



Raking leaves and uncover this spotted salamander. Tucked him back under a pile of leaves in the garden. (Harrington Photo)

## Debert Business Park Advisory Committee Member Positions Re-aligned

Committee positions on the Debert Business Park Advisory Committee were shuffled to align with committee structure. Paul MacKenna left the committee and the position was posted. The nominating committee selected Paul Garbes, however with the addition of Paul G, there are four business reps sitting on the committee rather than 3.

Since there was a vacant Community Member seat, because Laurie Ann has missed over 3 meetings and has not attended any DBPAC meetings yet. The problem was solved with the Committee agreeing to roll Paul Garbes into the community member position. This will need to go to Council for final approval.

## Golf Course to Become 86 Unit Sub-Division

At its March 30th monthly meeting following holding a public meeting Colchester Council gave approval to commencing the work on a Development Agreement with Dylan Blenkhorn and Reginald Quinn on a 45 acre property, which used to be a golf course on Ravine Drive. Ged Stonehouse, representing the developers, appeared before council at the public meeting. The DA is necessary to allow for the construction of 43, 2-unit buildings and acces-

sory structures and uses. The total number of units proposed is eighty-six (86). Required provincial studies undertaken include a Traffic Impact Study and a Level 1 and Level 2 Groundwater Assessment, which have been reviewed and approved by the Province. The project was reviewed by municipal staff and was recommended by the Public Advisory Committee (PAC) to proceed with the development agreement.

## 6<sup>th</sup> Coin Show and Auction May 20-21

The Central Nova Coin Club (CNCC) in conjunction with the Atlantic Provinces Numismatic Association (APNA) are proud to announce our 6th Coin Show, Social and Auction on May 20-21 2023 at the Best Western Glengarry 150 Willow Street Truro Nova Scotia. The social will be from 6-7 pm on Saturday May 20, 2023 with a public auction to follow at 7pm till close. Everyone welcome. The Coin Show will be held on Sunday May 21 2023 from 9am-3pm with over 40

tables and Dealers in attendance. There will be coins and paper money from Canada and around the world, stamps, some sports cards, jewelry, bullion gold and silver and much more. Admission is \$3 each or 2 for \$5. Kids under 16 free. There are 5 prizes 1st - 1/25 ounce gold Bluenose coin, 2nd - 1067 Canadian Proof Like set and 3rd-5th - 2021 commemorative 3 dime year set. See you there Be safe. For more information call: Mike 902-814-3630, or Joel 902-639-1995

## Letters to the editor

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properties and that you planned to enter this as an article for your paper, The Shoreline. Although I think it is an important topic I do not wish to have my name included for public awareness.

The issue is sensitive to many people for different reasons and may lead to an emotional overreaction. I believe this is a situation that should be handled by professional inspectors who can address this issue according to the special situations that may accompany the property of concern. For instance this may be a consequence of poverty, physical/mental disabilities or general communal malfunction. Thank you for your attention to my request. F/C.

**April 8, 8:45 pm:** Another message from C/E who wrote: "Stand up and be counted like our fathers before us."

Bill you forward to the other 20 you included the first time. It's only 40 gallons of paint between the new library where they just spread 100+ gal and the eye sore F/C pointed out was there for 14 years".

**April 9, 8:50 pm:** F/C responded: Thanks for your prompt response and in accommodating my request.

**April 9, 9:06 pm:** Bill Kempt wrote: Good evening Maurice, It's pretty clear a professional and unbiased inspectorial service is necessary when persons of exceptional stature in the community are reticent to discuss the matter of unsightly properties in an any public manner.

My curiosity regarding the roll of Colchester unsightly property bylaw is piqued. Want to make any bets on how effective the implementation / enforcement in Colchester Municipality will be? **Publisher's reply:** Colchester's by-law still needs second reading and implementation. If and when that happens I project Colchester will be aggressive and successful on enforcement.

**April 11, 12:10 pm:** Bill Kempt sent email stating "Councillor" had advised him, "Councillor" was not in not in favor of having my email response in the paper". After reviewing the original email on the matter, from Bill Kempt to almost 30 colleagues, including "Councillor", this publisher was also included in the Master list. In accordance with a high level of politeness and professionalism, this publisher decided to abide by a major portion of the request from "Councillor" by eliminating the councillor's name and any personal data. In this article, the person will be identified as "Councillor". However, in another aspect of professionalism and being loyal to readers, we felt it important to "report what was said in an open forum" of which the reporter/publisher had been included in the social media event.

If "Councillor" had wished to make a comment, but did not wish it to be public, "Councillor" had the opportunity to send a private email to any or all of Bill's colleagues, or to "preface" the reply with a request "not for public distribution / publication".

Being in the print sector or publishing, we strive everyday to be accurate and report "the truth" on what we have learned in a professional way. We encourage readers to voice their opinion on the fact we decided to print the accurate and entire version of the statement. Please email: maurice@theshorelinejournal.com indicating if you approve or disapprove of my decision.

## BD Clifton Contracting Awarded \$203,172 Tender

BD Clifton Contracting was awarded a \$203,172 contract for the sidewalks on Mosswood Lane, First Court and Second Court in Valley. The 585 metres of sidewalks are old asphalt sidewalks which were taken over from the Province in 1995 as part of the service exchange agreement for roads.

A total of 7 companies requested documents, but only four tenders were received by

March 2, 2023 closing. Tender results are: BD Clifton, \$203,173; Dexter Construction, \$219,425; SW Weeks Construction, \$245,900 and Basin Contracting, \$247,867.

The County retained BD Clifton Contracting to replace the asphalt sidewalks on Hill and William Streets in Salmon River in 2021, without issue. Work would begin on or near May 1st and would take approximately 8 weeks.

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