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**Presentations**

**Truro Sanitation - Bob Brown, General Manager and Jamie Coulter, Operations Manager**

Mr. Brown indicated that the goal of his presentation was to request that Council consider reinserting the bag size back into the Solid Waste By-law. Some reasons and benefits that were mentioned for limiting the bag size included fewer bags that residents have to buy, reduce the potential for weight problems, easily fits into garbage truck hoppers, and there has been no public outcry for change.

The main issue with larger bags is the potential for increased weight. Mr. Brown pointed out some negative impacts including more material going into the Balefill, increased potential to avoid recycling, and the possibility of more rejected bags resulting in more unhappy residents.

Safety concerns for drivers handling heavier bags was also addressed. Unlimited bag size can open the door to heavier bags. The increased weight can create greater risk for injuries to drivers. The waste industry already has one of the highest WCB ratings for injuries.

Mr. Brown briefly commented on bag colour regulations. He indicated that blue bags used for recyclables and clear bags for garbage would provide easy identification of materials for the drivers.

Mr. Coulter gave a brief demonstration showing the different sized bags and potential for increased weight. He indicated that depending on the content, three or four of the regular sized bags could fit into one of the larger bags thus increasing the potential for more weight, as well as more garbage and banned materials going to the Balefill.

Moved by Councillor Masters  
Seconded by Councillor Buott

“That the presentation from Truro Sanitation be received.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

**Standing Committee  
Reports and  
Recommendations**

Deputy Mayor Cavanaugh presented a report from the Council Committee meeting held on September 15, 2011:

**Active  
Transportation  
Strategy - Local  
Financing Options  
and Municipal**

No motions for Council approval at this time. A staff presentation reviewing the Council Committee recommendation for a single active transportation rate with no contribution from the general rate; and, proposed content for public meetings will be placed on the Council Committee agenda for October. Subsequent to the public meetings,

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**Financing Options**

formal Council approval of recommended finance methods will occur.

**Repaving of Vimy Road and Dresden Way - Debert**

Moved by Deputy Mayor Cavanaugh  
Seconded by Councillor White

“That Council approves the construction project of Repaving of Vimy Road and Dresden Way in Debert at an estimated cost of \$295,000, source of funds being Road Repaving Reserve Fund.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

**Maggie’s Place**

Moved by Deputy Mayor Cavanaugh  
Seconded by Councillor Edwards

“That Council approves a contribution of \$1,000 to Maggie’s Place in support of the Salmon River Parent and Tot Playgroup, source of funds to be general operations as an unbudgeted expenditure.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

**Executive And Audit Committee**

There was no business arising from the minutes of the Executive and Audit Committee meeting held on September 1, 2011.

**ACTION ITEMS**

**Solid Waste By-law**

Mr. Dan McDougall, CAO, explained that notice of intent to consider second reading of a by-law must be published at least 14 days prior to second reading taking place. The notice for Second Reading of the Solid Waste By-law didn’t make the local newspaper in time to meet the minimum 14 day requirement, therefore, cannot be considered by Council until October Committee.

Moved by Councillor Buott  
Seconded by Councillor Masters

“That Council authorizes October Council Committee to make a final decision with regard to Second Reading of the Solid Waste By-law.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Moved by Councillor Buott  
Seconded by Councillor Cooper

“That Council approves the draft Chapter # 33 Solid Waste By-law, be amended prior to going forward for Second Reading as follows:

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- Section 28(5) and (8) - reinsert the bag size.”

Motion Carried. *(Councillor White opposed)*

**Meadow Drive**

Councillor Masters raised the concern about the condition of Meadow Drive. This was brought up about a year and a half ago and, at that time, the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal and the area MLA were contacted. The road did get soft patched with intent to address the issue in the next year or so. Nothing further has been done and the condition of the road is now worse and needs to be addressed.

Moved by Councillor Masters  
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Cavanaugh

“That Council approves that a letter be written to the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal and MLA about the condition of Meadow Drive and the need for it to be paved.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

**Tipping Fees for Large Items**

Councillor Cooper raised a concern about tipping fees for larger items being taken to the Balefill. Mr. Wayne Wamboldt, Director of Solid Waste, advised that there is no tipping fee for larger items for residents of Colchester County. There is a tipping fee for renovation waste.

**Correspondence**

**ACTION**

**Iris Almeida-Coté,  
President & CEO,  
Canada World  
Youth**

A letter to the Mayor dated June 15, 2011 from **Iris Almeida-Coté, President & CEO, Canada World Youth**, requesting that the week of October 17 to 23, 2011 be proclaimed Canada World Youth Week.

Moved by Councillor McKenna  
Seconded by Councillor Buott

“That Council approves the week of October 17 to 23, 2011 being proclaimed Canada World Youth Week in Colchester County.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

**David Stevenson,  
President,  
Colchester-  
Cumberland  
Windfield Inc.**

A letter to the Mayor dated August 29, 2011 from **David Stevenson, President, Colchester-Cumberland Windfield Inc.**, requesting Council to pass a resolution in support of the Spiddle Hill #2 development as evidence of community support.

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Moved by Councillor Edwards  
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Cavanaugh

“That Council approves that a letter of support be written to Colchester-Cumberland Windfield Inc. in support of their application to the Community Feed-In Tarriff (COMFIT) Program for the Spiddle Hill #2 Turbine Development Project being undertaken in Colchester County.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

**Angus J. Bonnyman,  
President,  
Bonnyman House  
Limited**

A letter to the Mayor and Council concerning a rezoning request for the property located at 317 Main Street, Tatamagouche.

Moved by Councillor White  
Seconded by Councillor Edwards

“That the request for rezoning for the property located at 317 Main Street, Tatamagouche, be referred to the Tatamagouche Planning Advisory Committee.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

**Michael Isenor,  
Manager, Brookside  
Abattoir Co-op Ltd.  
and  
Northumberland  
Lamb Marketing  
Co-op Ltd.  
(Northumberland)**

A letter and rezoning application dated September 27, 2011, addressed to the Mayor, requesting a zoning change from R2 to Industrial to allow for a building permit; and a letter of support from the Nova Scotia Federation of Agriculture regarding this application.

Moved by Councillor White  
Seconded by Councillor Blair

That the rezoning application requesting a zoning change from R2 to Industrial to allow for a building permit be referred to the Planning Advisory Committee.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

#### INFORMATION

**Building Inspector**

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

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**Development Officer**

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

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

Councillor Blair reported that she attended the regular monthly meeting of the Village of Bible Hill on September 20<sup>th</sup> and noted that they have received two more noise complaints; the sidewalk priority is now in place; and next year will be the Village of Bible Hill's 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Other meetings attended included the Dangerous and Unsightly Committee meeting on September 27<sup>th</sup>; the Joint Transit meeting on September 28<sup>th</sup>; and, is scheduled to attend a Police Advisory Board meeting on October 4<sup>th</sup>. Councillor Blair also advised that an update was received on the progress of the new hospital.

Councillor Masters reported that he attended a meeting of the Executive Committee and the Civic Centre Project Steering Committee. He also attended the NS 4H Pro Show where attendance was upwards of 10,000 people.

Councillor Buott reported that he attended the Active Transportation meeting on Sept 7<sup>th</sup>; an RRFB meeting on the 9<sup>th</sup>; a Wastewater Forum on the 14<sup>th</sup>; a Ratepayers meeting on the 22<sup>nd</sup>; a Brookfield Community Association meeting on the 26<sup>th</sup>; a Dangerous and Unsightly Committee meeting on the 27<sup>th</sup>; a Library Board meeting also on the 27<sup>th</sup>; and, a Joint Transit meeting on the 28<sup>th</sup>.

Councillor Cooper distributed a copy of his written report summarizing events and meetings attended in September which included an Executive and Audit meeting; a St. Andrews River Watershed Committee meeting; a meeting with NS Environment, Department of Health, MLA Gary Burrill and East Hants Councillor Pam MacInnis regarding the Spring in Gays River; Regional Emergency Measures Advisory Committee meeting; the Clear Bag Presentation in Upper Stewiacke; and, a meeting of the Joint Transit Study.

Councillor Edwards reported that he attended the Salmon River Fire Brigade's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Banquet; a Dangerous and Unsightly Committee meeting on September 27<sup>th</sup>; and the Joint Transit meeting on the 28<sup>th</sup>.

Deputy Mayor Cavanaugh reported that the flood projects approved for this year did not go as anticipated for reasons including mix up in communication, schedules of both himself and the Director of Public

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Works, and the person hired to do the work, Leroy Smith, was not

available for the entire month of September. Funding for the approved projects is still in place and the project work will be carried out accordingly.

Councillor White reported that he attended the Dangerous and Unsightly Committee meeting on September 27<sup>th</sup> and the CoRDA meeting on September 28<sup>th</sup>.

Councillor Taggart reported that he attended the Maritime Fire Fighters Dinner; the first meeting of the UNSM Sustainability Committee; the Dangerous and Unsightly Committee meeting; the Joint Transit meeting; and three of the Clear Bag Information sessions.

Councillor McKenna reported that he attended the UNSM Resolution Committee meeting in Halifax at the end of August and the Joint Transit meeting on September 28<sup>th</sup>.

Mayor Taylor presented his written report, a copy of which was circulated in the package for this evening's meeting. He advised that he also attended the Seniors' Expo regarding the Civic Centre this morning which was well received. A copy of the written report on the Atlantic Mayors Congress was distributed in Councillors' mailboxes.

**Update Report on  
Civic Centre Project**

A Council Update Report dated September 2011 on the Civic Centre Project was distributed with the Council package. The report included updates on construction progress; project schedule; tender awards; and, budgeting and funding.

Brief discussion on the project budget was held. The project is currently over budget by approximately 2.8 percent, however, it was noted that the price of steel is up 27 percent. Council indicated that Project Manager Paul Smith, PCL and staff should be congratulated on their efforts.

**Wastewater  
Treatment Manager  
Position**

Council was advised that the position of Wastewater Treatment Manager has been filled. Mr. Geoffrey Slater will join the Municipality on Monday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>. Mr. Slater brings many years experience, both technical and managerial, in wastewater to the table.

**Community Park  
Funding Program -  
Fall 2011 Applicants**

Under the Community Park Funding Program, three applications were received and approved for the September 15, 2011 deadline for a total amount of \$16,110.

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**Closed Session**

Moved by Councillor McKenna  
Seconded by Councillor Buott

“That the meeting go into closed session at 9:02 p.m.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Moved by Councillor White  
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Cavanaugh

“That the meeting reconvene in open session at 9:28 p.m.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

**Adjournment**

Moved by Councillor White  
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Cavanaugh

“That the meeting be adjourned at 9:29 p.m.”

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Tracey Veno  
Recording Secretary