

**The Corporation of the Village of Cumberland  
Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes**



**March 16, 2026, 6:00 p.m.  
Cultural Centre  
2674 Dunsmuir Avenue**

Council Present: Mayor Vickey Brown  
Councillor Neil Borecky  
Councillor Sean Sullivan  
Councillor Troy Therrien  
Councillor Nick Ward

Staff Present: Michelle Mason, Chief Administrative Officer  
David Dougherty, Director of Engineering & Public Works  
Rachel Parker, Corporate Officer  
Joel Clarkston, Engineering Technologist

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**1. Call to Order**

Mayor Brown called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and recognized the unceded traditional territory of the K'ómoks First Nation and offered gratitude for the care and stewardship of this land since time immemorial.

**2. Agenda**

2.1 Agenda for Committee of the Whole meeting, March 16, 2026

**Moved by:** Borecky  
**Seconded by:** Therrien

THAT the Committee approve the Agenda for the March 16, 2026 Committee of the Whole Meeting.

**Carried Unanimously**

**3. Reports**

3.1 Cumberland Transportation Master Plan and Active Transportation Plan

Mr. Shah of Watt Consulting Group facilitated discussion on laneways, shared streets, priority corridors and speed limits.

**Laneways**

Discussion took place on standard laneway width and surface options, toxin filtration and catch basin oil grit separators, capital cost of paving versus operating costs for maintenance. Members discussed overall preference for gravel surface, and discussed phased paving and increased laneway width with development for laneways north and south of Dunsmuir Avenue business area. Members requested that staff provide a cost analysis for capital costs of paving compared to maintenance costs of gravel.

**Shared Streets**

Members expressed general support for the shared streets concept and noted that the Village uses this concept informally, that residents will adjust and embrace, that it is an affordable design option, and to move forward with the Maryport shared street.

**Priority Corridors**

Discussion took place on Royston Road corridor and in particular the transition area between Dunsmuir Avenue and Royston Road fronting Village Park and the challenge of adequate parking for park and event use. Members discussed supplementing parking with current surface parking lots, and a multi-use path rather than a sidewalk along Royston Road.

For the Fourth Street corridor, members discussed general support for the corridor with retention of some on-street parking close to the business core, and retention of the current sidewalk along with new bicycle lanes.

Discussion that Dunsmuir Avenue be the lowest priority since it was recently reconstructed, and review opportunities for sidewalk cafes and parking.

**Speed Limits**

Discussion took place on a 30km/h speed zone for the Village residential and business core area. It was noted that impacts would be limited compared to benefits. Discussion on challenge of enforcement and the impact on Village resources, compliance through traffic calming design, and changing the Transportation Master Plan to change road designations.

Motion 26-COTW

**Moved by:** Ward

**Seconded by:** Therrien

THAT the Committee direct staff to bring back a report on the establishment and implementation of a 30 km/h speed zone in the Village of Cumberland core residential and commercial area from Cumberland Road at Hope Road, Royston

Road near Maple Creek, Bevan Road at Wellington, Lake Road just west of Chinatown at Coal Creek Historic Park.

**Carried**

**4. Question Period**

There were no questions.

**5. Adjournment**

**Moved by:** Therrien

**Seconded by:** Borecky

That the Committee adjourn the meeting at 7:13 p.m.

**Carried**

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Mayor

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Certified Correct by Corporate Officer