



HAMPTON COUNCIL MEETING

AUGUST 11, 2026

A closed session of Council was held preceding the regular Council meeting on August 11th, 2026, commencing at 5:29 p.m. and adjourned at 6:53 p.m. A regular meeting of Council was then held in the Council Chambers commencing at 7:03 p.m. and adjourned at 8:35 p.m. A closed session of Council was reconvened after regular Council meeting at 8:36 p.m. and adjourned at 8:41 p.m.

ATTENDANCE:

COUNCIL: Deputy Mayor Jeremy Salgado
Councillor Todd Beach
Councillor Brian Fowler
Councillor Rob Barrett
Councillor Kim Tompkins
Councillor David Goucher

STAFF: Richard Malone, Chief Administrative Officer/Assistant Clerk
Lisa Richard, Clerk
Arthur McCarthy, Director of Planning, Engineering & Development
Mark Cormier, Director of Public Works & Utilities
Jessie Dean, Executive Assistant to the CAO

DELEGATIONS: Sgt. McCann, Hampton RCMP
Alex Quinn, Resident

REGRETS: Mayor Robert Doucet
Sherman St. Germain, Director of Finance & Human Resources/
Treasurer

1. CLOSED SESSION

In accordance with Section 68(1) of the *Local Governance Act*, Deputy Mayor Salgado called the closed session to order at 5:29 p.m. and adjourned the closed session at 6:53 p.m. The closed session was reconvened after the regular Council meeting at 8:36 p.m. and adjourned at 8:41 p.m. During that time, a number of issues were discussed and the confidential information from such discussions was classified as follows:

<u>Subsection of 68 (1)</u>	<u>Category</u>	<u># of Items</u>
a)	Information of which that confidentiality is protected by law	
b)	Personal information as defined by the <i>Right to Information and Protection of Privacy Act</i>	
c)	Information that could cause financial loss or gain to a person or the local government or could jeopardize negotiations leading to an agreement or contract	5
d)	The proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land	2
e)	Information that could violate the confidentiality of information obtained from the Government of Canada or from the government of a province or territory	
f)	Information concerning legal opinions or advice provided to the local government by its solicitor or privileged communications between solicitor and client in a matter of local government business	
g)	Litigation or potential litigation affecting the local government, or any corporation referred to in subsection 8(1), the local government's agencies, boards or commissions including a matter before an administrative tribunal	1
h)	Access to or security of buildings and other structures occupied or used by the local government or access to or security of systems of the local government, including computer or communications systems	
i)	Information gathered by police, including the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, in the course of investigating any illegal activity or suspected illegal activity, or the source of that information	
j)	Labour and employment matters, including the negotiation of collective agreements	2

OPEN SESSION

2. CALL TO ORDER

Deputy Mayor Salgado called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

3. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Deputy Mayor Salgado recognized and paid respect to the First Nations on whose territories we live and work.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Barrett and seconded by Councillor Goucher that the agenda of the August 11th, 2026, Council meeting be approved as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

5. DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Deputy Mayor Salgado asked that anyone who has a conflict of interest declare it when they reach that item on the agenda.

6. DELEGATIONS / PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS / PUBLIC HEARINGS

6.1. Hampton RCMP, Sgt. McCann – Monthly Report

Sgt. McCann reviewed the calls for Hampton for the month of July. Overall, there were a total of 273 calls for Hampton, compared to 303 for the same period last year. There were 17 criminal code charges laid, which is up from last month. There were 85 warnings issued, 15 tickets, and 18 arrests made. Nauwigewauk was the area targeted for rural enforcement in July, with 24 patrols being completed. There was a firearms collection at the Department of Fisheries & Oceans office in Quispamsis for the assault-style firearms compensation program. Of 163 registrants, 137 participated, turning over 217 firearms. This is a very good compliance rate.

Sgt. McCann also noted an incident that took place on July 24, 2026, in Valley Waters, that demonstrated exceptional police work and cooperation among neighbouring detachments. Suspicious persons were reported at the Circle K in Norton. It was subsequently determined that they were driving a stolen vehicle from Saint John that was full of stolen goods. The individuals fled, however 2 of the 3 were quickly apprehended. The third individual fled on a bicycle, where he committed another theft while enroute. There were 8 members and 3 search dogs involved in the effort. The individual was tracked to Bloomfield and was arrested near the bridges on Bloomfield Station Road.

During the month of July members also participated in the Hampton Area Chamber of Commerce golf tournament, and the Hampton Lions Club car show.

6.2. Speeding Concerns on Greenwood Court, Alex Quinn Resident

Alex Quinn, a resident of Greenwood Court, addressed Council to ask that traffic calming solutions be considered for his street. In particular, the area near his home is on hill, with a sharp turn, which creates a blind corner. Drivers accelerate when driving up the hill and often cross to the other side of the road. There are also many school aged children in the area who play outside, and close calls have been witnessed recently. Due to these factors, Mr. Quinn feels special attention should be given to this area. A traffic study would not be sufficient to determine if vehicles are traveling at an appropriate speed for the road conditions. Police patrols are helpful but do little to change behaviour and increased signage is not enough. Speaking with offending neighbours does little to remedy the situation. Measures such as rubber speed bumps or other deterrents need to be evaluated. What is the cost of safety? If a serious incident occurs, questions regarding prevention will arise. Mr. Quinn asked that a site visit be completed by staff and a solution be expedited to address the situation now while children are playing outside.

Council agreed that speed is a problem in residential areas, and in this case, there are other factors that need to be considered. Deputy Mayor Salgado advised that, based on previous correspondence received from Mr. Quinn, the matter has been referred to the Public Works & Utilities Advisory Committee for review at their next meeting. This is standard protocol that is followed to address traffic complaints, and the Committee will consider the particular challenges of this roadway.

7. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

7.1. Regular Council Meeting July 14, 2026

Moved by Councillor Beach and seconded by Councillor Goucher that the minutes of the July 14th, 2026, Regular Council Meeting be adopted.

MOTION CARRIED

7.2. Special Council Meeting July 29, 2026

Moved by Councillor Goucher and seconded by Deputy Mayor Salgado that the minutes of the July 29th, 2026, Special Council Meeting be adopted.

MOTION CARRIED

7.3. Committee of the Whole Meeting August 4, 2026

Moved by Councillor Tompkins and seconded by Councillor Barrett that the minutes of the August 4th, 2026, Committee of the Whole Meeting be adopted.

MOTION CARRIED

8. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

8.1. Q2 2026 Strategic Plan Update

The Q2 2026 Strategic Plan Update was presented by Richard Malone, Chief Administrative Officer, at the Committee of the Whole Meeting on August 4, 2026. The report can be found on Hampton's website at: [Reports – Town of Hampton](#)

Moved by Councillor Fowler and seconded by Councillor Barrett that Hampton Council accept the Q2 2026 Strategic Plan Update as presented by the Chief Administrative Officer and Department Directors at the Committee of the Whole Meeting held on August 4, 2026.

MOTION CARRIED

8.2. Accommodations Solution for Hampton

A proposal to explore potential hotelier solutions for Hampton was presented by Chris White, Director of Economic Development & Tourism, at the Committee of the Whole Meeting on August 4, 2026.

Moved by Councillor Fowler and seconded by Councillor Tompkins that Hampton Council direct staff to formally evaluate an accommodations solution for Hampton, with the intent of offering developer incentives that will be reviewed during the 2027 budget process, as per the proposal presented by the Director of Economic Development & Tourism at the Committee of the Whole Meeting held on August 4, 2026.

MOTION CARRIED

8.3. Lagoon Treatment Facility and Sewer Main Upgrades for Housing Growth – Canada Housing Infrastructure Fund Application

Arthur McCarthy, Director of Planning, Engineering, & Development, gave a presentation at the Committee of the Whole meeting on August 4, 2026, on the proposed upgrades planned for the lagoon treatment facility and sewer main to accommodate future housing growth. Staff are purposing to submit an application to the Canada Housing Infrastructure Fund to cover the majority of the costs associated with this project.

Moved by Councillor Tompkins and seconded by Councillor Fowler that Hampton Council approve an application to the Canada Housing Infrastructure Fund (CHIF) for a maximum amount of \$2,350,000.00 to complete capital upgrades to the lagoon treatment facility and sanitary sewer main (lagoon to Main Street and Villa Drive to Hall Road) to accommodate future housing growth, as per the proposal presented by the Director of Planning, Engineering & Development at the Committee of the Whole Meeting held on August 4, 2026.

MOTION CARRIED

9. READING OF BY-LAWS

None

10. CORRESPONDENCE LIST

#	From	Subject Matter	Motion
26-054	Timothy LeBlanc, CEO, Recycle NB	Invitation to attend Recycle NB's Annual General Meeting being held in Saint John on September 25, 2026.	Moved by Councillor Beach and seconded by Councillor Goucher that correspondence # 26-054 be received and filed. MOTION CARRIED

26-055	Graham Stilwell, Yes We Can	Response to Council's decision of July 14, 2026, regarding a donation to Yes We Can's Berries & Bands Event.	Moved by Councillor Fowler and seconded by Councillor Barrett that correspondence # 26-055 be received and filed. MOTION CARRIED
26-056	Cheryl Lee	Follow up letter regarding review of the speed limit on Main Street/Route 121.	Moved by Councillor Goucher and seconded by Councillor Fowler that correspondence # 26-056 be received and filed. MOTION DEFEATED Nay: All Moved by Councillor Beach and seconded by Councillor Barrett to refer correspondence # 26-056 to the Public Works & Utilities Advisory Committee for review and recommendation regarding lowering the speed limit to 50km/hr on Main Street just past the Pickwauket Road intersection to the Hampton-Bloomfield boundary. MOTION CARRIED
26-057	Kimberly Poffenroth, Municipal Electoral Officer, Elections NB	Notice to Local Governments of upcoming by-elections scheduled for October 19, 2026.	Moved by Councillor Fowler and seconded by Councillor Barrett that correspondence # 26-057 be received and filed. MOTION CARRIED

26-058	Helping Cops Help Kids	Seeking team registrations or donation for the 2 nd Annual Helping Cops Help Kids Fundraising Golf Tournament to be held in Hampton on September 5, 2026.	Moved by Councillor Goucher and seconded by Councillor Tompkins that Hampton Council approve a donation in the amount of \$150.00 to the 2nd Annual Helping Cops Help Kids Fundraising Golf Tournament as per <i>AD2011 Donations Policy</i>. MOTION CARRIED
26-059	John Herron, Race Director, Hampton 5 Miler Road Race	Request for mile sponsorship for the Hampton 5 Miler Road Race being held September 13, 2026.	Moved by Councillor Beach and seconded by Councillor Tompkins that that Hampton Council sponsor a mile in the Hampton 5 Miler Road Race in the amount of \$600.00. MOTION CARRIED
26-060	Karen Sutherland, Director, Property Services Branch, Department of Transportation & Infrastructure	Notification of upcoming amendments to the Controlled Access Regulations of the <i>Highway Act</i> .	Moved by Councillor Barrett and seconded by Councillor Fowler that correspondence # 26-060 be received and filed. MOTION CARRIED
26-061	Hampton Guardian Pharmacy	Invitation to Grand Re-Opening at new location on August 21, 2026.	Moved by Councillor Barrett and seconded by Councillor Fowler that correspondence # 26-061 be received and filed. MOTION CARRIED
26-062	Jordan Reed	Concerns regarding the CN stockpile of creosote-treated railroad ties behind residential properties on Centennial Road.	Moved by Councillor Tompkins and seconded by Councillor Barrett that correspondence # 26-062 be referred to Staff for follow up with CN to address the concerns regarding railroad ties being stored in proximity of residential properties. MOTION CARRIED

11. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

11.1. Committees of Council

11.1.1. Planning Advisory Committee

Councillor Tompkins advised that the Committee met on July 28, 2026, and referred to the minutes as presented. It was noted that Mayor Doucet attended in his capacity as ex-officio to have quorum for the meeting.

11.1.2. Finance Committee

Councillor Tompkins advised that the Committee met on July 29, 2026, and referred to the minutes as presented. The recommendations from that meeting were referred to the Special Council Meeting of July 29, 2026.

11.1.3. Protective Services Committee – Fire-Rescue-EMO

Councillor Beach advised that the Committee met on August 5, 2026, and referred to the minutes as presented. It was noted that the details of the meeting were well covered in the minutes taken by staff member Joanne Appleby, Coordinator for Public Works & Utilities and Fire-Rescue-EMO. Three new members, Pam McKenzie, Mike Hickey, and Maura Collings were welcomed to the Committee as at-large members from the community. The new members were previously on the EMO Advisory Committee which has been restructured as the EMO Working Group comprised of town staff.

11.1.4. Public Works & Utilities Advisory Committee

The Committee did not meet in July, however Councillor Barrett put forth a motion to appoint a new member to the Committee.

Moved by Councillor Barrett and seconded by Councillor Goucher that Hampton Council appoint Ken Chorley as a member of the Public Works & Utilities Advisory Committee for a three (3) year term.

MOTION CARRIED

Acceptance of Committees of Council Reports

Moved by Councillor Beach and seconded by Councillor Goucher that Hampton Council accept the minutes of the following Committees as presented:

- 1. Planning Advisory**
- 2. Finance**
- 3. Protective Services – Fire-Rescue-EMO**
- 4. Joint Health & Safety**

MOTION CARRIED

11.2. External Committees

11.2.1. Fundy Regional Service Commission Board

The last meeting was held on July 28, 2026, at the Crane Mountain Landfill. In Mayor Doucet's absence, Richard Malone, CAO, advised that the Board is continuing to discuss capital costs for regional facilities ahead of the 2027 budget.

11.2.2. Hampton Area Chamber of Commerce

Councillor Fowler advised that the last meeting was held on August 10, 2026. The Chamber is seeking to fill the Executive Director position and potential candidates are now being reviewed. A survey was conducted on the need for co-working office space within the community and 88 responses were received.

11.2.3. Hampton Seniors Resource Centre Board

Councillor Tompkins advised that meetings have adjourned for the summer. The next meeting will be in September.

11.2.4. Age Friendly Committee

Councillor Tompkins advised that the Committee met on July 23, 2026, at the Summit Centre. Chair Gena Fowler has been meeting with provincial counterparts to kick start committee initiatives. The Committee is currently updating their Terms of Reference. Debbie Hickey will be assisting with communication to keep the community up to date on events. The next meeting is scheduled for August 12, 2026.

11.2.5. The Hampton John Peters Humphrey Foundation

Councillor Barrett advised that the last meeting was held on August 6, 2026. The Blooming Artists event was held on July 25, 2026, with 42 artists participating and 195 pieces sold during the event. Total sales for the event were \$12,451.50. Funding was provided to the Youth Theatre Station to write and stage a play with a Human Rights theme. The play will be performed at Dutch Point Park on August 20th and 22nd as a fundraiser. The High School mural panel that is being replaced is expected to be completed in late August.

12. APPROVAL OF REPORTS

12.1. Dog Constable Report

Councillor Beach provided an overview of the Dog Control Reports for July. There were 3 investigations and 8 patrols. At the July meeting, Council asked for additional information regarding an investigation on the June report involving a dog that killed 2 cats. Staff obtained additional information on the incident, noting all animals resided within the same house, and the dog was having food aggression issues. This led to the incident involving the cats. The owner has been provided with tools to assist in managing the dog's behavior.

12.2. Building Permit Report

Councillor Tompkins provided an overview of the Building Permit Report for July. There were a total of 64 permits issued for a construction value of \$3,446,760.00 and a permit value of \$21,069.00.

12.3. Fire-Reports (Hampton and Nauwigewauk)

Councillor Beach provided an overview of the Fire Reports for July, advising there were 37 calls for Hampton Fire-Rescue and 5 calls for Nauwigewauk Fire-Rescue. It was noted that there was a drop in medical calls for Hampton due to the policy change that was mentioned last month. Firefighters Tom Elliott and Cody Greer from Hampton Fire-Rescue have been promoted to the position of Lieutenant. Hampton Fire-Rescue is also running a recruitment initiative this month.

12.4. Financial Reports

Moved by Councillor Tompkins and seconded by Councillor Fowler that Hampton Council accept the July 2026 Financial Statements as per the recommendation of the Director of Finance & Human Resources/ Treasurer.

MOTION CARRIED

12.5. Communications Report

Deputy Mayor Salgado referred to the Communications Report as presented, noting that the top performing post on both Facebook and Instagram for July was the Yoga in the Park series. The event was very successful in July, with between 40 to 50 participants taking part.

Approval of all Reports:

Moved by Councillor Fowler and seconded by Councillor Barrett that Hampton Council approve the Dog Constable Reports, Building Permit Report, Fire-Rescue Report (Hampton & Nauwigewauk), Financial Reports and Communications Report as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

13. APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS

Moved by Councillor Tompkins and seconded by Councillor Beach that Hampton Council approve the July 2026 Approval of Accounts listing in the amount of \$1,015,152.73.

MOTION CARRIED

14. NEW BUSINESS

14.1. Ossekeag Court Subdivision Plan

Moved by Councillor Tompkins and seconded by Councillor Barrett that Hampton Council assent to the Subdivision Plan – Joseph S. Anderson Subdivision, as prepared by Hughes Surveys and Consultants Inc., drawing no. S26066C, dated March 30, 2026, for the creation of a future street.

MOTION CARRIED

14.2. Cranberry Hill Estates Phase 4—Developers Agreement REMOVED FROM AGENDA

14.3. Proposed Subdivision Plan – Gordon Street

Moved by Councillor Tompkins and seconded by Councillor Fowler that Hampton Council refer the proposed subdivision plan “Folkins Subdivision” to the following advisory committees for review and recommendations, as per Procedural By-Law HAM-2026-01:

- Public Works & Utilities;
- Parks & Recreation;
- Environment; and
- Planning

MOTION CARRIED

14.4. 2026 KV Nuisance Deer Management Assistance Program

Moved by Councillor Fowler and seconded by Councillor Barrett that Hampton Council adopt the 2026 KV Nuisance Deer Management Assistance Program in Ward 2 and Darlings Island.

MOTION CARRIED

15. OUTSTANDING ISSUES

15.1. Flashback Festival – Will be held September 19, 2026. Many events are planned for the day, and we will be commemorating Hampton’s 60th anniversary. More details will be released in the coming weeks. Council members are encouraged to attend.

15.2. Upcoming Meetings

Deputy Mayor Salgado noted the following:

- Committee of the Whole will meet on September 1, 2026, at 4:00pm in Council Chambers

- Next Regular Council Meeting is September 8, 2026, at 7:00pm in Council Chambers

16. ADJOURNMENT

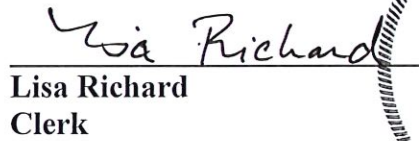
There being no further business, the meeting of Council was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Moved by Councillor Beach and seconded by Councillor Barrett that Hampton adjourn the council meeting of August 11th, 2026.

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVED BY:


Robert Doucet
Mayor


Lisa Richard
Clerk

