

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

The Regular Session of the Municipal Council of the Municipality of the County of Colchester was conducted in-person and virtually combined, on Tuesday, June 25, 2024, at 6:00 pm.

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

Roll Call

Mayor Christine Blair, Chair	
Councillor Eric Boutilier	District 1
Councillor Laurie Sandeson	District 2
Deputy Mayor Geoff Stewart	District 3
Councillor Mike Cooper	District 4 (<i>arrived late</i>)
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 (<i>arrived late</i>)
Councillor Victoria Lomond	District 10
Councillor Wade Parker	District 11

Staff Present

Dan Troke, Chief Administrative Officer
 Scott Fraser, Director of Corporate Services
 Dennis James, Municipal Solicitor
 Paul Smith, Director of Community Development
 Phillip Redden, Director of Solid Waste
 Tracey Veno, Recording Secretary
 Jenn Martin, Economic Development Officer
 Devin Trefry, Research, Policy and Community Engagement Officer
 Jeanette Himmelman, Systems Analyst
 David Quinn, Project Engineer
 Kaela MacLellan, Project Engineer
 Pam Macintosh, Manager of Planning Services
 Jill McGillicuddy, Senior Planner
 Guy Wheeler, Returning Officer

On behalf of Council and staff, Mayor Blair offered congratulations to Deputy Mayor Stewart on recently being elected FCM President. The Deputy Mayor thanked his family, Council and staff for their support and indicated Colchester would not be forgotten while serving in this role.

Public Hearing

Due to arriving after the Public Hearing commenced, Councillors Cooper and Benoit were unable to participate in the Hearing.

Mayor Blair called the Public Hearing to order respecting an application for amendments to the Central Colchester Land Use By-law (CCLUB) made by Saywood & Groves Holdings Ltd for a multi area rezoning of their vacant property on Pictou Road, Valley. The text for the application and a related staff report have been circulated to Council members and have been made available to the public.

The CAO advised that the guidelines of the Municipal Government Act regarding the Public Hearing have been followed.

Council members were reminded that only those present throughout the Public Hearing can vote on the proposed By-law amendments when eventually considered by Council. This Public Hearing is to hear the application and concerns of area residents. Individual Councillors will have opportunity to debate the merits of the proposed By-law amendments 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.

Senior Planner, Jill McGillicuddy, provided an overview of the application and proposed amendments to the CCLUB. Included in her presentation was information on property size and location; a detailed review of the multi area rezonings including slight changes to Area 3 as part of reconfiguration of parkland to address neighbourhood concerns; the mix of current land uses; various area photographs; preliminary site plans which are tentative to subdivision and By-law approvals; the various policy considerations; internal and external departmental input including Nova Scotia Public Works, the Fire Brigade and the Chignecto Central Centre for Education, Municipal Public Works and Community Development Departments. Staff is recommending that the proposed amendments to the CCLUB to rezone this property be approved.

Brief discussion was held on the commonality of receiving input from the School Board, importance of stormwater and flood management, as well as secondary access points for emergency situations.

At this time, Mayor Blair advised that opportunity for public to address Council on this matter would be provided and the process to be followed for those wishing to speak.

Darcy Eisner appeared before Council on behalf of Saywood & Groves Limited noting that he has worked with the Planning Department on this subdivision over the last couple of years. The proposed project as presented seemed to be the best compromise to address neighbour concerns and fit in the community.

Responding to a query on proximity of proposed development to nearest residents, Mr. Eisnor indicated 100 feet on the single units to existing residences, and approximately 300 feet for the larger rental units. Total units include 10 two storey – eight-unit buildings, 9 single family units and 11 duplexes.

Councillor Sandeson, Chair of the Planning Advisory Committee (PAC), provided a summary of the report for the PAC meeting held on May 14, 2024.

The CAO advised that no written submissions have been received regarding this application.

A few members of the public addressed Council on the proposed amendments. Below summarizes the highlights of the presenters:

Nigel Leggett, Teviot Place – Mr. Leggett indicated that he supports this development however, addressed concerns relative to protecting the nature of the area that serves as walking trails for children and residents walking their dogs. The proposed development cuts through a portion of the nature loop. He indicated that he would like to have some type of nature buffer between the development and the nature loop and avoid loss of vegetation. Mr. Leggett shared a number of photos as part of his presentation.

Jason Ross, Robin Road – Mr. Ross spoke of the value and sense of pride in home ownership and the significant investment of purchasing a home; criteria around finding his home including privacy, seclusion, quiet neighbourhood, low crime, and people; care and pride in upkeep of properties in the area; safety and increased crime in a number of areas of the Town and County; reputations of multi unit housing; stereotypes; and increased number of groups or gangs in area as well as various incidents and crimes. Mr. Ross also spoke of protection of birds and wildlife in the existing green space; expressed concern around potential changes in development once the zoning is changed; potential number of people being housed in development; and, roads and increased traffic.

Discussion was held on this matter being that of a rezoning amendment rather than a development agreement; potential recourse if not used as being proposed; and protection for existing residents.

Robert Simms – Mr. Simms advised that his property backs on what is being proposed as area 1. He indicated that he has no problem with the rezoning as long as some questions and concerns are addressed including whether studies have been completed and how these new units will affect existing wells; swamps and ponds after heavy rains; environmental studies of the area; bringing in fill to build up area; drainage issues; and, rainwater/snow melt runoff. Mr. Simms also expressed concerns about a derelict van in the flow of water runoff in the area.

Council noted the importance of addressing stormwater management going forward with all future developments.

Mike Craig, Parkside Drive - Mr. Craig's concerns related to water and what has been done to analyse the amount of potable water available. From discussions, he understands the homes in the development would be on wells and asked if any work has been done around municipal water supply.

The Director of Community Development indicated that Nova Scotia Environment is the regulatory body for water. And there have been no concerns around the water supply in Valley area.

Elizabeth Borden, Silverwood Drive – Ms. Borden indicated that she is anxious to see the land developed however, has some concerns that once it is rezoned you cannot take it back. There is some uncertainty around the number of homes to be developed but understands that development could change once it gets to that stage. Concern was also expressed around flooding and water runoff as Silverwood Drive was build a little lower. Clarification was also requested on number of homes in the development once it gets to that stage.

Cathy Weldon – Ms. Weldon expressed concern around flooding and stormwater management. She feels that stormwater management should be done before rezoning. She is also concerned with not having fire exit roads in the subdivision; potential changed development plans after the rezoning goes through; and protecting nature, trails and greenspace.

Mr. Eisnor addressed the following concerns raised by members of the public:

- The rezoning of the lands actually tightens what can be done in future and provides better protection for the community;
- Stormwater Management – there are three ponds planned; one designed for drainage from the three areas to retain and slowly release to the Pictou Road storm sewer;
- The current plan for the subdivision is at a lower elevation than Silverwood and no anticipation of bringing in bulk amounts of fill;
- Contacted Hub Well Drilling regarding water supply and was advised there are no concerns;
- Requirements in the Subdivision By-law require 5% greenspace. Following discussions with concerned residents, increased greenspace to just under 10%. Additionally, had surveyors map a 50ft offset from existing trail which will be deeded to the County to protect greenspace. There is no plan to clear anything not being developed.

Further discussion took place on buffers and conserving the nature loop; stormwater plans; and traffic issues and studies.

Moved by Councillor Sandeson, seconded by Councillor Johnson

“That Council approve the amendments to the Central Colchester Land Use By-law, amending the zoning map to permit a multi-area rezoning at 602 Pictou Road, Valley, PID 20031472.” Carried unanimously.

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 of the advertising of this decision.

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

Approval of Agenda

At this point, Councillors Cooper and Benoit joined the Council table.

Moved by Councillor Johnson, seconded by Councillor Patton

“That the agenda be approved with the following amendments:

- Remove Item #12, Award of Tender – Gravel Roads Re-surfacing Contract;
- Remove Item #18, Crosswalk on East Prince (across from East End Mini Mart)
- Add Item 17b, Request for Reconsideration of previous decision on 6 Ventura Drive.” Carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes

Moved by Councillor Sandeson, seconded by Councillor Boutilier

“That the minutes of the meeting held on May 30, 2024, be approved as presented.” Carried unanimously.

Business Arising from Minutes

None

Standing Committee Reports and Recommendations

Deputy Mayor Stewart, Chair of Council Committee, presented the report from *the Council Committee meeting held on June 13, 2024.*

Land Transfer Request – Clifton Pastoral Charge

Moved by Deputy Mayor Stewart, seconded by Councillor Johnson

“That Council approves that the Municipality take ownership of the land currently owned by the Clifton Pastoral Charge, PID 20209441, and that staff be instructed to proceed with its acquisition.” Carried unanimously.

Atlantic Labrador Retriever Club, National/Regional Specialty, Community Event Grant Request

Moved by Deputy Mayor Stewart, seconded by Councillor Boutilier

That Council approves the funding request from the Atlantic Labrador Retriever Club in the amount of \$2,500 to assist with the 2024 National/Regional Specialty Event being held October 18-20, 2024, with source of funds being Community Event Grants.” Carried unanimously.

Award of Tender – Old Courthouse Branch Sidewalk

Moved by Deputy Mayor Stewart, seconded by Councillor Parker

“That Council approves that the tender for the construction of the Old Courthouse Branch Sidewalk from College Road to Regency Point Drive be awarded to S.W. Weeks Construction for a total contract amount of \$1,084,034 excluding HST; and,

That an internal contingency of \$100,000 be approved, to be spent only on authority of the Director of Public Works.” Carried unanimously.

Flood Advisory Committee – Minutes of meeting held on June 17, 2024

Moved by Councillor Johnson, seconded by Councillor Patton

“That the minutes from the Flood Advisory Committee meeting held on June 17, 2024, be received.” Carried unanimously.

Planning Advisory Committee – Report of meeting held on June 17, 2024

Mayor Blair declared a conflict of interest and recused herself from discussion on this matter. Deputy Mayor Stewart assumed the role of Chair for this discussion.

Moved by Councillor Benoit, seconded by Councillor Sandeson

“That the report from the Planning Advisory Committee meeting held on June 17, 2024, be received.” Carried unanimously.

ACTION ITEMS

Second Reading – Municipal Election By-law

Mr. Trefry advised that as required under the MGA, the Municipal Elections By-law is being amended to enable e-voting. The basis of the By-law as presented, was drafted by Intelivote and reviewed by staff and legal. Adoption of or amendments to existing By-laws require two readings. Council passed First Reading at their meeting on May 30th. Second Reading was advertised on the Municipal website and there was no feedback received from the public. With the 2024 Municipal Election being in October, timing is of the essence and staff is recommending that the amended By-law be approved as presented.

Moved by Councillor Boutilier, seconded by Councillor Johnson

“That Council approves, by way of Second Reading, the amended Chapter 18 - Municipal Elections By-law as presented.” Carried unanimously.

2024 Municipal Election – Fee Schedule

Guy Wheeler, Returning Officer, advised that this item is to set the Tariff of Fees for the 2024 Municipal Election. Factored into the review of the Fee Schedule was timing of last review being for the 2021 Bi-Election and the increase in minimum wage, with a brief review of the increases being provided. Total costs for workers and polling stations for the upcoming Election would be estimated at \$26,344. Staff is recommending the Schedule of Fees be approved as presented.

Moved by Councillor Parker, seconded by Councillor Sandeson

“That Council approves the following fee schedule be set for the purpose of the 2024 Municipal Election:

Deputy Returning Officer (DRO) - \$20.20 per hour;
 Poll Clerk (PC) - \$18.40 per hour;
 Poll Supervisor Officer - \$21.60 per hour;
 Poll Information Officer - \$18.20 per hour;
 Standby DRO/PC - Equivalent to three hours pay per applicable position;
 Training - Equivalent to three hours pay per applicable position;
 Mileage - Payable at \$0.5838 per kilometre;
 Polling Stations - \$200 for the first polling station and \$100 for each additional polling station in same building.” Carried unanimously.

2024 Municipal Election - Date for Amended List of Electors

Mr. Wheeler advised that as per section 38(1) of the Municipal Election Act, Council is required, on the advice of the Returning Officer, to set the date for the delivery of the Amended List of Electors. There is no specific time legislated to do revisions other than the Amended List of Electors must be provided to candidates for the start of Nomination Period (August 29th). The Provincial list has improved considerably over the years being much more accurate and current. Staff is recommending the cut-off day for revisions to the list be August 26th, three days prior to the start of Nomination Period.

Moved by Councillor Johnson, seconded by Councillor Cooper

“That Council set the date of August 26, 2024, for the completion of revisions for the Amended List of Electors.” Carried unanimously.

**2024 Municipal Election –
Advance Polls and Alternative
Voting Period**

The Returning Officer advised that this item is to set the Advance Poll/Alternative Voting dates for the 2024 Municipal Election. An overview of the mandated and optional dates for Advance Polls was provided, as well as requirements around Alternative Voting. In January 2024, Council approved a Hybrid E-voting model which would allow electronic and telephone voting in days leading up to and including Election Day (October 19th) with paper ballot voting on Election Day (October 19th) only. The proposed period for E-voting from October 7th to 19th would capture both the optional and mandated dates for Advance Polls.

Moved by Councillor Johnson, seconded by Councillor Gregory

“That Council approve Alternative/Advance Poll dates from October 7, 2024, to October 19, 2024, with e-voting assistance station open weekdays from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm, beginning Monday, October 7th up to and including close of polls Saturday October 19th (excluding the Thanksgiving Holiday Monday).” Carried unanimously.

**First Reading – Amendment to
Land Use By-law, Truline
Design Inc. Application**

Mayor Blair declared a conflict of interest and recused herself from discussion on this matter. Deputy Mayor Stewart assumed the role of Chair for this discussion.

Paul Smith, Director of Community Development, advised that the Planning Advisory Committee (PAC) met on June 17th to consider an application for an amendment to the Central Colchester Land Use By-law and subsequent development agreement to convert the former church and church hall located at 149-151 Pictou Road in Bible Hill. Under requirements of the Municipal Government Act, By-law amendments require two readings. First Reading is to essentially announce Council’s intent to consider adopting the amendment. If advanced, Second Reading would take place in August, following a Public Hearing to receive comment from the public on the matter. The recommendation of PAC is to approve First Reading and advance accordingly.

Moved by Councillor Sandeson, seconded by Councillor Boutilier

“That Council approves at First Reading, the amendment and subsequent development agreement application, as presented, for purposes of forwarding this document to a Public Hearing reserving consideration of the amendment and development agreement until Second Reading following the Public Hearing.” Carried unanimously.

**Solid Waste Cell Capping –
Authority to Award**

Moved by Councillor Cooper, seconded by Councillor Patton

“That Council authorizes August 15, 2024, Council Committee to award the Solid Waste Cell Capping Tender.” Carried unanimously.

**Teviot Walkway Replacement –
Award of Tender**

David Quinn, Project Engineer, advised that this item deals with awarding the tender for the replacement of the Teviot Place Walkways in Valley. A

detailed overview was provided including approved funding in the five-year capital budget; location and lengths of walkways; current condition being in disrepair; tender information and submissions received; maintenance and upkeep requirements; and resource implications as a result of submissions being well over the approved budget. Also included were various options for consideration. Staff recommendation is to negotiate with the low bidder to complete one walkway as concrete and turning the two additional walkways into a crusher-dust surface.

During debate, as Councillor for the area, Councillor MacKenzie raised a number of concerns with the recommendation as presented:

- the walkways are used by children travelling to and from school;
- in the current condition, the walkways are not safe;
- cannot be used safely during the winter months;
- also utilized as a recreational walking trail;
- municipally owned;
- currently being maintained by residents in the area to enable use;
- replacing the existing surfaces with crusher-dust will not allow for snow plowing;
- funds are available to proceed with asphalt walkways through the approved capital budget and the Sustainable Services Growth Fund.

Further discussion included maintenance costs for snow plowing estimated to not be significant, these walkways not currently being included in the Active Transportation Strategy, safety concerns for children, trails being used by children who do not have access to busses, longevity and upkeep of asphalt vs. crusher-dust, lack of winter maintenance, increased use of trail lowering the carbon footprint, effectiveness of salt on shaded walkways, maintenance for three seasons, and potential liability issues.

Moved by Councillor MacKenzie, seconded by Councillor Lomond

“That Council approves upgrading walkways to asphalt or concrete to be maintained 12 months of the year, with source of funds being \$180,000 from the Active Transportation area rate and the balance from the Sustainable Services Growth Fund.” Motion DEFEATED (*Deputy Mayor Stewart, Councillors Boutilier, Sandeson, Cooper, Johnson, Gregory, and Patton opposed*).

Moved by Councillor MacKenzie, seconded by Councillor Parker

“That Council authorizes staff to negotiate with the contractor to reduce the project scope to include replacing one walkway in concrete, and two walkways in a crusher-dust surface; and,

That the CAO be authorized to award the contract to Dexter Construction Company LTD up to a total tender value of \$275,000, exclusive of HST; and,

That an internal contingency of \$25,000 be approved, to be spent only on authority of the Director of Public Works.” Carried unanimously.

Discussion took place on which of the trails would be concrete and which would be crusher dust. Mr. Quinn indicated that the existing concrete

walkway, Tamarack Trail, would remain as concrete and the other two would be crusher dust.

Village Line Paving - Award of Tender

It was noted that this item changed from Award of Tender to Authority for August Council Committee to Award.

Moved by Councillor Benoit, seconded by Councillor Patton

“That Council authorizes August 15, 2024, Council Committee to award the Village Line Paving Tender.” Carried unanimously.

Cliffs of Fundy Geopark – Release of Funds

Dan Troke, CAO, advised that during budget deliberations, a placeholder for funding for the Cliffs of Fundy Geopark was reserved until such time as a Joint Council meeting was held with Cumberland County. The joint meeting took place on June 12, 2024, and staff are recommending funds be released.

Moved by Deputy Mayor Stewart, seconded by Councillor Benoit

“That Council approves the release of funds as approved during budget deliberations for the Cliffs of Fundy Geopark.” Carried Unanimously.

Clarification was sought on whether the issue of shared funding for the salary for the Colchester staff person performing duties for the Geopark have been addressed with Cumberland County. The CAO advised that it has not been discussed but is on the list to do so. It was suggested the shared salary should be retroactive to the date of commencement rather than on a go forward basis.

Request for Special Council Meeting – August 15, 2024

Mayor Blair declared a conflict of interest and recused herself from discussion on this matter. Deputy Mayor Stewart assumed the role of Chair for this discussion.

The Director of Community Development advised that this item is to seek approval from Council for a Special meeting on August 15, 2024, immediately before the regularly scheduled Council Committee meeting. The purpose of the Special Council meeting would be to conduct a Public Hearing and Second Reading for the application to consider amendments to the Central Colchester Land Use By-law and subsequent development agreement as approved earlier this evening at First Reading.

Moved by Councillor Boutilier, seconded by Councillor Sandeson

“That Council agrees to hold a Special Council meeting on August 15th for a Public Hearing and Second Reading and direct staff to proceed with necessary advertising.” Carried unanimously.

Reconsideration of Previous Decision on 6 Ventura Drive

Moved by Councillor Benoit, seconded by Councillor Parker

“That Council reconsider the motion at the March 27, 2024, Council meeting concerning 6 Ventura Drive.” Motion carried (*Councillors Cooper and Johnson opposed*).

Detailed discussion was held on the presentation from the Debert

Hospitality Centre at the June presentation meeting providing more information on circumstances for selling the property located at 6 Ventura Drive; the option for the Municipality to purchase; the said property being the gateway to the business park; and benefits of referring the issue to staff to further investigate. Concern was raised about crossing the MGA by supporting private business, as well as setting a precedence should Council agree to lift the covenants.

Moved by Councillor Benoit, seconded by Councillor Gregory

“That the matter concerning 6 Ventura Drive be referred back to staff.”
Carried unanimously.

Correspondence – ACTION

Barbara Fox (via Councillor Lomond)

Email dated May 30th regarding street lighting on Brown Road, Upper Economy.

Councillor Lomond agreed to go back to constituents in the area of Brown Road to seek signatures of residents in favour of proceeding with streetlights before bringing before Council.

Constable Terry Moser

Letter dated June 6, 2024, concerning a contribution for CEC Safe Grad Program.

Responding to a query on what was approved last year for Safe Grads, it was confirmed that \$500 was awarded to the five high schools. Discussion was held on the number of students attending and graduating from Ecole acadienne de Truro and the Christian Academy being significantly lower than the other three schools. Further discussion was held on whether the Christian Academy would be eligible for funding as it is private, however, the Municipal Solicitor confirmed that it is registered as not for profit.

Moved by Councillor Benoit, seconded by Councillor Patton

“That Council approves funding in the amount of \$500 for CEC, South Colchester Academy and Tatamagouche Regional Academy; and \$200 for Ecole acadienne de Truro and Christian Academy, for Safe Grad Programs.”
Carried unanimously.

Lynne Theriault, Directrice, Ecole acadienne de Truro

Email dated June 18, 2024, concerning a contribution for Ecole acadienne de Truro Safe Grad Program.

This item was addressed and motioned under the previous correspondence item.

Kevin Kennedy, Commissioner, Village of Bible Hill

Letter dated June 21, 2024, concerning Housing-enabling infrastructure.

Moved by Deputy Mayor Stewart, seconded by Councillor Johnson

“That the letter from Kevin Kennedy, Commissioner, Village of Bible Hill, concerning a collaborative approach for housing-enabling infrastructure be referred to staff.” Carried unanimously.

**Correspondence -
INFORMATION**

Development Officer	A copy of the Development Activity Report received from the Development Officer for May 2024.
Building Inspector	<p>A copy of Building Permit Statistics received from the Building Inspector for May 2024.</p> <p>Moved by Councillor Gregory, seconded by Councillor Cooper</p> <p>“That the reports from the Development Officer and Building Inspector be received.” Carried unanimously.</p>
The Honourable John Lohr, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing	<p>Copy of letter received June 12, 2024, concerning 12-months’ notice of any provincial legislation, regular or administrative actions that could have effect of decreasing revenues or increasing expenditures of municipalities.</p> <p>Discussion took place on an agreement between NSFM and the Province relative to 12-months’ notice that requires notifications to be more specific. The letter dated June 12th does not include specific information.</p> <p>Moved by Councillor Johnson, seconded by Councillor Cooper</p> <p>“That a letter be written to NSFM outlining the letter received from Minister Lohr concerning 12-Months’ Notice and request specifics as per the agreement with Province and NSFM.” Carried unanimously.</p>
Ursula Ryle-Gulliver and Patrons and Supporters of the Scotia Pool	<p>Letter and petition dated June 3, 2024, in support of Scotia Pool.</p> <p>Moved by Councillor Johnson, seconded by Councillor Cooper</p> <p>“That the letter and petition from Ursule Ryle-Gulliver, Patrons and Supporters in support of Scotia Pool be received.” Carried unanimously.</p>
Kevin Kennedy, Commissioner, Village of Bible Hill	<p>Letter dated June 18, 2024, regarding support of Scotia Pool.</p> <p>“That the letter from village of Bible Hill in support of Scotia Pool be received.” Motion carried (<i>Councillors Boutilier and Parker opposed</i>).</p>

INFORMATION ITEMS

2024 Municipal Election – Poll Locations	<p>This Information Item provided information regarding Polling Locations for the 2024 Municipal Election.</p> <p>Concern was raised by Councillor Cooper about the lack of polling locations within District 4. The Returning Officer indicated that internet connectivity is the issue as secure connections are required at all Polling Locations due to E-Voting. It was noted that voting by telephone was also an option as part of E-Voting.</p>
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Deer Study 2024

Due to lateness of meeting, this item was deferred to the August 15th Council Committee meeting.

Reports from Councillors

Copies of reports from the Mayor and Councillors were circulated in the package and 'On Table' for this evening's meeting.

CLOSED SESSION

Moved by Councillor Gregory, seconded by Councillor Parker

"That the meeting go into closed session at 10:41 pm." Carried unanimously.

Moved by Councillor Gregory, seconded by Councillor Benoit

"That the meeting reconvene in open session at 12:00 am." Carried unanimously.

**Contract Negotiations – MRF
Collective Bargaining**

During closed session, Councillor MacKenzie declared a conflict of interest and left the room for this item and as such, did not participate in voting on this motion.

Moved by Councillor Benoit, seconded by Councillor Johnson

"That Council approves the Collective Agreement for Local #4106, commencing July 1, 2023, and authorizes the Mayor and CAO to sign the Agreement." Carried unanimously.

**Property Matter – Dieppe
Avenue Housing Proposal**

Moved by Councillor Benoit, seconded by Councillor Gregory

"That Council approves entering into a purchase and sale agreement for the sale of .89 acres on Dieppe Ave. as discussed in Closed Session." Motion carried (*Councillors Boutilier and Parker opposed*).

ADJOURNMENT

Councillor Gregory motioned that the meeting adjourn at 12:02 am.

Tracey Veno
Recording Secretary