

MINUTES

JUNE 14, 2021

GRAND FALLS, NB

MEETING

A special meeting of the Grand Falls Municipal Council was held in the Council Room of the Grand Falls Town Hall at 11:30 a.m., Monday, June 14, 2021, following the notices required by the Act.

PRESENCE

His Honour the Mayor-Elect:

Marcel Deschênes

Councillors-Elect:

Annie Deschênes

David Raines

Renaud Ouellette

Jocelyn « Joe » Themens

Jean Réal Michaud

Jean Maurice Gagnon

As well as the CAO-Clerk, Peter Michaud and the Deputy Clerk, Lise J. Ouellette.

Objective

The goal of the meeting is to proceed with the swearing-in of the new Council.

1. **Welcome**

The CAO/Clerk, Peter Michaud, welcomes everyone following the meeting on the Grand Falls Facebook page.

2. **Swearing-in of the Mayor**

Mr. Michaud proceeds to swear in Mayor Deschênes. The Oath of office form is then completed and signed.

3. **Swearing-in of Council**

Peter Michaud, CAO-Clerk, proceeds with the swearing-in of each councillor and the Oath of Office forms are completed and signed.

4. **Call to order**

Mayor Deschênes calls the meeting to order. He mentions that there will be a celebration for family and guests when permitted by the Public Health guidelines.

5. **Presentation of the committees**

Mayor Deschênes presents the new committees of Council.

Jean Réal Michaud /David Raines,

2021-031 That the committees of Town Council are adopted as presented by the Mayor:

Finance: Marcel Deschênes

Public Works: Jean Maurice Gagnon

Environnement: Jocelyn "Joe" Themens

Police and Security: Jean Réal Michaud

Fire: David Raines

Recreation, Tourism and Culture : Jocelyn "Joe" Themens

**Administration and
Human resources: Annie Deschênes**

Communications: Annie Deschênes

Economic development : Marcel Deschênes

Major infrastructure projects : Renaud Ouellette

**Emergency measures : Marcel Deschênes
Jean Réal Michaud
Renaud Ouellette**

Chamber of commerce : Renaud Ouellette

Downtown business: Renaud Ouellette

Library : Jean Réal Michaud

Farmer's Market : Renaud Ouellette

Special events: David Raines

UMNB : Marcel Deschênes

AFMNB : Marcel Deschênes / Renaud Ouellette

NWRSC : Marcel Deschênes / Renaud Ouellette

Golf (board members): Jocelyn "Joe" Themens

Jean Maurice Gagnon

Carried

6. Presentation of the Deputy Mayor

Jean Maurice Gagnon/Annie Deschênes,

2021-032 That Renaud Ouellette is named Deputy Mayor for the Grand Falls Municipal Council. Carried

7. Signing officers

Renaud Ouellette/Jocelyn "Joe" Themens,

2021-033 That Peter Michaud - CAO/Clerk, Rino Laforge - Treasurer or Dophe Laforge – assistant treasurer and Marcel Deschênes - Mayor, Renaud Ouellette - Deputy Mayor or Annie Deschênes - Councillor are the signing officers for the Town of Grand Falls. Carried

8. Mayor's Message – Marcel Deschênes

The Mayor anticipates with pleasure working with the new Council. He hopes that this term will be less turbulent than the last one. Council is first and foremost at the population's service and he is happy and honored to serve another term.

Mayor Deschênes remarks on the rapid adjustments the employees had to deal with during the pandemic, specifically department heads, the CAO and the employees of the Administration Department.

The Department Heads are presented to the new Council members and the Mayor reminds everyone that the employees are the ones that hold up our town.

9. **Council's Message**

Council members, each in turn, express their thanks to the voters, their interest in this new challenge and in serving residents.

10. **Adjournment**

The Mayor invites citizens to the next public meeting which will be held on July 13th at 7 p.m. A decision will be made at that time if the public can attend in person.

Jean Réal Michaud/Jean Maurice Gagnon,

That the meeting is adjourned at 12:15 p.m. Carried

Marcel Deschênes,
Mayor

Lise J. Ouellette,
Deputy Clerk