



Steve Terrio, Little Forks Road, Southampton takes 1 1/2 year old daughter, Isla, for a short ride on the snowmobile after a late February snowfall. (Lawrence R. Nicoll Photo)

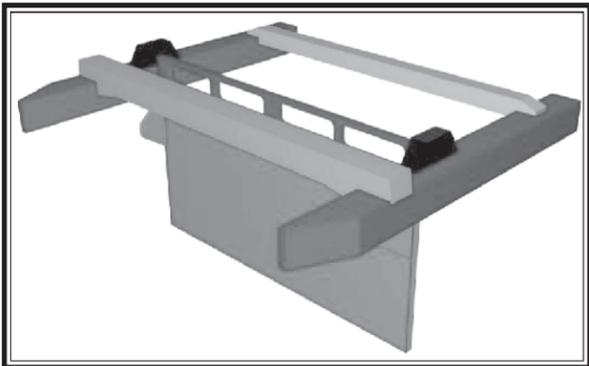
## Big Moon Gets Tidal Power Test Permits

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extend 5 nautical miles in each direction originating from the generator assembly.

In the Departments release, it stated Hon Geoff MacLellan, Minister of Energy also authorized a power purchase agreement allowing the company to sell the electricity it generates to Nova Scotia Power for 35 cents per kilowatt hour. If the project is successful, it will generate some of the lowest cost tidal electricity in the world. The permit is available at <https://energy.novascotia.ca/renewables/marine-renewable-energy/permits>



An artist's concept of Big Moon's 100kw 12' x 14' prototype will not be connected to the grid. (Submitted)



The above Google Earth Map shows the area where Big Moon will test the prototypes of its tidal energy generator along the north shore of the Blomidon Peninsula, Kings County. The Barge operation area will extend 5 nautical miles in each direction originating from the generator assembly. (Submitted)

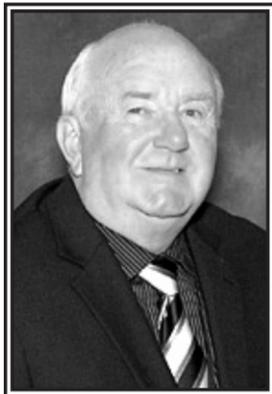
## Fletcher Reports on April 4<sup>TH</sup> Meeting

By Donald Fletcher

On April 4th I had double duty as I started with a Joggins Fossil Institute board meeting at 1 pm during which we received our second presentation on fundraising. It's an initiative gaining traction for the future, which bodes that exciting times are ahead.

We began council at 5:15 with an in-camera with 2 items covered. At 6 pm public council began with three presentations: First up was 2018 Border Town Biker Bash. Mark your calendars for July 13-15 for a fun and exciting time for the whole family and check their website.

Second presentation was Greville Bay Citizens for health & fitness society. It's a new organization working on a fitness park for all ages in Port Greville. A public meeting will be held in the near future to discuss this initiative. The Fibre Arts Festival to be held in Amherst, October 9-13 was the third presentation on the agenda. This festival brings many visitors to the area and is a real economic bonus in the area's shoulder season. The festival is somewhat unique in that they offer courses during the week. It's a lot of fun and educational. Recommended you check their website and sign up.



Donald Fletcher

A public hearing on the second reading of the Municipal Planning Strategy/land use bylaw was next with three citizens voicing their concerns over the public consultation process leading up to the vote. I feel staff exhausted all avenues to inform citizens over the year plus. Holding up the process would be costly and end with the same results. Motion was made and approved to adopt the new strategy/land use.

Motion to adopt the new fees policy was approved next. A proposed budget schedule was presented and 1st meeting is April 25th with an end date of May. The revenue collection policy was amended and approved which would disallow delin-

## Laugh-Fest at Time & Tides Comedy Variety Show

On March 24th The Hall in Parrsboro! was packed to the rafters, the atmosphere was charged, and the audience had a great time from beginning to end. The event "The Time And Tides Most Excellent Comedy Show", a fundraiser written, produced and directed by Parrsboro Creative, Executive Director, Robert More.

The cast of ten inventive and highly talented community actors were billed as "The Pretty Impressive Positively Parrsboro Prime Time Players", and with the expert support of Musical Director, Rob Bentley, this enthusiastic troupe presented an enter-

taining selection of songs and hilarious scenes such as: "The Parrsboro Saturday Night Radio Very Scary Mystery Hour entitled "Death By Butterknife"; "The Siberian All Male Choral Ensemble" singing Broadway hits with social-political lyrics as a tribute to the working class. First song, "Hello Putin" to the tune of "Hello Dolly". And to finish the evening off, The Prime Time Players performed - "The History of Parrsboro, from the Big Bang to now, in 3:33". This was followed by a glittering disco curtain call in 70's costumes!

All proceeds from the Tides Variety Show go to the

promotion of Parrsboro. The cast included: Rob Bentley, Lucille Gora, Peter Hoar, Steve Johnson, Martin Langford, Regan Maloney, John McIntyre, Oralee O'Byrne, Rosemary Rowntree and Janet Simpson. Hats off to Rob Bentley, Bob Jamieson, Randy Elliott for fantastic lights and sound. Huge thanks to costume wizard, Krista Odlin, Heartfelt thanks to all our auction sponsors, and special thanks to Show Sponsor, Liz Yorke. Organizer, Clarissa McCully - good job! Beautiful catering from BlackRock Bistro. Thanks to Lawrence Nicoll for videoing the show - see it on Youtube soon - and for the wonderful still photos. Look for us next March at the 2019 Time & Tides Comedy Show.



Mud Mud Glorious Mud segment is played by Steve Johnson and Rosemary Rowntree (Lawrence R. Nicoll Photo)



Regan Maloney is the Minas Basin Wonder Warrior in the Mystery Radio Show. (Lawrence R. Nicoll Photo)



quent tax sale properties to be purchased by current owner at a discount.

Anticipated changes to our upcoming budget were discussed. Either there are significant changes in what we will include in the municipality's plans for 2018/2019 or taxes need to go up. Will keep you posted.

The inter-municipal emergency service agreement was also approved. It was the shortest presentation Mike Johnson ever made. Two grants were also approved.

Mark your calendar for our annual volunteer recognition night Thursday April 26, 2018. Doors open at 5:30 at the Community Centre in Springhill. See you all there.

Information items in our package included Cannabis legalization update details; poverty lives here workshop; court ordered DNA samples and a letter from Hon Lloyd Hines, Transportation Minister regarding the rainbow bridge stating absolutely nothing except they are working with a consultant. I encourage citizens to call the Amherst area manager at 902 667-3861 and complain!

Question: do you believe politicians are doing a good job? Call your councillor!

Donald Fletcher is Cumberland Municipal Councillor for District 10.

They fundraiser was written and directed by Robert More. Pictured above the Cast (L-R): Steve Johnson, Rosemary Rowntree, John McIntyre, Peter Hoar, Janet Simpson, Martin Langford and Oralee O'Byrne. (Lawrence R. Nicoll Photo)



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