

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

The Regular Session of the Municipal Council of the Municipality of the County of Colchester was held in the Courthouse, Truro, Nova Scotia, on Thursday, January 31, 2019.

Roll Call

The roll was called with the following Councillors in attendance:

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| Mayor Christine Blair, Chair | |
| Councillor Eric Boutilier | District 1 |
| Councillor Bill Masters | District 2 |
| Deputy Mayor 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 Bob Pash | District 9 |
| Councillor Tom Taggart | District 10 |
| Councillor Wade Parker | District 11 |

Staff Present

Rob Simonds, Chief Administrative Officer (CAO)
 Michelle Newell, Director of Public Works
 Scott Fraser, Director of Corporate Services
 Crawford Macpherson, Director of Community Development
 Wayne Wamboldt, Director of Solid Waste
 Dennis James, Municipal Solicitor
 Tracey Veno, Recording Secretary
 Devin Trefry, Research, Policy & Comm. Engagement Officer
 Mark Austin, Economic Development Officer
 Craig Burgess, Recreation Manager
 Paul Smith, Senior Planner (item nos. 2, 7 and 8)
 Pam Macintosh (item no. 2)
 Joanna Burris, Planning Intern (item nos. 9 and 11)

Public Hearing – Development Agreement, Donna and Jonathan Creelman

Mayor Blair called the Public Hearing to order respecting a development agreement involving an application made by Donna & Jon Creelman, which would allow for two apartment buildings containing a total of 10 units on their property on Highway 4 in Upper Onslow.

The text for the application and a related staff report have been circulated to Council members and have been made available to the public.

Rob Simonds, CAO, advised that the guidelines of the Municipal Government Act regarding advertising of the Public Hearing have been followed.

Councillors were reminded that only those Councillors present throughout the public hearing can vote on the development agreement when it is eventually considered by Council. This public hearing is Council's opportunity to hear the application and every concern of area residents. Individual Councillors will have an opportunity to debate the merits of the

development agreement when the motion is presented to Council. Staff are present at this hearing to answer any technical questions that may arise as a result of the public's input.

Pam Macintosh, Planner, provided an overview of the Creelman Development Agreement application as well as the Planners Report and Recommendation. Details of the proposed development were presented including one four-unit and one six-unit building; landscaping and storm water management plans; provincial department approvals; building aesthetics; screening plans; setbacks; site plans; and, sewer and water information. The development is to be phased in over three years. A brief review of the planning process was also provided. Ms. Macintosh advised that the proposed agreement application meets all policy and associated criteria in the Municipal Planning Strategy and staff recommended that the Municipality enter into a development agreement with the Creelmans.

Representing the applicant, Mr. Jon Creelman indicated that he had delivered information to the Municipality which included several letters in support of the application. Mr. Creelman introduced Ms. Jenifer Tsang who was advising on the proposed project.

Ms. Tsang explained the purpose of the development agreement in relation to density and indicated that a lower density was chosen to reduce the impact on the neighbourhood. Intentional efforts were made to make the development more compatible with the surroundings such as two smaller buildings as opposed to one larger building; and, working with the slope of the land to reduce the building height. The agreement also includes items such as landscaping buffers and splitting up the parking lot to also provide more compatibility. Ms. Tsang noted that the development agreement does meet the current Municipal Planning Strategy (MPS) but the applicants have made modifications to address concerns of area residents. It also allows for the Municipality to have controls on elements of the development such as parking.

Questions were raised on provisions in the agreement for a shed to accommodate solid waste, target clientele/tenants for the apartments, and affordable housing programs. Mr. Creelman indicated that the agreement does not currently have accessory buildings but is something that could be considered. Targeted clientele could include people looking to downsize but wanting to remain living in a rural setting. Although in favour of Affordable Housing Programs, Mr. Creelman indicated it is not the plan for this development.

Walter Palethorpe, Shortts Lake, also spoke on behalf of the applicant. Mr. Palethorpe advised that he is in favour of this development indicating that Mr. Creelman is an honest, straight forward individual with good intentions. He is willing to invest in the community; the development will provide both short and long term employment in the area; and, will provide long term taxes for the County. With an aging population, the development would provide housing for seniors looking to live or remain

in a nice community. This is a good development and he encourages Council to look at the merits of it.

Councillor Taggart, Chair of the Planning Advisory Committee (PAC) presented the report from the PAC meeting held on November 13, 2018. Considerable debate was held on the development agreement application. The Committee's recommendation was to not approve the application based on sentiments that the development is inconsistent with the form of development that presently exists in the area.

Mr. Simonds advised that the following correspondence has been received at the Office of the CAO and included in the Council package for this evening's meeting:

- Letter received from Janice and Stephen Groves – not in favour of the development;
- Email forwarded by Mayor Blair from Andrew and Ashley MacNutt, 383 Onslow Road – not in favour of the development; and,
- Letter and supporting document from Calder and Jon Creelman.

Additional correspondence was received after distribution of the package including a letter from Jon Creelman with accompanying letters in support of the application from Wayne Onda, MacLaughlin Ave., Lower Onslow; Philip and Jean McNutt, North River area; Sherry Reid, 38 Brite Ave.; Jason Clark, 37 Ryland Ave.; Terry and Cindy Lemon, 514 Pictou Road; and Walter Palethorpe, 5 Clary Lantz Road.

Several people were present to address Council concerning this application:

Joanne Roode – Ms. Roode spoke of what the community has lost since the MPS changes in 2002 and on the need for protecting agriculture and the environment. Many residents were opposed to Onslow being a growth Centre with one of the main issues being that residents did not want high density development and apartment buildings. They want it to remain a farming/agricultural community. The changes to the MPS in 2002 offer no protection.

Shelley MacNutt – Ms. MacNutt noted that she does not reside in the immediate area but is speaking on behalf of her son. She indicated that this development does not belong in this community. Market values are strong in this area however, having apartment buildings in the community will bring property values down. The residents did not request sewer in this area and feel no more than two units should be permitted for development. This application was rejected by PAC and Council should support their recommendation.

Shawn Woods – Mr. Woods recently returned to Onslow from Ontario. He expressed concerns regarding rapid development and what it can do to communities including flooding, congestion, contribute to adverse health issues, and increased crimes such as homes and cars being broken into.

Development should be systematic and should fit in with the community. He indicated that he has spoken to 112 stakeholders and property owners: three were in favour of the development; three were indifferent; and 106 opposed. A copy of a protest petition was provided. Mr. Woods noted that he is not anti-development, however, apartments are not suited for the area and a methodical development strategy is needed.

Andrew Woods – Mr. Woods indicated that a letter was written to the area Councillor regarding this development and expressed concern about the response received.

Robbie Dodge – Mr. Dodge indicated that he lives directly across from the proposed development and is concerned about the phase in period of three years. Key areas of concern were having big machines working in the area over the extended period, and the potential to have garbage blown in and around his property.

It was noted that if this is an area of concern, it could be addressed by including something in the development agreement.

Peter Vissers – Mr. Vissers advised that he works with Caldwell Banker Real Estate and requested clarification on zoning for this area. Clarification was also sought for information on the property set backs. It was confirmed that it is zoned R2 and the setback is 15 feet from the balcony.

Steve Groves – Mr. Groves advised that he has lived in the Onslow area his entire life and has seen many changes. He understood R2 zoning only permitted units up to duplexes and that it did not include apartment buildings.

Gregg Dill – Mr. Dill was advised that he could only speak as a citizen, not as a member of PAC. Mr. Dill stated that Council doesn't like to do spot zoning and with R2 zoning, he does not see the purpose of planning.

Following input from the public, the applicant indicated they had nothing further to add as a result of submissions received.

Council held detailed debate on the merits of the development agreement noting that it is a good development and a good developer, however, it is not a good fit for this community.

Discussion was held with some members of Council expressing concern with not supporting this development when other similar developments in the County have been approved and that there needs to be consistency.

Moved by Councillor Taggart
Seconded by Councillor Pash

“That Council not enter into a development agreement with the Creelmans for their lands on Highway 4, Upper Onslow, which would allow the construction of two new apartment buildings totaling ten units.”

Motion Carried. *(Councillors Boutilier, Parker, Gregory, and MacKenzie opposed)*

Mayor Blair advised that Council’s decision on this application is appealable to the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board. Any appeal of Council’s decision must be made within 14 days from the date on the official rejection notification.

With no further discussion on this matter, Mayor Blair declared the Public Hearing closed.

Approval of Agenda

Moved by Councillor Gregory
Seconded by Councillor Cavanaugh

“That the agenda be approved with the following addition:
- Add Item # 17b, Jordan Municipal Support Project; and,
- Add Item # 20b Plaque Presentation.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Approval of Minutes

Moved by Councillor Boutilier
Seconded by Councillor Cooper

“That the minutes of the meeting held on December 4, 2018, be approved as presented.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Business Arising from Minutes

There was no business arising from the meeting held on December 4, 2018.

Standing Committee Reports and Recommendations

Council Committee Report from Meeting Held on December 13, 2018

Deputy Mayor Stewart, Chair, presented the report from meeting held on December 13, 2018:

Capped Assessment Pilot Project

Moved by Deputy Mayor Stewart
Seconded by Councillor Gibbs

“That Council approves sending a letter to Will Brooke, Policy Advisor, NSFM, expressing Council’s interest in taking part in the pilot project for removing/phasing out the Capped Assessment Program.

Motion Carried. *(Councillor Taggart opposed)*

The CAO advised that it was noted that more information was needed regarding this matter. During discussion with Mr. Brooke, it was confirmed that Council would have the option to defer as more information becomes available and, this sentiment was consistent with other Councils.

Council Committee Report from Meeting Held on January 8, 2019

Deputy Mayor Stewart, Chair, presented the report from meeting held on January 8, 2019:

NS Fire Dispatch Standards

Moved by Deputy Mayor Stewart
Seconded by Councillor Boutilier

“That Council approves that a letter be written to the Department of Municipal Affairs, NS Federation of Municipalities, and the Association of Municipal Administrators to endorse the NS Fire Dispatch Standards; and,

That the matter be referred to staff to complete an analysis of how the County’s current provider meets the Fire Service Association of NS Standards.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Council Committee Report from Meeting Held on January 10, 2019

Deputy Mayor Stewart, Chair, presented the report from meeting held on January 10, 2019:

Small Flood Damage Reduction Projects Policy

Moved by Deputy Mayor Stewart
Seconded by Councillor Gibbs

“That Council approves the amendments to the Small Flood Damage Reduction Projects Policy, as presented.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Funding Application, ICIP

Moved by Deputy Mayor Stewart
Seconded by Councillor Gibbs

“That Council approves that the following projects be considered, in order of priority, for submission to the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program:

1. Colchester Wastewater Collection Improvements, \$1.68 M; and,
2. Great Village Sewage Treatment Plant Replacement, \$2.2 M.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Report and Recommendations from Council's Ad Hoc Cannabis Committee

Moved by Deputy Mayor Stewart
Seconded by Councillor Gregory

"That Council approves the adoption of the following recommendations:

1. Amend the Municipality's Smoke Free Outdoor Recreational Spaces Policy by including cannabis consumed by smoking, vaping (e-cigarettes), and waterpipes;
2. Police Advisory Board track trends since the legalization and advise Council of any policy/ by-law support that may be required and ask RCMP to track expenditures that could be allocated to the Municipality;
3. That the Municipal Alcohol Policy Committee expand their mandate to include cannabis and report back to Council as warranted;
4. That Council request staff track any Municipal costs resulting from the legalization of recreational cannabis;
5. The Municipality track provincial regulation of private, boutique sales and the sale of edibles to determine if there is a municipal role in regulation;
6. That the Cannabis Committee be disbanded."

AND

That Council approves the amendments to the Municipal Smoke Free Outdoor Recreational Spaces Policy, as presented."

Motion Carried Unanimously.

2019 FCM Conference, Quebec City

Moved by Deputy Mayor Stewart
Seconded by Councillor Cooper

"That Council approves that Councillors Master, Gregory, and Gibbs attend the 2019 FCM Conference, in addition to the Mayor, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Taggart (as FCM Board Member) and the CAO; and,

That Councillor Cavanaugh serve as an alternate in the event that any of those selected are unable to attend."

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Animal Control – Service Review

Moved by Deputy Mayor Stewart
Seconded by Councillor Masters

“That Council approves that the Municipality implement the Animal Control Program as outlined in the Action Item at the January 10, 2019 Committee and in Option 2 of Financial Options Sheet.”

Motion Carried. *(Councillors Boutilier and Parker opposed)*

Downeast Bluegrass & Oldtime Music Festival

Moved by Deputy Mayor Stewart
Seconded by Councillor Pash

“That Council approves funding in the amount of \$10,000 for the Downeast Bluegrass & Oldtime Music Festival, with source of funds being 2018/19 Community Grants; and,

That staff meet with organizers to explore opportunities to keep the event in Colchester.”

Motion Carried. *(Councillors Parker, Taggart, Cavanaugh and Gibbs opposed)*

Ecole acadienne de Truro – Jeux de l’Acadie

Moved by Deputy Mayor Stewart
Seconded by Councillor Cavanaugh

“That Council approves funding in the amount of \$10,000 for the Ecole acadienne de Truro/Jeux de l’Acadie, with source of funds being 2018/19 Community Grants.”

Motion Carried. *(Councillors Cooper, Boutilier and Parker opposed)*

Village of Bible Hill Gas Tax Request

Moved by Deputy Mayor Stewart
Seconded by Councillor Cavanaugh

“That Council not support the request from the Village of Bible Hill to use Federal Gas Tax funding for a cost shared sidewalk project.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Kohltech Purchase and Sale Agreement

Moved by Deputy Mayor Stewart
Seconded by Councillor Boutilier

“That Council authorizes the Mayor and CAO to sign the Purchase and Sale Agreement with Kohltech International Limited, as per the terms and conditions discussed in Closed Session.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Executive Committee Minutes from Meeting Held on January 21, 2019

Moved by Deputy Mayor Stewart
Seconded by Councillor Boutilier

“That the Executive minutes from the meeting held on January 21, 2019, be approved as presented.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

ACTION ITEMS

**First Reading –
Administrative Amendments
to the Central Colchester
Land Use By-law**

Moved by Councillor Parker
Seconded by Councillor Gibbs

“That Council approves at First Reading, the amended Central Colchester Land Use By-law, as presented, for purposes of forwarding this document to a Public Hearing reserving consideration of the amendments until Second Reading following the Public Hearing.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

**First Reading – Amendment
to the Central Colchester
Land Use By-law, Applicant:
Dana MacCoul**

Moved by Councillor Gibbs
Seconded by Councillor Cavanaugh

“That Council approves at First Reading, the amended Central Colchester Land Use By-law, as presented, for purposes of forwarding this document to a Public Hearing reserving consideration of the amendments until Second Reading following the Public Hearing.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

**First Reading – Chapter 24
Solar Colchester Property
Assessed Clean Energy By-
law**

Moved by Councillor Masters
Seconded by Councillor Gregory

“That Council approves, by way of First Reading, Chapter 24 – Solar Colchester Property Assessed Clean Energy By-law, as presented.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

First Reading – Amendments to Chapter 4 Remuneration and Expenses for Council and Appointed Committee Members By-law

Moved by Councillor Parker
Seconded by Councillor Cavanaugh

“That Council approves, by way of First Reading, amendments to Chapter 4 – Remuneration and Expenses for Council and Appointed Committee Members By-law, as presented.”

Motion DEFEATED. *(Mayor Blair, Deputy Mayor Stewart, Councillors Masters, Cooper, Gibbs, MacKenzie, Gregory, Cavanaugh, Pash, Taggart, and Parker opposed)*

Brief discussion was held regarding the remuneration review carried out in 2013, the detailed report received, the recommendation that a review be carried out every 2 years, and that there was no review in 2016. Further discussion was held on the current consultant report, and the directive of Council relative to the Council remuneration. It was noted that the motion was two-fold: first the remuneration review; and second, the federal tax change implications. Concern was expressed regarding the consultant report and the methodology used. Debate was also held regarding varying opinions on cell phone expensing and reporting requirements of the Canada Revenue Agency.

Council agreed that the consultant be invited to make a presentation on the report and the methodology used.

Signing Authority as Development Officer – Term

Mr. Crawford Macpherson, Director of Community Development, advised that this item pertains to Council authorizing temporary signing authority for a term Development Officer to cover a paternity leave.

Moved by Councillor Taggart
Seconded by Councillor Boutilier

“That Council appoints Joanna Burris as Interim Development Officer and be given signing authority as Development Officer for the duration of Colin Forsyth’s leave; and,

That Pam Macintosh and Paul Smith continue to be appointed as Assistant Development Officers.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

One and a Half Ton Truck Purchase (Recreation Services)

Mr. Craig Burgess, Recreation Manager, advised that staff issued a public call for tender in early January for the purchase of a one and a half ton truck for the Recreation Department. One submission was received from Hollis Ford and this tender was deemed to be complete.

Moved by Councillor Masters
Seconded by Councillor Parker

“That Council authorizes staff to award the tender for the purchase of a one and a half ton truck for Recreation Services to Hollis Ford in the amount of \$84,657.26 excluding HST, with source of funds being the Recreation Vehicle Reserve.”

Motion Carried. *(Councillor Taggart opposed)*

St. James Church of Great Village Preservation Society Tax Exemption Request

This item relates to a request received from the St. James Church of Great Village Preservation Society’s for a tax exemption for the Elizabeth Bishop House. The request meets the criteria of eligibility for tax exemption and staff recommend the exemption be granted.

Moved by Councillor Taggart
Seconded by Councillor Cooper

“That Council approves that the St. James Church of Great Village Preservation Society be added to the Tax Exemption By-law Property List, for the property located at 8740 Highway 2, Great Village (property #00439428) as well as the adjoining lot (property #09524290), for fiscal 2019/20 and beyond.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Tender Award, Debert Well 1C Piping Upgrades – Authority to Approve

Moved by Deputy Mayor Stewart
Seconded by Councillor Cavanaugh

“That Council authorizes Council Committee at their meeting on February 14, 2019, to award the tender for the piping upgrades at Well 1C in Debert.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Construction and Demolition Tipping Fees

This item relates to increasing the tipping fee for mixed Construction & Demolition (C&D) Waste. The increase as presented in the Action Item will see the tipping fee being more in line with those fees charged for C&D Waste in other jurisdictions within the Province and will encourage more source separation of C&D materials for the recovery of recyclable material.

Moved by Councillor Taggart
Seconded by Councillor Gibbs

“That Council approves an increase to the tipping fee for construction & demolition waste material from \$35.00 per tonne to \$75.00 per tonne to become effective on the 1st day of April 2019.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Saltscapes Expo 2019 Exhibit Proposal

Council had previously approved participating in the 2019 Saltscapes Expo and directed staff to bring back options with budget information for Council consideration.

Moved by Councillor Masters
Seconded by Councillor Boutilier

“That Council approves attending the 2019 Saltscapes Expo with a full exhibit concept as presented, at an estimated cost of \$10,000.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

**Nova Scotia Federation of
Municipalities Spring
Workshop Planning
Committee**

Deputy Mayor Stewart declared a conflict and removed himself from the table.

The CAO advised that in April 2017, Council approved co-hosting the 2019 NSFM Spring Workshop/Conference with the Town of Truro. As part of hosting the workshop, Council is being requested to appoint a member of Council to the Planning Committee.

Moved by Councillor Masters
Seconded by Councillor Cooper

“That Deputy Mayor Stewart be appointed to serve on the Planning Committee for the 2019 NSFM Spring Workshop.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

At this point, Deputy Mayor Stewart returned to the table.

**Jordan Municipal Support
Project**

Councillor Taggart indicated that support is being sought for Mayor Blair to travel to Amman in mid March for the Jordan Municipal Support Project.

Moved by Councillor Taggart
Seconded by Councillor Cooper

“That Council supports Mayor Blair travelling to Amman in mid March for International Women’s Day, as part of the Jordan Municipal Support Project.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Correspondence - ACTION

**Jim Baird, Chairperson –
Tatamagouche Village
Commission**

A letter to the CAO dated January 11, 2019 from Jim Baird, Chair of the Tatamagouche Village Commission requesting County staff complete a survey, design and cost estimate for a sidewalk project along Main Street; and request to access Gas Tax revenue to offset the Village’s portion of the cost of the project.

Moved by Councillor Gregory
Seconded by Councillor Gibbs

“That the letter from Jim Baird, Chair of the Tatamagouche Village Commission concerning a sidewalk project along Main Street in Tatamagouche be referred to staff to investigate and bring back to Council for consideration.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

**Debbi Tobin, Executive
Director, Epilepsy
Association of Nova Scotia**

Letter to Mayor Blair dated January 23, 2019 concerning a proclamation for Epilepsy Awareness Month and participation for awareness throughout the month of March.

Moved by Councillor Boutilier
Seconded by Councillor Gregory

“That Council proclaims March 26, 2019 as Purple Day for Epilepsy.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Council agreed that an invitation be extended to the Epilepsy Association to make a presentation to Council on Epilepsy Awareness.

**Sean Kirby, Executive
Director, Mining Association
of Nova Scotia**

A letter to Mayor Blair dated January 30, 2019, requesting support for the Mining Association of Nova Scotia’s Minerals Play Fairway Project.

Moved by Councillor Taggart
Seconded by Councillor Cooper

“That the letter from Sean Kirby, Executive Director, Mining Association of Nova Scotia, requesting support for the Minerals Play Fairway Project be received for information.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

**Correspondence -
INFORMATION**

Development Officer

A copy of the Development Activity report received from the Development Officer for the months of November and December 2018. Council agreed to receive the reports for information purposes.

Building Inspector

A copy of the Building Permit Statistics received from the Building Inspector for the months of November and December 2018. Council agreed to receive the reports for information purposes.

NSFM

A copy of the NSFM Board Report dated December 7, 2018. Council agreed to receive the report for information purposes.

**Robyn Homans, Area
Manager, NSTIR**

A letter dated January 15, 2019 in response to the CAO’s letter of December 11, 2018 regarding winter maintenance concerns. Council agreed to receive the letter for information purposes.

**Tiffany Bartlett, CEO,
Colchester East Hants
Library**

A letter dated January 22, 2019 to the CAO concerning poppy campaign boxes in public libraries. Council agreed to receive the letter for information purposes.

INFORMATION ITEMS

**Low Income Municipal Tax
Assistance Program – 2019
Adjustments**

This Information Item provides an update to Council on the Low Income Municipal Tax Assistance Program 2019 Adjustments. Council previously approved that income levels and exemption amount thresholds would be based on annual consumer price index (CPI) increase on the provincial capped assessment for the fiscal year to which exemptions are applied. The CPI adjustment for the 2019 Assessment is 1.6%. A copy of the amended income levels and exemption thresholds was distributed in the Council package for this evening's meeting.

**Reports from Councillors
Appointed to Outside Boards
and Agencies**

Copies of reports from the Mayor and Councillors were circulated in the package or placed on table for this evenings meeting.

Plaque Presentation

Councillor Pash presented a wooden plaque with the Municipal Crest that he recently received while in Jamaica suggesting that it be displayed in the building foyer.

Due to the lateness of the meeting, Council reviewed the remaining items and decided to continue the meeting in Closed Session dealing only with time sensitive items.

CLOSED SESSION

Moved by Councillor Gregory
Seconded by Councillor Boutilier

"That the meeting go into closed session at 11:34 pm."

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Moved by Councillor Gibbs
Seconded by Councillor Gregory

"That the meeting reconvene in open session at 12:05 am."

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Legal Matter

Moved by Councillor Gregory
Seconded by Councillor Masters

"That the Municipal Solicitor proceed with an application to the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board as discussed by Council."

Motion Carried Unanimously.

RECESS

Due to the lateness of the meeting, Council agreed to recess at 12:06 am and reconvene on Tuesday, February 5, 2019, immediately following the Presentation Meeting.

RECONVENE

The Council meeting reconvened on February 5, 2019 at 7:00 pm. Councillors MacKenzie and Cavanaugh were not in attendance.

Staff present included Rob Simonds, CAO; Wayne Wamboldt, Director of Solid Waste; Mark Austin, Economic Development Officer; and, Tracey Veno, Recording Secretary.

Additions to Agenda

Moved by Councillor Masters
Seconded by Councillor Boutilier

“That the following items be added to the balance of the agenda:

- Colchester Highland Games – Request for Letter of Support;
- Joint Council Meeting; and,
- Two Negotiations in Closed Session.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Colchester Highland Games

Moved by Councillor Boutilier
Seconded by Councillor Gregory

“That Council approves the request from the Colchester Highland Games Society for a letter in support of their provincial application for the 2019 Highland Games.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Joint Council Meeting

The CAO advised that Council had previously been canvassed for a date for a Joint Council meeting, with options being February 12th or 13th. Since then, it was determined that the RECC Board meeting would be on February 12th. Therefore, the Joint Council meeting date is set for February 13th.

CLOSED SESSION

Moved by Councillor Gregory
Seconded by Councillor Pash

“That the meeting go into closed session at 7:12 pm.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Moved by Councillor Gibbs
Seconded by Councillor Gregory

“That the meeting reconvene in open session at 9:38 pm.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Councillor Boutilier left the meeting during Closed Session and was not in attendance for voting on motions made in Open Session.

CAO Review

Moved by Deputy Mayor Stewart
Seconded by Councillor Gregory

“That Council approves recommendations regarding the CAO review as discussed in Closed Session, retroactive to April 13, 2018.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Negotiations – Library Funding

Moved by Deputy Mayor Stewart
Seconded by Councillor Cooper

“That discussions on Library Funding be referred to staff and that this be brought to February Committee for discussion in Closed Session; and,

That Council grants authority to February Committee to make a decision on this matter.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Negotiations – Mud Hero Contract

Moved by Councillor Masters
Seconded by Councillor Pash

“That Council authorizes the Mayor and CAO to sign the agreement with Crazy Canuck Events Corporation, with the discussed amendments.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Gibbs
Seconded by Councillor Gregory

“That the meeting adjourn at 9:43 pm.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Tracey Veno
Recording Secretary