

## MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

A Special Session of the Municipal Council of the Municipality of the County of Colchester was held in the Court House, Truro, N.S. on Thursday, August 10, 2000 at 7:00 p.m.

**Purpose of Meeting** The purpose of the meeting was to conduct a Public Hearing relative to an amendment to the Central Colchester MPS and LUB.

**Roll Call** The Roll was called with all Councillors present.

**Agenda** The Agenda was approved as presented.

**Public Hearing - Special Flood Plain Provisions, Farnham Road - Edward Avenue, Bible Hill** The Warden called the Public Hearing to order relative to the request for an amendment to the Central Colchester Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-law relating to Special Flood Plain provisions in the Farnham Road and Edward Avenue area of Bible Hill.

A staff report had been circulated to Council members and made available to the public.

The Clerk advised that all guidelines of the Municipal Government Act regarding advertising of the Public Hearing had been followed.

The Warden reminded Councillors that only those Councillors present throughout the entire hearing are permitted to vote, that in order for the amendment to pass it must receive a majority vote of the entire Council, that this public hearing is Council's opportunity to hear the application and every concern of area residents. Individual Councillors have an opportunity to debate the merits of the amendment when the motion is presented to Council.

Mr Paul Smith, Planner, summarized the application.

Mr. Charlie Wilson spoke briefly on behalf of residents of the area.

The Clerk advised that written submissions in support of the application were received from Mr. H.D. Boyce, the Village of Bible Hill and Earl D. McKenna and a letter in opposition was received from the Town of Truro.

The Warden called upon members of the public present who wished to make presentations.

Mr. Gordon Eaton, Salmon River, a member of the Flood Reduction Committee and JPAC felt that the recommendations of these committees should be followed through to fruition. Mr. George Norrie, a resident of North River, spoke in support of the application.

Mr. David Drummond, owner of Fundy Grinding, spoke in support of the issue, and requested that the line be extended to include his property. Mr. Drummond said he felt discriminated against and requested his amendment be added to the current amendment. The Solicitor explained that such a change would be substantive and could not be considered at this Hearing.

The Warden called for further public presentations and hearing none, declared the Public Hearing closed.

Moved by Councillor Merriam  
Seconded by Councillor Blair

“That the Farnham Road/Edward Avenue special flood plain amendments be made to the Central Colchester MPS & LUB as outlined in the Planners Report dated July 2000.” Motion carried

The Warden advised that this is a planning strategy amendment and implementing land use by-law amendment and accordingly there is no appeal to the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board. The amendment will require approval of the Minister of Housing and Municipal Affairs who has 60 days from the time he receives the certified copies of the amendment to act.

Council agreed that a positive letter outlining the basis of Council’s decision, be written to the Minister of Housing and Municipal Affairs. Council also agreed that the Planner’s Report not be included with this letter, but if the report is requested by the Minister, it will be supplied.

## **Adjournment**

Moved by Councillor Baas  
Seconded by Councillor Taylor

“That the meeting be adjourned.” Motion carried.

K. Ann Fiddes  
Deputy Clerk