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COUNCIL COMMITTEE

The Regular Session of Council Committee of the Municipality of the County of Colchester was held in the Courthouse, Truro, Nova Scotia on Thursday, April 12, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call

The roll was called with the following Councillors in attendance:

Mayor Bob Taylor	
Councillor Christine Blair	District #1
Councillor Bill Masters	District #2
Councillor Mike Cooper	District #4
Councillor Glen Edwards	District #5
Councillor Jimmie LeFresne	District #7
Deputy Mayor Ron Cavanaugh, Chair	District #8
Councillor Bob White	District #9
Councillor Tom Taggart	District #10
Councillor Earl McKenna	District #11

Regrets:

Councillor Gerry Buott	District #3
Councillor Karen MacKenzie	District #6

Approval of Agenda

Moved by Councillor McKenna
Seconded by Councillor Edwards

“That the agenda for April 12, 2012 be approved with the following additions/deletions:

- add 11b: Funding Announcement - New Compost Handling Facility
- add 11c: Former Maple Leaf School - Environmental Investigation (on table)
- delete under #12, Closed Session: Negotiations
- add under #12, Closed Session: Land Matter
- add 11d: New Tatamagouche Library.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Approval of Minutes

Moved by Councillor Cooper
Seconded by Councillor Buott

“That the minutes of the meetings held on March 8 and 15, 2012 be approved as circulated.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Business Arising from Minutes

There was no business arising from the minutes of the meetings held on March 8 and 15, 2012.

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Presentations

There were no public presentations received for this evening's meeting.

ACTION ITEMS

**Position Vacancy -
Network
Administrator**

Moved by Councillor White
Seconded by Councillor Cooper

“That Council Committee authorizes Administration to open competition for the position of Systems Analyst (Network Administrator) in accordance with the County's Personnel Policies.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

**Position Vacancy -
Emergency
Management
Coordinator**

Moved by Mayor Taylor
Seconded by Councillor Masters

“That Council Committee authorizes Administration to open competition for the position of Emergency Management Coordinator.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

**Regional Reliability
Committees**

Moved by Councillor McKenna
Seconded by Councillor Masters

“That Councillor Tom Taggart be appointed to the Regional Reliability Committee for the Colchester/Cumberland/East Hants Region.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Moved by Councillor Taggart
Seconded by Councillor Cooper

“That Councillor Bob White be appointed to the Regional Reliability Committee for the Colchester/Cumberland/East Hants Region.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

**Council Committee
and Council Meeting
Dates for 2012-13**

Moved by Councillor Blair
Seconded by Councillor Edwards

“That the schedule of Council and Council Committee regular sessions for the 2012-13 fiscal year be approved as presented.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

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Transfer of Funds

Moved by Councillor Masters
Seconded by Councillor Blair

“That Council Committee recommends to Council that \$101,500 be transferred from general operations in 2011-12 to the Operating Reserve Fund.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

**Disposition of Assets
- Star Screener**

Moved by Councillor Masters
Seconded by Councillor Cooper

“That Council Committee recommends to Council that staff be authorized to advise the Pictou County Planning Commission, in writing, that the Municipality of the County of Colchester does not object to disposing of the Erin Star Screener by sale in keeping with the provisions of the Pictou/Colchester Agreement, in particular Section #5 of that agreement; and,

That staff be further authorized to proceed to tender for the purchase of a new Trommel Screener for the Colchester Compost Facility.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

**Civic Centre -
Construction
Management &
General Contracting
Services Contract
with PCL**

Moved by Councillor Masters
Seconded by Councillor McKenna

“That Council Committee recommends to Council that the Mayor and CAO be authorized to execute the contract for Construction Management and General Contracting Services between PCL Contractors Canada, the Municipality of the County of Colchester and the Town of Truro.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

**Funding
Announcement -
New Compost
Handling Facility**

Mr. Wayne Wamboldt, Director of Solid Waste, provided a report on the federal/provincial funding announcement that was made today in Council Chambers. The Province and the Government of Canada will each contribute \$806,604, through the Building Canada Fund, to help build the new compost handling facility in Kempton. The Municipality will contribute \$2,651,621.

**INFORMATION
ITEMS****Former Maple Leaf
School -
Environmental
Investigation**

Mr. Ramesh Ummat, Director of Public Works, presented this Information Item, a copy of which was circulated on table for this evening’s meeting. Subsequent to direction received from Council in March, staff visited the school site on April 12th to inspect the property and interior of the building

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with a view to assess the potential of future environmental issues at the former school building site. They were accompanied by a School Board employee. This report is a preliminary investigation to highlight any potential environmental issues that could exist or that could be discovered, should Council decide to ask for a formal environmental assessment by a consultant/accredited laboratory.

Staff also noted that a proposal has been received from the Colchester Firefighters Association (CFFA) requesting that Council consider allowing CFFA to use the building for training, should a decision be made to accept the school and property and not demolish it.

To allow time to read the proposal from CFFA, staff recommended that it be put on the agenda for April Council and that a decision on both the acceptance of the school and proposal be made at that time.

Moved by Mayor Taylor
Seconded by Councillor Edwards

“That the former Maple Leaf School and proposal from the Colchester Firefighters Association be referred to April Council for decision.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

New Tatamagouche Library

Councillor LeFresne indicated that he was very pleased with the turnout at the official opening of the new library in Tatamagouche. There was representation from all four municipalities - Colchester, Truro, Stewiacke and East Hants.

Closed Session

Moved by Councillor McKenna
Seconded by Councillor White

“That the meeting go into closed session at 7:55 p.m.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Moved by Councillor McKenna
Seconded by Councillor White

“That the meeting reconvene in open session at 8:25 p.m.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

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Public Works
Full-Time Position

Moved by Mayor Taylor
Seconded by Councillor LeFresne

“That Council Committee approves and authorizes staff to fill the full-time position vacated due to the resignation of the full-time employee in Wastewater Collection.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Adjournment

Moved by Councillor McKenna
Seconded by Councillor White

“That the meeting be adjourned at 8:30 p.m.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Sheila Arsenault
Recording Secretary