- Councillor Smith thanked Public Works staff for doing an excellent job during recent weather events.
 - Deputy Mayor Marshall also recognized Public Works.
- Councillor Knapp commented on the strong performance from Public Works staff.
- Mayor Smith noted that they were very pleased with the Public Works team.

APPROVED MOTIONS & NEW BUSINESS

- Council directed staff on what Community events will take place in 2026
- Council approved transferring the fair market value of the former Fire Department utility truck to the Fire Capital Reserve, funded through the truck's sale or, if transferred to Public Works, from the General Capital Reserve.
- Council approved a motion directing staff to explore reducing or eliminating building and development fees to help remove barriers to housing development.
- Council directed staff to begin amendments to the Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-law to consider a proposed development on the Parsons lands within the Northlands Secondary Plan area, and to work with Parsons Investments Ltd. using the Northlands Secondary Planning Strategy as a guiding framework.
- Jennifer Daniels was appointed as the alternate REMO Coordinator for the Town of Middleton.
- Burchelle Wickwire Bryson LLP was appointed as the Code of Conduct Investigator
- An amended Grants and Administration Policy was approved by Council.
- The revised Employee Benefits Policy was approved.