

## Taylor Offering for District 10

Londonderry resident Rebecca Taylor has announced her intention to seek a seat on Colchester council.

Taylor believes her 25 years of experience in community economic development will go far with voters looking to fill the vacancy left by Tom Taggart when he became MLA in the recent provincial election.



Rebecca Taylor

Taylor's career has largely been spent working for municipal and provincial government departments that create employment and build tourism. While working for the Town of Amherst in 2019, Taylor won a national tourism marketing award from the Economic Developers Association of Canada.

In her role as business development officer, she developed a physician recruitment campaign that brought five new doctors to Cumberland County in its first year. It's a success she says she would like to repeat in her own community.

"If there's one thing I know would improve quality of life for families and seniors in my community," says Taylor, "it would be having access to a family doctor or nurse practitioner."

Taylor would also like to follow the example of other rural communities that have set up fully equipped community health clinics so new family doctors and nurse practitioners can set up practice easily.

Locally, Taylor has volunteered teaching outdoor skills to Girl Guides, as well as serving on the West Colchester Community Development Association, the Along the Shore Community Health Board, and the WCCS School Advisory Council.

In 2013, she secured a \$10,000 grant to set up an after-school activity program called "Thrive After the Bell" for pre-teen girls in West Colchester.

Many also know Taylor as a small business owner and the founder of Pearl & Daisy Natural Soap Company, the award-winning venture she started in her basement. "Over the nine years that I ran the company, what I'm most proud of is providing local women with flexible employment that helped them with their work-life balance."

When considering what she would bring to the job if elected, Taylor says she has no shortage of ideas.

"One of the things I'd like to see is a work experience program that teaches skills in the trades while helping seniors with free home repairs and maintenance." The program would be modeled after similar programs Taylor has coordinated to help farmers hire agricultural workers.

Taylor's campaign page can be found on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/RebeccaTaylorColchester10](https://www.facebook.com/RebeccaTaylorColchester10) and she invites people to call her at 902-297-7944 to share concerns or ideas.

## Lomond Offering for District 10

By Robbin Spencer

Born and raised in what used to be the sprawling metropolis of Londonderry, Victoria Lomond (then Dobson), grew up as many children who were raised in rural Nova Scotia. Where roots run deep, everyone knows each other, you wave regardless if you recognize the vehicle, you help those in need, you support your community, and volunteering is just a part of life. I mean how could you not have wanted to be a part of the memorable, volunteer dependent events like Londonderry Days or the Economy Clam Festival. There are so many intangible aspects and wonderful character-building experiences that result from growing up in the country.



Victoria Lomond

As a young adult, Victoria attended Saint Mary's University gaining a Bachelor of Arts Degree, with an English major. She then went on to obtain her Early Childhood Education Degree. She has always had a passion for people and is a true humanitarian at heart.

Victoria is now herself raising a family in Londonderry. A hard-working professional, wife and mother of two children. Strongly family-oriented, her down-time is spent creating memories whether it is baking bread together, outings on family adventures or a "competitive" game of back gammon. She works full-time at the Colchester Community Workshop as a program instructor for the social enterprise, New To You. In her current role her passion is inspirational, and she cares genuinely providing the utmost support in a variety of capacities to her participants all while ensuring administrative directives and store procedures are also maintained. She prides herself in her service delivery as well as her customer relations.

In her personal time, she continues the tradition of leading by example by volunteering and organizing many community events and serving for the past seven years as the President of the Londonderry Community Council. She is someone who never shies away from hard work, prides herself on personal accountability and fostering the success of others. With an unrivaled sense of humor, innate ability to connect and understand polar opinions and always quick to provide an empathetic ear, she is admired and respected by those lucky enough to know her.

In both her professional life as well as personal; she has demonstrated excellence in communication and collaboration skills and adept program management making her a natural to serve as your Councillor of district 10 on Colchester County Council. Her proficient ability to thoroughly analyze details and make solutions work means she deserves our vote this fall. She works tirelessly and selflessly for her community, which will undoubtedly be maintained as she works for you as our councillor.

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