

PHOTO FEATURE

First Snow of 2022 on January 7th & 8th the winds howled, the snow blew – WOW! Snowstorms are a photographers dream opportunity and this one was no exception. Friday afternoon, I photographed familiar places with the snow falling, and catching foxes frolicking in the snow. Saturday up bright and early, the dirty job of shoveling and then with sun out away, I went from Parrsboro to Moose River, the scenery was fantastic and the camera helped me to forever remember the beauty. It's Canada, might as well enjoy the gift.
All photos by Lawrence R Nicoll, landscape photographer.



Framed by the old post office, Parrsboro's Main Street is always a scenic beauty even during the height of howling winds blowing the snow around.



The scenery at Moose River was excellent.



Stored ashore for the winter with an abundance of lobster traps, the Sassy Sue is taking a break during the January 7th & 8th first storm of 2022, is awaiting the opening of the next lobster season.

Shake Siding Off The House

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which almost sounded like a grinding bearing. He added the sounds vary and sometimes is it a loud shrill".

Although an electrician and not an engineer, but Read mentioned that the "ground" or neutral wire is continuous, and he suspects the noises could be travelling on the "ground wire". He added that years ago there were capacitors in the line.

When asked if he knew of others having problems, he particularly referenced talking to friends in Amherst who suffer the same fate, and in one instance the noise was so unbearable people had to leave the building (store) to get relief.

Two other things which Warren mentions were confirmed by Read, who said on one occasion NSPC sent out an employee to check for noise, but after being on the property for a while said he could not hear anything, but wasn't surprised because he "was tone deaf", and supervi-

sors knew his situation prior to send him out. Another confirming factor was local lineman, Scott Leopold, changed the transformer at end of Warren's driveway. It stopped the noises from coming up Warren's line to the house, but now the hum, whine and screaming occurs almost 24/7.

To provide balanced reporting and to state their position on January 24th the Shoreline Journal / South Cumberland News contacted a senior communications advisor at Nova Scotia Power to get NSPC's official position on the matter and what action they are taking for provide a solution to the problem which James Warren has been complaining about for over two years. The names of several people in Parrsboro area with at least four who are current or former NSPC employees who are very much aware of James Warren's problems. NSPC was asked to reply by Thursday, January 27th.

Shortly after 5:00 pm on Wednesday, Jacqueline Foster,

Senior Communications Advisor, NS Power replied via email with the following information:

"Safety is the most important aspect of the work we do at NS Power. Last year we received a complaint about humming noises coming from power lines near a customer's property. Five different power line technicians visited the area at various times of the day, including at night and on the weekend, however, no noise was identified. We changed the transformer, the service wire from the transformer to the house and the meter. In addition, one of our technologists performed a radio frequency interference (RFI) check as well as EMF readings. Nothing was found on our power lines in the area around the customer's property or adjacent streets".

In another story, elsewhere in this issue, the South Cumberland News is asking other residents who may be experiencing similar noise problems to contact the publisher.

Council Hears 4 Presentations

Cumberland's Committee of the Whole (COW) heard four presentations during its zoom meeting on Wednesday, January 19, 2022. The meeting opened with a territorial acknowledgement. The four presentations included: The Mass Casualty Commission presenting on work thus far; Dr. Stephen Ellis, MP for Cumberland-Colchester; a representative of the Imagination Library Canada and representatives of Protect Wentworth Valley.

At the December 22nd meeting, council directed the CAO to provide a detailed report including the draft amendments to the Local Improvement Bylaw necessary to give effect to the recommended changes to the Parrsboro Local Improvement Charge. Council referred the bylaw, with amendments, to the January 26th public council meeting for first reading.

The report from the CAO suggested a study should be completed on general and area tax rates, local improvement and uniform charges, sewer and water rates within the mu-



nicipality. Council directed the CAO to prepare a terms of reference as a starting point.

The Cumberland Museum Society requested to have their 2021/2022 grant re-allocated as a result of pandemic pressures. They would like to use the funds previously allocated for an anniversary celebration to needed repairs on roofs and doors of their out-buildings. Council referred this to the January 26th public council meeting for consideration.

The Cliffs of Fundy requested an advance of \$25,000 in funding. This request was referred to the January 26th public council meeting. Reports were provided from municipal direc-

tors regarding community development, finance, human resources and community facilities, engineering and operations, and the municipal clerk's office.

The next committee of the whole meeting will be held February 16. Formal minutes of the January 19 meeting are available at: <https://cumberlandcounty.ns.ca/municipal-office/council-minutes.html> A Facebook live recording is available on the municipal Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/MunicipalityofCumberland>

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Parrsboro Sewer Cost Overruns Reduced

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Nova Scotia is Through our Eyes: The Voices of African Nova Scotians.

The Municipality of Cumberland recognizes January 27, 2022 as National Kids and Vaccines Day. The significance of this day is to help promote confidence to protect children with COVID-19 vaccines.

January 15, 2022 was proclaimed to be the Day of the Black Loyalist Exodus. Mayor Scott and council recognized the important anniversary of the exodus of Black Loyalists

from Nova Scotia to Sierra Leone in 1792.

The next public council meeting will be February 23, 2022. A committee of the whole meeting will be held February 16, 2022. Formal minutes of the January 26, 2022, meeting are available at <https://cumberlandcounty.ns.ca/municipal-office/council-minutes.html>. A Facebook live recording is available on the municipal Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/MunicipalityofCumberland>

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