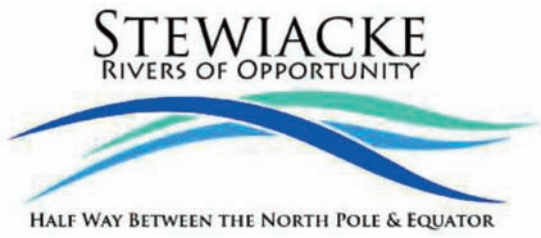


Mayor Lloy's Breakfast Remarks



Stewiacke's Mayor George Lloy joined Chief Gloade, Millbrook First Nation and the mayors of Truro and Colchester for the Chamber of Commerce annual Chief and Mayors Breakfast held at Legends Gaming Centre on June 4. The following is his remarks.

Good morning, Mayor Blair, Mayor Mills, Chief Gloade, President Tanton and other business leaders and guests who have joined us today. As I have stated previously, we are extremely fortunate to have this event organized by the Truro & Colchester Chamber of Commerce who continue to work tirelessly on our behalf.

I am honored to accept the Chamber's invitation on behalf of the Town of Stewiacke to address the County's leaders this morning. I will be providing a brief overview of what's been happening in Stewiacke and the exciting initiatives that we are working on as we move forward.

I am pleased to be joined this morning by our new CAO Marc Seguin & Counselor Pam Osborne. Mr. Seguin takes office June 17th. Please take a moment and introduce yourself to Marc if you have not had the chance this morning. I am looking forward to working with Marc in our perspective roles.

Total building permits eclipsed fifteen million in 2023. The Financial Condition Indicators provided the Town of Stewiacke with a moderate risk assessment. This reflects the sound financial responsibility which has been accomplished with our staff and council governance & further demonstrates the unprecedented growth in our town.

I was proud to represent

the Town of Stewiacke at the Grand Opening for Foodland with Deputy Mayor Chapman, Counselor Pam Osborne & Counselor Susan Creelman, February 20th with Sherry & Darren Shiver. This location is the largest Foodland in Atlantic Canada. Congratulations are extended to Sherry & Darren for their long-term commitment to the Town of Stewiacke. This was an historic day in our Town.

A new 24-unit apartment building has been completed in the Perry Lake Subdivision & 5 new 2 level apartments are under construction on Riverside Avenue. Two additional subdivisions are currently expanding and multiple residential developments are taking place.

The previous Foodland location in the downtown core will see an exciting development phase starting within the next year.

To assist with this unprecedented growth the Town of Stewiacke has contracted the Town of Truro utilizing resources for building inspections & planning.

The Nova Scotia Utility & Review Board has ruled to reduce the size of Town Council to 5 including the Mayor for the next election in October. A survey was completed with the residents of Stewiacke to enable Council to make an informed decision regarding the size of council. The size of our council now aligns with the ratio of council members in municipalities of similar size.

Tomorrow I will be attending the Federation of Municipalities Conference (FCM) in Calgary with Deputy Mayor Rosanne Champman & Counselor Pam Osborne. Counselor Osborne & I also attended the Nova Scotia Federation of Mu-

nicipalities Spring Conference in Baddeck earlier this month & I represented the Town of Stewiacke at the Atlantic Mayors Congress meetings the past year. It is important that the Town of Stewiacke is at the table as a stakeholder as we continue to grow.

Extensive infrastructure upgrades in our system upgrade for Riverside Avenue is currently underway with completion slated for the fall of 2024.

We have applied for ICIP funding for our wastewater upgrades & I am pleased to announce we are waiting for the official announcement for this funding in the near future. We will also be seeking funding for the replacement of our water treatment plant which requires replacement. CBCL Consultants reported the water treatment plant is at end of life. This is the # 1 Priority in my opinion from operational & governance perspective as we move forward.

The Truro & Colchester Partnership for Economic Prosperity (TCPEP), CBDC NOBL (Northern Opportunities for Business Limited) & the Northern Region Investment continues to deliver support in the growth to various businesses ensuring they reach their full potential.

I am a true believer in teamwork and a collaborative & networking approach whenever feasible which is evident with sourcing out with the Town of Truro.

I want to take the time to acknowledge that the Stewiacke Fire Department celebrated their 80 Anniversary on May 25th. The dedication from this group of volunteers is beyond approach. The Stewiacke Storm Baseball Association, Community Meals Program, Rising Tides Arts Society, newly formed Community Gardens & countless volunteers ensure diverse programs continue in our town.

The Community Center is currently undergoing extensive upgrades through ACOA Hurricane Fiona Recovery Fund Project. These upgrades will allow for Climate Comfort Centers in the Municipality of Colchester, Town of Stewiacke & the Town of Truro.

It is important that I take the time this morning to acknowledge our Interim CAO Kevin Matheson who has gone above and beyond during his time in our town, town staff and our public works department. We are fortunate to have a dedicated workforce in Stewiacke as we are growing at this incredible rate.

As I have stated previously this unprecedented growth for our town is amazing but provides challenges and these individuals have risen to the challenges on a regular basis. I consider myself fortunate

Truro and Colchester Chamber of Commerce's annual Mayors and Chief's Breakfast was held on June 4th at Legends Bingo Facility, Millbrook.

In this issue of the Shoreline Journal we are proud to bring you contents of speeches from both Stewiacke Town Mayor George Lloy, and Millbrook First Nation Chief Bob Gloade. Colchester County Mayor Christine Blair's remarks can be found on page 9 of our August issue. Town of Truro Mayor Bill Mills' speech can be found on page 19 of our August issue.

to serve as the Mayor of the Town of Stewiacke & will continue to strive for positive change and respectful governance in this elected position during my time in office.

Engagement with our stakeholders, developers & elected Provincial & Federal officials is paramount for the success of our town as we move forward and develop a new Strategic Plan.

The future for the Town of Stewiacke is evolving and careful strategic planning is essential for continued success.

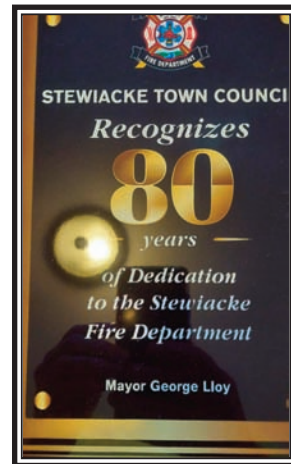
Thank you for the opportunity this morning to provide you with an update from our town.



Stewiacke Mayor George Lloy and Fire Chief Mark Crouser share a happy moment when town council presented a special plaque to the department recognizing 80 years of dedicated service. (Contributed)



Mayor George Lloy, Deputy Mayor Rosanne Champman & Counselor Pam Osborne present the special plaque recognizing the departments 80 years of dedicated service to the Stewiacke Fire Department (Contributed)



Stewiacke Council recognized 80 years of dedicated service by presenting this plaque to the Stewiacke Fire Department. (Contributed)

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Mayor George Lloy with Sherry & Darren Shiver owners of the Foodland which opened on February 20th as the largest Foodland in Atlantic Canada. (Contributed)

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