

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 Tuesday, April 19, 2016 at 7:00 pm.

Attendance

The following Councillors were in attendance:

Mayor Bob Taylor	
Councillor Christine Blair	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 Karen MacKenzie	District 6
Councillor Michael Gregory	District 7
Councillor Ron Cavanaugh	District 8
Councillor Doug MacInnes	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. Wayne Wamboldt, Director of Solid Waste Management
 Mr. Crawford McPherson, Director of Community Development
 Ms. Michelle Newell, Director of Public Works
 Ms. Heather Maddigan, Finance Office

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 2016-17.

Staff Presentation

Mr. Rob Simonds, Chief Administrative Officer, made brief remarks introducing the budget deliberations. Mr. Simonds also remarked how a strategic plan can help direct the budget process.

Mr. Scott Fraser, Director of Corporate Services, made a presentation concerning budget impacts on revenue and expenditures; looking at assessment cap and tax rate comparisons; and significant expenditures. The presentation also gave a preview of items to be discussed during the Additions/Deletions meeting. A copy of this presentation was circulated on table.

Questions and Answers/Information Request

Council questions and comments included:

- Pipeline assessment decline
- Road transportation salary allocation

- Values of Reserves
- Various budget line items, projected vs budget
- Arena deficit funding
- Trail program funding

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm.

Heather Maddigan
Finance Officer