



Mayor Rod Gilroy accepts the gavel from outgoing mayor Murray Scott during a special meeting of Cumberland municipal council on Wednesday, Nov. 13, 2024, at which time Mayor Gilroy and the eight members of council were officially sworn into office. (Photo: Darrell Cole – Municipality of Cumberland)

Letters to the editor

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Open Letter for Major repairs to save Fundy Tides Recreation Centre Dear Friends,

The Executive Board of the Advocate & District Development Association (ADDA) is hoping to raise \$45,000 to cover the cost of repairing the north wall of the Fundy Tides Recreation Centre (aka Log Building) in Advocate Harbour, Nova Scotia, Canada.

For over 40 years, the Fundy Tides Recreation Centre - built by Carson Spicer in 1982 - has been the hub of a variety of im-



portant community activities

& events (e.g., Canada Day Celebration, Remembrance Day Service, Saturday Morning Market, Open Mic, children's parties, weddings, etc.) as well as being the home of our Community Library.

Unfortunately, significant decay of the logs, along the north wall, was recently discovered and it is now up to the Advocate & Area Community to make the necessary re-

pairs so that the Log Building can continue to be there for the foreseeable future. When asked, at a recent meeting of the ADDA, whether the Log Building should be repaired or replaced, the overwhelming response was REPAIR!!!

And so we ask you to help us in this community endeavor to, "Save the Log Building" and remember that no gift is too small!

Howie Makofsky, Chair, ADDA
PS We are working on becoming a Registered Charity, however, until that point we are unable to give receipts for tax purposes. Thank you for your understanding!

Parrsboro Library Options Report Community Survey Now Open to Residents

The Municipality of Cumberland has hired TCI Management Consultants to conduct a review of library infrastructure needs in Parrsboro.

A critical element of this review is to obtain the view of residents on this matter, particularly those living in the Parrsboro area and who use the current facility. Residents are encouraged to provide the Municipality with your ideas and opinions on the need for a new library branch through our community survey.

To participate, in this survey, please visit <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LRPK2ZD>

In addition to the community survey, a public meeting will be held in November. Details regarding the public meeting will be provided when the date, time and location have been confirmed.

Earlier this year, the Municipality passed a resolution to conduct a review, which will provide a report that will identify the needs of the community and the viability of options, including proposing the scope and location of a new library in Parrsboro.

TCI Management Consultants, in association with Beth Ross & Associates, was hired by the Municipality in August. TCI is a cultural planning firm specializing in strategic planning and options assessment.

Annual Tree Lighting Nov. 29

Parrsboro will celebrate its Annual Tree Lighting on Friday, November 29th at 6:15 pm. The Christmas season will kick into high gear again with this event. We will all gather around 6:00 pm and sing a carole or two while children enter their name to hopefully light up the Christmas tree. At 6:15 pm a child name will be drawn to flip the switch.

There will be hot chocolate and cookies for everyone. Following this everyone is invited to the hall to a free movie. The canteen will be open to purchase snacks. This event is sponsored by the Parrsboro & District Board of Trade and The Parrsboro Band Association.

Springhill Solar Project Open House – Nov 21

The Municipality of Cumberland, in partnership with the Town of Truro is preparing a proposal to the Province of Nova Scotia's Community Solar Program, which was launched by the Department of Natural Resources and Renewables in February 2024.

As part of the application process, essential preliminary work is currently underway, including a geotechnical assessment, an initial environmental assessment, draft engineering and design, and a Nova Scotia Power grid inter-connection study.

There will be an Open House event on Thursday, Nov. 21, 2024, from 6 to 8 p.m. in the CIBC Room at the Dr. Carson & Marion Murray Community Centre, Springhill, to provide additional information and collect community feedback. Persons interested in attending the Open House were requested to send an email to springhillsolar@cumberlandcounty.ns.ca by noon, Friday, Nov. 15, to help us plan for the event.

This solar project is a collaborative effort between the Municipality of Cumberland and the Town of Truro. AREA (the Alternative Energy Resource Authority) has been retained to prepare the application and provide overall planning and project management services. The project aims to provide renewable energy to Nova Scotians. If the project is approved by the Province of Nova Scotia, the Municipality of Cumberland and the Town of Truro will collectively own the solar project and sell energy to Nova Scotia Power Inc. (NSPI).

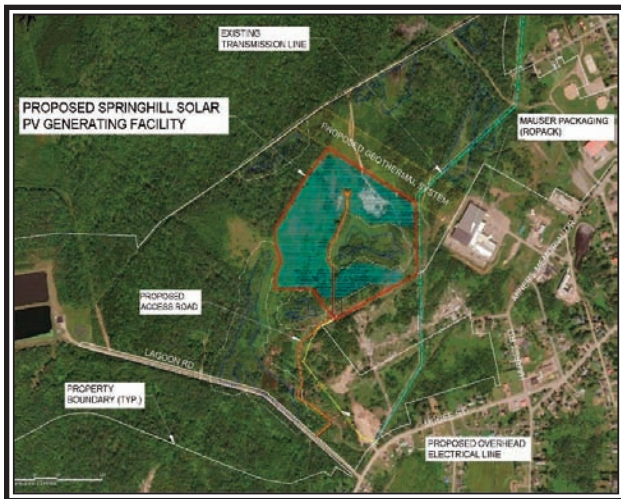
The site indicated in the illustration (adjacent), off the Lagoon Road in the community of Springhill, has been selected as it is a post-industrial site (former mine lands) with few mature trees and the land is owned by the Municipality. It also has reasonable access to the electrical grid.

A seven-megawatt solar project is proposed. A project of this size would produce enough green energy to power the equiva-

lent of more than 1,000 average homes.

The Springhill Solar Project's objectives include the development of a project that provides potential environmental and economic benefits, reduce greenhouse gas emissions and support Nova Scotia's climate actions and renewable energy objectives.

For more information on the Springhill solar project please contact springhillsolar@cumberlandcounty.ns.ca



A map showing the location of the proposed Springhill Solar Project. This is the indicative design, subject to Geotech and wetland investigation and other site considerations. (Contributed)

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 Monday - Saturday

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 PARRSBORO FIRE DEPARTMENT

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THURSDAY & FRIDAY 9-8
SATURDAY 9-6

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