



Barb Warren who has recently moved to Truro with her husband, Arnold, loaned the above 100 year old photo to the Shoreline Journal. This photo shows the first deployment of soldiers from Parrsboro during World War I. Only two people in the photo have been identified - 17 year old, Frank Warren and his father, Ned, both from Diligent River. A challenge to the readers can you identify others in the photo. (Submitted)

## Cooper Remains as Alternate Chair

By Maurice Rees

At the October council meeting held on October 27th, Sharon United Church, 15 Church Street, Tatamagouche received its designation as a Municipal Heritage Property. Built in 1854, it cost \$580 to build. Its first minister was Rev Hugh Ross, who was one of the first Presbyterian minister's educated in Canada.

Councillor Mike Cooper was selected as the alternate chair of Council Committee, a position he has held since October 30th, 2008. Council also approved minutes from the September held on the 24th and accepted the report and recommendations from the committee meeting on October 15th, reported in the last issue.

Council accepted the report from the Planning and Advisory Committee, which brought forward two recommendations which included, the Sharon United Church Municipal Heritage Designation and a request by Vance Hanes of L.V. Hanes Investments Ltd., to rezone 63 acres of land from Rural General to Rural Industrial. Staff had determined the application and intended use of the lands

were consistent with the Central Colchester Municipal Planning Strategy.

Mr. Hanes told the PAC committee a buffer of trees, at least 150 feet would be maintained along the road. PAC recommended the application for approval. In a related matter council had the first reading of an Amendment to the Central Colchester Land Use By-law, which would permit L.V. Hanes Investments Ltd., change the use of the property. Second reading and a public meeting is scheduled for November 26th in council chambers.

Changes and amendments to the Village of Tatamagouche Municipal Planning Strategy received first reading and will be discussed in detail at second reading and public hearing in council chambers on the evening of November 26th.

As reported in the October issue, changes are coming to the 2016 spring and fall bulky waste clean-up initiatives. The spring clean-up will continue, but the fall clean-up will be eliminated. Instead of storing their bulky items, or having someone take to the

balefill facility in Kemptown, residents will be able to put one bulky item roadside along with the regular bi-weekly waste collection commencing in June. Pick up bulky items will cease in December each year and starting up again in April. (see separate story for more details).

Councillor Tom Taggart brought forward discussion on the lack of waste receptacles at restaurant drive-thru's. He noted each facility previously provided receptacles in the lanes, but now nearly all of them have been removed. He was concerned the removal would increase the litter on the highways. After considerable discussion, Wayne Wamboldt, Director of Waste Reduction suggested his staff would investigate to see if there is something the municipality could do to assist.

Other items added to the agenda at the beginning of the meeting included:

Assessment Cap - Across the province and through the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities (UNSM) there has been consideration lately on

## Close Call for Nova Endeavor

By Lawrence R Nicoll

Jason Fulton is a fisherman. Just before 1:00pm on October 29th, he went over to the wharf during the storm and noticed the boat Nova Endeavor appeared to be in trouble. Owned by Mike Huntley (Sub Aqua Construction) of Kentville, the boat had caught her stern under a large crossbeam on the wharf and was unable to free herself.

The Nova Endeavor, registered in Yarmouth, is owned by Mike Huntley who also owns Sub Aqua Construction and is Parrsboro under contract to Open Hydro, one of the companies selected to have a berth with FORCE's tidal power test and demonstration site outside Parrsboro.

This was a record high

tide, and as it rose the stern did not. She was taking on water fast. Jason with help from Will Grant and Corey Mariam tried to pull her free by the lines. When that failed he jumped on board into waist deep water. Will and Corey did their best to help. Jason called the owner of his boat, who tied on to the Nova Endeavor and pulled her free.

Witnesses, including the Densmore cousins on the Katie Belle, said the Endeavor had maybe five more minutes before it would have gone under. A modest person, Jason refused any more than a thank you from the owner, Mike Huntley.

Croydon Wood, the Harbour Master stated tides come to the top of the Wharf every 3-4 years but normally do no damage to the wharf

itself. This high tide, bolstered by high winds, caused a lot of damage all along the coastline. Even though it came up to the lip of the wharf, the wharf, itself, did not sustain any damage. In recent years, tide heights have changed. It now comes up over the Partridge Island Weir, which it seldom did in the past.



Quentin Ryder, right, chats with Mike Huntley owner of Nova Endeavour and Sub Aqua Construction on the Parrsboro Wharf. Ryder works for OpenHydro which has contracted Sub Aqua Construction for work at the FORCE tidal power test site. This photo was taken after Huntley's vessel was saved by the heroic efforts of Jason Fulton. (Lawrence R. Nicoll Photo)



Jason Fulton back on the deck of the Nova Endeavor a few days after his efforts saved the vessel from sinking during the high tide on October 29th. (Lawrence R. Nicoll Photo)

Assessment Cap. It was council's suggestion that a separate line on property tax bills be added to show what the tax would be if the assessment cap was removed.

Road Kill - Some councillors have been receiving calls when deer or other animals are struck by vehicles and left roadside particularly over the weekends. Pickup up used to be the responsibility of Dept of Natural Resources, but has been transferred to Transportation & Infrastructure Renewal (TIR), who state there is no pick up on weekends. Councillor MacInnes suggested perhaps there is an opportunity for a local

business to be contracted by TIR. Council will send a letter to DNR and TIR expressing its concern.

Meeting with Millbrook - For over a year, Councillor MacInnes has been recommending greater liaison to work with Chief Robert Gloade and councillors at Millbrook. Mayor Taylor, stated he had suggested similar things to Chief Gloade, but did not have a response. MacInnes suggested it might be best to write the chief and council and suggest a few dates. (At the committee meeting of November 12th, a reply from Millbrook was received, accepting Monday, November 30, 6:00 pm for a meet and greet in the Millbrook Room at RECC).

2016 Municipal Election - Council asked for information regarding starting to prepare for the next municipal election in October 2016 be brought forward to a subsequent council meeting.

Alcohol Policy -

Councillor Christine Blair asked for staff to prepare and make a presentation to council on what is the municipality's alcohol policy and what is expected.

Snow Removal Private Roads - An information item to discuss snow removal on private roads was moved to be brought back to council as an Action Item.

RECC - LEED Silver Designation - In early September the RECC was officially designated as LEED Silver Building under the new construction category. It represents the highest LEED designation of new construction projects in Colchester, Cumberland, Pictou and East Hants. It is one of only six municipal projects in the province to receive the designation and is the only one east of Halifax.

150th Anniversary - A Colchester Joint Committee will be established to develop plans on how to celebrate Canada's 150th anniversary in 2017.

## Memories of Christmas

By Christine Urquhart

I am always interested in folk's memories of Christmas. Art Chisholm gave me this story because I was a Hayman prior to my marriage.

"Many years ago, certainly more than eighty, Guy Simpson and his wife Marion, nee Hayman, built a small house near Peppard's Pond in Great Village.

In common with many houses in the Village, it, along with my home just up the road, had no electricity.

My sister and I used to visit the Simpson house and there I saw, for the only time in my life, live and lighted wax candles on a small Christmas tree. Imagine the potential fire haz-

ard!" I would love to have your stories of Christmas' past!

One from my childhood goes like this: "One year though, just for something different, my Dad and my brother Anthony decided to put the village inside the fireplace. They cleaned out the fireplace and filled the space with a white sheet. Anthony got a string of lights, all blue, and fastened them up in the corner where they couldn't be seen.

The houses all had lights in them and there were trees placed here and there as well. We had a Santa with a sleigh which "flew" above the village. It was pretty neat!"

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