



Council Highlights – September 14, 2026

Council convened for the September Regular Council Meeting, with discussions and decisions covering residential development, municipal finances, public participation, and municipal bylaws. Council continued to advance community development projects, review financial matters, and consider updates to municipal governance and services.



Planning & Development

Planning and development remained a key focus of the September meeting. Council approved preliminary plans for a 23-lot residential subdivision on land north of Douses Road, including associated road construction, stormwater management, and utilities.

Council also approved a major variance to accommodate a café in the former church at 50 Grafton Street in Georgetown, as well as two retail service buildings at 5344 AA MacDonald Highway.

A public meeting was scheduled for October 13, 2026, regarding a proposed rezoning of land east of AA MacDonald Highway, Route 4.



Community & Municipal Updates

Council heard from residents regarding proposed changes to the rules governing public participation at Council meetings, including concerns about speaking procedures, submission deadlines, and the timing of the proposed amendments.

Council also received updates from the Mayor, CAO, Planning Board, RCMP, and Finance Manager.



Requests for Decision

- Council Proceedings Bylaw: Proposed amendments to Bylaw #2024-02 were defeated. Related items were subsequently tabled until the December 2026 Regular Council Meeting.
- Kent Street Closure Bylaw: Council approved second reading, approval, and adoption of the amendment to the Street Closure Bylaw for a portion of Kent Street in Georgetown.
- Reserve Funds Bylaw: Council approved and adopted amendments to establish Operating and Capital Reserves.
- Annual Financial Statements & Reserves: Council accepted the audited financial statements for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2026, and approved a \$53,730 withdrawal from the Town of Montague reserve fund for the Montague Streetscapes Light Upgrade.



Upcoming Dates

- **Next Committee of Council Meeting:** October 26, 2026

- **Next Regular Council Meeting:** October 13, 2026