

## 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 Thursday, April 11, 2019 at 7:00 pm.

### **Roll Call**

The roll was called with the following Councillors in attendance:

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 Bob Pash	District 9
Councillor Tom Taggart	District 10

### **Regrets**

Councillor Ron Cavanaugh	District 8
Councillor Wade Parker	District 11

### **Also Present**

Mr. Rob Simonds, Chief Administrative Officer (CAO)  
 Mr. Crawford Macpherson, Director of Community Development  
 Mr. Scott Fraser, Director of Corporate Services  
 Mr. Dennis James, Municipal Solicitor  
 Ms. Tracey Veno, Recording Secretary  
 Mr. Devin Trefry, Research, Policy and Comm. Engagement Officer  
 Mr. Paul Smith, Senior Planner

### **Purpose of Meeting**

The purpose of the meeting was to consider First Reading of the Commercial Dog Care and Kennel Facility By-law and concurrent amendments to the Central Colchester Land Use By-law.

### **First Reading of the Commercial Dog Care and Kennel Facility By-law and Concurrent Amendments to the Central Colchester Land Use By-law**

The draft Commercial Dog Care and Kennel Facility By-law and concurrent amendments to the Central Colchester Land Use By-law were presented and reviewed in detail at the March 28<sup>th</sup> Council meeting. Mr. Paul Smith, Senior Planner, advised Council of concerns that were brought forward since the March 28<sup>th</sup> meeting by members of the Cobequid Dog Club. These concerns included hobby breeders and the number of litters per year limit; amount and location of acoustical buffering requirements; and minimum setback requirements.

Brief discussion was held on the concerns specific to breeding and litter limits as well as setbacks. Options for Council consideration were also provided. Clarification was sought on whether making changes to the draft By-law to address any or all of these concerns would be considered substantive. It was noted that acknowledgement of the concerns at First Reading could allow for these changes to be made at Second Reading.

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Moved by Councillor Taggart  
Seconded by Councillor Gregory

“That Council approves, by way of First Reading, the Commercial Dog Care and Kennel By-law with consideration to be given to the following amendments at Second Reading:

1. Changes to Section 2.3.4 which establishes the number of litters per calendar year for hobby or occasional breeding to allow up to four litters for smaller breeds up to 20 lbs;
2. Changes to Section 4.3 involving the amount of acoustical buffering which would be required on the infringing side(s) of the property only;
3. Changes to Sections 4.1 and 4.3 which establishes minimum setback distances of an outdoor dog enclosure and an adjacent dwelling with setbacks being reduced from 250 m to 150 m and 150 m to 100 m respectively; and,

That Council also approves, by way of First Reading, concurrent amendments to the Central Colchester Land Use By-law, as presented.”

Motion Carried. (*opposed by Councillor Cooper*)

## **Adjournment**

Moved by Councillor Gregory  
Seconded by Councillor Boutilier

“That the meeting adjourn at 7:32 pm.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Tracey Veno  
Recording Secretary