

## COUNCIL COMMITTEE – PRESENTATION MEETING

The Council Committee/Presentations Meeting of the Municipality of the County of Colchester was held in the Courthouse, Truro, Nova Scotia, on Tuesday, March 3, 2020.

### Roll Call

The roll was called with the following Councillors in attendance:

Mayor Christine Blair	
Councillor Bill Masters	District 2
Deputy Mayor Geoff Stewart, Chair	District 3
Councillor Mike Cooper	District 4
Councillor Karen MacKenzie	District 6
Councillor Michael Gregory	District 7
Councillor Bob Pash	District 9
Councillor Wade Parker	District 11

### Regrets

Councillor Eric Boutilier	District 1
Councillor Lloyd Gibbs	District 5
Councillor Ron Cavanaugh	District 8
Councillor Tom Taggart	District 10

### Others Present

Rob Simonds, Chief Administrative Officer  
 Suzanne Graham, Recording Secretary  
 Scott Fraser, Director of Corporate Services

### Presentations

#### **Five Watersheds Project – Rehabilitating and Restoring Unique Landscapes Presenter: Chelsey Whalen, Project Manager**

Ms. Whalen appeared before Council to an overview on the Five Watersheds Project, a project by the Maritime Aboriginal Peoples Council.

Included in the presentation was information about the Maritime Aboriginal Peoples Council; a description of the focus areas of the project which are the Chiganois, Debert, Folly, Great Village and Portapique Watersheds; the project goal, which is to restore fish habitat by enhancing coastal entry points and removing obstructions from migration routes; project outcomes; a definition of an area of habitat concern; information on the field work; the restoration plan; and some before and after pictures of already completed projects.

Discussion was held on salmon and bass populations as well as updates on already completed projects.

Moved by Councillor Gregory  
 Seconded by Councillor Cooper

“That the presentation be received.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

**The Northumberland Strait Coastal Restoration Project**  
**Presenter: Merydie Ross, Engagement Specialist**

Ms. Ross appeared before Council to update them on the Clean Foundation's Northumberland Strait Coastal Restoration Project, specifically focusing on salt marches.

Included in the presentation was an overview of the project's goal to restore 15 hectares of tidal wetlands in the Northumberland Strait; the ecological, economic, climate change and infrastructure benefits of tidal wetlands; and features of the upcoming workshops being held by the Foundation.

Discussion was held on what agreements with landowners are required and the agenda for the upcoming workshops.

Moved by Mayor Blair  
Seconded by Councillor Pash

"That the presentation be received."

Motion Carried Unanimously.

**Bridging the Gap Between the Compost and Agricultural Industries**  
**Presenter: Lise LeBlanc, LP Consulting**

Ms. LeBlanc appeared before Council to update them on a 2017 project to create an agricultural market for Nova Scotia compost.

Included in the presentation was a recap of the 2017 project including conclusions; the Phase 2 steps which implemented five recommendations from Phase 1; a list of the benefits to agriculture and challenges facing Colchester County.

Brief discussion was held on things Colchester could do to improve their compost for agriculture.

Moved by Councillor Masters  
Seconded by Councillor Gregory

"That the presentation be received."

Motion Carried Unanimously.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Councillor Masters  
Seconded by Councillor Gregory

"That the meeting adjourn at 7:42 pm."

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Suzanne Graham  
Recording Secretary