

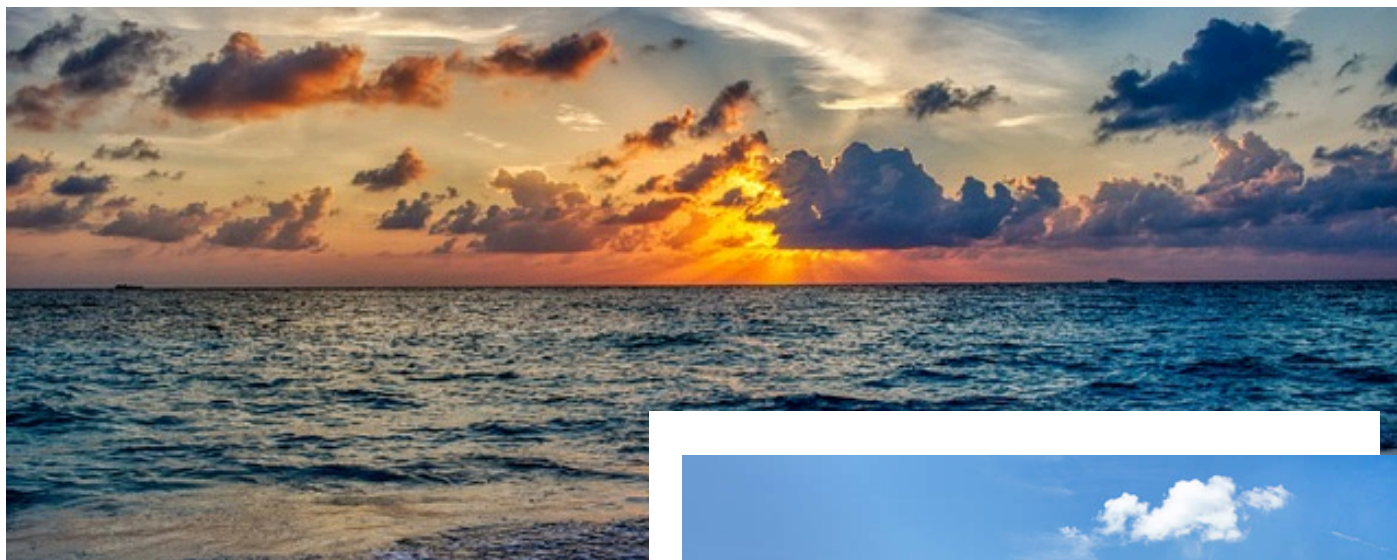


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APRIL MOMENTUM: HONOURING THE PAST, EMBRACING THE FUTURE

As we say goodbye to our outgoing executive leaders and prepare to welcome a new board following our May 1st AGM, the Chamber continues to move forward with purpose and energy. This month, we're thrilled to welcome three new members — BrettLynn Farms, Heritage 3 Rentals Inc., and Fix It Fergie's Rentals — each bringing unique value to our business community. Eastern Charlotte is growing, and so is your Chamber.

**Anchored in community,
growing with purpose**



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MEMBER SPOT LIGHT: HERITAGE 3 RENTALS



★ Member Spotlight: Heritage 3 Rentals Inc.

We're proud to shine this month's spotlight on Heritage 3 Rentals Inc., a growing business that's investing in the heart of Eastern Charlotte. Under new ownership since 2024, Heritage 3 Rentals is breathing new life into local properties — including the Birch Motel in St. George, a well-known landmark that's undergoing thoughtful improvements to better serve both short- and long-term guests. With a focus on clean, comfortable accommodations and a hands-on, community-oriented approach, the team at Heritage 3 is committed to supporting tourism, housing, and local growth in our region. Whether you're a traveler, contractor, or new resident in need of a stay, Heritage 3 Rentals is a welcome addition to our business community — blending hospitality with long-term vision. "We're excited to be part of Eastern Charlotte and look forward to contributing to the local economy and community fabric," says the ownership team. Welcome to the Chamber, Heritage 3 Rentals!

NEW CHAMBER MEMBERS- APRIL 2025

BrettLynn Farms



Heritage 3 Rentals



Fix It Fergie Rentals



Please join us in welcoming our new members!

We're excited to have them with us and look forward to building strong partnerships together!

Reminder. If your dues are still outstanding, please submit them at your earliest convenience. Thank you for your attention to this matter

GOOD BYE MESSAGE FROM OUR ECCC - PRESIDENT

With mixed emotions, I share that I have stepped down as President of the Eastern Charlotte Chamber of Commerce.

I first joined the Chamber as Vice President five years ago, inspired by a group of dedicated local business owners who were bringing new life to the organization after more than a decade of dormancy.

I'm incredibly proud of what we've accomplished together over the years and the value we've delivered to our members. These achievements were only possible because of a fantastic team, and I'm deeply grateful to everyone who contributed to our shared success.

At our recent AGM, we elected and retained a strong, capable team that I'm confident will continue to build on our momentum, providing meaningful benefits to our region and our members

Thanks,
Jason



**President
Jason McGrattan**

GOOD BYE MESSAGE FROM OUR ECCC -VICE PRESIDENT

It's with equal parts sadness and celebration that I step down from my position as Vice President of ECCC's board of directors. I'm so proud of all we accomplished together, reviving a Chamber that had been dormant for many years and turning it into a vibrant, supportive voice for local business. It's been a true privilege to serve alongside such a passionate, talented, and fun group of people!

A heartfelt thank you to Jason for his steady leadership, to the entire board for being such a pleasure to work with and of course to our powerhouse Executive Director Andrea Foster. Andrea didn't just keep things running smoothly; she brought fresh energy, innovative ideas and a forward-thinking vision that helped take the Chamber to the next level. She will be missed immeasurably... and with that said, please keep your ear to the ground and reach out to the new board if you know of anyone who might be interested and capable of taking on the ED role and continuing the amazing work Andrea started.

I'm truly excited to see the next steps the Chamber makes. I'll still be attending events and cheering loudly from the sidelines as an active member. Thank you all for an unforgettable five years. It's been an honour to be part of something that matters so much to our community.

Thank you!
Elizabeth



**Vice-President
Elizabeth Eldridge**

A NOTE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

As we approach a new chapter at the Eastern Charlotte Chamber of Commerce, I want to extend my sincere thanks to our outgoing President, Jason McGrattan Vice President, Elizabeth Eldridge, and Secretary, Joan Majchrowski for their time, dedication, and leadership over the past term. Their contributions have helped guide the Chamber through important initiatives and growth, and their efforts are truly appreciated.

While we say goodbye to these valued members of our Executive, we look ahead with excitement. Following our May 1st AGM, we'll be introducing our newly elected Executive Board and Directors in the May newsletter – stay tuned for that announcement!

Andrea



**Executive Director
Andrea Foster**

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Upcoming events

The Future of Business Awaits



Southwest
BUSINESS
Summit
2025

May 27th - May 28th
The Algonquin Resort, St. Andrews NB

[Registration Link](#)



EASTERN CHARLOTTE AND AREA
COFFEE & CONVERSATION
JUNE 10 @ 11 A.M. @ THE ROUXBARB



JOIN THE CONVERSATION! SEE YOU THERE!

*As we continue to build and strengthen our chamber, we know that the heart of our success lies in the connections we create. Our community thrives when we come together, share opportunities, and support one another. Now more than ever, your involvement can help us grow stronger. By inviting others to join our network, you're not only expanding our reach, but also enhancing the collective impact we can make. Together, we can create an even more vibrant, supportive, and successful community. **Let's keep the momentum going—invite a business, a colleague, or a friend to our upcoming events and lets give them the opportunity to become a part of this exciting journey. The more we grow, the more we all succeed!***

Government & Municipal News

Eastern Charlotte Eyes Town Status

The Municipality of Eastern Charlotte is considering reclassifying from a rural community to a town to gain greater autonomy over planning and development decisions. This initiative was discussed during the April 2025 council meeting.

New Safety & Infrastructure Policies

- ✓ Security Camera Rebate Program: Approved by the council on April 9, 2025, this program aims to enhance community safety by offering rebates for security camera installations.
- ✓ Standardized Streetlight Policy: The council passed a policy to ensure fairness and consistency in streetlight installations across the municipality.

Housing & Childcare

The municipality has shared a timeline for developing a new childcare facility, which will include 82 spaces: 52 for children aged one to five and 30 after-school spaces for children aged five to twelve. Council members expressed concern after being overlooked for the federal Housing Accelerator Fund, advocating for more equitable support for smaller communities. Country 94Community Media Portal

Provincial Funding Reform

The New Brunswick government has announced a new municipal fiscal framework, aiming to provide more predictable and equitable funding for municipalities. This reform is expected to impact budget planning and service delivery in communities like Eastern Charlotte.

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