

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

A Special Session of the Municipal Council of the Municipality of the County of Colchester was held in the Courthouse, Truro, Nova Scotia, on Wednesday, August 2, 2017. This Special Session of Council was held at 7:30 pm.

Roll Call

The roll was called with the following Councillors in attendance:

Mayor Christine Blair, Chair	
Councillor Eric Boutilier	District 1
Deputy Mayor Bill Masters	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 Tom Taggart	District 10
Councillor Wade Parker	District 11

Regrets

Councillor Doug MacInnes	District 9
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Also Present

Mr. Rob Simonds, Chief Administrative Officer
 Mr. Dennis James, Municipal Solicitor
 Mr. Mark Austin, Interim Economic Development Officer
 Ms. Suzanne Graham, Recording Secretary

Purpose of Meeting

The purpose of the meeting was to set a date for the by-election for Councillor of District 9 as well as seek legal advice in Closed Session.

Correspondence

Mr. Rob Simonds, CAO, addressed the letter received from Councillor Doug MacInnes, announcing his resignation. Mr. Dennis James, Municipal Solicitor, quoted the Municipal Government Act, Section 17 (1) which states that a Councillor's resignation is official once presented at a Council meeting.

By-Election – District 9 – Authority to Establish Date and Finalize Process

Mr. Simonds informed Council that the Municipal Elections Act stipulates that the date for the by-election must be set within four weeks of the official resignation. Given that the next regularly scheduled Council meeting is beyond the four week requirement, staff are recommending that authority be granted to Council Committee on August 17th to approve the date for the by-election.

Moved by Councillor Cavanaugh
Seconded by Councillor Stewart

"That Council authorizes Council Committee at it's meeting on August 17, 2017 to set the date for the By-Election for Councillor for District 9."

Motion Carried Unanimously.

**Closed Session – Legal
Advice**

Moved by Councillor Gregory
Seconded by Councillor Boutilier

"That the meeting go into closed session at 7:38 pm."

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Moved by Councillor Cavanaugh
Seconded by Councillor Gregory

"That the meeting reconvene in open session at 9:14 pm."

Motion Carried Unanimously.

**Council Proceedings and
Conduct**

Moved by Councillor Boutilier
Seconded by Councillor Masters

"That Council directs staff to investigate and report back to Council, information on the UNSM Code of Conduct and the Canadian Coalition of Municipalities Against Racism and Discrimination."

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Adjournment

Moved by Councillor Masters
Seconded by Councillor Cavanaugh

"That the meeting adjourn at 9:17 pm."

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Suzanne Graham
Recording Secretary