

**Town of Irishtown-Summerside
Minutes of Meeting
Tuesday, June 2, 2026**

In Attendance:

Mayor Goodyear, Councilors, McAuley, Pennell, Antle, Taylor and Patey.
Also in attendance, Town Manger/Clerk Bennett, Assistant Town Clerk/Project Organizer Cox.

Absent with cause:

Deputy Mayor Bursey

Minutes recorded by Assistant Town Clerk/Project Organizer Cox.

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 PM by Mayor Goodyear.

2. Moment of Silence

Observed.

3. Adoption of Agenda as circulated - Motion 2026 – 624

Moved by Antle, seconded by Patey. All in favor, Motion carried.

4. Adoption of Minutes - Motion 2026 – 625

No errors noted. Moved by McAuley, seconded by Antle. All in favor, Motion carried.

5. Business Arising from Minutes of May 19, 2026

- Fallen shed inquiry:
 - Letters and waivers have been signed by both parties.
 - Notices were posted on the Town website and social media advising residents that any objections to the removal of the shed must be submitted within 14 days.
 - The Town will proceed with demolition once all approvals have been received.

6. Delegations – None.

7. Committees:

(a) Public Works

- Three water leaks occurred within a two-week period:
 - Shepherd's Road leak repaired and a new culvert installed. A temporary water shutdown was required in the west end of town.
 - Leak at . Main Street repaired. A temporary water shutdown was required in the central area of town.
 - Leak at . Main Street determined to be on a private service line prior to the curb stop. A letter was issued to the property owner.
- The garbage truck damaged a tire after running over a pipe. The tire has since been repaired.
- Speed signs are scheduled for installation during the upcoming week.
- A water and sewer service hookup was completed on Jarvis Road.

(b) H.I.S

- No new updates to report.

Council continues to await renovation drawings for the Fire Hall.

(c) Recreation/Halls

Community Events

- The Community Cleanup was a great success. Council would like to thank residents for their participation and efforts in improving the appearance of the community.
- Recreation will again host a free Canada Day Breakfast for residents, followed by a flag-raising ceremony and community walk.
- The Towns of Irishtown-Summerside and Meadows are discussing partnering together to host Canada Day fireworks and activities.
- The 2nd Annual Father's Day ATV Ride will take place on June 20, 2026, as a fundraiser for the ball field.

- Recreation received a \$750 Community Garden Grant. Funds will be used to plant edible flowers around both town signs and install educational signage.
- Recreation received a \$1,000 ParticipACTION Grant to promote physical activity. The Town will partner with Meadows to utilize their new beach volleyball court and offer community volleyball sessions.

Ball Field

- A fundraising committee has been established and held its first meeting on June 3, 2026.
- The group plans to conduct a raffle for a prize package, including a Blackstone grill and accessories, pending receipt of a lottery licence.

d) Building inspections

- Two building inspections were completed with no issues reported.

(e) Beautification

Spring Cleanup Program

- Total waste collected: 81,694 kg
- Total cost: \$12,516.24
- Council discussed concerns that some residents were unable to transport bulk waste during the cleanup period. To assist those residents, the Town will provide a Bulk Waste Pickup Service.

Residents may register by: Calling 709-783-2146 between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday; or emailing info@irishtownsummerside.ca
Registration must be completed by June 10, 2026.

(f) GHJC

-N/A

(g) HR

The HR Committee will meet to discuss policies and wage reviews and will bring recommendations to Council.

(h) Public Relations

- Numerous inquiries were received regarding the Bulk Waste Pickup Program.
- An inquiry was received concerning illegally dumped tires.

8. Correspondence

1) Dog Complaint – Taylor's Road

Council reviewed a complaint regarding a roaming dog.

As the Town does not currently employ a dog catcher or municipal enforcement officer, Council directed administration to:

- Send a letter to the dog owner.
- Follow up with the resident who submitted the complaint.

9. Financial Update

Motion 2026-626 - Moved by Councillor Antle, seconded by Patey.

- Motion to accept financials as presented and pay outstanding bills. All in favor. Carried.

10. Unfinished Business

None.

11. New Business

Canada Community Building Fund (Gas Tax) – Garbage Truck

Motion 2026-627 Councillor Ante, Second by Councillor Patey

RESOLVE that the Town of Irishtown-Summerside close CCBF project # 121-2014-5179 with a remaining balance of \$45,342.50 for use on future projects.

Vote:

In favor: Mayor Goodyear

Councillor Antle

Councillor McAuley

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Councillor Patey
Councillor Pennell
Councillor Taylor

Opposed: None

Motion 2026-628 Councillor McAuley, second by Councillor Taylor

RESOLVED THAT the Town of Irishtown–Summerside proceed with the purchase and implementation of TownSuite software, with funding for the initiative currently under review.

Vote:

In favor: Mayor Goodyear

Councillor Antle
Councillor McAuley
Councillor Patey
Councillor Pennell
Councillor Taylor

Opposed: None

PMA Training

Town Manager Bennett and Assistant Town Clerk Cox attended PMA training in Deer Lake. Both reported that the training was informative and beneficial.

12. Late Items

Summer Council meeting schedule.

Council approved the following meeting schedule:

- June 16, 2026

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- July 14, 2026
- August 11, 2026
- September 8 & 22, 2026

Council meetings will be held every second weekend after that.

Basketball Court Signage

Council discussed installing a "Use at Your Own Risk" sign beneath the existing surveillance signage at the basketball court.

13. Deferred Items

None.

13. Public After Session

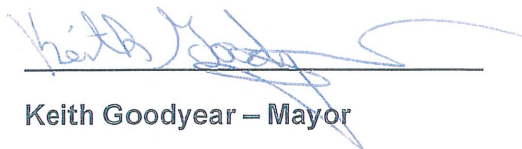
No presentations or comments were received.

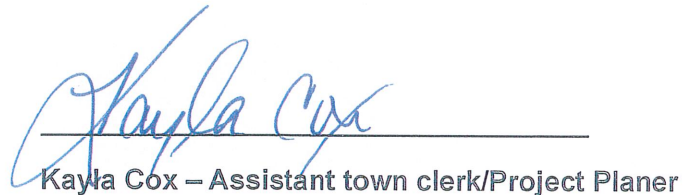
Date and time of next meeting: June 16, 2026, 7:00pm

Meeting Adjourned

Motion 2026 – 624 Moved by Councillor McAulley, seconded by Councilor Pennell.

Moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:02 p.m. All in favor. Carried.



Keith Goodyear – Mayor

Kayla Cox – Assistant town clerk/Project Planer