

### Final Agenda for Regular Meeting of Town Council

Monday, March 10th, 2025 @ 7:00 PM

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### Town of Kensington Regular Meeting of Town Council Monday, March 10, 2025 – 7:00 PM

1.	Call t	Call to Order/Land Acknowledgement								
2.	Adop	Adoption of Agenda (Additions/Deletions)								
3.	Decla	ration of Conflict of Interest								
4.	Deleg	ations, Special Speakers, and Public Input								
5.	Adop	tion of Previous Meeting Minutes								
	5.1	February 10, 2025 Regular Meeting								
6.	Busin	ess Arising from Minutes								
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7.	Repo	rts								
	7.1	Chief Administrative Officer Report								
	7.2	Fire Department Report								
	7.3	Police Department Report								
	7.4	Development Permit Summary Report								
	7.5	Bills List – Town - Nil								
	7.6	Bills List - Water and Sewer Utility - Nil								
	7.7	Bills List – Capital - Nil								
	7.8	Consolidated Summary Income Statement -Town and Water and Sewer Utility $Nil$								
	7.9	Credit Union Centre Report								
	7.10	Mayor's Report								

Federation of Prince Edward Island Municipalities Report – Councillor Mann

7.11

7.12 Kensington and Area Chamber of Commerce Report – Councillor MacRae

### 8. New Business

- 8.1 Request for Decisions
- 8.1.1 RFD2025-10 Mount Royal Construction Naming of Laneway
- 8.1.2 RFD2025-11 Bylaw Amendment Ranchland First Reading
- 8.2 Town of Kensington Budget Summary for Public Review
- 9. Correspondence
- 10. Committee of the Whole (In-Camera) Nil
- 11. Adjournment

### Town of Kensington Minutes of Regular Council Meeting Monday, February 10, 2025 7:00 PM

**Council Members Present:** Acting Mayor, Jeff Spencer;

Councillors: Toombs, Gallant, Doucette, MacRae and Mann

**Staff Members Present:** Interim CAO, Wes Sheridan

Municipal Clerk, Kim Caseley

Administrative Assistant, Amy Morrell

Visitors: Don Reid & Margie Fowler – Coldest Night of the Year

### 1. Calling of Meeting to Order

1.1 Acting Mayor Spencer called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and welcomed Council members, staff and visitors to the February meeting of Kensington Town Council. Acting Mayor Spencer acknowledged that the land on which we gather is the traditional and unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq First Nation.

### 2. Approval of Tentative Agenda

2.1 Moved by Councillor Toombs, seconded by Councillor Gallant to approve the tentative agenda for the February 10, 2025, regular meeting of Town Council with the addition of an in-camera item under 1.19(1)(d) of the Municipal Government Act, PEI, and an item of correspondence from the KAMHA.

Unanimously carried.

### 3. Declaration of Conflict of Interest

3.1 Councillor Mann declared a conflict with item 8.1.2 Kensington/Bedford Youth Ambassador Financial Contribution and an item of correspondence from KAMHA.

### 4. **Delegations / Presentations**

4.1 Don Reid and Margie Fowler made a presentation to Town Council regarding the Annual 2025 Coldest Night of the Year Fundraising event, being held on February 22. The event is a major fundraiser for the Lifehouse Project, an Emergency Shelter and Transitional Housing that is committed to offering services for women, trans and non-binary individuals and their children who find themselves temporarily homeless due to a variety of factors.

Mr. Reid & Ms. Fowler excused themselves from the Chamber at 7:25 pm.

### 5. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

- 5.1 Moved by Councillor MacRae, seconded by Councillor Doucette to approve the minutes from the January 18, 2025 regular meeting of Town Council. Unanimously carried.
- 5.2 Moved by Councillor Toombs, seconded by Councillor Gallant to approve the minutes from the January 27, 2025 special meeting of Town Council. Unanimously carried.
- 5.3 Moved by Councillor Doucette, seconded by Councillor MacRae to approve the minutes from the January 16, 2025 special meeting of Town Council. Unanimously carried.
- 6. Business Arising from Minutes
  - 6.1 January 18, 2025 Regular Meeting
    - **6.1.1** *Nil*.
  - 6.2 January 27, 2025 Special Meeting
    - **6.2.1** Interim CAO, Wes Sheridan provided an update on the recent purchase of an emergency response vehicle for the Kensington Police Service.

Councillor Doucette addressed concerns regarding the purchase in the absence of current financial statements. Mr. Sheridan confirmed that the Town recently fulfilled the payments on the previous KPS emergency response vehicle loan and the new unit is very similar in monthly payments.

- 6.3 January 16, 2025 Special Meeting
  - **6.3.1** *Nil.*
- 7. Reports
  - 7.1 Chief Administrative Officer Report
    - 7.1.1 Moved by Councillor Toombs, seconded by Councillor Doucette to approve the January 2025 Chief Administrative Officer report as prepared by interim CAO, Wes Sheridan. Unanimously carried.

### 7.2 Fire Department Statistical Report

7.2.1 Moved by Councillor MacRae, seconded by Councillor Gallant to approve the January 2025 Fire Statistical report as prepared by Fire Chief, Rodney Hickey. Unanimously carried.

### 7.3 Police Department Statistical Report

7.3.1 Moved by Councillor Doucette, seconded by Councillor MacRae to approve the January 2025 Police Statistical Report as prepared by Chief Landon Yuill. Unanimously carried.

### 7.4 Development Permit Summary Report

7.4.1 Moved by Councillor MacRae, seconded by Councillor Doucette to approve the February 2025 Development Permit Summary Report as prepared by Municipal Clerk, Kim Caseley. Unanimously carried.

### 7.5 Bills List Town (General)

7.5.1 *Nil*.

7.6 Bills List Water & Sewer Utility

7.6.1 *Nil*.

7.7 Bills List Capital Expenditures

7.7.1 *Nil*.

7.8 Summary Income Statement

7.8.1 *Nil*.

### 7.9 Credit Union Centre Report

- 7.9.1 Moved by Councillor Doucette, seconded by Councillor MacRae to approve the Credit Union Centre report for the month of January 2025. Unanimously carried.
- **7.9.2** Councillor Doucette inquired if staff sourced a suitable option to remove snow from the solar panels at the Credit Union Centre. It was confirmed that Hanson Electric, the installer of the units, recommended not intentionally removing snow in an effort to protect the units from damage.

### 7.10 Mayor's Report

7.10.1 Moved by Councillor Mann, seconded by Councillor Doucette to approve the Mayor's report for the month of January 2025 as presented by Acting Mayor Spencer. Unanimously carried.

### 7.11 Federation of PEI Municipalities (FPEIM) Report

- **7.11.1** FPEIM discussed the financial framework proposal that FPEIM & Municipal CAOs compiled. The proposal has been sent to the Province for review.
- **7.11.2** FPEIM has been in discussions with Island fire departments who are now being requested to respond to calls unrelated to fire, but as a first responder.
- **7.11.3** Discussions on record retention requirements.
- **7.11.4** It was reported that the Province requested FPEIM to take over the request to allow ATV units to operate on Island roads. FPEIM has declined this request.

### 7.12 Kensington Area Chamber of Commerce (KACC) Report

**7.12.1** KACC is hosting their AGM on February 12, 2025.

### 7.13 Heart of PEI Initiative Report

**7.13.1** The Heart of PEI Initiative has not secured funding at this time.

### 8. New Business

### 8.1 Request for Decisions

### 8.1.1 Kensington Intermediate & Senior High School (KISH) Ice Donation Request

8.1.1.1 Moved by Councillor Toombs, seconded by Councillor Doucette

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the ice time rental donation request for the Annual KISH Hockey Tournament being held at the Kensington Credit Union Centre between April 6<sup>th</sup> and April 12<sup>th</sup> 2025, in the amount of \$1,000 be hereby approved.

### Unanimously carried.

Councilor Mann declared a conflict and excused himself from the Council Chamber at 7:51 pm

### 8.1.2 Kensington Bedford Youth Ambassador Financial Contribution - 2025

8.1.2.1 Moved by Councillor Toombs, seconded by Councillor MacRae

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Kensington Town Council provide a financial contribution to assist in sending the Youth Ambassador to Bedford in support of the 2025 Kensington-Bedford Friendship Hockey Exchange, in the amount of \$1,000.

Unanimously carried.

**8.1.2.2** Councillor Gallant requested the committee build the travel expense for the Youth Ambassador into their fundraising budget for future years.

Councilor Mann returned to the Council Chamber at 7:58 pm.

### 8.1.3 Kensington Town Council Committee Meeting Schedule – 2025

8.1.3.1 Moved by Councillor Doucette, seconded by Councillor Toombs

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Kensington Town Council suspend Committee of Council meetings until the return of the full-time CAO.

Unanimously carried.

**8.1.3.2** Councillor Gallant noted that Committee of Council provides Council with time to review and process requests. It was requested that Council Agenda Packages be sent out earlier to allow Council additional time to review. Interim CAO, Wes Sheridan noted that extra effort will be given to have complete agenda packages sent to Council in advance of the Friday prior to Council Meetings.

### 8.1.4 Canada Community Building Fund – Project Applications

8.1.4 Moved by Councillor Mann, seconded by Councillor Toombs

WHEREAS Project Applications can now be submitted under the new Canada Community Building Fund Agreement for fiscal years 2024/25 through 2028/29;

AND WHEREAS the Town of Kensington has identified priority infrastructure projects eligible for funding under the CCBF program;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town Council of Kensington approves the following projects for submission under the Canada Community

### Building Fund (CCBF):

- 1. Playground Equipment Replacement at Roy Paynter Park
- 2. Town Hall Solar Panels
- 3. Broadway Street South Sidewalk Replacement (Including Utility Pole Relocation)
- 4. Wastewater Collection System Inflow and Infiltration Study
- 5. Wastewater Treatment Plant Baffle Installation

### Unanimously carried.

### 8.2 Other Matters

- **8.2.1** Acting Mayor Spencer noted Maritime Electric is reviewing possible options for additional lighting in the vicinity of 28 Pleasant Street.
- **8.2.2** Council discussed the earlier presentation made by Don Reid and Margie Fowler, on the Coldest Night of the Year fundraiser.

Moved by Councillor Gallant, seconded by Councillor Toombs

THAT Kensington Town Council approve a Rest Stop Sponsorship in the amount of \$1,000.00 to the Coldest Night of the Year fundraising initiative in aid of LifeHouse.

### Unanimously carried.

**8.2.3** Councillor Gallant expressed concern regarding the absence of completed financial statements and inquired about accountability for the situation.

Acting Mayor Spencer responded that the Manager of Finance, Nancy MacRae, had provided Council with an hour-long presentation outlining the current status of the financial reporting. It was further noted that the individual responsible for this matter is no longer employed by the Town, having been dismissed from their duties.

Interim CAO Wes Sheridan confirmed that there has been no indication of any inappropriate movement of funds. He also stated that Ms. MacRae, who holds an accounting designation, will not present financial documents unless she is fully able to verify and explain their contents.

Councillor Doucette noted that he has received phone calls from residents questioning the recent purchase of an emergency response police vehicle. He inquired whether the purchase was a financially responsible decision.

**8.2.4** Councillor Gallant requested staff to investigate scheduling the by-election to fill the vacant seat of Mayor.

Interim CAO, Wes Sheridan confirmed he recently spoke with Elections PEI, who confirmed they would not be available to run the election. He is currently seeking alternative options to do so. Currently, the last week of April is a potential timeline.

### 9. Correspondence

- 9.1 A digital copy of the new signage being installed at the new BGC Prince County facility in Kensington.
- **9.2** A request from Kensington Skating Club to sponsor their 2025 Ice Show.

Moved by Councillor Gallant, seconded by Councillor Doucette to support the Kensington Skate Club 2025 Ice Show as a Silver Blade sponsor in the amount of \$500.00. Unanimously carried.

Councillor Mann declared a conflict and excused himself from the Council Chamber at 8:44 pm.

9.3 A letter from the Kensington Vipers U11 hockey team requesting financial support to host the Shane Cormier Memorial Meltdown at the Credit Union Centre March 7-9, 2025.

Moved by Councillor Doucette, seconded by Councillor MacRae to approve a \$300 financial contribution to the Kensington Vipers U11 hockey team, in support of the 2025 Shane Cormier Memorial Meltdown. Unanimously carried.

Councillor Mann returned to the Council Chamber at 8:47 pm.

### 10. In-Camera (Closed session)

- 10.1 One item under 119(1)(d) of the Municipal Government Act, PEI.
  - 10.1.1 Moved by Councillor Toombs, seconded by Councillor Gallant to enter into an In-Camera session at 8:49 pm. Unanimously carried.
  - 10.1.2 Moved by Councillor Toombs, seconded by Councillor Gallant to come out of an In-Camera session at 9:00 pm. Unanimously carried.

### 11. Adjournment

Moved by Councillor Toombs, seconded by Councillor Doucette to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 PM. Unanimously carried.

Wes Sheridan, Interim CAO Jeff Spencer, Acting Mayor

### **Chief Administrative Officers Report**

### February 2025 - Council Meeting

### 1. Ranchland Estates Subdivision

The Public Meeting for the rezoning application was advertised pursuant to the Municipal Act, appearing in the Guardian newspaper on two occasions; Friday, February the 7<sup>th</sup>, and Saturday, February the 8<sup>th</sup>. The Public Meeting took place on Wednesday, February the 19<sup>th</sup>, 2025, with 14 residents of the Town in attendance.

### 2. The new EV Police vehicle

The new vehicle is now in our possession and has been wrapped with the Town colours. It is currently in Charlottetown at Spence Communications, being fully outfitted for the road as a fully compliant police cruiser.

### 3. Retirement party for departing Town Staff

The retirement party was held on Saturday evening with 63 individuals in attendance, honouring our (4) retiring staff members: Lewie Sutherland, Vickie Sutherland, Edyth Paynter and Les Thomas. By all accounts, everyone was pleased with the evening and we received very kind kudos from the retirees and their families.

### 4. Boys and Girls Club - Prince County Update

The Acting Mayor, Councillor Gallant and the Acting CAO attended an open house on February 19<sup>th</sup>, receiving an update from the CEO of BGC along with the MLA for the area, Matthew MacKay. The BGC will be opening in late April/early May for Early Learning and day programming purposes. Details to follow.

### **5. Annual PROS Audit**

We are pleased to share that we received an outstanding score on our annual PROS audit. This is a direct reflection of the dedication and hard work put in by Brenda Perry, who coordinates the PROS process with our officers, and who has been instrumental in overseeing the quality assurance of our PROS occurrences.

### 6. Fire Rates for the Fire Department

We have set fire rates for the Kensington Fire District, the Municipality of Malpeque Bay and the Town, with a 2.7% increase being reflected as the cost of living figure for the 2025-26 fiscal year.

### 7. Supplementary Unemployment Benefit (SUB) Plan

We have received official notification that we have been approved for participation in the SUB program to assist the Town in providing the current CAO, who is out on medical leave, with the appropriate level of compensation during his absence.

### 8. The Town Budget Process for the 2025-26 Fiscal Year

The first step of the 2025-26 Budget process is complete and ready for public review as of Monday, March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2025. We will leave it open for review until Wednesday, March 19<sup>th</sup>, when we will convene as Council to discuss the Budget in detail, taking into consideration any feedback we receive from the public. We will then be prepared to submit our final Financial Report to the Province by April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025 as per regulation.

### 9. The Mayoral Bye-Election

The date for the election has been set for Monday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2025. The Notice of Nominations will go out Friday, April 4<sup>th</sup>, with Nominations opening on Tuesday, April 9th and closing on Thursday, April 17<sup>th</sup>. Paul Chessman, a former Deputy Mayor with the Town, has agreed to play the role of Municipal Electoral Officer.

Respectfully Submitted by: Wes Sheridan, Acting Chief Administrative Officer

### **Police Report February 2025**

### There were 3 alarm calls to report for this month.

February 5 @ 1400hrs – Kensington Vet clinic, police attended. February 10 @ 0759hrs – Frosty treat, police attended. February 17 @ 1000hrs – KISH, police attended.

### **Assistance calls**

KPS assisted EMS with gaining entry into residence. X 3 KPS assisted RCMP with serving paperwork.

KPS assisted RMCP with harassment file Feb 6<sup>th</sup>.

KPS assisted Charlottetown Police with serving documents Feb 19<sup>th</sup>.

KPS assisted Charlottetown Police with serving more documents Feb 19<sup>th</sup>.

Police Department Occurrence Report Sum														
Description	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD	% Total
Record Checks A (BC)	7,111	6,585											13,696	
Record Checks B ( KPS )	14	18											32	
KPS assisting other agencies		3											3	

### Year To Date Approved Development Permits Summary Report 2025

Development Permit Category	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Total
New Commercial	1												1
New Residential Accessory Structure	1												1
New Single Family Dwelling			1										1
Total:			1										3

Total Estimated Construction Value
\$300,000.00
\$8,000.00
\$225,000.00
\$533,000.00

### DEVELOPMENT PERMITS REPORT

For the period February 10, 2025 to March 04, 2025

Permit Number	Date Permit Issued	PID	Applicant's Name & Address Property Address	Telephone Number	Permit Status	Work Type	Type of Construction	Value	Estimated Start	Estimated Finish
Single Fa	mily Dwelling	3							•	
03-2025	03/02/2025	1042944	Candi Bryanton -		Approved	Now	Single Family Dwelling	\$225,000.00	04/15/2025	09/15/2025
03-2023	03/02/2023	1042944	46 Sunset Drive		Approved	New	Description: Construction of new sin	igle residential dwelling		

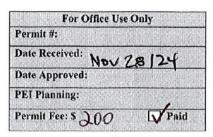
Sub Total: \$225,000.00

Total: \$225,000.00



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### DEVELOPMENT PERMIT APPLICATION

1.	Property In	formation				
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OWNER	Phone:	Cell:				
	Email:		Postal Code: _			
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CONTRACTOR, ARCHITECT	Phone:	Cell				
OR ENGINEER	Email:		Postal Code: _			
3.	Infrastructu	re Components				
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		Permit (Department of Transpo	riation and intrastructure Renev	wal)   Attached		
4.	Developmen	t Description				
New	New Building   Renovate Existing   Addition   Demolition   Other					
Single Family (R1) □ Commercial (C1) □ Public Serv./Institution (PSI) □ Other  Other						
	☐ Semi-Detached (R2) ☐ Industrial (M1) ☐ Accessory Building					
□ Multi-Unit Res. (R3) □ Mini Home (RM1) □ Decks/Fence/Pools						
	Foundation	External Wall Finish	Roof Material	Chimney		
-	d Concrete	Vinyl Siding	Asphalt  Steel	□ Brick		
□ Slab □ Pier		□ Wood Shingles □ Steel	☐ Steel ☐ Other	D Prefab		
□ Other		D Other	Journ	G Outer		
Number	r of Stories	Number of Bedrooms	Number of Bathrooms	Ground Floor (ft)		
	1	3	2	Width 30 Length 40		

Detailed Project Description: ONSHUCTING ON	ew Single family
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Estimated Value of Construction (not including land cost): 22	
Projected Start Date: Projected Date: Projected Date:	ate of Completion: Sept. 2025
Please provide a diagram of proposed construction:  a) Draw boundaries of your lot. c) Indicate the distance between buildings. c) Indicate distance to property lines.	b) Show existing and proposed buildings. d) Show location of driveway.
See alleid	ned.

### I DO SOLEMNLY DECLARE & CERTIFY:

- 1. That I am the Authorized Agent of the Owner/the Owner named in the Application for a permit hereto attached.
- That the information contained herein, the attached plans, and other included documents are true and complete and the development will be constructed or carried out in accordance with the plans and specifications as submitted.
- 3. Providing that the Town of Kensington and/or its agents or employees are acting in good faith in the administration of the Town Bylaws, I waive all rights of actions against Town of Kensington and/or its agents or employees in respect of any damages which may be caused through the operation of any provision(s) of its Bylaw or the revoking of a permit for any cause or irregularity or nonconformity with the Bylaw or regulations adopted by the Town of Kensington.
- 4. I assume responsibility for damage to any Town property including; sidewalks, curbs, streets or other infrastructure and I irrevocably agree to bear the cost of remediation repair or replacement of any Town damaged by myself or by any contractors, agents or employees working on the property which is the subject of this application to the complete satisfaction of the Town of Kensington.
- 5. Where services are available, properties must be serviced by municipal water and sewer in accordance with the Town of Kensington Water and Pollution Control Corporations minimum standards. I am responsible for costs associated with the connection as outlined in the IRAC (Island Regulatory and Appeals Commission) Regulations. Any connection to water or sewer must be inspected by the Town of Kensington Public Works Department and 24 hrs notice must be given and inspections must be made between the hours of 8 am and 5 pm, Monday to Friday.
- That I know of no reason why the permit should not be granted in pursuance of the Application, and I make this declaration conscientiously believing it to be true.
- I agree to comply with all laws of Canada, Province of Prince Edward Island, and Bylaws of the Town of Kensington
  pertaining to the construction/and use of the development applied for herein.
- I understand that all Development Permits are valid for 12 months and subject to a 21-day appeal period following approval as stated under the PEI Planning Act.

Further, I realize that the payment of monies for this application does not constitute approval of a permit nor approval to commence any part of the work applied for

Signature of Applica

APPLICATION FOR AN ENTRANCE WAY HIGHWAY ACCESS

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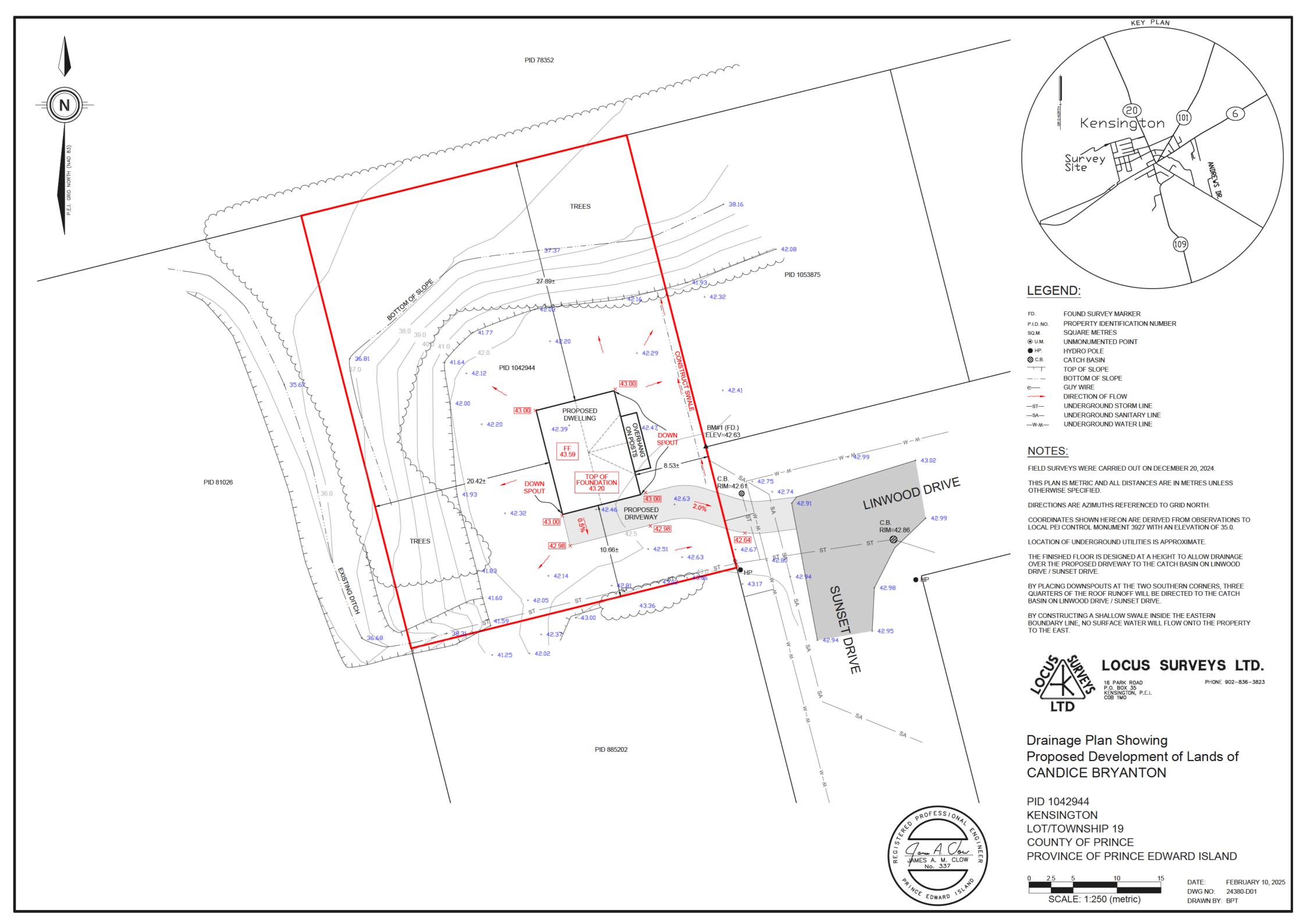


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(902) 436-6854 Fax (902) 436-5643	JOB NAME / LOCATION
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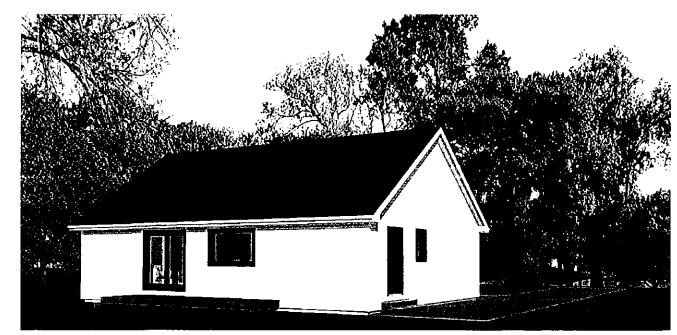
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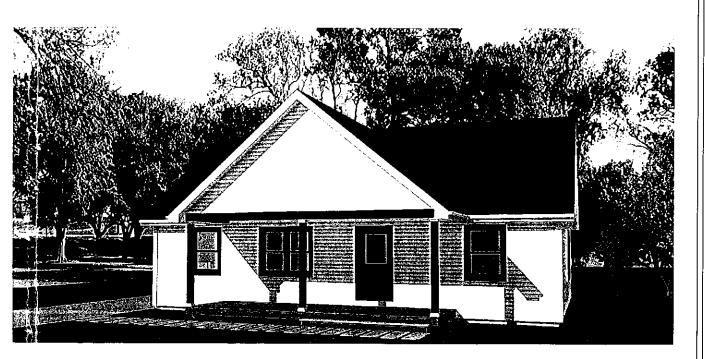




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PERSPECTIVE





SPRING VALLEY B.C. (KENSINGTON, PE, COB 1M0 (902) 836-4289 Richard@springvalleybc.ca

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OVERVIEW

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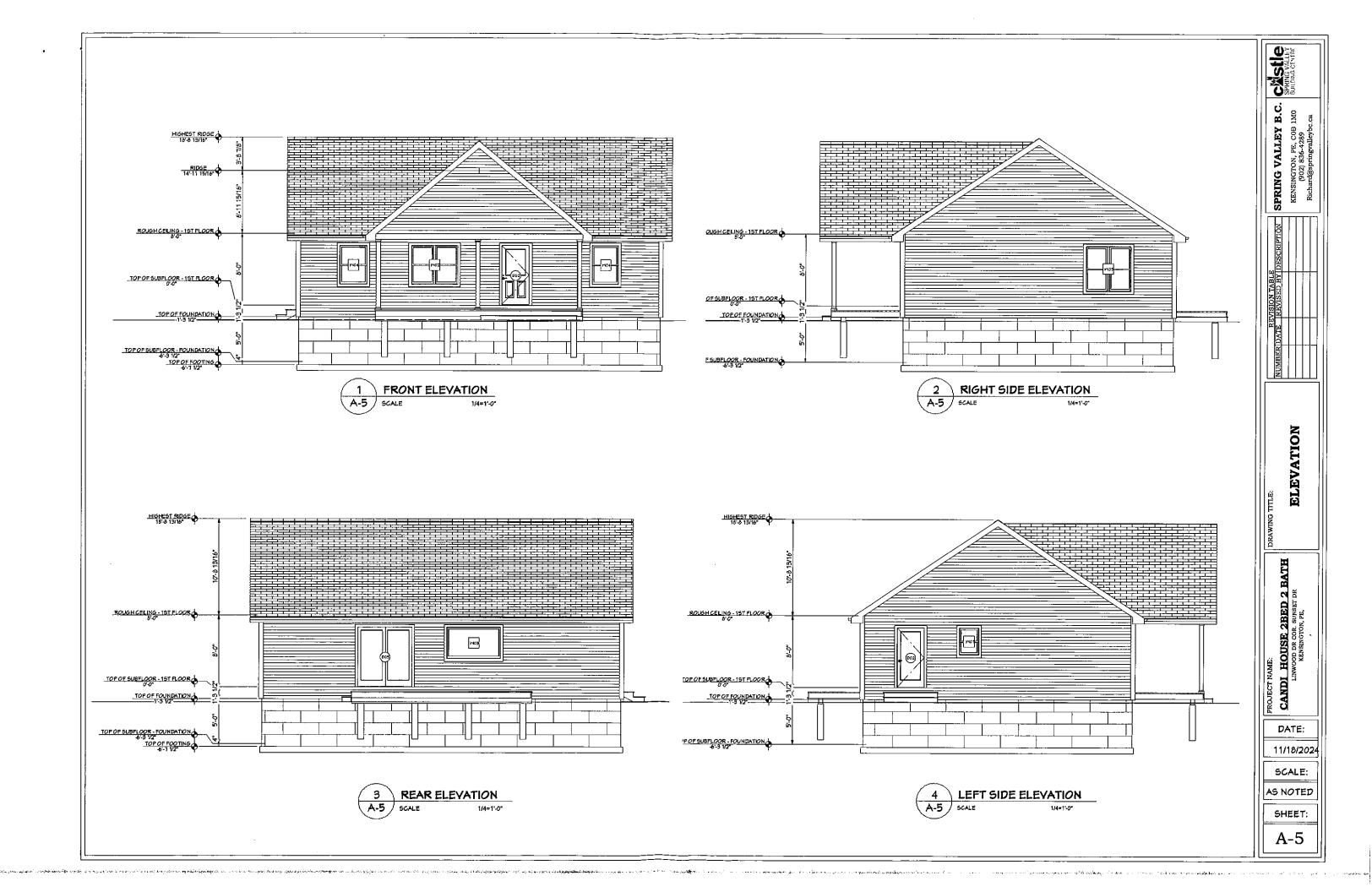
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11/18/2024 SCALE:

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### **TOWN OF KENSINGTON - MEMORANDUM**

TO: MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL, CAO

FROM: ROBERT WOOD, CUC MANAGER

**DATE:** FEB 2025

SUBJECT: FEB 2025- CREDIT UNION CENTRE REPORT

ATTACHMENT: STATISTICAL REPORT

### February 2025

### **Fitplex**

- Hours of operation are 5:00 am 11:00 pm daily.
- Staffed Hours are Monday to Thursday 4:00 pm-8:00 pm Friday 9:00am-1:00pm

### Arena

Hosted a U7 Jamboree on Islander Day

Hosted Adl Ice Competition

Hosted KAFSC Ice Show

- 5 Wild games played in Feb
- 1 Vipers Games played in Feb
- 1 Granites Game played in Feb
- 183 hours booked Feb ,2025

Minor Hockey 75 Hours

Wild 20.50 Hours

Matrix 6 Hours

Figure Skating 58.25 Hours

Vipers 8 Hours

Other 15.25 Hours

### **Solar Panels**

Jan 2025

1680 kw produced

\$218.40 Dollar Value

Feb 2025

5502 kw produced

\$715.26 Dollar Value

Long time employee Trevor Moase has indicated that this is his last season at the Arena and April 19 will be his last day.

### **Outdoor Rink**

The outdoor rink has been in use since Jan 22,2025 and Last day was Feb 23

### **Kensington Cash Draw**

- Feb 7 120.00
- Feb 14 128.00
- Feb 21 122.00
- Feb 27 120.00

### **Ball Fields**

• NTR

### **Senior Center**

• NTR

### **Tennis \ Pickleball Courts KISH**

• NTR

### **CUC Property**

• Outdoor arena in operation until Feb 23, trail by senior center, open and available to use.

### **Upcoming Events**

- March 7-9 Shane Cormier Memorial tournament
- March 21-23 U 15 Provincials
- April 2-6,2025 Wild Atlantic's
- April 7-12,2025 KISH hockey Tournament



### Mayor's Report to Town Council

### March 6, 2025

**The Mayor's Report** to Town Council is an opportunity for the Mayor to provide feedback to Council, Staff, Residents, and other interested Stakeholders about activities of the Mayor on their behalf since the last Council meeting. It will include, as much as possible, a summary of information from meetings and discussions on behalf of the Town of Kensington. Any decisions to be made on behalf of the Town will be brought forward to the Council for decisions.

The Mayor is the designated spokesperson for the town and communicates decisions made by the Town Council. The Mayor chairs the monthly Town Council Meetings and the monthly Committee of Council meetings. All efforts are made to keep discussions and decisions transparent as we represent the town on behalf of the residents. Agendas (along with supporting information) for Committee of Council meetings and Town Council meetings are posted on the town website on the Friday afternoon prior to the meeting. (<a href="www.kensington.ca">www.kensington.ca</a>)

Committee of Council meetings are held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of each month (except July and August and December) at 6:30 pm and Town Council meetings are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month at 7:00 pm. The agendas (along with supporting information) are emailed to the County Line Courier, Journal Pioneer, CTV, and CBC on Friday afternoon prior to the meetings.

**BGC Prince County** – I was honoured to be asked to speak at the opening of the Kensington location of BGC Prince County. This is a wonderful addition to our community and will be welcomed by many families in the area. It was interesting to hear they already have a waiting list for their programming before the doors have even opened.

**ADL StarSkate Skating Championships** – I was pleased to bring greetings on behalf of the Town to everyone attending the skating championships at Credit Union Place. It was great to see everyone displaying their skills.

**Kensington and Area Chamber of Commerce** – At the Annual Meeting of the Chamber of Commerce I brought greetings for the Town and presided over the swearing in of their Board of Directors. We are fortunate to have a vibrant and successful Chamber in our region.

**Medical Centre** – Mr. Sheridan and I have met on a few occasions with Health PEI regarding services at our Health Centre. It is our hope we can add some services over the next year to better serve this area. Councillor Mann and I also attended a presentation on a TeleMedicine Clinic that is being set up in Montague as a one year pilot program.

**Municipal Government Act** – Councillor Mann and I also attended the Municipal Government Act Engagement and Consultation session at Credit Union Place in Summerside. This public consultation is one step in the updating and refining of the Act.

**Staff Retirement Party** – As I write this report, plans are almost complete for the retirement dinner. I'm sure this will be a great evening as we celebrate the careers of several former colleagues.

I would like to thank all Town staff for their incredible dedication they continue to display in their day to day duties. We are lucky to have many wonderful employees in the organization.



Jeff Spencer, Acting Mayor Town of Kensington

### **Town of Kensington - Request for Decision**

Date: October 1, 2024

Request for Decision No: 2025-10

(Office Use Only)

**Topic:** Mount Royal Construction (Warren Ellis) Development – Private Laneway Naming PID No. 76174

### Proposal Summary/Background:

Town Council approved a development permit application for Mount Royal Construction (Warren Ellis) to construct a 34-unit residential housing development located at PID No. 76174 – former civic address 25005 Route 2.

In consultation with the Provincial 911 Administration (civic addressing) Office, it is recommended that the driveway be assigned a separate name. As the development includes multiple buildings that do not face directly onto Route 2, this will provide emergency responders with a more accurate and precise location in the event of an emergency.

Attached to this request for decision is the approved development site plan.

\*Note that the laneway proposed is privately owned and will not be dedicated as a public road. Ownership, lighting, maintenance, etc. will be the sole responsibility of the property owner.

The Towns Civic Addressing Policy states the following as it pertains to new road names:

### **Section 7**

### General

7.1 When new road names are assigned or accepted, they must not duplicate a name within the Kensington Fire Coverage Area. Furthermore, since emergency services are dispatched from a variety of locations, including centres outside the Municipality, it is necessary to ensure that there will be no confusion with regard to locating a property. Therefore, a new name should not be overly difficult to pronounce or sound the same as another road name in the Kensington Fire Coverage Area.

### Road Name Registry

7.2 When a development proposal, such as a plan of subdivision, will involve the dedication of a

new road to the Municipality, or where the Municipality intends to open a road allowance or rename an existing road, the Municipality shall first consult with the Provincial 911 Administration Office. The 911 Administration Office will review the Road Name Registry to determine whether a proposed road name would be in conflict with current civic addresses within the Kensington Fire Coverage Area.

7.3 The Municipality will advise the 911 Administration Office as to the selected road name so that the registry can be maintained.

### **Benefits:**

• Facilitates safe and effective civic addressing.

### **Disadvantages:**

• N/A

### **Discussion/Comments:**

Mount Royal Construction (Warren Ellis) submitted *Hazel Lane* as the proposed name for the private laneway. The name was evaluated and confirmed as available by the 911 Administration Office within the Kensington Fire District.

A resolution of Town Council is requested to formally adopt the name of the laneway.

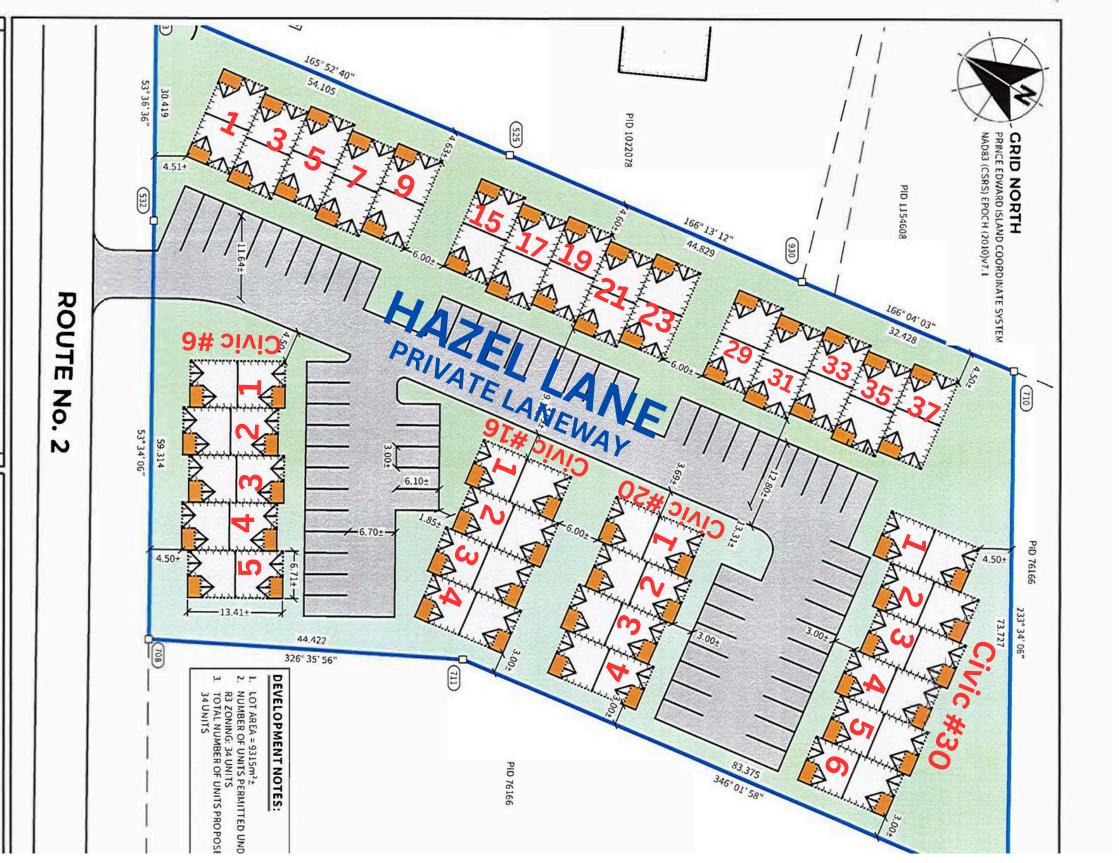
### **Options:**

- 1. Approve the laneway name, as requested by the developer.
- 2. Not approve the laneway name, as requested by the developer.
- 3. Refer the matter back to staff for further deliberation.

Costs/Required Resources:	Source of Funding:
N/A	N/A

### **Recommendation:**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Kensington Town Council approve "Hazel Lane" as the official name of the private laneway into the Mount Royal Construction (Warren Ellis) development off Route 2, PID No. 76174.



### **Town of Kensington - Request for Decision**

<b>Date:</b> March 10, 2025	Request for Decision No: 2025-11
	(Office Use Only)

**Topic:** Land Use and Development Bylaw Amendments (First Reading) and Official Plan Amendment – Portion of PID No. 880880

### Proposal Summary/Background:

A preliminary subdivision plan was considered by Town Council in December of 2024 to facilitate the residential development of PID No. 880880 (Ranchland Estates). As part of their consideration, and based on the recommendation of DV8 Consulting and staff, the following resolutions were passed unanimously by Town Council:

### Resolution 1

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Kensington Town Council approve, in principle, the preliminary subdivision plan (Plan No. 24234-2), as shown on the attached diagram subject to the following:

- 1. Parcels P1 and P2 are transferred to the Town of Kensington as parkland dedication as required under Section 6.3 of the Town's Land Use and Development Bylaw; and
- 2. That the developer is responsible for the construction of a public pathway over the utility easement and the proposed Parcel P2, adjacent to Lot 86.

### Resolution 2

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Kensington Town Council proceed to a public meeting to consider the following amendment to the Land use and Development Bylaw:

1. to rezone Parcels 83, 84, and 86, as indicated on Plan No. 24234-2, from Neighborhood Residential (R2) to Multi-Unit Residential (R3)

### Resolution 3

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Kensington Town Council proceed to a public meeting to consider the

following amendments to the Official Plan and Land use and Development Bylaw:

1. To rezone Lot 81, as indicated on Plan No. 24234-2, from Recreation and Open Space (O1)

to Neighbourhood Residential (R2), and

2. To rezone Parcel P2, as indicated on Plan No. 24234-2, from Neighbourhood Residential

(R2) to Recreation and Open Space (O1).

With the direction from Town Council to proceed to public meeting for the Official Plan (Future Land

Use Map) and the Land Use and Development Bylaw amendments, notification ads were placed in the

Guardian newspaper on February 7, 2025 and February 8, 2025 in accordance with the PEI Planning

Act and the Town's Land Use and Development Bylaw.

In addition to the newspaper ad, notification letters were delivered to all property owners within 500

feet of the subject property. Written comments were invited for those residents who were unable to

attend the public consultation.

The public consultation was held on February 19, 2025, at the Kensington Town Hall.

The following information is being circulated with this request for decision:

1. Ranchland Estates Preliminary Subdivision Plan

2. DV8 Consulting Report

3. Public Notice Letter (including notice information) to Residents Impacted by the Application

### **Benefits:**

• Will support a residential subdivision development in the Town.

• Will support the creation of needed housing in the Town.

### **Disadvantages:**

N/A

### **Discussion/Comments:**

Staff have reviewed the relevant information and the DV8 Consulting Planning Report on the proposed Bylaw and Official Plan amendments and are recommending that Town Council approve an amendment to the Official Plan Future Land Use Map and to give and approve first reading to:

- 1. rezone Parcels 83, 84, and 86, as indicated on Plan No. 24234-2, from Neighborhood Residential (R2) to Multi-Unit Residential (R3).
- 2. rezone Lot 81, as indicated on Plan No. 24234-2, from Recreation and Open Space (O1) to Neighbourhood Residential (R2), and
- 3. rezone Parcel P2, as indicated on Plan No. 24234-2, from Neighbourhood Residential (R2) to Recreation and Open Space (O1).

### **Options:**

- 1. Approve the Official Plan Amendment and give and approve first reading of the Bylaw amendment, as proposed.
- 2. Not proceed with the Plan or Bylaw Amendment.
- 3. Refer the matter(s) back to staff for further direction and deliberation.

Costs/Required Resources:	Source of Funding:				
N/A	N/A				

### Recommendation:

It is recommended that Town Council consider and adopt the following resolutions:

### Official Plan (Future Land Use Map) Amendment

WHEREAS a request has been received from the owner of PID No. 880880, being lands of GP Developments Inc., to amend the Town of Kensington Official Plan Future Land Use Map to redesignate a portion of PID No 880880 (Ranchland Estates Subdivision), being Parcel Number 81 as

indicated on Subdivision Plan No. 24234-2, from Recreation and Open Space (O1) to Neighbourhood Residential (R2) for the purpose of constructing a duplex residential development on the property;

AND WHEREAS a request has been received from the owner of PID No. 880880, being lands of GP Developments Inc., to amend the Town of Kensington Official Plan Future Land Use Map to redesignate a portion of PID No 880880 (Ranchland Estates Subdivision), being Parcel Number P2, as indicated on Subdivision Plan No. 24234-2, from Neighbourhood Residential (R2) to Recreation and Open Space (O1) for the purpose of developing the parcel as recreation space to the benefit of the Town;

AND WHEREAS Town Council has examined the Official Plan to ensure that the proposed amendments are supported by the policies of the Plan;

AND WHEREAS a public meeting to solicit comments/feedback from the public was held on February 19, 2025, in accordance with the PEI Planning Act;

AND WHEREAS town staff have evaluated the application, in consultation with DV8 Consulting, and are recommending that Town Council proceed with the Official Plan Future Land Use Map amendments as proposed;

BE IT RESOLVED that an amendment to the Official Plan Future Land Use Map, to change the future land use designation of Parcel Number 81 (Portion of PID No 880880 – Ranchland Estates Subdivision, Subdivision Plan No. 24234-2) from Recreation and Open Space (O1) to Neighbourhood Residential (R2), be hereby approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that an amendment to the Official Plan Future Land Use Map, to change the future land use designation of Parcel Number P2 (Portion of PID No 880880 – Ranchland Estates Subdivision, Subdivision Plan No. 24234-2) from Neighbourhood Residential (R2) to Recreation and Open Space (O1), be hereby approved.

### First Reading and Approval of Land Use and Development Bylaw Amendment

### Resolution 1

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AND WHEREAS a request has been received from the owner of PID No. 880880, being lands of GP Developments Inc., to re-zone a portion of PID No. 880880 (Ranchland Estates Subdivision), being Parcels 83, 84, and 86 as indicated on Subdivision Plan No. 24234-2, from Neighbourhood Residential (R2) to Multi-Unit Residential (R3) for the purpose of constructing a multi-unit development on the property;

AND WHEREAS a public meeting to solicit comments/feedback from the public was held on February 19, 2025, in accordance with the PEI Planning Act and the Town's Land Use and Development Bylaw;

AND WHEREAS town staff have evaluated the application, in consultation with DV8 Consulting, and are recommending that Town Council proceed with the Land Use and Development Bylaw amendments as proposed;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Kensington Town Council give first reading to amend the Land Use and Development Bylaw to re-zone a portion of PID No. 880880 (Ranchland Estates Subdivision), being Parcel 81 as indicated on Subdivision Plan No. 24234-2, from Recreation and Open Space (O1) to Neighbourhood Residential (R2) for the purpose of constructing a duplex residential development on the property;

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### **Resolution 2**

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AND WHEREAS a public meeting to solicit comments/feedback from the public was held on February 19, 2025, in accordance with the PEI Planning Act and the Town's Land Use and Development Bylaw;

AND WHEREAS town staff have evaluated the application, in consultation with DV8 Consulting, and are recommending that Town Council proceed with the Land Use and Development Bylaw amendments as proposed;

AND WHEREAS the Bylaw amendments were read a first time at this meeting;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Kensington Town Council formally approve and adopt first reading to amend the Land Use and Development Bylaw to re-zone a portion of PID No. 880880 (Ranchland Estates Subdivision), being Parcel 81 as indicated on Subdivision Plan No. 24234-2, from Recreation and Open Space (O1) to Neighbourhood Residential (R2) for the purpose of constructing a duplex residential development on the property;

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### **Town of Kensington** Summary Budget 2024/25

Police : Rental Income : Recreation and EVK Pool :	\$ \$	Annual Budget		Annual Budget		Annual		Annual		Annual	
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	\$	106,789.00	\$	109,209	\$	107,720	\$	105,800	\$	99,508	
Sale of Services	\$	3,600.00	\$	3,600	\$	4,500	\$	4,500	\$	4,500	
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Fire Revenue	\$	411,424.00	\$	400,608	\$	374,456	\$	282,684	\$	282,684	
Water & Pollution	\$	743,175.00	\$	726,780	\$	715,455	\$	687,180	\$	669,510	
Credit Union Centre	\$	589,300.00	\$	578,800	\$	460,800	\$	395,000	\$	329,300	
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	\$	42,755.00	\$	44,730	\$	62,080	\$	60,290	\$	51,795	
Parks and Recreation	\$	182,362.00	\$	185,862	\$	143,975	\$	106,905	\$	95,785	
Sale of Services	\$	187,639.00	\$	183,099	\$	206,964	\$	207,619	\$	196,340	
Total Town Expenses	\$	2,739,544.00	\$	2,596,687	\$	2,548,995	\$	2,184,355	\$	1,653,296	
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Total Fire Expenses	\$	375,004.00	\$	364,276	\$	374,456	\$	313,322	\$	280,844	
	\$	818,220.00	\$	813,552	\$	742,120	\$	743,308		669,120	
	\$	588,844.00	\$	623,855	\$	484,858	\$	386,958	\$	367,536	
Total Expenses All Sources	\$	4,521,612.00	\$	4,398,370	\$	4,150,429	\$	3,627,943	\$	2,970,796	
Variance Water & Sewer	\$	( 75,045.00 )	\$	(86,772)	\$	(26,665)	\$	(56,128)	\$	390	
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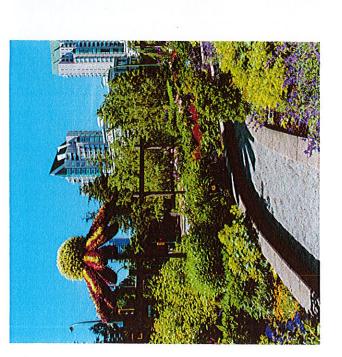
(82,848) \$

4,805 \$

Surplus (Deficit)

50,546

19,675 \$



### Vision

To inspire all communities to enhance the quality of life and our environment through people and plants in order to create community pride.

### About us

For the past 27 years, Communities in Bloom has helped participating communities develop civic pride, mitigate and adapt to the impacts of climate change, enhance green spaces, strengthen neighbourhoods, and increase investment opportunities and tourism.

It is a comprehensive proven approach to community development and its positive benefits are felt immediately!

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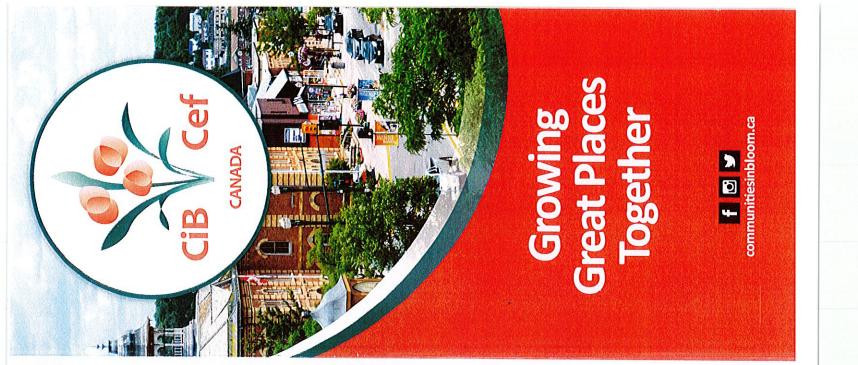
4,400+ local olunteers



**Together** 



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# Join Communities in Bloom

# to the impacts of climate change. The program is designed to encourage CiB participation provides practical solutions to help mitigate and adapt continuous improvement in all aspects of your community.

### Who are we?

Established with the guidance of Britain in Bloom, Tidy Towns of Ireland, and Villes et Villages Fleuris de France, Communities in Bloom held its first edition in 1995 and 29 participating municipalities were honoured at the first awards ceremony on Parliament Hill.

The program now includes hundreds of communities across Canada and an international challenge which has engaged communities from the United States, Europe and Asia over the past three decades.

# What's in it for the community?

Participating communities unanimously agree! Growth in civic pride, a positive sense of community, and tangible improvements generated by their efforts are immediately felt. Communities in Bloom is an holistic community program where everyone wins. It is a citizen-led, community economic development program, with a return on investment that is measurable, predictable and accountable.

# United to build forward.

In 2020, Communities in Bloom united with the Canadian Nursery Landscape Association (CNLA) a national not-for-profit federation of provincial horticultural trade associations representing over 4,000 members with landscape, garden centre, and nursery businesses.

This strategic alliance will help municipalities educate the public on the value of protecting our environment, while also showcasing their achievements and fostering civic pride throughout Canada and around the world.

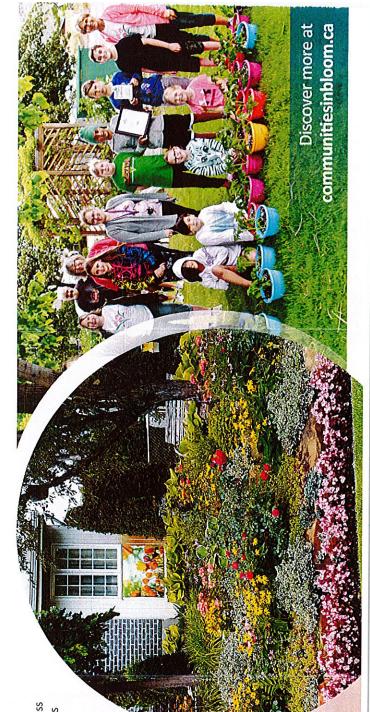
## What do we do?

CiB is a volunteer and partnership driven charitable organization. A multi-tiered competitive evaluation process engages the entire municipality while placing an emphasis on continuous improvement.

The program helps the community to focus on:

- Developing green infrastructure to help adapt to, and mitigate, the impacts of climate change
  - Connecting more people to nature which contributes to creating healthier communities
- Strengthening and conserving natural, built, and cultural heritage

Six criteria are judged: 1) Community Appearance, 2) Environmental Action, 3) Landscape, 4) Heritage Conservation, 5) Tree Management, and 6) Plant, & Floral Displays.





February 27th, 2025

Mayor Rowan Caseley

Town of Kensington
PO Box 418

Kensington, Prince Edward Island COB 1M0

Honourable Mayor and Members of Council,

Communities in Bloom is a charitable, not-for-profit Canadian organization committed to fostering civic pride, environmental responsibility, and beautification through community engagement. Now in its 31st year, CiB's program nurtures involvement and action by citizens of all ages and in all sectors: municipal government; service organizations; public institutions; commercial and residential.

The CiB communilty evaluation guide is based on the six foundational pillars of place making:

General Appearance and Tidiness, Environmental Actions, Heritage Conservation (including natural, built, cultural elements), Urban Tree Management, Landscape, and Plants & Floral Displays.

In the past few years, significant changes have occurred in society's expectations for, and usage of, our outdoor environments. We encourage you to join communities across the Atlantic provinces and Canada to develop and strengthen your efforts to:

- Build civic pride
- Mitigate and adapt to the impacts of climate change
- Enhance green spaces
- Strengthen neighbourhoods, and
- Increase investment opportunities and tourism

We invite your community to explore the program, experience Canadian community pride, and enjoy the benefits of people, plants and pride - *Growing Great Places Together* by participating in the 2025 Communities in Bloom program. In 2024, several Atlantic communities joined the program, demonstrating their commitment to enhancing public spaces and community engagement. Among them were Mahone Bay (NS), Woodstock (NB), New Maryland (NB), Come By Chance (NL), Carbonear (NL), Miramichi (NB), and plenty more. These communities embraced the opportunity to beautify their surroundings, strengthen local pride, and foster connections among residents—showing the real impact the program can have. Their success serves as an invitation for more communities to get involved this year and experience the benefits firsthand.



Your community will receive invaluable feedback from a professional team of experienced, volunteer judges who will provide you with a comprehensive report of written observations and recommendations to serve as a template for continuous improvement following their visit.

Your community has the option to participate in one of the following categories:

Population Category (community is evaluated):

Two volunteer judges visit and evaluate the community to provide a detailed report, including any special mentions and an overall bloom rating (from 1 to 5 blooms). The evaluation visit will be scheduled for two days with accommodation provided by the host community.

Friends Category (community is not evaluated):
Community is not evaluated: becomes part of the Communities in Bloom network, able to access an educational, idea sharing netowrk for community improvement, and an invitation to attend the annual symposium.

Participating in the CiB program has proven, positive benefits! While impacting all sectors of your municipality, CiB will help to encourage and enhance community involvement, improve green infrastructure, and become more environmentally sustainable. The very high Return on Investment that has been noted by other communities make CiB one of the best investments you can make for your hometown!

# CiB Atlantic is inviting your community to act early and REGISTER for the 2025 Atlantic Provincial Edition!

The deadline to register is **March 31st, 2025.** The registration form can be completed directly on-line, by following this link: <a href="https://www.communitiesinbloom.ca/cib2025/">https://www.communitiesinbloom.ca/cib2025/</a>

In keeping with our tradition of annual themes, we are pleased to announce that the 2025 National theme will be **EDIBLE GARDENS**. We encourage everyone to integrate edible plants into their green spaces to celebrate the many benefits of gardening and nurturing both sustainability and community well-being.

For more information about how Communities in Bloom can help your community become a Greener, Healthier More Liveable community, please contact:

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Sincerely,

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B.A., B. Ed., Ec.D. CiB National Chairperson Susan Ellis,

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