



## Notice for the first General meeting of members

**Date: March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2025**

Dear member,

**This letter is to inform you of the upcoming first 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 General meeting of members is the event to hear about your co-operative, as well as being heard by it. During a General 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 last summer, 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 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.

The first General meeting of Sunrise Funeral Co-operative members:

Date and time: **Wednesday April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2025, at 6:30 PM**

Venue: **Noel's Funeral Home,  
106 Water Street,  
Carbonear, NL, A1Y 1A9**

Please note that if the quorum requirement is not met during this meeting, and as per Section 75(4) of the Co-operatives Act and Article 9.4 of our By-laws, the meeting will be adjourned and a second meeting will be held the day after (see info below) where the members present are authorized to conduct the business of the meeting.

Date and time of the second meeting if the first one needs to be adjourned:

Thursday April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025, at 6:30 PM  
Venue: Noel's Funeral Home,  
106 Water Street,  
Carbonear, NL, A1Y 1A9

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

- Adopt the Co-operative's by-laws\*;
- Appoint an auditor recommended by the board;
- Accept relevant decisions made by the interim board so far
  - FCN membership recommendation
- Elect directors.

\*By-laws are available for review on the website [sunrisefuneral.coop](http://sunrisefuneral.coop) or can be requested by email at [noelsfuneralhome@nfld.net](mailto:noelsfuneralhome@nfld.net)

*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!**

**A total of 9 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 first General meeting of members to get elected as a director on the board. No special skill or experience needed!

This is a volunteer position for a term of 1 to 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 [sunrisefuneral.coop](http://sunrisefuneral.coop)

For the election, on-the-spot candidates will be accepted among members.

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



*Wayne Cole*

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.*