

June 28, 2001

July 4, 2001

## MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

A Regular Session of the Municipal Council of the Municipality of the County of Colchester was held in the Court House, Truro, N.S. on Thursday, June 28, 2001 at 7:00 p.m. Due to a disruption of power, the Council was recessed after partial completion of the agenda and was reconvened again on July 4, 2001 at 7:00 p.m.

### Roll Call

The roll was called with the following Councillors in attendance:

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| Mayor Mike Smith, Chair    |              |
| Councillor Bob Taylor      | District #1  |
| Deputy Mayor Hugh Matheson | District #3  |
| Councillor Richard Elliott | District #4  |
| Councillor Glen Edwards    | District #5  |
| Councillor Ron Cavanaugh   | District #6  |
| Councillor Soley Lynds     | District #8  |
| Councillor Keith Baas      | District #9  |
| Councillor Doug Cooke      | District #10 |
| Councillor Earl McKenna    | District #11 |

Absent:

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| Councillor Bill Masters    | District #2 |
| Councillor Jimmie LeFresne | District #7 |

### Note from Clerk:

Councillors Masters and LeFresne were both present at the July 4, 2001 Council session. Councillor Elliott was present for the June 28<sup>th</sup> portion of the meeting but was absent on July 4<sup>th</sup>.

**Public Hearing -  
Brian Phelan, 308  
Pictou Road, Mharbe  
Rafih, 332 Pictou  
Road**

Mayor Smith called the public hearing to order respecting municipal planning strategy and land use by-law amendments relating to permitted uses and the use of site plan approvals in the C-3 community commercial zone. The text for the proposed amendments to the Central Colchester Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-law had been circulated to Council members and made available to the general public.

The Clerk, Mr. Gary MacIsaac, advised that all guidelines of the Municipal Government Act regarding advertising of the public hearing had been followed.

Mayor Smith 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. Staff are present at this hearing to answer any technical questions that may arise.

Mr. Paul Smith, Planner, presented a brief overview of the two applications, one from Mr. Brian Phelan and one from Mharbe Rafih. Both properties are presently zoned C-3 community commercial. Mr. Phelan's application for amendments would allow the construction of a 12-unit apartment building on property located at 308 Pictou Road. Mr. Rafih's application proposes the establishment of a home as a special care facility in an existing structure located on property at 332 Pictou Road. Both requests are similar in that the applicants are requesting Council to consider changes to permitted uses in the Community Commercial (C-3) Zone.

Mr. Mharbe Rafih informed Council that the building located at 332 Pictou Road was formerly occupied by two doctors but has been vacant for sometime. Due to local interest in having this facility used as a nursing home, Mr. Rafih approached the County to see how this could happen and was informed that changes would have to be made to the C-3 zoning. He felt the facility would benefit the community by providing a service to the public as well as employing people in the community.

In the absence of Councillor Masters, Mr. MacIsaac read a report from the Planning Advisory Committee meeting held on June 7, 2001. A copy of this report had been circulated to Council members prior to this hearing.

Mr. MacIsaac advised that no written submissions have been received in support of these applications.

In response to Mayor Smith's call for public presentations, the following were received:

Mabel Reid, Fielding Avenue: Ms. Reid's question concerned the difference between what Mr. Rafih is proposing and what the facility was used for in 1998. Ms. Reid also registered concern that this could encourage others to make applications for amendments to the C-3

zoning.

Christine Blair, Resident and Commissioner for the Village of Bible Hill:

Ms. Blair asked for an explanation as to why this issue is coming to Council now in the middle of a planning review and why the APAC is not handling the matter. Mr. Smith indicated that both applications were intended to be dealt with under the planning review process; however, the delay in the completion date of the review by another year has prompted Council to deal with a number of policy amendments in the interest of time considerations. The APAC/PAC has reviewed these applications and subsequently referred them to Council for approval.

As there were no further presentations, Mayor Smith then asked the applicant, Mr. Rafih, if he would like to make a statement. Mr. Rafih assured Council that whatever is done to the property would be in accordance with what is allowable by the County's Building Inspector and Development Officer.

Mayor Smith called for questions from Councillors and indicated that this is the last opportunity for the public to join in the discussion. As there were no further questions received, the following motion was received:

Moved by Councillor McKenna  
Seconded by Councillor Taylor

“That Colchester County Council approve amendments to the Central Colchester Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-law affecting properties designated “Community Commercial” in Bible Hill as described in the Planning Report and Recommendation dated May 2001 as amended by the Committee.”

Motion Carried.

Mayor Smith advised that this is a planning strategy amendment and implementing land use by-law amendment and accordingly, there will be no appeal to the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board. The amendments must be reviewed by the Provincial Director of Planning and may require approval of the Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations. Notice of such a decision can be expected within 30 days.

As there was no further business, Mayor Smith declared the public hearing closed.

**Variance Appeal -  
12876 Highway #2**

Mayor Smith stated this variance appeal hearing is called for Council to adjudicate an appeal of the Development Officer's decision not to issue a minor variance to a property located at 12876 Highway #2.

Pam MacIntosh, Development Officer, briefed Council on the reasons for her refusing to grant a variance to this property by referring to her notification to property owners dated June 14, 2001. Reasons for refusal were the request violates the intent of the Central Colchester Land Use By-law and also to protect adjacent property owners.

Mr. Bruce Ernest, owner of the property and automobile repair business, indicated that the addition he is requesting would be used for storage/office space. He also stated that to build the addition on either side of the garage would not be convenient due to the location of septic, driveway, etc. so the choice was to build to the rear of the building.

As there were no presentations received from the public, the following motion was received:

Moved by Councillor Baas  
Seconded by Councillor Lynds

"That the Municipality allow the minor variance appeal of Mr. Bruce Ernest regarding the rear yard setback at 12876 Highway #2."

Motion Carried.

As there was no further business, Mayor Smith declared the hearing closed.

**Approval of Agenda**

Moved by Councillor Elliott  
Seconded by Councillor Edwards

"That the agenda be approved with the following additions:

- 13b: Hilden School Property
- 13c: August Council Committee Date
- 13d: Street Light at Corner of Branch Road and Sunnybrook  
(District 8)
- 13e: Unsightly Premises - 105 Brookside Road
- 15b: Community Health Board
- 15c: Canada Day
- 16.2: Negotiations"

Motion Carried.

**Minutes**

Moved by Councillor Baas  
Seconded by Councillor Taylor

“That the minutes of meeting held on May 31, 2001 be approved as circulated.”

Motion Carried.

**Business Arising  
from Minutes**

Councillor Baas inquired whether a Councillor is permitted to contact other Councillors to determine if minutes or an item within the minutes are correct. Mayor Smith indicated this is allowed.

**Presentations**

**Elroy Hanes**

Mr. Elroy Hanes made a presentation to Council concerning his property located at 1259 Highway #2. Mr. Hanes stated that the purpose of his presentation was to get the non-conformity use (recycling) of his property back in operation. At this point, Mr. Hanes circulated to Councillors a copy of his request and other correspondence, including a petition.

Mr. Dennis James, Solicitor, advised that Council is unable to legally grant such a request.

Since June 1999, Mr. Hanes has submitted three rezoning applications, all of which have been turned down. Mr. Hanes was informed that if he wants to apply for rezoning, it would have to be significantly different from previous applications.

Moved by Deputy Mayor Matheson  
Seconded by Councillor Cooke

“That the request from Mr. Hanes to amend the non-conformity use on his property at 1259 Highway #2 to allow him to use the baler without rezoning be denied.”

Motion Carried.

**Brookfield Sewage  
Treatment Plant**

Due to a power outage in Council Chambers at 8:15 p.m., Council agreed to move ahead to Item 12 on the agenda, Brookfield Sewage Treatment Plant.

Moved by Deputy Mayor Matheson  
Seconded by Councillor Elliott

“That the Municipality proceed with a Request for Proposals to investigate design/build options for the Brookfield Sewage Treatment Plant; and,

That the following criteria be approved during evaluation of the design/build proposals:

1. Quality of design and construction of the facility
2. Degree of proven technology, technical innovation and the track record of proponent associated with the design and construction of similar facilities
3. Extent to which the tenderer has addressed noise and odour mitigation, adaptability to future expansions, emergency plans in case of upset conditions and overall aesthetics
4. Capital cost, operation and maintenance costs
5. Cost of project in comparison to the Shadow Bid
6. Soundness of control and monitoring mechanisms”

Motion Carried.

### **Canada Day**

Councillor Taylor stated that Canada Day celebrations in Bible Hill will start with a parade at 1:00 p.m. on July 1<sup>st</sup>, followed by opening ceremonies at 3:00 p.m. at the Bible Hill Recreational Park on College Road. Councillor McKenna will serve as Parade Marshall this year.

### **Recess**

As the power had not been restored, Council agreed to recess at 9:05 p.m. and to reconvene on Wednesday, July 4, 2001 at 7:00 p.m. When the meeting reconvened on July 4, 2001, all Councillors were in attendance with the exception of Councillor Elliott. The meeting began with Deputy Mayor Matheson in the Chair until arrival of Mayor Smith at 8:00 p.m.

### **Staff Presentations**

#### **RRFB Derelict Vehicle Program**

**Mr. Gary MacIsaac, CAO**, referred to correspondence received in May from the RRFB which was subsequently referred to Council Committee. In this letter, RRFB announced the allocation of funds in the amount of \$100,000 for the current fiscal year to assist in the recovery of derelict vehicles with interested municipalities on a 50/50 cost shared basis. Under the current RRFB program, the process is as follows:

- S** residents call the RRFB hotline
- S** RRFB will provide the phone number of an auto salvage dealer closest to them. The dealer will only pick up the car if it is

- worth something to them (the dealers are not being paid by anyone so they are not obligated to pick up the vehicles)
- S** If the dealer will not pick up the vehicle, residents are told that RRFB is cost sharing with municipalities 50/50 for the recovery of derelict vehicles. Residents may then call the Municipal Office to pick up the vehicle. The Municipal Office may choose to pay the dealer to pick it up

The County has not had a derelict vehicle program since 1993-94 at which time, it was cost shared 50/50 with the Department of Environment. At that time, some 250-300 vehicles per year were picked up.

It is recommended that if Council is interested in pursuing this cost-sharing program, that it be brought forward at budget time next year.

Moved by Councillor Masters  
Seconded by Councillor Lynds

“That this issue be referred to staff for further study and brought forward next year at budget time.”

Motion Carried.

### Correspondence

Council recommended the following ‘Correspondence’ items be moved from Information to Action:

- S** No. 9: letter from N.S. Department of Environment and Labour requesting written submissions on the proposed Storm Drainage Works Approval Policy
- S** No. 18: letter from Rick Walker concerning South Colchester Development Association’s surrender of incorporation certificate and winding up process
- S** No. 19: letter from Jack Layton enclosing highlights from FCM annual conference

### ACTION

**Allan J. Baird, Old  
Tatamagouche Road**

A letter to the Mayor and Councillors dated May 16, 2001 from **Allan J. Baird, Old Tatamagouche Road**, concerning tax incentive for septic tank pumping.

Moved by Councillor Taylor  
Seconded by Councillor Edwards

“That the letter from Mr. Baird concerning tax incentive for septic tank pumping be referred to Council Committee.”

Motion Carried.

**Doug MacKenzie,  
Secretary, Salmon  
River Fire  
Commission**

A letter to the CAO dated June 7, 2001 from **Doug MacKenzie, Secretary, Salmon River Fire Commission**, concerning response time to the south of Prince Street area if railway crossing was blocked by a train.

Moved by Councillor Edwards  
Seconded by Councillor Taylor

“That the letter from Mr. MacKenzie concerning response time to the south of Prince Street area if railway crossing was blocked by a train be referred to Council Committee and an invitation be extended to the Salmon River Fire Commission to make a presentation at that time.”

Motion Carried.

**Mharbe Rafih, Pictou  
Road**

A letter to the County from **Mharbe Rafih, Pictou Road**, requesting that properties on Pictou Road be rezoned to C1 during the current Planning Strategy Review.

Moved by Councillor Taylor  
Seconded by Councillor McKenna

“That Mr. Rafih be advised that the Municipality is not prepared to refer his request to PAC at this time and that no further action will be taken until he submits a formal application.”

Motion Carried.

**Lubin G. Bourque,  
President, Children’s  
Aid Society and  
Family Services of  
Colchester County**

A letter to the Municipality dated June 18, 2001 from **Lubin G. Bourque, President, Children’s Aid Society and Family Services of Colchester County**, concerning municipal appointments to the Society’s Board of Directors.

Council agreed not to pursue this matter any further as the Municipality’s mandate no longer involves social services.

**Barry Hutt,  
Chairman, TrueFel  
Building Society**

A letter to the Mayor and Council dated June 25, 2001 from **Barry Hutt, Chairman, TrueFel Building Society**, concerning rezoning property on the corner of Pictou Road and St. David’s Avenue from residential to institutional.

Moved by Councillor Cavanaugh  
Seconded by Councillor Edwards

“That the letter from Mr. Hutt concerning rezoning property on the corner of Pictou Road and St. David’s Avenue from residential to institutional be referred to PAC and the CAO be authorized to set a public hearing date.”

Motion Carried.

**Elroy Hanes**

A letter to Council dated June 21, 2001 from **Elroy Hanes** requesting that his property at 1259 Highway #2-Recycling Depot, existing non-conforming use (legal) be back in operation to allow him to recycle plastics in the area.

As this issue was addressed under “Presentations” above, it was felt that no further action was required.

**Danny Chaplin,  
President, Brookfield  
& Area Emergency  
Response Service  
(BAERS)**

A letter to the Mayor and Council dated June 27, 2001 from **Danny Chaplin, Brookfield and Area Emergency Response Service (BAERS)**, requesting BAERS’ recently acquired emergency response vehicle be registered in the name of the Municipality of Colchester.

Moved by Councillor Cavanaugh  
Seconded by Councillor Cooke

“That the letter from Mr. Chaplin requesting BAERS’ recently acquired emergency response vehicle be registered in the name of the Municipality of Colchester be referred to Council Committee.”

Motion Carried.

**N.S. Department of  
Environment and  
Labour**

A notice to all Nova Scotians dated June 12, 2001 from the **N.S. Department of Environment and Labour**, requesting written submissions on the proposed Storm Drainage Works Approval Policy by July 20, 2001.

Moved by Councillor Baas  
Seconded by Councillor Lynds

“That the notice from the N.S. Department of Environment and Labour requesting written submissions on the proposed Storm Drainage Works Approval Policy be referred to Council Committee.”

Motion Carried.

In preparation for this meeting, staff are requested to determine if this policy will enhance or inhibit the County's abilities to provide this service.

**Rick Walker, South Colchester Development Association**

An e-mail to the CAO dated June 21, 2001 from **Rick Walker, South Colchester Development Association**, concerning the Association's surrender of incorporation certificate and winding up process.

Councillor Taylor advised that the South Colchester Development Association will continue to be in operation with a new Executive. The new Executive has met with CoRDA and received direction on what its next steps should be.

**Jack Layton, President, Federation of Canadian Municipalities**

A copy of a letter dated June 22, 2001 from **Jack Layton, President, Federation of Canadian Municipalities**, containing a message from Mr. Layton as newly appointed President of the Federation and enclosing highlights from the FCM annual conference.

Councillor Edwards requested this letter be included as part of information item No. 15 on the agenda.

#### INFORMATION

**Michael Wilson, Chair, Canadian Council for Public-Private Partnerships**

A letter to Mayor Smith dated May 23, 2001 from **Michael Wilson, Chair, Canadian Council for Public-Private Partnerships**, concerning Canada-wide public-private partnership initiatives (documents on file in Clerk's office). Council agreed to receive this letter for information purposes.

**Ronald Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works**

A letter to Mayor Smith dated May 29, 2001 from **Ronald Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works**, enclosing a copy of a document titled "Nova Scotia's Primary and Secondary Highway Systems: 10-Year Needs". Council agreed to receive this letter for information purposes.

**Service N.S. and Municipal Relations**

A copy of Community Transportation Assistance Program (CTAP) Dispatch newsletter from **Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations**, premier edition on the CTAP initiatives and successful projects already underway across the province. Council agreed to receive this newsletter for information purposes.

**Dennis Kelly, Director of Operations, N.S. Department of Justice**

A copy of a memorandum dated June 4, 2001 from **Dennis Kelly, Director of Operations, N.S. Department of Justice**, enclosing a copy of the Governance Reference Manual (copy of manual on file in Clerk's office). Council agreed to receive this memorandum for information purposes.

**Gordon Balsler,  
Minister Responsible  
for Petroleum  
Directorate**

A copy of a letter dated June 4, 2001 from **Gordon Balsler, Minister Responsible for Petroleum Directorate**, on recent developments regarding the local distribution of natural gas in Nova Scotia. Council agreed to receive this letter for information purposes.

**Keith Hunter,  
Warden, County of  
Cumberland**

A copy of a letter to Mayor Anna Allen dated June 8, 2001 from **Keith Hunter, Warden, County of Cumberland**, concerning an approved motion to express opposition to the UNSM not to entertain meetings with Towns' Caucus Group. Council agreed to receive this letter for information purposes.

**R. Dauphinee,  
Warden, Municipality  
of West Hants**

A copy of a letter to Mayor Anna Allen from **R. Dauphinee, Warden, Municipality of West Hants**, restating West Hant's opposition to the UNSM equalization proposal. Council agreed to receive this letter for information purposes.

**John Burrett,  
A/Director, Policy &  
Public Affairs, FCM**

A copy of a Member Advisory dated June 12, 2001 from **John Burrett, A/Director, Policy & Public Affairs, FCM**, regarding procedures for submitting national resolutions for debate at the September Board of Directors' meeting. Council agreed to receive this correspondence for information purposes.

**Robert Stead,  
Mayor, Town of  
Wolfville**

A letter to Mayor Anna Allen dated June 18, 2001 from **Robert Stead, Mayor, Town of Wolfville**, indicating Wolfville's support of the UNSM equalization proposal. Council agreed to receive this letter for information purposes.

**Kathy Van Buskirk,  
Maritimes &  
Northeast Pipeline**

A copy of a press release dated June 19, 2001 from **Kathy Van Buskirk, Maritimes & Northeast Pipeline**, announcing MNP's signing agreements to transport natural gas to markets in Atlantic Canada and New England. Council agreed to receive this press release for information purposes.

**Building Inspector**

A copy of the Building Permit Statistics Report from the **Building Inspector** for the month of May 2001. Council agreed to receive this report for information purposes.

**Development Officer**

A copy of the Development Activity Report from the **Development Officer**, for the month of May 2001. Council agreed to receive this report for information purposes.

**David Darrow,  
Executive Director,  
Municipal Services,  
Service N.S. &  
Municipal Relations**

A copy of a letter dated June 14, 2001 from **David Darrow, Executive Director, Municipal Services, Service N.S. and Municipal Relations**, expressing this Department's satisfaction with the Gates' report on gas utility taxation. Council agreed to receive this letter for information purposes.

**David Morse,  
Minister of  
Environment and  
Labour**

A letter to Mayor Smith dated June 15, 2001 from **David Morse, Minister of Environment and Labour**, in response to the Mayor's letter concerning litter problems on the County streets and roads. Council agreed to receive this letter for information purposes.

**Gary Rankin,  
CAO/Town Clerk,  
Town of New  
Glasgow**

A copy of a letter to Premier Hamm dated June 12, 2001 from **Gary Rankin, CAO/Town Clerk, Town of New Glasgow**, requesting delay in downloading assessment cost recovery until fiscal year 2002-03. Council agreed to receive this letter for information purposes.

**CoRDA**

A copy of minutes from **CoRDA** from a Board meeting held on May 15, 2001. Council agreed to receive these minutes for information purposes.

**Mayor Anna Allen,  
President, UNSM**

A copy of a letter dated June 26, 2001 from **Mayor Anna Allen, President, UNSM**, concerning the status of the 90-day Roles and Responsibilities Review Project. Council agreed to receive this letter for information purposes.

**Council Committee  
Reports &  
Recommendations**

**Council Committee  
Reports**

Deputy Mayor Matheson presented the report from the Council Committee meeting held on June 14, 2001 which consisted of the following motions:

**Sewage Treatment  
Plant-  
Decommissioning,  
Old Court House  
Branch**

Moved by Councillor Masters  
Seconded by Councillor McKenna

“That Council approves the decommissioning of the Old Court House Branch sewage treatment plant and the sewage flow be diverted to the trunk sewer by laying a new pipe for the connection. The approved funding for this project to be \$30,000, with source of funds to be the General Operating Budget; and,

That the Municipality conveys back to Mrs. Isobel D. Scammell the parcel of land described in Appendix “A” of the deed dated August 23, 1976 with reservations to the Municipality relating to access to new and existing public sewer infrastructure by way of right-of-way and/or easement, and that the Mayor and CAO be authorized to execute all necessary documents relating to this conveyance.”

Motion Carried.

**Donation of Property  
- Broderick Lane,  
Five Islands**

Mr. MacIsaac referred to a memorandum to the Mayor and Councillors on this matter, a copy of which has been circulated. Staff are recommending that Council defer consideration of the Committee recommendation until the August 30<sup>th</sup> Council session to allow a title search to be undertaken before accepting the property.

Moved by Councillor Masters  
Seconded by Councillor Baas

“That the Municipality accepts the two parcels of land donated by Ms. Gertrude E. Jenkins which are located on Broderick Lane, Five Islands.”

Motion **Deferred**.

**School Playground  
Development Policy**

Moved by Councillor Masters  
Seconded by Councillor Taylor

“That Council approves the School Playground Development Policy as amended. Amendment to recognize retroactive applications for equipment purchased up to two years ago (April 1999); and,

That the Municipality ensures that school policy allows for the playground equipment to be available to the community after hours; and,

That Council authorizes the Mayor to send a letter to the School Board requesting its consideration of matching funds for the purchase of playground equipment for elementary schools in the County.”

Motion Carried.

**Street Light -  
Stewart’s Bridge  
(District 8 Side)**

Moved by Councillor Masters  
Seconded by Councillor Lynds

“That Council authorizes the installation of a street light on the District 8 side of Stewart’s Bridge to be funded out of the general rate.”

Motion Carried.

**Executive Committee**

There was no business arising from the minutes of an Executive Committee meeting held on June 20, 2001.

**Nominating  
Committee Report**

At its meeting on June 28, 2001, the Nominating Committee recommended that Councillor Keith Baas represent the County on the UNESCO Biosphere Designation Committee.

Moved by Councillor McKenna  
Seconded by Councillor Masters

“That Council approves the recommendation of the Nominating Committee that Councillor Keith Baas represent the County on the UNESCO Biosphere Designation Committee.”

Motion Carried.

**Audit Committee**

There was no business arising from the Audit Committee report from its meeting held on May 31, 2001.

**Planning Advisory Committee**

Councillor McKenna requested an explanation on “changes to proposed amendments” referred to in Item 1 of PAC’s report to Council. Councillor Masters indicated there was a concern about the building height that would be allowed. PAC’s recommendation was not to exceed two stories.

Referring to Item 2,258 Pictou Road, Councillor Masters reported that the applicant understood that if his business operation became too large, that he would have to move it to a different property. Applicant has not yet received approval of the amendment. Staff have been instructed to bring back to PAC an amended planning report and recommendation to be considered at the next meeting.

**Joint Expenditure Board**

A meeting of the Joint Expenditure Board was held to review the status of shared assets and programs.

**Reports from Councillors Appointed to Outside Boards and Agencies**

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Library Board

Councillor Cooke attended a meeting of the Library Board on June 27, 2001. The meeting began with staff awards to employees with 15-20 years service, followed by the Board’s annual and regular meetings. The Board is still considering moving into the old Normal College building.

CoRDA

Councillor Taylor provided Council with an update on the latest CoRDA activities:

- S** first meeting of an organizational review with the Community Development Association on June 13, the priority issue being structure and reporting relationships between CoRDA and the CDA’s.
- S** second meeting re nominating the Bay of Fundy as a UNESCO

Biosphere reserve. Proposal being submitted to federal and provincial partners to obtain financial and human resources for this initiative

- S CoRDA's annual general meeting held on June 19th
- S CoRDA's business plan presented to CPDS Board

Meeting with Bill Langille, MLA, Colchester North

Mayor Smith briefed Council on a meeting he attended in Bill Langille's office on July 3, 2001 concerning the reconstruction of College Road. Also in attendance were Councillors McKenna and Taylor and eight residents. Mr. Langille confirmed that College Road is now a No. 1 priority; however, it will be difficult with other obligations in the area. The estimated cost for total reconstruction of the two kilometre stretch on College Road is estimated to cost \$600,000. Citizens agreed to do a business proposal with input from Council and Mr. Langille which will be forwarded to Minister Russell. Minister Russell will also be invited to inspect this section of College Road, preferably in January/February of next year when the Road is at its worst.

Regional Emergency Measures Advisory Committee (REMAC)

Mr. MacIsaac indicated this report should have been noted under the "Standing Committee Reports and Recommendations" section of the agenda.

Referring to an item in the minutes on the status of the Emergency Measures By-law, the following motion was received:

Moved by Mayor Smith  
Seconded by Councillor McKenna

"That Council endorse the letter being sent to the Honourable Jamie Muir and the position therein, requesting the Minister designate the three (3) municipalities as one (1) municipality in accordance with Section 9-B of the Emergency Measures Act."

Motion Carried.

Truro and Area Community Health Board

Mayor Smith circulated a brochure to Council concerning the Truro and Area Community Health Board. The Board is seeking new members for anyone interested. Councillor LeFresne reported that he already sits on the Board for the Colchester North area.

**Camp Debert  
Property**

Moved by Councillor Baas  
Seconded by Councillor Edwards

“That the Mayor and CAO be authorized to contact the Province to determine the status of this project; and,

That Council instruct staff to invite Mr. Julian or a representative of the Confederacy of Mainland Mi-kmaq to make another presentation at a future meeting.”

Motion Carried.

**Former School  
Property - Hilden**

Moved by Deputy Mayor Matheson  
Seconded by Councillor Masters

“That the Municipality enter into the deed with the School Board as

presented and the Mayor and CAO be authorized to execute the deed.”

Motion Carried.

**August Council  
Committee Date**

Council agreed that August 16<sup>th</sup> would be the date of the next Council Committee meeting rather than August 9, 2001.

**Street Light at Corner  
of Branch and  
Sunnybrook Roads  
(District 8)**

Councillor Lynds has received a request from Paul Richards concerning the street light at the intersection of Branch and Sunnybrook Roads. Mr. Richards has been paying for this light since its installation and plans to have it removed.

Moved by Councillor Lynds  
Seconded by Councillor Cavanaugh

“That the issue of having the street light at the intersection of Branch and Sunnybrook Roads be paid out of the general rate be referred to Council Committee.”

Motion Carried.

In preparation for this meeting, staff are requested to provide information relevant to this intersection, i.e. photographs, traffic control statistics, and whether it meets County policy on ‘critical’ area.

**Unightly Premises -  
105 Brookside Road**

Councillor Cavanaugh expressed concern over the length of time involved in getting results from a dangerous and unsightly complaint filed against property located at 105 Brookside Road. Subsequent discussion concerned the lack of any mechanism in place whereby the complainants could appeal the Building Inspector's decision.

Council agreed to have the CAO contact the parties involved to inform them of the proposed amendments to the County's Dangerous and Unightly Premises Policy, to propose a date to them for Council members to view the site in question, and to give all parties an opportunity to return to Council.

**Tender - Truck for  
Utility Services**

This "information" item was presented to advise Council of the results of the tender issued for the purchase of a truck for utility services. Two bids were received and the tender was awarded to Pye Chev Olds, Truro, for \$28,528 (net HST).

**FCM Reports**

This "information" item attached reports from delegates attending the 2001 FCM Conference in Banff, Alberta, including a report from Jack Layton, President, FCM

**Recess**

Council agreed to recess to an In-Camera meeting at 8:45 p.m. Following the In-Camera meeting, Council reconvened in open session with all Councillors in attendance.

**Adjournment**

Moved by Councillor Edwards  
Seconded by Councillor Cooke

"That the meeting be adjourned at 10:51 p.m."

Motion Carried.

Sheila Arsenault  
Deputy Clerk