



Chips were left in the ditch after this white birch was mangled on Shore Road. In other sections of the road, chips were thrown into corn fields and pastures where cattle were grazing. (Rees Photo)



This picture was sent by Janet Maybee, showing the devastation after Nova Construction crew, hired by NS TIR, destroyed hundreds of trees along Shore Road. Residents are wondering if the mess, chips blown onto lawns, gardens, children's play areas and driveways will be cleaned up? Residents along Shore Road complain each year about the lack of dust control and have previously taken the matter to municipal council. (Submitted) See story on page 1



This mangled white birch on Shore Road probably won't live long after NS TIR's contractor performed chipping without advising area residents. Residents would have preferred focus would have been on dust control, which has not happened yet this year. (Rees Photo)

Asbestos Banned

By Maurice Rees

Colchester has banned asbestos from landfills with second reading of amendments to Chapter 57 of the existing Construction & Demolition Disposal By-law and Chapter 58 - Disposal of Hazardous Substance By-Law at a special meeting on July 4th.

Council hurriedly identified amendments to the existing by-law which has been in existence since 2012, when it was learned a request had been made to Department of Environment to permit asbestos and asbestos contaminated be disposed at a C&D facility in Middle Stewiacke.

In a response to DOE, council asked the department to delay the approval process as it was planning on amendments to an existing by-law. Area residents were concerned about the entire situation, including possible air-borne pollution in addition to disposal at the site.

First reading of the amended by-law was held during June's council meetings, with residents in attendance for first and second readings. A total of six amendments were finalized dur-

ing second reading.

The first amendment was to restrict disposal of hazardous and dangerous waste to approved sites in Colchester. The second amendment calcified and added to the definition of hazardous substance to read: "Hazardous Substance means any hazardous, toxic, dangerous, waste dangerous substance or material and includes any substance or material declared or defined to be a hazardous, toxic, dangerous or waste dangerous substance in or pursuant to any applicable law or policy".

County solicitor, Dennis James, informed council, the wording was taken from laws regulating Asbestos.

The other amendments dealt with financial security for liability - a minimum of \$5-Million of liability insurance at all times; fines for infringement and effective date of the amended by-law.

The definition of disposal does not include incineration that is permitted by department of Environment, excludes businesses that may treat hazardous substances, but not disposal of them.

On a separate motion by Deputy Mayor Stewart and



Kim, with Husband, Timothy, explaining their operation to Darren Samson, MP, who represented Bill Casey, MP and Hon. Keith Colwell, Minister of Agriculture. (Rees Photo)

\$500,000 Agriculture Bursary Program Announced

By Maurice Rees

Hon Keith Colwell, Minister of Agriculture, assisted by Darrell Samson, MP choose Stokdijk Greenhouses, Beaverbank to announce a \$500,000 bursary program for students who work on farms throughout the province. Bursaries in increments of \$1,000 were announced on July 10th.

Eligible students must be employed by a registered farm must work a minimum of 250

hours to receive \$500. If they work 500 hours, the bursary increases to \$1,000. The program is a part of the Canadian Agricultural Partnership by the provincial and federal governments.

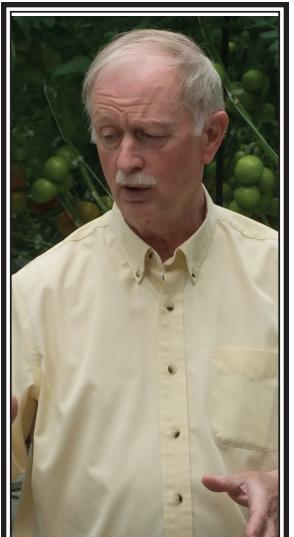
Students must be enrolled in a post-secondary institution in September 2019. Applications will be accepted until November 30th.

"Hiring a student has meant having an extra set of

hands around the farm to help with daily tasks during the busiest months", said Kimberley Stokdijk of Stokdijk Greenhouses who hosted the announcement. The four year program will award \$125,000 in bursaries annually.

Aaron McCabe, a 17 year-old student employed at Stokdijk's said, "Although working on a farm is hard, it

has been very interesting to learn how a greenhouse works



Minister Keith Colwell announcing the \$500,000 student bursary program, which will offer \$125,000 in bursaries in each of four years. (Rees Photo)

and how to apply things that I've learned in school to the jobs that I am given each day on the farm. This has been one of the best experiences of my life".

More information is available at:
<https://novascotia.ca/programs/on-farm-student-pursary/>

Wilsons - Update on Former Scholarship Recipients

By Maurice Rees

It has become tradition that prior to awarding scholarships for the current year, Leslie Wilson provides a update, "Where are they now?" as she attempts to track some of the previous winners and keep the Wilsons team award of successes of the younger family members.

Some of those highlighted included:

2009 - Katelyn Munro - Graduated Dal with Kinesiology - works at Colchester East Hants Health Centre and Samantha Curry - Working at CIBC in Norwich, ON - due to have a baby in September

2010 - Kyle Hood - Sales and Service at Wheels and Wings Hobbies, Toronto; Jesse Allen, a professional engineer and MBA graduate who recently returned to hometown of Halifax to pursue a career in real estate and Micah Brown - A professional Musician living in Montreal

2011 - Brianna Paugh - Graduated UPEI with B.A. Sc, Radiologic Technology/Science - Radiographer; Emma Geldart - Recently took a new position as Communications officer for the Organic Agriculture Council of Canada and currently doing her Masters at

Councillor Cooper council adopted the "Disposal of Hazardous Substances Policy as amended. The policy states only the County's Kemptown facility is designated as a permitted site.

The only other item on the agenda was council approved an amendment to allow operations to continue on Jennifer Drive until August 15th. The matter has been subject to "in-camera" negotiations and council has not released details or subject matter.

Guelph University in food science; Graeme Benjamin - Digital Producer/Reporter at Global News and Gelisa Dennis - Residential Counselor at Sunset ARC.

2013 - Lydia Raynor - Nutrition Services Supervisor at Health PEI.

2015 - Joel St. Peters - Graduated with Journalism from St. Thomas, going on to masters at UNB on full scholarship. Award for highest mark in English; Wayne Desmond - Working this summer at a local law firm, starting 4th year at St. Mary's in fall and on track to become a lawyer.

2016 - Liam King - Received Bachelor of Arts in Criminology (UNB). Just completed first year, of 2 year Masters of Urban Planning program at Dalhousie University.

2017 - Becky Hazell - (Daughter of Steve Hazell -

sent the following comments: Wilsons Heating Sackville) Graduated NSCC and landed full time position as dental assistant in Sackville. Loves her job and is the first one in every day. She is happy to work in a professional health care setting and finds it incredibly rewarding. Father, Steve Hazell

On behalf of Becky and myself I would like to thank the Wilson family and the scholarship committee for their support. Becky was able to finish her education and start a career without any student debt.

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