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# Monday Memo



NOVA SCOTIA FEDERATION  
OF MUNICIPALITIES

## 2024 NSFM FALL CONFERENCE



[CLICK HERE TO VIEW THE PROGRAM & REGISTER](#)

The full program and registration details are found on the conference site.

We are pleased to bring back the popular **Conversation Series Networking Tables** session.

The Conversation Series is your opportunity to network with your fellow municipal colleagues through short, informal, discussions on various topics of importance to today's municipal leaders. We are inviting members to have conversations rotating through several different tables, each with a different topic of discussion. Tables will change at 20-minute intervals. Deputy Ministers and senior staff from the province have been invited to sit at various tables. Don't miss this opportunity to discuss items of importance with provincial and municipal leaders.



## ADVOCACY COMMITTEE UPDATE

### Equity & Community Wellbeing Committee

On September 19, the Equity & Community Wellbeing Committee heard a presentation from Julie Glaser and Roxanne Pereira from AMANS regarding their research and work on EDI and accessibility issues with NS municipalities. This included an overview of the [Municipal Ideas](#) website. Thank you for an informative presentation. More information: [imorrison@nsfm.ca](mailto:imorrison@nsfm.ca)

## MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS

### Things To Know Before You Run For Municipal Office in 2024

Thinking about running for municipal office this year? NSFM has you covered! We've developed a comprehensive tool designed to help prospective candidates understand what it takes to serve their communities effectively. [CLICK HERE](#)

## NEW & NOTEWORTHY

### Invitation to Community Group Leaders

The Nova Scotia Guard invites community group leaders to join the online information session to learn about collaborating during emergencies. This session will cover the Guard's role, how community groups can contribute, and registration details. Registration is required. Session Date:

- September 26: [Register here](#)



## Canada's leading event for sustainability changemakers is coming to Atlantic Canada

FCM's Sustainable Communities Conference (SCC) 2025 will be held in Fredericton, NB, on February 10-13, 2025! Discover proven best practices in local sustainability, connect with local leaders from communities that are facing similar challenges to yours, and explore affordable housing and climate adaptation solutions that center around Reconciliation and Anti Racism, Equity and Inclusion. With expert keynote speakers, interactive workshops and networking opportunities, you'll gain tangible tools to help build a more resilient and sustainable future for your community. [Register now for early bird pricing.](#)

## NEWS

[Halifax councillors say little on review into 2021 encampment evictions](#)  
[Halifax plans to create coastal management plan after province scraps protection act](#)  
[James Fuller Seeks Re-Election in District 5 on St. Mary's Council](#)  
[Mayoral races set in Port Hawkesbury and Town of Antigonish](#)  
[New job could pose conflict of interest for CBRM mayor, says poli-sci prof](#)  
[N.S. councillor says public treatment one reason he's not seeking re-election](#)  
['Significant' number of acclamations not good for democracy, poli-sci prof](#)  
[The surprisingly powerful force that can help people after a natural disaster](#)

## FUNDING

### Opportunities for Empowered Municipal Growth

The NSFM Funding Database is a centralized resource dedicated to our members to help find municipal funding opportunities. A monthly funding update will also be communicated, outlining deadlines and information sessions. Click [here](#) to see the latest updates on the Municipal Funding Database.

Provincial [Clean Fuels Fund](#).

- Now open
- Provides municipalities funding to replace traditional fossil fuels with cleaner fuels for heating, transportation and industrial processes.

[Recreation Trail Expansion](#) and [Off-Highway Infrastructure Fund](#) is now open  
[Green and Inclusive Community Buildings Program](#) is open.

### FCM Funding Opportunities

FCM has you covered with the right type of project funding. Grants are available for planning, studies, and pilot projects. Loans are available for capital projects and most recipients receive an additional grant of up to 15% of their loan amount [More information.](#)

## PROGRAMS

### Fuel & Lubricants

With a nationwide network of providers, the [NSFM/Canoe Lubricant Program](#) provides you with unparalleled cost-effectiveness, detailed consumption information, convenient account management, and advanced security features, all designed to enhance your operational efficiency. The program works with local retailers for supply, service, and support. **NSFM/Canoe = Local.**

### Mastering the Public Procurement Process

In this article from bids&tenders, learn how public procurement is a crucial aspect of delivering public services. For those who supply public entities with goods and services, understanding the procurement process is not just beneficial but essential for their success. [More info.](#)

### Let's Roll With It

[Concerned about high costs in your transit fleet?](#) From fleet to heavy equipment, and even including specialty uses, the [NSFM/Canoe Tire Program](#) has you covered for all your tire needs. Get quality, brand name tires for vehicles of any size, retread or brand new, fully trade compliant, and at the best pricing available in Canada. NSFMD and Canoe partner with [Kal Tire](#), [Goodyear](#), and [Michelin](#) to deliver excellent pricing and service. The program works with local retailers for supply, service, and support. **NSFM/Canoe = Local.**

### Insurance Tips: Essential Fall Checklist

Did you know that you can receive exclusive insurance discounts on your **personal home and auto insurance** through BrokerLink's group insurance program? BrokerLink is proud to provide quality insurance products, expertise, and solutions to

The season is changing and besides gearing up for cozy sweaters and pumpkin spiced lattes, there is much to do to get ready for fall and winter. Please refer to our [Essential Fall Checklist](#).

### Park'N Fly Discount

The **NSFM/Park'N Fly Discount Program** is available for elected municipal leaders and municipal staff within the broader municipal sector. Under this program, you can receive an exclusive discount on the services of Park'N Fly for business or leisure travel at their Halifax Stanfield International Airport location and at six other locations across Canada. Reserve your next stay and save. Plus, earn valuable Aeroplan points on every eligible stay. **Park'N Fly offers a discount of up to 20% on airport parking.** [More information](#)

### The Benefits of Group Procurement

Learn about the benefits of the **NSFM/Canoe Group Procurement Program**. Join us on Tuesday, September 24 for a one-hour webinar hosted by Tony De Sciscio, Canoe's Contract Manager, supporting supplier relationships in Eastern and Atlantic Canada, an insightful session on everything Canoe, group procurement, and how to become an approved supplier.

- September 24 @ 2:00 pm
- [Register Here](#)
- About [Canoe Procurement](#)

## WEBINARS

### FOIPOP Engagement Session: Recording

Did you miss the recent engagement session presented by NSFM on prospective FOIPOP changes? The province is undertaking a review of Nova Scotia's access and privacy legislative framework. The FOIPOP Working Group hosted an online engagement session with elected municipal officials and staff to gauge feedback. Listen to the webinar [here](#).

## RESOURCES

### [Summer Municipal Observer](#)

The magazine for the **Nova Scotia Federation of Municipalities**

### [Atlantic Municipal Magazine](#)

The magazine for the **Atlantic Region of Municipalities**



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