



CITY OF BATHURST
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
MINUTES

Monday, January 12, 2026
6:30 pm
Council Chambers - City Hall

Recording of Attendance

Mayor K. Chamberlain
Deputy Mayor D. Knowles
Councillor P. Anderson
Councillor D. Branch
Councillor S. Brunet
Councillor R. Hondas
Councillor J.-F. LeBlanc
Councillor S. Legacy
Councillor M. Skerry
Councillor M. Willett

Appointed Officials

T. Pettigrew, CAO
A. Parker, City Clerk
J.-S. Chiasson, Communications Officer
C. Legacy, Director of Economic Development
S. Morton, Senior Director of Corporate Services
C. Roy, Executive Administrator
R. Wilbur, Senior Director of Community Services

1. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

1.1 Deputy Mayor D. Knowles - Bathurst Hospitality Days

2. 2026 Grant Requests

2.1 Bathurst Art Society

Members of Council approved a grant of \$7,000 to the Bathurst Art Society, and a resolution will be presented at the next regular public meeting.

2.2 Bathurst Heritage Museum

Members of Council approved the Bathurst Heritage Museum grant request of \$19,500, and a resolution will be presented at the next regular public meeting.

2.3 Bathurst Hospitality Days

Deputy Mayor Knowles declared a conflict of interest and recused himself from the discussion of this agenda item.

Members of council requested that the Bathurst Hospitality Days president come back to give more detail.

2.4 Chaleur #640 Air Cadets

Members of Council denied the grant request, as it was considered an association-type request similar to those of sports associations and did not align with the purpose of the grant program.

2.5 Chaleur Planet Youth

Members of Council denied the grant request, as the initiative is more appropriately considered a regional and provincial program; however, members of Council indicated it is open to revisiting a donation request for specific projects.

2.6 Victoria Park Enhancement Committee Inc.

Members of Council approved a grant of \$5,000 to the Victoria Park Enhancement Committee Inc., and a resolution will be presented at the next regular public meeting.

2.7 New Brunswick Medical Education Foundation

During the Regular Public Meeting held on October 20, 2025, members of Council received a presentation from the New Brunswick Medical Education Foundation (NBMEF). The Foundation requested that the scholarship amount be increased to \$6,000 per recipient to support two scholarships, inclusive of a 4% annual administration fee, for a four-year term.

Members of Council agreed to continue sponsoring two students by covering the full tuition fees for the next four years, at an annual cost of \$12,480, and a resolution will be presented at the next regular public meeting.

3. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:11 p.m.

Amy-Lynn Parker, CITY CLERK