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Special Meeting with Council October 9, 2025

Members Present:	Mark Sheppard	Lily Webber
	Lori Hiscock	Lloyd Hindy
	David Reid	Andrew Green
	Stephen Thomas	
Also Present:	Town Clerk/Manager:	Suzanne Coates
Members of the Public:	Zoe Doucet	Florence Piercey
	Joan Andrews	John Webber

Town Clerk/Manager S. Coates called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm

Swearing in of new Councilors: All Councilors were given the Oath of Office (MEF-18), to read out loud and sign.

Election of Mayor:

Clerk/Manager called for nominations for the Mayor position in accordance with Section 28 of the Towns and Local Service Districts Act.

Motion #25-083 M. Sheppard/L. Hindy
Nominated Lily Webber for Mayor. Lily accepted the nomination

Clerk/Manager called for more nominations from the floor.

Motion #25-084 L. Hiscock
Nominated Mark Sheppard for Mayor. Mark declined the nomination.

Clerk/Manager called one more time for nominations from the floor. No other nominations were made. Lily Webber was declared Mayor.

Election of Deputy Mayor: Clerk/Manager called for nominations for the Deputy Mayor position in accordance with Section 28 of the Towns and Local Service Districts Act.

Motion #25-085 L. Webber/M. Sheppard
Nominated Lloyd Hindy for Deputy Mayor. Lloyd accepted the nomination.

Clerk/Manager called for more nominations from the floor.

Motion #25-086 M. Sheppard/S. Thomas
Nominated Lori Hiscock for Deputy Mayor. Lori accepted the nomination.

Clerk/Manager called one more time for nominations from the floor. No other nominations were made. Then a secret ballot was held for the position of Deputy Mayor.

The results of the secret ballot was that Lori Hiscock was elected Deputy Mayor.

Residents Z. Doucet and F. Piercey left the council chambers at 7:50 pm.

Clerk/Manager offered Mayor L. Webber the chair at this time. Mayor L. Webber asked that the Clerk/Manager continue with the Chair for this meeting. Clerk/Manager accepted.

Agenda: **Motion #25-087 L. Hiscock/D. Reid**
Resolved to approve the agenda as presented.

In favor:	7	Mayor:	L. Webber
		Deputy Mayor:	L. Hiscock
		Councilors:	A. Green
			L. Hindy
			D. Reid
			M. Sheppard
			S. Thomas
Opposed:	0		
Abstained:	0		

Motion Carried.

Signing Authority at Bank: Clerk/Manager will get the appropriate individuals added/removed from the signing authority with RBC bank.

Campaign Contributions: All Councilors filled out the Oath or Affirmation of Campaign Contributions Disclosure where an individual contributions (money, goods or services) did not exceed $100 (MEF-19B).

Disclosure Statements: All councilors filled out the disclosure statements as required. These will be placed on file.

Standing Committees: All of Council was provided a current list of the standing committees with the Town for review. Council will discuss this at the next regular meeting of council on October 23, 2025.

Towns and Local Services Districts Act: All new members of council were provided with the most recent Act for their review.

Emergency Management Plan: All new members of council were provided with the most recent updated version for their review.

Council minutes: All new members of council were provided with June 12, July 10 and August 21, minutes of council for their review.

Councilor Training: All of Council was informed of the mandatory training that has to be completed within 6 months of council taking office (the dates for this training is not announced yet). All of Council was provided with the code of Conduct document to review. This will be discussed at a later meeting of council.

Town Policies, By Laws, Employee Handbook: New members of council were provided with this information for their review.

Update of FCM Funding: Clerk/Manager explained the funding that the town has received for this project. There will be a virtual meeting at 6:30 pm on October 23rd with tract consulting to provide further information to council.

2025 Budget: Council was provided with the 2025 budget for their review.

2026 Budget: Council will discuss setting up a meeting (s) for the 2026 budget at their next meeting.

Financial Report for September: All of council was presented with a financial report for the month of September for their review.

Audit 2024: Clerk/Manager gave an update on the status of the 2024 Audit.

MNL AGM in Corner Brook: Clerk/Manager explained that the AGM will be held from Nov. 20-22 in Corner Brook if anyone would like to attend.

Joint Councils meeting: Clerk/Manager provided council with the agenda for the Joint Councils meeting on Oct. 15th in Heart's Content if anyone would like to attend. Mayor Lily Webber stated that she would attend.

Fire Dept. Supper: The supper for appreciation for our Fire Department in scheduled for October 15th at 6:30 pm at Legge's. All those attending provided the Clerk/Manager with their orders.

Next Meeting of Council: The next regular meeting of council will be held on October 23rd, with a special meeting at 6:30 pm for the FCM Funding presentation. Regular meeting will begin at 7:30 pm.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion #25-088 L. Hiscock/M. Sheppard

Resolved to adjourn at 8:10 pm.

In favor:	7	Mayor:	L. Webber
		Deputy Mayor:	L. Hiscock
		Councilors:	A. Green
			L. Hindy
			D. Reid
			M. Sheppard
			S. Thomas
Opposed:	0		
Abstained:	0		

Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.

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Lily Webber, Mayor

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Suzanne Coates, Town Clerk/Manager