

SPECIAL COUNCIL COMMITTEE

A Special Session of Council Committee of the Municipality of the County of Colchester was held in the Courthouse, Truro, Nova Scotia, on Thursday, March 18, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call

The roll was called with the following Councillors in attendance:

Mayor Bob Taylor, Chair	
Councillor Christine Blair	District #1
Councillor Bill Masters	District #2
Councillor Gerald Buott	District #3
Councillor Mike Cooper	District #4
Councillor Glen Edwards	District #5
Councillor Karen MacKenzie	District #6
Deputy Mayor Ron Cavanaugh	District #8
Councillor Bob White	District #9
Councillor Tom Taggart	District #10
Councillor Earl McKenna	District #11

Regrets:

Councillor Jimmie LeFresne	District #7
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Purpose

The purpose of the meeting was to receive a presentation from staff regarding the draft “maintenance” budget. This is part of the budget process for 2010-11.

2010-11 “Maintenance” Budget

Mr. Dan McDougall, CAO, made a presentation concerning budget impacts and initiatives, the tax base and related calculations, and future issues.

Mr. Bruce Purchase, Director of Corporate Services made a presentation on the budget process, 2009-10 projections, 2010-11 budget, items of interest by responsibility, area, etc.

Council expressed a desire to conduct a comprehensive review of all municipal fees and permits for Council consideration in the future.

Council discussed the potential to conduct a review of the allowance for uncollectible tax accounts policy.

There was a discussion about the need to establish a budget estimate for area rates for year round solid waste collection on seasonal roads.

Recess

Moved by Councillor McKenna
Seconded by Councillor Buott

“That the meeting recess to an in-camera session at 11:15 p.m.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Moved by Councillor McKenna
Seconded by Councillor Buott

“That the meeting reconvene to open session at 12:03 a.m.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Adjournment

Moved by Councillor White
Seconded by Councillor McKenna

“That the meeting be adjourned at 12:05 a.m.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Dan McDougall
Chief Administrative Officer