

Environmental Complaints Being Resolved

By Maurice Rees

Complaints about illegal dumping has been a problem throughout rural areas and Colchester has not been exempt. In his report to council, Scott Fraser, interim director of solid waste highlighted some of the problems and what has been done to find a solution.

His report listed some of the complaints and what enforcement actions have been taken. Some of the issued are highlighted as follows:

For a **Greenfield** illegal dump complaint the County supplied the dumpster and this site was cleaned up by approximately 20 residents on a rainy Saturday morning.

Brookfield open burning of solid waste complaint. This issue was resolved by education and acknowledgement by the resident regarding the severity of burning these types of materials.

Tatamagouche illegal dumping complaint for-

warded on by the RCMP. Issue was investigated and cleaned up.

Stewiacke residential collection issues with multiple addresses; door hangers were left with corrective advise.

Bible Hill strip mall underwent the implementation of proper waste collection containers onsite. Worked with the owner of the location and Miller Waste, five businesses now have all waste disposal options required.

Brookfield dumpsite as called in by Regroup. Approximately eight bags of garbage/recycling were dumped down a bank. Site was cleaned up.

16 apartment inspections for proper waste containers took place.

Wastewater enforcement inspections have begun at food service businesses to see if they have the required grease traps.

Balefill load containing a large number of sharps. The load was identified as coming from a government office and it was learned that they underwent a large clean out of an old storage area. These sharps were not properly stored therefore they went unseen when throwing material away.

Debert open burning issue in an industrial area. This individual has already been fined for this same act last year.

Debert illegal dump where there was a large deep freeze containing meat dumped off a wood's road. The contents were collected, and the deep freeze was taken away. Property owner to be contacted regarding this area.

Belmont open burning complaint. Rental property where it was reported that the tenant routinely burns what is speculated to be non-compliant materials. Tenant was spoken to and given a warning along with educational information with Municipal and Provincial regulations and fine amounts.

JD Irving Corporate Security Investigator was contacted to assist with any illegal dumping on Irving land.

Five Islands area on an open burning complaint was coordinated with the help of an RCMP Officer

Two illegal dumps were reported and investigated. One in Wittenburg that was to be cleaned up. Proof of clean up may not be resolved until the Spring - snow covered and the second was a small one in Onslow.

RCMP & JP investigated an illegal dumping complaint and the material was no longer around.

Follow up from business visits where the commercial haulers sales representatives needed to speak to their clients to achieve better separation of waste and to have enough containers.

Chignecto Central Regional Center for Education - site visit generated from rental tenants with concerns that material may not be disposed of properly by custodians. This was confirmed and will be addressed.



This graphic shows how the bike lanes and pedestrian walkways will interact. (Submitted)



This artist conception shows a portion of the side with pedestrians on the deck, with the cables and the basket handle arch. (Submitted)

Basket Handle Steel Arch Bridge

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forms on sides; 1 meter narrower than Option 2; Fewer seating and interpretive opportunities on the deck; 25% higher maintenance costs and Cables can impede views.

In other matters relating to a choice of designs, Smith said there are no cost implications

at the present time. The design selected may have an impact on the construction costs in the future when the design is tendered. Engineering design costs are the same for both designs. The engineering design of the pedestrian bridge is a key element of the masterplan which has also emerged as an

important project for external stakeholders and potential funding partners.

Volunteer Awards Moved to September

By Crawford MacPherson

The Provincial Volunteer Awards have been moved tentatively to September 28th in Halifax. It was supposed to be held on April 27 in Halifax. The Municipality of Colchester's Volunteer of the year for 2020 is Kelly Countway, one of her many volunteer accomplishments has been going above and beyond in her local community hosting an annual Youth Expo, that's influenced over thousands of kids and families.

This event is designed to be interactive and guided by professionals and experts in various fields to educate and inspire. All funds raised go back to the community and programming. Congratulations to Kelly.

The shared volunteer event with the Town of Truro and the Municipality of County of Colchester was to be held on Monday, April 20 during volun-

teer week, but that event has been moved and we will be looking for some possible dates for us to hold that event come the fall.

Volunteer nominations - we are still looking for lots of volunteers to be recognized. Still in search mode to get

those worthy volunteers, if you know of any please send information our way. Nominations can be emailed to Craig Burgess: Cburgess@colchester.ca

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Some good news about the Cliffs of Fundy Geopark might be happening soon. Certainly Don Fletcher and his hard working committee will be pleased to let residents know. Sources have indicated UNESCO is talking of convening a special meeting early July to proclaim the new Global Geoparks including the aspiring GeoPark for Bay of Fundy areas along Cumberland and Colchester Counties.

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