Minutes – East Kildonan-Transcona Community Committee – September 3, 2026

REPORTS

Item No. 4 Federal Royal Commission on the Covid-19 Pandemic and a National Action Preparedness Plan for the Next Pandemic

COMMUNITY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The East Kildonan-Transcona Community Committee laid over consideration of the following motion to its meeting on November 18, 2026:

WHEREAS it has be three years since the December 2019-May 2023 COVID-19 Pandemic

AND WHEREAS the pandemic had massive lock downs that had a huge impact on small businesses, families, children, the sick and the elderly;

AND WHEREAS the panic caused by the pandemic caused great stress on the healthcare System, not to mention society in general, such as the traumatizing affect the pandemic and lockdowns had on children, their education, and general mental health and wellbeing going forward;

AND WHEREAS since the pandemic, mental health issues in our country and communities have gotten much worse, with very little to no mental health supports going forward since that time;

AND WHEREAS the economic fallout out on individuals, families and small businesses has not been truly accounted for, which has left little to no economic assistance to address the growing gap in our economy for those who where economically affected by the pandemic;

AND WHEREAS our communities have been witness to, since the pandemic, growing rates of anxiety and depression still being experienced by many to this day;

AND WHEREAS, as an example of the traumatic aftermath affect of the pandemic, some are so traumatized that it is still common to see people wearing masks inside their vehicles when no other person is with them;

AND WHEREAS the personal care homes and hospitals in this country have not taken any steps to fully prepare and to be ready for the next pandemic, so as to ensure they do not become de facto massive morgues;

COMMUNITY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION (continued):

AND WHEREAS there has been much anecdotal evidence to suggest that that the vaccines, which used a newer mRNA technology, has created an increase in health issues not seen before, in certain demographic groups, such as increases in heart disease, cancer and autoimmune diseases;

AND WHEREAS it is incumbent on any mindful and compassionate society to want to be better prepared for the next global pandemic, which some experts have indicated could occur within the next 5 years;

AND WHEREAS there is a growing phenomenon of belief amongst the some of the population of our country, that the pandemic was not an accident, but planned, and that within said conspiracy theories, the belief is that the pandemic and the next pandemic are being planned in order to reduce the human population of the planet;

AND WHEREAS it is therefore crucial that all the facts pertaining to the lessons learnt from the Covid 19 Pandemic be understood and that we as a Country, as Provinces, and down to our communities, including neighbourhoods, have open and transparent emergency preparedness plans in place that everyone will be able to understand and access in the event another Pandemic should occur;

AND WHEREAS basic medical steps to ensure adequate supplies or basic medicines, such as Children's Tylenol, along with other Medicines, must always be in full supply, along with building our own an independent pharmaceutical industry, separate from the existing global multinational pharmaceutical corporations;

AND WHEREAS steps must be taken to ensure Canada has food and water security come the next global pandemic, especially in the event nations that we commonly and presently rely on for imported food, close their borders to Canada, as was common in the last pandemic;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, at the June 2027 National FCM Convention, call on the Government of Canada, through a multi-party/multi-partisan initiative involving all federal political parties, establish and create a Royal Commission on the COVID 19 Pandemic and to write a national action pandemic preparedness plan for the next pandemic, with a process that will involve and allow for full expert and public consultations, to be broadcast live on public television, and on-line, for all in the nation to participate in and witness, with a full report back to Parliament by said Royal Commission, on said matter, no later than December 31st, 2028, so that Canada is fully prepared for the next global pandemic.

DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

The Chairperson called Councillor Browaty to the Chair in order to move the following motions:

Moved by Councillor Wyatt,

That Rule 10(3) of The Procedure By-law No. 50/2007 be suspended in order that the following item, which was received less than four business days preceding the committee meeting, be considered by Committee.

Carried

Moved by Councillor Wyatt,

That the consideration of the following motion be laid over to the November 18, 2026, meeting of the East Kildonan-Transcona Community Committee:

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY (continued):

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Carried

Councillor Wyatt resumed the Chair