

Notice for the Annual General Meeting of members

Date: Tuesday, August 26th, 2025

Dear member,

This letter is to inform you of the upcoming Annual General Meeting of Sunrise Funeral Co-operative members.

As you may know, a co-operative is an organization owned by a community, dedicated to providing services to said community. As a member of the Co-operative, you are a co-owner of the Co-operative and the Annual General Meeting of members is the event to hear about your co-operative, as well as being heard by it. During that meeting, members also get to elect directors among themselves, to represent them on the board of directors, involved in big decisions of the Co-operative.

Incorporated in June 2024, Sunrise Funeral Co-operative was created with the goal of becoming the first funeral co-operative in Newfoundland and Labrador. With the help of the Funeral Cooperatives Network, its goal is to become the owner of Noel's Funeral Homes and Green's Funeral Home and Services, and as such, provide quality funeral services at a fair price to communities in and around Carbonear, Harbour Grace, Western Bay and Winterton. After the incorporation, a group of 5 community leaders involved in the project from the start stayed onboard and became the interim board of directors. Last April, the inaugural General Meeting of members adopted the by-laws and elected a total of 9 directors on the board. As an Annual General Meeting must be held no later than 4 months after the end of the fiscal year, it is already time for the Annual General Meeting of members.

The Annual General Meeting of Sunrise Funeral Co-operative members

Date and time: Thursday September 25th, 2025, at 7:00 PM

Venue: **Noel's Funeral Home**,

106 Water Street,

Carbonear, NL, A1Y 1A9



At the meeting, members will be asked to vote to:

- Appoint an auditor recommended by the board;
- Accept any relevant decisions made by the interim board so far;
- Elect directors on the board.

By-laws of Sunrise Funeral Co-operative are available for review on the website <u>sunrisefuneral.coop</u> or can be requested by email at <u>noelsfuneralhome@nfld.net</u>

The meeting will be held in person only. No proxy voting is allowed, in accordance with the Co-operatives Act and the by-laws.

WE NEED YOU!

At least 3 positions on the board of directors will be up for election

If you want to get involved in the governance of your co-operative, you may submit your own candidacy to the members attending the Annual General Meeting of members to get elected as a director on the board. No special skills or experience needed!

This is a volunteer position for a term of 3 years. You must be a regular member of the Co-operative, adopted as such during a regular meeting of the board **before** the General Meeting.

For people that are not already members, membership application can be done online at <u>sunrisefuneral.coop</u>

For the election, on-the-spot candidates will be accepted among members. If you have any questions, you may contact us at *noelsfuneralhome@nfld.net*

Co-operatively yours, and we hope to see you at the meeting!

Wayne Cole

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President of the interim board of Sunrise Funeral Co-op

If this letter finds you in a time of grief, we wish to extend our most sincere condolences to you.