

# More Hangers...

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Debert Legion. Council agreed this would be excluded from the approval and further investigation is needed.

On motion moved by Councillor MacInnes, seconded by Councillor Gregory, Council Committee recommends the proposed changes to the Terms of Reference for the Debert and French River Source Water Protection Advisory Committees, be accepted as presented by staff.

With the closing of the Waterville Airport and its relocation to CFB Greenwood, as well as local inquiries there is increased interest in new private hanger space at Debert Airport. If council wanted to proceed, staff have recommended the first step would be to clear and gravel a new pad approximately 210 by 300 feet, covering approximately 1.4 acres.

Estimated cost of site preparation would be approximately \$150,000 with an additional similar amount required for paving once hangers were built. Councillor MacInnes and Blair put a motion to council that staff proceed with preparation of a gravel pad and necessary pavement to accommodate new aircraft hanger space to a maximum of \$200,000 with source of funds being the Gas Tax. Motion approved by council. Still to be resolved is private sources will build the

hangers or if the municipality might construction them then lease to individuals. Council is also aware there have been expressions of interest from private plane owners, who may wish to relocate to Truro from Halifax International Airport.

Councillor MacInnes indicated that efforts should be taken to record all traffic to the airport, because if in future council undertakes a major expansion, including lengthening the runways, comprehensive records keeping on all traffic will be very important.

Wanting to work with and benefit from the successes of Perennia Innovation Centre, in August 2015, the Mayor and the Minister of Agriculture, along with staff, agreed to fund a joint study to investigate the possibility of creating a food based business venture park in conjunction with Perennia Innovation Centre.

The purpose of the study was to determine the key components that were required to support business development and success of start up businesses that "graduate" from the Perennia program.

Now that the study is complete, staff recommended a tour of the facility; an activity update and to receive the presentation of the report. Council chose June 23rd to tour the facility.



David Henderson, a valued on-the-line employee with a keen eye at Colchester Material Recovery Facility Balefill was recognized by Mayor Bob Taylor for recovering hand written diary / ledgers dating back to 1834 along with a stack of early 1900 photos including photos from the Old Truro Normal College. Council will meet with representatives at Colchester Historeum to discuss disposition of the articles. (Rees Photo)



There's been plenty of excavation activity at the Double C Truckstop recently as Imperial Oil removed and treats contaminated soil from the site of previous diesel tanks. Next will be removal of contaminated soil from the gasoline tanks from years gone by. (Rees Photo)

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Nova Scotia since 2012

between 60% and 80% of medical residents are staying in Nova Scotia after graduation

Government programs available to physicians:

**Tuition Relief** (Liberal platform commitment): physicians provided with reimbursement of their medical school tuition in exchange for 5 year return of service

**Family Medicine Bursary:** family physicians provided with \$60,000 financial incentive in exchange for 3 year return of service

**Debt Assistance:** physicians provided with up to \$45 000 for

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There is a new modern Hospital, a new modern recreational and event center, a new Library and civic square, great schools both in the town and in the urban core surrounding Truro has Victoria Park which is outstanding and of course they are just a short drive from West Colchester and or the North Shore which in themselves are outstanding. Not to mention that Truro and the urban core are just 35 minutes from an international airport.

This Central Region would be considered leaders in many environmental fields as well. We have modern water treatment, modern wastewater treatment, Solid Waste, composting and materials recycling facilities. When involved in meetings with other Nova Scotia Municipalities, I can tell you we are the envy of many. Especially in wastewater, many, many Municipalities are struggling to meet just the basic environmental requirements.

Most of this is a result of Regional Cooperation

Over the years very much hard work and millions of tax dol-

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local economic development. Their expertise and knowledge should be leveraged to help bring forward ideas about how to create new business, inspire new entrepreneurs with start-up's, share their thoughts on growing and expanding the businesses within our communities and to share their wisdom about retaining the businesses currently existing in our communities. Also let's never forget what these successful business people give back to our communities. The generosity and gratitude shown by our local business community towards non-profits and different capital campaigns is almost overwhelming at times.

We are very fortunate in Colchester County to have an abundance of very successful, talented and knowledgeable entrepreneurs. The strength of this knowledge combined with a strong determined municipal government working together will definitely be a force to reckon with in the province of Nova Scotia. The future of economic development in Colchester County is all

working for 3 years in communities outside urban HRM

**International Medical Graduate Return of Service:** international medical graduates funded for medical education/residency in exchange for return of service in needed communities

**Family Medicine Residency:** residents train in 4 areas of the province - Annapolis Valley, Sydney, Halifax and Yarmouth

The work we need to do has already started. It will mean strong recruitment, and the understanding and acceptance of our health care being managed and delivered by a team of professionals including physicians, nurse practitioners and other trained health care providers.

*Karen Casey, MLA Colchester North*

lars have been spent to make this region an attractive community. It is a shame one journalist who maybe spent one day in it could disparage it in this way.

Now as for growth in our Municipality, I would like to mention that at May Council it was reported that residential building permits were more than double what they were the previous year and when we speak of beautiful West Colchester I am very pleased to report that permits have been issued for TEN new homes this spring.

I have never tracked this before but for me this is impressive and shows growth and commitment in our rural communities. It may just be wishful thinking, but from a Real Estate view I believe I can see things beginning to turn and I think there is some movement to those wishing to live and raise their families in a rural environment.

Enjoy your summer; hope to see you out and about at the different community events and festivals.

*Tom Taggart, Councillor District 10, Colchester County*

about partnerships. There is strength in numbers and also a much stronger voice to be heard.

I had the pleasure yesterday to be invited to celebrate the 95th birthday of Barnhills Superette in Debert. Here is a small family owned business which has played a significant role in the local economy for the community of Debert. The main reason this business has been sustainable for so many years is local community support. This day in age there is virtually no customer service at the big box stores and so it's a true pleasure to walk through the doors of this small rural store and do business with someone like Randy and Sonya. We are losing too many of these small local stores in our communities so please remember to support them the same way they have supported the community for the past 95 years.

I for one, truly believe, that we must shop local if we want our local businesses to be here tomorrow to help continue the prosperity and security we enjoy today.

*Doug MacInnes, Councillor District 9, Colchester County*

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**On June 16<sup>th</sup>** the clock started to tick on the Energy East Project when it was identified the National Energy Board (NEB) will have 21 months to submit a report to the Minister of Natural Resources by March 16, 2018. The first hearing will be held in Saint John, NB on August 8<sup>th</sup>. Energy East is a 4,500-kilometre pipeline proposed to carry 1.1 million barrels of crude oil per day from Alberta and Saskatchewan to refineries in Eastern Canada and a marine terminal in New Brunswick. A new pipeline will be necessary from outside Ottawa to Saint John where a tank and marine terminal is suggested.

**The Nova Scotia Government** will invest a total of \$6 million in immigrant settlement and integration in 2016-2017. The latest movement was a \$175,000 announcement for two new, full-time immigrant settlement workers to support new Nova Scotians settling on the Cape Breton Island in a partnership with New Dawn Enterprises. The new partnership builds on the work of the Cape Breton Immigration Task Force.

**Nova Scotians can** provide feedback on the province's approach to managing greenhouse gas emissions from liquefied natural gas facilities by participating in an online consultation, starting today, June 16. Liquefied natural gas facilities in Goldboro, Guysborough Co. and Bear Head, Richmond Co. could be built in the next few years. Setting greenhouse gas performance standards for these facilities before construction starts will enable environment protection opportunities to be included in facility engineering and design. Proposed options for compliance include: Reducing emissions through facility design; contributing to a fund at \$25 a tonne for carbon dioxide equivalent emissions that exceed the performance standard, with revenue going to climate change and greenhouse gas reduction efforts. The deadline for sending comments through an online consultation is Friday, July 29. The proposed greenhouse gas standard, frequently asked questions and the technical report are available at <http://novascotia.ca/nse/resources/public.consultation.asp>

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