



**VILLAGE OF SAYWARD
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
July 16, 2026
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

The Village of Sayward respectfully acknowledges that the land we gather on is on the unceded territory of the K'ómoks First Nation, the traditional keepers of this land.

Present: Mayor Mark Baker
Councillor Debbie Coates
Councillor Jason Johnson
Councillor Sue Poulsen

Absent: Councillor Scott Burchett – with notice

In Attendance: Andrew Young, CAO/CO
Jennifer Redshaw, Office Administrator

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.

2. Public Input

- a) Sarah Levin inquired whether the gravel piles excavated from the ball diamonds near the ballfield is temporary. She voiced concerns about the natural habitat close by.
- b) Jan Bakker of 200 Kelsey Way had comments on the 2025 Statement of Financial Information (SOFI) regarding Council Remuneration, Employee Remuneration, and the Schedule of Payments of Good and Services. Mr. Bakker suggested that Council revise the 2025 SOFI.

3. Introduction of Late Items - None

4. Approval of Agenda

MOTION S26/20

MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT the agenda for the Special Council Meeting to be held on July 16, 2026 starting at 7:00pm, be approved as presented.

CARRIED

5. Minutes of Previous Meetings – None
6. Petitions and Delegations – None
7. Correspondence – None
8. Council Reports – None
9. Reports of Committees – None
10. Mayor's Report – None
11. Unfinished Business – None
12. Staff Reports – None
13. Emergency Services/Public Works/Recreation Department Reports – None
14. Bylaws – None
15. New Business – None
16. Public Question Period – None

No members of the public were present.

17. In Camera

MOTION S26/21

MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT in accordance with section 92 of the *Community Charter*, this Council meeting be closed to the public at this time in order that Council may give consideration to matters in accordance with the following sections of the *Community Charter*:

- a) 90 (1) (c) labour relations or other employee relations;
- b) 90 (1) (d) the security of the property of the municipality;
- c) 90(1) (f) law enforcement, if the council considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the conduct of an investigation under or enforcement of an enactment;
- d) 90 (1) (g) litigation or potential litigation affecting the municipality;
- e) 90 (1) (i) the receipt of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose;
- f) 90 (1) (m) a matter that, under another enactment, is such that the public may be excluded from the meeting.
- g) 90 (1) (n) the consideration of whether a council meeting should be closed under a provision of this subsection or subsection (2).

Opposed Cllr Poulsen

CARRIED

Mayor Baker called a recess at 7:08 pm.

Mayor Baker called the meeting back to order at 7:18 pm.

18. Adjournment

MOTION S26/22

MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT the Village of Sayward Council adjourns its July 16, 2026 Special Council Meeting (which meeting started at 7:00 pm) at 8:03 pm.

CARRIED

Original signed by "M.Baker"
Mayor

Original signed by "A.Young"
Corporate Officer