

Highlights

Council Meeting

June 2026

Administration

Vocational Training in English

The MRC is asking the government to abandon Bill 8, *Act respecting the language of instruction in vocational training and adult education* (Courtesy translation). Certain provisions could limit access to vocational training for English-speaking students, which would be harmful at a time when demand for these essential trades remains high.

Port Infrastructure

Transport Canada manages a program that allows individuals or groups to acquire port infrastructure under certain conditions. All Lower North Shore port facilities are included in this program (Kegaska, La Romaine, Chevery, Harrington Harbour, Tête-à-la-Baleine, La Tabatière, Saint-Augustin and Blanc-Sablon). Given their essential role in our region, the Council of Mayors is asking Transport Canada to remove them from the federal program.

Protected Areas – Negative Recommendations

The organizations mandated to lead consultations on terrestrial and marine protected...

Administration (cont.)

...area projects within the MRC issued a negative recommendation to the Ministry of the Environment. Since the majority of stakeholders opposed these projects, the MRC supports these recommendations and suggests that the ministry should review the call-for-projects process for the creation of new protected areas.

Economic Development

Various financial assistance programs are available.

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- **July 15, 2026**