

## COUNCIL COMMITTEE – PRESENTATION MEETING

The Council Committee/Presentations Meeting of the Municipality of the County of Colchester was conducted virtually via Zoom Webinars and in person, on Tuesday, August 1, 2023.

In peace and friendship, and in the spirit of truth and reconciliation, Deputy Mayor Stewart acknowledged that the Municipality of Colchester is in Mi'kma'ki, the ancestral and unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq.

### Roll Call

The roll was called with the following Councillors in attendance:

Mayor Christine Blair	
Councillor Eric Boutilier	District 1
Councillor Laurie Sandeson	District 2
Deputy Mayor Geoff Stewart, Chair	District 3
Councillor Mike Cooper	District 4
Councillor Tim Johnson	District 5
Councillor Karen MacKenzie	District 6
Councillor Michael Gregory	District 7
Councillor Lisa Patton	District 8
Councillor Marie Benoit	District 9
Councillor Victoria Lomond	District 10
Councillor Wade Parker	District 11

### Others Present

Paul Smith, Acting CAO and Director of Community Development

Suzanne Graham, Recording Secretary

Tim Smith, Manager of Computer and Information Systems (for Technical Support)

Craig Burgess, Manager of Recreation Services

### Presentations

#### **Kiltober**

#### **Shannon Barnes and Adam Ogilvie**

Councillor Benoit declared a conflict of interest and recused herself from this presentation.

Ms. Barnes and Mr. Ogilvie appeared before Council to request funding for Kiltober, a highland games event being held in Debert this September.

Included in the presentation was:

- An application for a community events grant
- A budget for this years' event
- How they plan to make this a sustainable annual event

Discussion was held on potentially having some items/services donated to bring costs down. Concern was expressed over the funding request being for the entire budget of the event and how the event was held in the past with no funding.

Moved by Councillor Boutilier and seconded by Councillor Sandeson

“That the presentation be received”.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Moved by Mayor Blair and seconded by Councillor Patton

“That the presentation be referred to the August 17<sup>th</sup> Council Committee meeting.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

**Expanding Green and Public Space at Tatamagouche Centre  
Nanci Lee, Co-Director**

Ms. Lee appeared before Council to request finding for a green retrofit of their space.

Included in the presentation was information on the centre, a rural community centre who welcomed over 2,000 people in 2022. The centre covers 15 acres including the oldest and second oldest houses in Tatamagouche. During their first phase of retrofits, they raised over \$400,000 to renovate the sanctuary space, replace three roofs, a water system, and upgraded some electrical. For the second phase, more electrical upgrades are planned along with heat pumps and a solar system or water.

Discussion was held on:

- Whether the centre has looked into funding programs such as Efficiency Nova Scotia
- Not being able to provide grants to an organization that doesn't own their building
- How the centre makes money
- What the historic houses are used for

Moved by Councillor Gregory and seconded by Councillor Patton

“That the presentation be received”.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Moved by Mayor Blair and seconded by Councillor Sandeson

“That the presentation be referred to the August 17<sup>th</sup> Council Committee meeting.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

**Adjournment**

Moved by Councillor Gregory and seconded by Councillor Patton

“That the meeting adjourn at 7:47 pm”.

Suzanne Graham  
Recording Secretary