



June 16, 2026

Dear NCLGA Members,

Thank you to everyone who participated in the 2026 NCLGA AGM and Convention in Prince George. This year's event demonstrated the strength of local government leadership across northern and central British Columbia and reinforced the value of working together to address shared opportunities and challenges.

For those I have not yet had the opportunity to meet, I currently serve as a Councillor with the City of Dawson Creek and have been actively involved with the NCLGA Board for several years. I am honoured to serve as President for the 2026–2027 term and look forward to working with members throughout the region to advance the priorities that matter most to our communities.

I would also like to recognize Past President Gladys Atrill for her leadership and ongoing contributions to the Association, as well as Judy Greenaway and the many Board members whose efforts have helped strengthen the NCLGA's advocacy role and member engagement in recent years.

### **2026 AGM Highlights**

The 2026 AGM and Convention brought together local government leaders, First Nations representatives, government partners, and stakeholders from across the region. Key outcomes included:

- Adoption of 44 member resolutions addressing issues of regional, provincial, and national significance
- Election of the 2026–2027 Board of Directors and Executive
- Productive discussions on transportation, healthcare, housing, economic development, public safety, emergency management, watershed sustainability, climate resilience, and reconciliation
- Continued collaboration among communities committed to advancing solutions for northern and central British Columbia.

The resolutions adopted at the AGM now form the foundation of the NCLGA's advocacy efforts for the coming year.

### **Advocacy Priorities for 2026–2027**

The Board's focus now shifts from resolution development to advocacy and implementation. Working with members, partner organizations, and senior governments, we will advance the priorities identified through the resolutions process and ongoing member engagement.

Transportation infrastructure and connectivity continue to be recurring concerns across our region and will remain a significant advocacy priority. Reliable transportation networks are essential to economic development, public safety, healthcare access, trade, and community well-being.

The Board will also continue to advocate on a broad range of issues identified by members, including:

- Healthcare access and workforce challenges
- Housing availability and affordability
- Economic development and community prosperity
- Emergency preparedness and disaster resilience
- Public safety and community well-being

- Reconciliation and meaningful partnerships with First Nations.

Over the coming year, the NCLGA Executive and Board will continue engaging with Ministers, Parliamentary Secretaries, MLAs, MPs, and senior government officials to advance these priorities and ensure the perspectives of northern and central British Columbia are represented in government decision-making.

### **Member Engagement**

The strength of the NCLGA has always been its members. Effective advocacy depends on understanding local priorities and identifying opportunities for collective action.

I encourage elected officials to connect with members of the Executive, Board, and NCLGA staff to discuss emerging issues, opportunities for collaboration, and priorities that would benefit from regional advocacy. We will continue to engage members through committee meetings, webinars, newsletters, regional discussions, and direct outreach throughout the year.

I also encourage members to review the resolutions adopted at the 2026 AGM and consider how they may support local priorities within your community. These resolutions represent the collective voice of our membership and provide a strong foundation for advancing meaningful change throughout the region.

By working together, we can continue to strengthen the voice of northern and central British Columbia and advance practical solutions that support resilient, prosperous, and healthy communities.

Thank you for your continued commitment to local government leadership and to the communities you serve. I look forward to working with you throughout the year ahead.

Sincerely,



Kyle MacDonald  
President  
North Central Local Government Association

### **Quick Links**

2026 AGM Resolutions - <https://www.nclga.ca/advocacy/2026-resolutions>

2026–2027 Board of Directors - <https://www.nclga.ca/board-staff/board>

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