

**Town of Irishtown-Summerside  
Minutes of Meeting  
Tuesday, May 5, 2026**

**In Attendance:**

Mayor Goodyear, Deputy Mayor Bursey, Councilors, McAuley, Pennell, Antle. Also in attendance, Town Manger/Clerk Bennett, Assistant Town Clerk Bursey and Planner Cox. Minutes recorded by Assistant Town Clerk/Project Organizer Cox.

**Not in Attendance with cause:** Councilors Taylor and Patey.

**1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 PM by Mayor Goodyear.

**2. Moment of Silence**

Observed.

**3. Adoption of Agenda as circulated - Motion 2026 – 613**

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

**4. Adoption of Minutes - Motion 2026 – 614**

No errors noted. Moved by Pennell, seconded by Bursey. All in favor, Motion carried.

**5. Business Arising from Minutes of April 21, 2026**

- Truck that was is questioned to be removed; owner wants it removed formally. Paperwork to be signed and sent to Newco.

**6. Delegations**

None.

**7. Committees:**

**(a) Public Works**

- Bennett contacted Contractor and informed them;

- All ditches in the town need to be cleaned, Mishaud's road being top priority.
- Grading roads within the town to begin once ground is dry.
- Brownings roofing completed the emergency roof leak at the Fire department. They were fast and great to deal with.
- With the wind on May 5, 2026, there were singles on the town garage that became damaged, will contact Browning's roofing to come and repair.
- Antle raised concerns regarding signage at Taylors Road and ask about hydrant near Colson's road. Cox informed her about the signs that are being replaced at Brook Street, Taylors, and Colson. All the signs have been knocked down. Work orders are completed for these signs.
- Snowing clearing on Wheelers Road – Contractor was advised about a meeting; no meeting occurred. Council will revisit the issue in the fall or when the home is constructed.

**(b) H.I.S**

- H.I.S fire department cleaned the hall parking lot while completing training.

**(c) Recreation/Halls**

- The planning day event went well. Recreation put plans in place for the upcoming year.
- Mother's day High Tea is scheduled for Saturday, 1–3 PM.
- Mayor agreed to lead the Father's Day side by side ride, they are unsure what route will be taken yet.

**Ball Field**

- Council looked at the Blueprints provided by Merdian. They were happy that the area was only off by 2.4 feet.
- The town needs to see if there are grants available. It was question how much the town was willing to spend on this big project.
- Council needs to see the specifications in more depth from engineers; they should provide them. Council is asking about the sand spec, sods, backstop.
- Council compiled some questions for Contractor inquiries:
  - Backstop details.

→ Soil depth: 100mm lower.

→ Quantity required.

→ Lump-sum project.

→ Contractor to provide price.

- Planner Cox to ask NL Recreation contact about softball field. Determine what to include in RFP and to ask if they can offer some assistants with building the field from scratch.
- Resident inquired about creating a Citizen advisory committee (not part of council) for the Softball field.
- Councilors talk about there will need to be road upgrade and parking lot specs.
- Mayor would like to see Community involvement encouraged
- Antle brought up the fact that the previous council did talk about obtaining a loan for the Ball field project.

#### **Dog Park**

- Recreation wanted the Engineers contact information to get a drawing to start the dog park.

#### **d) Building inspections**

- Deputy mayor Bursey was in contact with resident regarding a building permit. The resident is going to put the pegs in place after he has his groundwork completed. Bursey will inspect and bring it to council before a permit is granted.
- Resident inquiring about Crown land, asking if the land was approved by Crown land will he be confirmed to build or not. Council agreed that if the land was approved by Crown Lands, then a permit will have to be submitted to council like all other residents complying to the towns rules and regulations.

#### **(e) Beautification**

- Bulk Cleanup is a great success with residents bringing their own garbage to the Wild Cove Transfer Station with the town paying the tipping fees
- Christmas tree was removed from the town hall by maintenance.

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- Antel explained the Community garbage clean up hosted by Recreation on May 23, 2026.
  - Residents can meet at town hall 9 AM
  - Garbage bags and gloves provided.
  - Bags to be placed on the roadside. Maintenance will pick up on Monday.
  - BBQ at 12 PM to follow
- Residents inquiring about curbside collection. As of now Bulk collection is going great. Council will Revisit at end of June.
- Touched on the fire smart program and how it helps residents better understand how they can be ready in an event of a forest fire. Spoke about how this should be held in the spring not the fall.
- No update on shed; Council is waiting to hear from the Lawyer.

(f) **GHJC**  
-N/A

(g) **HR**

- Clerk Bursey put in her notice, her last day is May 6, 2026. Council expressed appreciation for her contributions; they wished her best of luck, she will be missed.
- HR had discission on filling Clerk Bursey position. The position is not going to be replaced at this time. Bennett and Cox take on the duties, council had discission and if we move forward with the new software, it should help relieve the workload. DM Bursey asked Bennett and Cox how they felt about this and they said they would give it a try and it may take time to get into a routine.

**Motion 2026-615 Councilor Pennell/DM Bursey**

Motion to not replace the Assistant Clerk position at this time. Will reevaluate at a later date. All in favor, carried.

- Council is looking into new software changes that will help staff.
- Discussion about having           conduct inspections, collect all the data then bring to council for final review.

(h) **Public Relations**

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- General update: All positive feedback on social media.

## **8. Correspondence**

- 1) Reviewed information received from Bishop Paving; Asking that we keep in contact. They are available if any paving is completed this year
- 2) PMA – Reviewed information on training in Deer Lake on June 2, 2026. Topics are tax notices, emergency plan and MSIS. Discussed Bennett and Cox it attend and to close Office for the day.
- 3) Logo discussion: Resident sent a logo that they designed with the Town name, council thought they did a great job but had discission and they couldn't support. There are copyright laws and regulations pertaining to the design.

## **9. Financial Update**

### **Motion 2026-616 DM Bursey / Councillor Antle**

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

## **10. Unfinished Business**

None.

## **11. New Business**

### **(a) Adopt Property Standards**

- Discission on the Property Standards and Nuisance By Law developed By Stewart McKelvey for Councils.

### **Resolution 2026-617 Councilor McAuley / Councilor Antle**

Council hereby adopts the Property Standards and Nuisance By-Law, as developed by Stewart McKelvey, following consideration and discussion.

## **11. Late Items**

None.

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(a) Ditching on Mishaud's will take place in the upcoming weeks, as the contractor is planning to start soon.

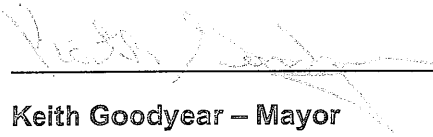
b) Have a Wavier completed for rentals

**Date and time of next meeting:** May 19, 2026, 7:00pm

**Meeting Adjourned**

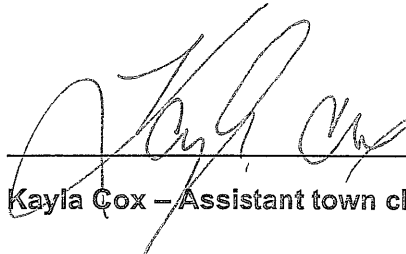
**Motion 2026 – 618 Councilor Antle / Councilor McAuley**

Moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:42 p.m. All in favor. Carried.



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**Keith Goodyear – Mayor**



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**Kayla Cox – Assistant town clerk/Project Planer**