

SPECIAL 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, December 12, 2013 at 12:10 a.m., immediately following the regular session of Council Committee.

Roll Call

The roll was called with the following Councillors in attendance:

Mayor Bob Taylor, Chair	
Councillor Christine Blair	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 Doug MacInnes	District #9
Councillor Tom Taggart	District #10
Councillor Wade Parker	District #11

Purpose of Meeting

The main purpose of this meeting was to discuss two 'closed' session negotiation matters.

Approval of Agenda

Moved by Councillor Cavanaugh
Seconded by Councillor Gregory

"That the agenda for December 12, 2013 be approved with the following additions:

- Relocation of House, 13 Onslow Road - Additional Funds
- Regional Library Funding
- Municipal Climate Change Action Plan."

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Relocation of House, 13 Onslow Road - Additional Funds

Moved by Councillor Taggart
Seconded by Councillor Gibbs

"That Council authorizes the CAO to pay up to \$9,500 to cover the additional expenses incurred by the owners of 13 Onslow Road in relocating their home to accommodate the sidewalk construction project on Onslow Road."

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Regional Library Funding

Mr. Ramesh Ummat, Chief Administrative Officer, briefed Council on the most recent draft of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for the new regional library, including a list of revised

changes suggested by the Town of Truro. Council was in agreement with most of the changes as presented with the exception of clause #18. Council recommended that clause #18 end after b)(ii) and delete (iii), (iv) and (v). Although not part of the following motion, Council also raised a concern with the wording in clause #17, 'or the approval of an independent architect' and asked that this be changed to read 'or the approval of the Municipality'.

Moved by Councillor MacKenzie
Seconded by Councillor Stewart

"That Council accepts the revised changes from the Town of Truro on the Second Amendment to the Memorandum of Understanding for the Library Capital and Operating Costs, subject to the removal of clauses 18(iii), (iv) and (v)."

Motion Carried Unanimously.

**Municipal Climate
Change Action Plan**

Moved by Councillor Taggart
Seconded by Councillor Gregory

"That Council approves the Municipal Climate Change Action Plan being incorporated into the Municipal Sustainability Plan; and,

That Council write a letter to the Minister of Natural Resources requesting that information be provided concerning coastal mechanics and coastal erosion; and, that a Best Management Practices manual and training for coastal hardening be developed."

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Closed Session

Moved by Councillor Gibbs
Seconded by Councillor Gregory

"That the meeting go into closed session at 12:30 a.m."

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Moved by Councillor Cavanaugh
Seconded by Councillor Gregory

"That the meeting reconvene in open session at 1:07 a.m."

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Exhibition

Seconded by Councillor Cooper

“That Council authorizes Council Committee to deal with and make a decision on agreements regarding the Nova Scotia Provincial Exhibition Commission; and,

That staff be directed to carry out a financial audit, environmental site assessment (Phase 1) and structural assessment at an estimated cost of \$75,000, source of funds to be general operations as an unbudgeted expenditure.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

**Winding Down of
CoRDA**

Moved by Councillor MacInnes
Seconded by Councillor Parker

“That, as it is the consensus of the participating municipalities (Municipality of Colchester, Town of Truro and Town of Stewiacke) and the Board of the Colchester Regional Development Agency, beginning with the ceasing and transition of activities and operations to the participating municipalities as recommend, Council agrees to pursue the winding down of the Colchester Regional Development Agency and distribution of its remaining assets and liabilities as well as submission to the provincial legislature to wind down the Agency; and,

That Council authorizes Council Committee to appoint members to a Joint Expenditure Board to be set up by participating municipalities to take over the role and responsibilities of the Agency Board until such time as the Agency is formally wound down through legislation.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Adjournment

Moved by Councillor Cavanaugh
Seconded by Councillor Gregory

“That the meeting be adjourned at 1:10 a.m.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Sheila Arsenault
Recording Secretary