

**COUNCIL COMMITTEE**

A Special Session of Council Committee of the Municipality of the County of Colchester was held in the Courthouse, Truro, Nova Scotia, on Monday, April 9, 2018 at 7:00 pm.

**Attendance**

The following Councillors were in attendance:

Mayor Christine Blair	
Councillor Eric Boutilier	District 1
Deputy Mayor Bill Masters, Chair	District 2
Councillor Geoff Stewart	District 3
Councillor Mike Cooper	District 4
Councillor Lloyd Gibbs	District 5
Councillor Michael Gregory	District 7
Councillor Ron Cavanaugh	District 8
Councillor Bob Pash	District 9
Councillor Tom Taggart	District 10
Councillor Wade Parker	District 11

**Also Present**

Mr. Rob Simonds, Chief Administrative Officer  
 Mr. Scott Fraser, Director of Corporate Services  
 Mr. Crawford McPherson, Director of Community Development  
 Ms. Michelle Newell, Director of Public Works  
 Mr. Tim Smith, Manager of Computer and Information Systems

**Purpose**

The purpose of the meeting was to receive presentations from staff regarding the draft "maintenance" budget. This is part of the budget process for 2018-19.

**Staff Presentation**

Mr. Scott Fraser, Director of Corporate Services, made a presentation on the budget process; impacts on revenue and expenditures; looking at assessment cap and tax rate comparisons; reserve balances; and significant expenditures and cost pressures. The presentation also gave a preview of items to be discussed during the "additions and deletions" meeting.

**Closed Session**

Moved by Councillor Gregory  
 Seconded by Councillor Cavanaugh

"That Council go into closed session at 7:48 pm to discuss a negotiations item."

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Moved by Councillor Gregory  
 Seconded by Councillor Cavanaugh

"That the meeting reconvene in open session at 8:11 pm."

Motion carried Unanimously.

**Questions and Answers/Information Request**

Council questions and comments included:

- Discussion on solutions to the film plastics issue;

- Request for an update on when the Province would release Municipal Indicators for 2017;
- Clarification on the cost of Answering Service.

**Adjournment**

It was agreed that the meeting adjourn at 9:10 pm.

Scott Fraser  
Director of Corporate Services