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September 10, 2025

Commissioner W. Fowler
Commissioner M. Bishop
Commissioner N. Larder
Commissioner L. Green
Commissioner M. Travis

Dear Commissioner Members:

Attached for your review is the agenda for the regular Village meeting scheduled to take place on Wednesday, September 10, 2025.



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REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING September 10, 2025

AGENDA

1. Review of Minutes of Meeting held August 13, 2025
2. Business Arising from the Minutes
3. Consent to Agenda Items
4. Departmental Reports
 - i. Wastewater
 - ii. Public Works
 - iii. Recreation
 - iv. Community Programming
5. Committee Reports
 - i. Steer BBQ
 - ii. JAAC - Joint Accessibility Advisory
 - iii. Audit Committee
 - iv. Soldiers Memorial Hospital Foundation
 - v. ANSV - Association of Nova Scotia Villages
6. Clerk's Report
7. Correspondence
8. In-Camera Discussion (if required)
9. Adjournment



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KINGSTON VILLAGE COMMISSION

MINUTES OF THE COMMISSION MEETING OF AUGUST 13, 2025

COMMISSION:

Wayne Fowler - Chair
Mike Bishop – Vice Chair
Maggie Travis
Neil Larder
Laurie Green

Paula Ferguson – Admin Assistant

Regrets- Mike McCleave – Clerk/Treasurer

OPENING

Chair Fowler called the Regular Session meeting to order at 7:00pm.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

No questions, concerns, errors or omissions.

ON MOTION OF COMMISSIONER LARDER AND COMMISSIONER TRAVIS, THAT THE COMMISSION APPROVE THE REGULAR SESSION MEETING MINUTES OF JULY 9, 2025. MOTION CARRIED.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None

CONSENT TO AGENDA ITEMS

Addition- Chair Fowler to speak after the Clerk's Report

ON MOTION OF COMMISSIONER LARDER AND COMMISSIONER GREEN THAT THE COMMISSION APPROVE THE AGENDA WITH ADDITIONS, MOTION CARRIED.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES – See Full Report/PUBLIC WORKS – See Full Report

- It was asked if a letter was sent to the property owners involved in the sewer cleanout.
- It was suggested that a formal easement document be prepared by Nathanson, Seaman and Watt for the west end of Bill St.
- It was asked if there is a plan to paint the new pads for the visually impaired, it was noted that rust is already showing and that yellow would also help for cyclists and rollerbladers to notice the difference in terrain before hitting it.
- Commission trusts the staff to choose the location of picnic tables as they would better know where the need is.

RECREATION – See Full Report

- Commission agreed to the procurement of a 2nd Kingsley to use for the parade float to alleviate the workload and wear and tear on the original Kingsley. Timing to be based on when the budget allows.
- Commissioners Green and Travis will be attending the Senior Social, Commissioners Fowler and Larder are tentatively a yes and Commissioner Bishop sends his regrets.

COMMUNITY PROGRAMMER REPORT– See Full Report

- Commissioner Fowler asked for more information on the VON request, Community Programmer Amy Spurrell will pass information on to him.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

2025 Steer BBQ

Congratulations to the Steer BBQ Committee and Village Staff for an amazing community event. Looking forward to next year's 65th. Feedback was given to try and figure out a way to bring the price down for the community.

Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee (JAAC)

No updates.

Audit Committee

No updates.

Soldiers Memorial Hospital (SMH) Foundation – Dr. Recruitment Committee
Kingston received kudos for supporting the foundation. The foundation is asking for help with more fundraising.

Association of Nova Scotia Villages (ANSV)
Reminder of the AGM in Port Williams on the 19th and 20th

CLERK REPORT – See Full Report

ON MOTION OF COMMISSIONER TRAVIS AND COMMISSIONER GREEN THAT THE VILLAGE COMMISSION REQUEST THAT COMMISSIONER BISHOP COMPLETE THE CODE OF CONDUCT TRAINING BY SUNDAY, AUGUST 17. IF TRAINING CERTIFICATE CANNOT BE CONFIRMED BY 9AM, MONDAY, AUGUST 18, 2025. THE COMMISSION SHALL REQUEST A CODE OF CONDUCT INVESTIGATION.

Commissioner Bishop abstained from this vote.

ON MOTION OF COMMISSIONER LARDER AND COMMISSIONER BISHOP THAT THE VILLAGE COMMISSION APPROVE OF THE WORK TO REPAIR THE BAR SCREEN ROOM ROOF FUNDING THIS PROJECT THROUGH SEWER RESERVES IN AN AMOUNT NO GREATER THAN \$30,000.

FINANCE REPORT – See Full Report

CHAIR’S UPDATE

After a discussion with the Public Works Supervisor, Commission will invite him to come to meetings and provide feedback in person when it comes to procurement of equipment for their department. This will ensure that staff opinions are being heard and that Commission has all the information necessary to make the best decision.

Commission congratulates former Commissioner, Muriel West, on the launch of her new book and wishes her continued success with this endeavour.

ON MOTION OF COMMISSIONER TRAVIS AND COMMISSIONER LARDER THAT THE VILLAGE WILL POST CONGRATULATIONS TO MURIEL WEST ON SOCIAL MEDIA.

Chair Fowler requested emails to be written to Chris Palmer asking for financial support for the pickleball courts by Monday Aug 18, 2025.

DISCUSSION

Commission wants to see compliance regarding the Sewer plant O&M manual, Commissioner Bishop offered to look at the files as he has software that may be able to transfer the information in a better format. Commissioner Larder suggested that we could reach out to other areas to see theirs to work on replacing the original document.

Commissioner Travis gives her regrets for the September meeting.

Commissioner Fowler brought forward a request from residents in Oakhurst subdivision that a crosswalk be put in place on Highway 1 at Greenwood rd. Admin suggested that those interested should email info@kingstonnovascotia.ca to formally make the request.

Commissioner Fowler asked if there is a date for the streetlights on Kearne Ave to be installed.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Larder motioned to adjourn at 8:25pm

COMMISSION CHAIRPERSON

CLERK/TREASURER



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REPORT TO VILLAGE COMMISSION

From: **Stephen Mosher, Incoming Public Works Supervisor**

Date: **Sept 5, 2025,**

Re: **Environmental Services Report**

Treatment Plant

Capital Projects Update

Headworks Building

The company providing the steel panels for the new ceiling in the Bar Screen room has advised the request colour "Ivory" is not available until end of November. A new colour of "white white" has been chosen and was delivered to Nova Millwrights September 3rd, 2025. Mid Valley has advised sub-contractors will return to site Tuesday, September 9th. The work is estimated to take about a week.

As stated in the previous August report, the remainder of the ventilation work is in a hold pattern until the time the roof repairs are completed.

Remaining work scope includes:

- Enclosing Ceiling/Purlin Work
- Insulating
- Repairing Holes
- Install Intake Louvre
- Mounting Exhaust Mechanical (Exterior)
- Installation of a Space Heater
- Connection of Gas Meter

UV Room and Pump/Blower Room Ventilation

The UV/blower room project is substantially complete, with only minor finishing work such as panel labeling and other small tasks to be completed.

Cantilever Gate for Treatment Plant

Staff are currently awaiting more details about requirements for electrical trench to fulfill our part of this project. Nick. A. W. Smith electrical has been in contact with Maritime fence to coordinate on electrical requirements. Scheduled date for gate installation is Sept 15th and 16th.

Ongoing Maintenance

On going daily and weekly maintenance includes taking flow readings, washing down clarifier and UV Channel twice a week, cleaning out sludge pumps when needed, coordinating with Loomer's to haul sludge, and sending in monthly effluent samples to BV Labs for analysis.

Washing down clarifier is more often this time of year with algae bloom daily and lime scale build up on the UV bulbs.

Collection System

Sewer Easement Line Repair Issue

As reported last month staff carried out maintenance on sewer easement line behind 1535 Bridge St. Some of that work involved use of camera to identify problems in sewer easement stub line but also to check condition of sewer line leaving building with two businesses and 3 apartments.

Camera showed problem with property owners pipe leaving building and owner was advised that it should be fixed. Doing this camera work staff had to access plumbing inside basement to remove cleanout cap.

Owner called September 2 and informed staff that plumber found cleanout cap was not put back on and when sewer plugged at bad spot in pipe leaving house, sewer backed up onto basement floor. Staff talked with plumber that relieved blockage and he informed us that sewer was plugged with wipes at bad spot in pipe where it leaves building. Staff relayed this information to owner and suggested that it should be fixed on his end to prevent blockage from occurring again. Staff did take responsibility for error in not putting cap back on and told owner to send cleaning bill to Village office for the work Loomer's trucks had to do to clean basement floor.

Letters were drafted up and hand delivered to the four buildings that are on this section of sewer easement stub line, reminding residents about what is acceptable to flush down toilets. Areas that staff excavated were landscaped with topsoil and seeded.

Bill St Sewer Extension

Staff installed 4-inch sewer line extension at the west end of Bill St. Staff tapped into manhole at the end of street with pipe to service the two new homes being constructed. Staff insulated the sewer pipe to prevent freezing because of shallow depth of sewer main. Morse & Dewolfe Survey were also onsite to take invert shot and GPS locates of sewer laterals and extension of sewer main. Complete sewer line profile of Bill St should be received within the week, and legal sewer easement line documentation can be processed.

Sewer Call/Day Camp

Staff received call from Village Office that day camp toilets were backing up. Staff located cleanouts across the street from day camp and used sewer rods and auger to release blockage. Cleanout cap was busted during excavation and staff repaired before backfilling.

Flushing Sewer Line Maintenance

Staff have been using 500-gallon tank and dump trailer to go around and flush slow-moving lines that tend to have solids buildup in different areas in the Village.

Manhole Inspections

Staff have been conducting inspections of manholes, focusing primarily on the older sections of village. The purpose at this stage is to document and record any deficiencies observed, allowing us to establish a comprehensive database and identify priority areas for future maintenance.

Update to O and M Manual/Contingency Plan

As per our permit to operate (*section 3.h.*), the Nova Scotia department of environment is required to be notified about changes to use and operation on treatment site, this was primarily handled by Dillion engineers. Staff was required to update the Operations and Maintenance Manual for the wastewater treatment plant. The contingency plan for this plant extension has been submitted to village clerk to be added to contingencies.

Pleasant St Manhole

As previously reported the first manhole on Pleasant St after its connection to Bridge St has an easement line coming into it that has developed a dip in the piping under the road, causing the easement line to backup. Currently public works staff are flushing the manhole bi-weekly to prevent backup in this neighbourhood. This manhole should be considered high priority for rehabilitation.



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From: **Stephen Mosher, Incoming Public Works Supervisor**
Date: **September 5, 2025**
Re: **Public Works Report**

Duck Pond Embankment Restructure/Fountain Removal

With the low water levels at Stronach Park public works staff found it an opportune time to do some maintenance around the pond. The primary focus was to build up around where the duck house sits, giving it more curb appeal and hiding the old blocks underneath. This is also where snow is piled during the winter ice cleaning, so it will strengthen our loading ability then as well. Since the water level was so low at this time it was decided to remove the aeration fountains early this year, as they were effectively pumping sludge. Remaining clear stone was used around the beach and bench area to waylay erosion and rebuild the receding shoreline.

New Plough Ordered

The plough ordered from Rick Balser welding has been slightly held up due to navigating tariff pricing. Currently we are expecting the new plough to arrive by the end of September, leaving plenty of time to prepare for the winter season.

New Picnic Tables

During available time, Public Works staff are building and installing new all-weather picnic tables. Unlike the previous wooden tables that were stored annually, these new tables can remain outdoors year-round, providing durable, low-maintenance community amenities. Currently these tables can be found at the village day camp, Matthews Lane Park, Forest Brook Park, and Stronach Park. A second table to be added to Stronach Park as soon as available.

John Deere 2025R Repairs

While operating the equipment a failure occurred in the wheel hub assembly. This resulted in the wheel detaching and a subsequent loss of gear oil. The tractor was safely secured and transported to Green Diamond in Middleton for repair. This unit is experiencing increased wear consistent with age and extended use on hard surfaces, which contributes to accelerated component stress. We have also requested Green Diamond inspect the other wheel while they have the tractor. Public works staff were able to contain the lost gear oil.

Tennis Court Recap

After discussions with various contractors and internally regarding scope of work, we are currently waiting for the tender to be finalized.

Rock Fountain De-commission

Due to the extreme drought conditions this year, we have shut down the towns rock fountain to conserve water. It was experiencing a very high rate of evaporation and water loss.

Ravenwood Baseball Season

As the baseball season comes to a wrap, our Public Works team would like to provide a final recap of this year's accomplishments. In addition to regular field maintenance-including cleaning the dugouts, lining fields, and keeping the surrounding areas and bathroom tidy-we were also able to make several improvements to the facilities.

Thanks in part to the dry conditions this season, we were able to repaint garbage cans, refurbish bleacher seating, rebuild the block dugouts, and repaint the bathrooms. While we continue to work on weed control, seeing success with broadleaf weeds this year gives us hope for better management of grassy infiltration in the future.

All in all, it was a productive and successful season. We look forward to applying the lessons learned and carrying on with improvements in the future.

Camera Cleaning

All village cameras were cleaned this month to ensure clear visibility and optimal performance, helping maintain safety and monitoring effectiveness.

Ongoing Maintenance and Seasonal

As extreme drought conditions continue the need for seasonal mowing has been limited to cleaning up weeds. While the need for mowing has been reduced the need for watering baskets and beds has been increased significantly. While deadheading and cleaning continues regularly, this period has benefited Public Works staff with time to do extra lower priority projects we otherwise would not have had time for presently (painting, facility cleanup, fleet maintenance etc.).

As the woods ban is still active in Kings County, we are maintaining barriers to restrict entry into relevant areas.

Ongoing Tree Maintenance

Village office received a call regarding a tree that was broken off halfway up and hanging over the trail entrance to Matthews Lane playground. With the use of our manlift, we were able to remove the hazard from the area.

Public works staff are working with Atlantic Arborists who are in contact with Nova Scotia Department of Public Works regarding hazardous trees. The first site is over communication lines on the corner of Pine Ridge and Westwood St. The second site is on the corner of Greenwood Road and Main Street East. We are hopeful the NSDPW will deal with this as they are both of high priority.

In Stronach Park we have removed half a mature white pine that is partially dead and heavily impacted by woodpecker activity. To ensure public safety, we have removed the compromised portion of the tree, as it was located directly over the parking area. The park was closed temporarily to accommodate safe work practices. The healthy section remains.

Ongoing Fleet Maintenance

Public works staff have been performing routine fleet maintenance, including fluid changes and tire checks etc. Staff have also taken some time to familiarize themselves with maintenance requirements etc. for the new Kubota mower.



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REPORT TO VILLAGE COMMISSION

From: **Elizabeth Wright, Recreation Coordinator**
Date: **September 10, 2025**
Re: **Recreation Report**

Recreation

- The walk group will start again on September 9th and will be in town now until the trails re-open.
- Completed final report for the Sportfund grant for the beach volleyball equipment.
- Ordered additional bike rack for Ravenwood, funding from the PPT Grant.
- Created the pages for the Program for the Hall of Fame. Recreation Coordinator the main point for all the inductee information, also working with Ian Swimaner to help get the videos in place.
- Wing Welcome changed dates to October 18th weekend, still plan to attend.
- The soccer organization is no longer using Ravenwood for storage. The Basketball organization will use some of the space for storage of their basketballs.
- Minor ball has wrapped up for the season. They started only giving out the key as needed for the washrooms.
- The free Equipment Loan program over the summer was consistent in use. The main equipment used are washer toss, ladder ball and giant jenga.
- Waiting to hear from Kingston and District School about the possible rates that might be charged for the Sportball program to be held out of the gym. Registration for Sportball is suspended until we know the costs, and how that might affect the program. Sportball does charge the participants for this program, and handles the registration, staffing etc.

Anti-Racism and Equity

- The Together in Kingston Survey has a total of 78 responses to date.
- There is some interest in those that completed the survey to join the new Anti-Racism and Equity Committee (6 yes, and 21 maybe's). We plan to have a first info-based meeting to discuss the commitment level, goal etc. of the committee, then those who are interested can decide best meeting dates, and who is committed.
- Our first meeting, Recreation Coordinator will reach out to the Diversity staff from Kings country to hopefully attend the first official meeting.
- The survey responses are varied, with some positive helpful feedback and information, and a few negative responses, and some are off topic.

Fitness Classes

- The registration for the 50+ fitness class was busy but went well. We have now opened it up to the public and have 33 and 26 participants each day (max 33).
- There was some negativity from some of the previous participants about them not being able to go to the class twice a week. With this arrangement we do not currently have a waitlist and have over 18 new participants now able to join the fitness class.

- We did get everyone a reduced rate for those who had pass-cards leftover from last year.
- Have not heard from Nicole about the Functional Fitness class.
- Sandye's class started on the 10th, and she went in early the first night to allow people time to register ahead of the class.

Bingo with Kings County

- Collaborating with the County of Kings to set up a Social Bingo in Kingston. We hope to eventually make this monthly, share the cost, and have added to the budget next year.
- Hoping to run 4-6 sessions till the end of this fiscal year. Operating cost per session with staff etc. would be total of \$ 450. Kings County could help cover some of the costs, our total cost per session, after help from the County would be approximately \$240.
- Opportunity to have the Lion's sponsor some of the bingo's or provide snacks etc. There would be a bit of additional cost to start-up as well.

Skating

- Adult Skating will be on Tuesdays from 12-1pm starting October 7th.
- Unfortunately, when I went to book In Service skates the ice time was already full on these days. I decided to run a few Sundays' early afternoon skates instead.

Kingston Concert Series

- Booked in one more final concert on August 27th, Left of Center (this was left open for rain date, which we never needed).
- The last two concerts were the some of the busiest! Chris palmer is always a big hit.
- Overall, had 9 concerts this year, and was under budget.
- Idea to open to different groups to have a BBQ at the concerts as fundraisers next year.

Seniors Summer Social

- The Seniors Summer Social went great this year. We had just under 80 seniors in attendance. We had 89 registers, so quite a few that did not show up.
- Bob Deveau for music was great, very flexible in playing schedule which was a bonus.
- The photo booth, with some new props was a hit again this year!
- Lindsay from Greenwood, ran a corn hole tournament, and we had a 1st and 2nd place prize.
- Bingo went well too, and Kerry from Greenwood, and daycamp staff Kalim helped call.
- Great feedback about the food and overall experience. The Lion's were great to work with. It was wonderful having daycamp staff help with this event too.
- Thanks to the commissioners for your help serving the food.

Terry Fox Run

- Terry Fox Run is on Sunday, September 14th.
- Had to change location of run from the Harvest Moon Trail, since the woods ban is still in effect. It will now start at the Rec Hut at 429 Elm St. and will go down the streets on the sidewalks. A few more volunteers will be needed for the change, and the Lion's club is great for this. The Lion's Club is also donating water bottles. We are getting Granola bars from Superstore, and Apples from Goucher's.

Steer BBQ

- To have the same bounce castles and for it to be free to the public, the cost would be \$7 216.20.
- The 2025 Steer BBQ review meeting is on Wednesday, September 17th.
- 2026 Meetings will begin in January.

Winter Wonderland

- Had meeting with Amy, Laurie and Maggie to discuss the changes for the previously named Santa Comes to Kingston Event.
- Date will remain the 1st Friday of December, this year falls on December 5th.
- Have been in communication with the Lion's Chair Nell, to quickly discuss and involve their partnership for this event.
- Commissioners are expected to come assist at this event, so please save the date.



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REPORT TO VILLAGE COMMISSION

From: **Amy Spurrell**

Date: **September 10, 2025**

Re: **Community Programmer Report**

Anti-Racism and Equity Committee

The first post on Facebook was shared August 21st. We learned from that first post that posting the link is preferred over QR code. Our second post on August 29th unfortunately brought negative comments on Facebook and negative survey entries. These included racist and sexist comments, as well as comments that were simply off topic about things like road conditions and sidewalks. Comments were removed on the post and any further commenting was prevented. September 6th was the third post. Comments were not allowed as soon as it was posted, and we received around 10 more survey results.

Comfort Centre

Pat Nixon notified me that the Lions will be proactively establishing criteria whereby they would open as a cooling centre when certain conditions were met.

Community Social

The Kingston West Community Health Board decided the Monday before the event to postpone due to fire risk and the insensitivity towards those dealing with the fires. We considered rescheduling in the fall but couldn't decide on a date so we will plan for the spring.

Halloween Event

Our Halloween event will be held on Tuesday, October 28th in Centennial Park. If Public Works can arrange for extra lighting in the park, the hours will be 5pm to 8pm. The haunted trail will have new decorations, and we will advertise that those not wanting to be scared can walk the trail from 5pm to 6:30pm, and then from 6:30pm to 8pm West Kings drama students will be scaring people as in years past. I will have further discussion with the Lions Club about their participation. Additionally, I am looking to add lawn games and other activities, music, face painting, trick-or-treating and maybe a vendor market (thanks Maggie!) to this event.

Information Card for Unhoused People

1000 cards have been printed distributed between village staff, Frugal Moms, the food bank, the Lions Club, the Women's Place Resource Centre, the RCMP, the Kingston United Church, the Kingston Anglican Church, Kingston Pharmasave and the Village of Greenwood.

Newsletter

I compiled the newsletter for the September tax bills. I changed the format so that it was easier to fold and didn't use as much ink. It was also available on our website and Facebook page.

New Year's Eve

Fireworks and shooters are booked for New Year's Eve, starting at 7pm.

Outdoor Movie Nights

We have two movie nights planned for Centennial Park in October. October 2nd we'll show Moana 2 and October 16th we'll show Lilo & Stitch. The first night will have a canteen run by Sole Expressions Dance Group and the second night will have a canteen run by Include Me. Each group will be able to use our popcorn machine and supplies. The movies will start at 6:30pm each night.

Steer BBQ

The final report for funding from the Department of Communities, Culture, Tourism and Heritage has been submitted. A report to the Middleton Rotary will be completed in the coming weeks.

Stories of Kingston and Greenwood

No new information as of now. Event will be held Tuesday, November 18th from 6pm to 8pm at the Fire Hall.

Summer Activity Tracker

We received two completed trackers, from the same family, for the months of July and August. If no others are submitted by September 15th, the family will receive the \$25 Tim Hortons gift card.

Summer Day Camp

Day camp finished Friday, August 22nd. Summer staff cleaned up the Rec Hut on Monday, August 25th and their final day was Tuesday, August 26th when they helped with the Senior's Summer Social. Day camp continued to run smoothly throughout the summer with no major issues. We were so lucky to have an amazing staff. Digital surveys have gone out to all guardians and staff.

Terry Fox Run

A second email was sent to businesses, schools and volunteer groups about registering teams on September 3rd. We have a confirmed team from the Atlantic Superstore and interest from Pine Ridge Middle School, 7Arts and the Legion.

Winter Wonderland

Liz and I met with Commissioners Travis and Greene on September 2nd to discuss changes to our December holiday event. I will oversee contacting businesses and other groups to participate in a stationary parade, as well as coordinate float judges and awards.

Performance

August 11, 2025 - September 7, 2025

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Views

Views ⓘ

264.3K ↑ 5.4%

From followers ⓘ **57%** ↑ 23.9%

From non-followers ⓘ **43%** ↓ 20.4%

Reach

Facebook reach ⓘ

44.9K ↓ 19%
vs. Jul 14, 2025 - Aug 10, 2025

From followers ⓘ **4,188** ↓ 0.6%

From non-followers ⓘ **40,222** ↓ 21.1%

Interactions

Content interactions ⓘ

2.6K ↑ 28.3%

From followers ⓘ **1,599** ↑ 15.7%

From non-followers ⓘ **1,029** ↑ 54.5%

Follows

Follows ⓘ

125 ↑ 111.9%

Unfollows ⓘ **22** 0%

Net follows ⓘ **103** ↑ 178.4%

Overview

Views ⓘ	Reach ⓘ	Interactions ⓘ	Link clicks ⓘ
32,330	15,330	159	--

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Views ⓘ

32,330

Total Followers

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Interactions ⓘ

159

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Saturday, August 23rd, Doors open at 7pm

Kingston Legion

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Come Support this Worthwhile Cause

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Overview

Views ⓘ

22,678

Reach ⓘ

15,044

Interactions ⓘ

576

Link clicks ⓘ

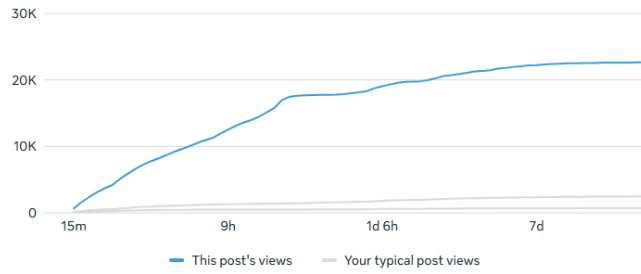
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Total Followers



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Interactions ⓘ

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Feed preview

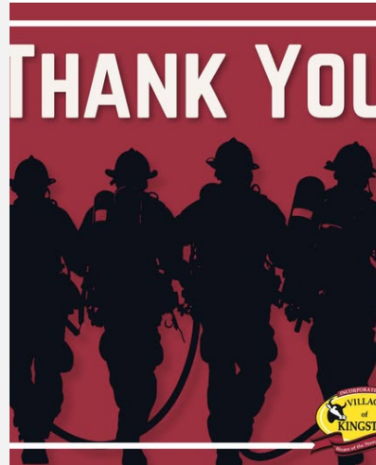


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Published by Amy Spurrell ·

August 16 at 10:00 AM · 🌐

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From: **Mike McCleave, Clerk/Treasurer**
Date: **September 10, 2025**
Re: **Clerk Report**

Association of Nova Scotia Villages (AGM)

Port Williams – September 19-20, 2025

Confirmed Mike McCleave and Neil Larder will be attending.

ANSV Staff Funding

Commission should motion and approve a maximum contribution amount that Kingston would offer towards an ANSV staff person.

Bible Hill	\$8,000	Chester	\$3,500
Kingston	\$8,000	Baddeck	\$2,500
Port Williams	\$5,000	St Peters	\$3,000
Greenwood	\$6,000		

Code of Conduct – Commissioners

The Clerk has confirmed that all the Commissioners, of Kingston, have completed their mandatory Code of Conduct training.

NS-DPW

Sparky Crosswalk

NS-DPW acknowledges that the paving was subpar but will not be redoing it. They will continue to monitor for any future issues.

Bridge Street turning lane

NS-DPW has advised us that the Bridge St turning lane will be paved when the section of Central Avenue is paved in Greenwood.

East Main Sidewalk – 2023 - Holdback

Howard Little Excavation finally submitted their holdback request (\$53,572.60). I figured they may have forgotten about it as it was due well over 20 months ago. Payment was made earlier this week.

TWSI Plates (Tactile Walking Surface Indicator) - Sidewalk

Metal TWSI plates are meant to be paint free allowing the plates to rust and provide better traction. Painting these plates may cause them to be more slippery and it will also require re-painting annually. There are plastic versions but these are mostly installed indoors or in areas that do not require snow removal.

Capital Projects:**DNR Greenspace Purchase**

DNR is working on list of encroachments - 04-16-2025

2025-26 Projects	Budget	Tender w/ HST portion	YTD Actual	Status
Office Generator	30,000	22,939	22,939	Z
Garbage Bins and Picnic Tables	11,000	8,000	3,221	C
PW Fence Compound	10,000	6,890	7,117	Z
STP – Cantilever Gate	20,000	19,500		C
Snow Plow for Truck	10,000	10,386		C
Pickleball Courts	130,000			T
Ravenwood Dug-Outs	12,000	11,155	12,986	Z
Rec-Hut Planning	30,000			
#5 Lawn Mower Replacement	45,000	38,319	38,319	Z
Sidewalk – Main St (Westwood to Marshall)	80,000	88,241	88,241	Z
Asset Management (Surveying / GIS Design)	20,000	n/a		C
Kearne Avenue Streetlights	8,000			
Pumps & Laterals	25,000	n/a		

Year	Multi-Year Projects	Budget	Tender w/ HST portion	YTD Actual	Status
2008	DNR Greenspace Purchase	n/a	n/a	7,691	C
2023	Bridge Street Crosswalk	30,000		14,120	Z
2023	STP – E, V, M	303,500	388,769	300,220	C
2024	STP - UV Building Flood Mitigation	340,000	353,529	236,753	Z

T - Tendering Process

C - Work started / Construction

Z – Finished

Y - project deferred or cancelled

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General Operations

	Actual YTD	Budget YTD	Variance YTD	Annual Budget	Notes
Revenues					
Residential/Commercial Taxation	-	-	-	1,093,300	
Dog Registrations	-	-	-	500	
Rentals	3,000	3,000	-	7,200	
Interest on Investments and Taxes	33,900	4,400	29,500	10,000	Capital Interest Included
Miscellaneous Income	14,700	11,600	3,100	11,800	
Recreation Revenue	24,500	22,700	1,800	32,100	
Arena Revenue	-	1,300	(1,300)	1,300	
Administration Revenues	-	-	-	70,000	
Grants from Other Governments	78,900	34,200	44,700	73,300	Kings Vision Grant (Capital)
Contributions from Reserves	-	15,000	(15,000)	15,000	Journal Entry
Total Revenues	155,000	92,200	62,800	1,314,500	
Expenditures					
General Government					
Legislative	8,400	11,100	2,700	25,200	
Administration	72,300	89,400	17,100	204,500	
Professional Fees	9,600	9,700	100	11,500	
Insurance (General)	6,100	24,200	18,100	24,200	
Civic Building Expenses	4,700	7,400	2,700	14,800	
Crossing Guards	7,500	9,200	1,700	23,000	
Miscellaneous	6,300	6,000	(300)	10,600	
Taxation Charges	3,900	10,000	6,100	10,200	
Library	7,100	14,800	7,700	24,000	
Total General Government	125,900	181,800	55,900	348,000	
Public Works & Transportation					
Public Works	70,700	87,500	16,800	183,700	
Village Maintenance	25,800	23,000	(2,800)	46,500	
Sidewalks & Crosswalks	7,700	12,600	4,900	14,100	
Snow Removal	12,800	12,600	(200)	84,300	
Street Lighting	7,500	8,800	1,300	21,200	
Capital from Operating	-	-	-	-	
Total Public Works	124,500	144,500	20,000	349,800	
Community Development					
Visitor Information Centre	1,100	2,400	1,300	5,600	
Other Development	14,800	15,700	900	17,300	
Apple Blossom Festival	600	2,000	1,400	2,000	
New Years Eve Event	-	-	-	10,000	
Steer BBQ	20,200	20,700	500	20,700	
Total Community Development	36,700	40,800	4,100	55,600	
Parks					
Parks Repairs and Maintenance	13,000	33,500	20,500	61,900	
Arena Rental Charges	-	-	-	5,600	
Total Parks	13,000	33,500	20,500	67,500	
Recreation					
Recreation Administration	84,200	98,300	14,100	175,800	
Outdoor Rink(s)	300	-	(300)	4,500	
Arena Expenses	-	-	-	-	
March Break Day Camp	-	-	-	1,200	
Summer Day Camp	2,900	4,600	1,700	4,600	
Youth Programs	800	300	(500)	1,000	
Adult Programs	600	900	300	10,300	
Seniors Programs	1,900	2,600	700	6,200	
Total Recreation	90,700	106,700	16,000	203,600	
Fiscal Expenses					
Transfers to Reserves	-	-	-	-	
Operating Reserves	-	-	-	5,000	
General Capital Reserves	-	-	-	135,000	
Sidewalk Construction Reserve	-	-	-	140,000	
Building Reserve	-	-	-	10,000	
LTD - Principal	-	-	-	-	
Total Fiscal Expenses	-	-	-	290,000	
Total Expenditures	390,800	507,300	116,500	1,314,500	
Surplus/(Deficit)	(235,800)	(415,100)		-	

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Sewer Operations

	Actual YTD	Budget YTD	Variance YTD	Annual Budget
Revenues				
Sewer - Taxation	-	-	-	606,400
Sewer - User Fees	-	-	-	15,200
Sewer - Connection Charges	2,100	4,600	(2,500)	5,100
Total Revenues	2,100	4,600	(2,500)	626,700
Expenditures				
Environmental Health				
Administration	76,700	102,100	25,400	217,200
Treatment	47,500	17,600	(29,900)	38,300
Treatment - Electricity	27,600	35,400	7,800	85,000
Treatment - Disposal	800	35,400	34,600	101,200
Collection System Costs	16,500	14,600	(1,900)	35,000
Total Environmental Health	169,100	205,100	36,000	476,700
Fiscal Expenses				
Sewer Reserve	-	-	-	150,000
LTD - Principal	-	-	-	-
LTD - Interest	-	-	-	-
Total Fiscal Expenses	-	-	-	150,000
Total Expenditures	169,100	205,100	36,000	626,700
Surplus/(Deficit)	(167,000)	(200,500)		-