

1. NSFM Fall Conference

The NSFM Conference is the largest annual gathering of municipal elected officials and municipal staff in the province. Attendees will participate in sessions, discussions, panels, and other educational and networking opportunities focusing on topics such as emergency management, good governance, renewable energy, policing and much more. Our keynote speaker, Jon Montgomery, host of Amazing Race Canada and Gold Medalist, will speak on Innovation and Realism, and the party leaders have been invited for fireside chats to share their vision for our province. This is a particularly important time, just after the municipal elections, to network with your fellow municipal colleagues

Registration is now open for the Conference. [CLICK HERE](#) to access the conference website. The full program and registration details are found on the site.

2. Offshore Wind Development

The Committee for the Regional Assessment of Offshore Wind Development in Nova Scotia has posted a 2024 Spring Engagement Program – What We Heard Summary. It can be viewed here: <https://www.iaac-aeic.gc.ca/050/evaluations/document/158317>. This summary outlines what was heard during engagement sessions held in April, May, and June. The findings outlined in this document will be incorporated into the Final Report. The Committee continued to meet regularly with the Secretariat in July with a focus on planning the draft Final Report and organizing meetings with participants. The Committee invites all stakeholders with information and interests related to the Regional Assessment to reach out.

3. NSFM Board of Director Elections

The 2024 Nominations Committee is now accepting nominations for key leadership positions within the NSFM Board of Directors: President, Vice President, and Regional Representatives for each NSFM Electoral Region. [CLICK HERE](#) for more information and [CLICK HERE](#) for the nomination form.

Nominations will be accepted until November 1.

4. Municipal Elections

NSFM has developed a comprehensive tool designed to help prospective candidates understand what it takes to serve their communities effectively. [CLICK HERE](#) to access it.

5. FOIPOP Act Review: Engagement with NSFM

The province is undertaking a review of Nova Scotia's access and privacy legislative framework. The FOIPOP Working Group carrying out the review is hosting a one-hour online engagement

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session to gauge feedback. NSFM elected officials and relevant staff responsible for access and privacy are invited to attend and share perspectives on potential changes to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act and the Municipal Government Act.

- Session date: September 17 @ 3 pm
- To attend: Check your inbox for meeting invite
- Missing your invite? Contact: imorrison@nsfm.ca

A reminder that Monday Memos are sent each Monday to NSFM members by email. The memo has noteworthy items, event highlights, upcoming meeting reminders, media mentions and member messages in one weekly package. Articles and updates from the NSFM Monday Memos can also be found here: <https://www.nsfm.ca/monday-memos.html>.