

**Community Enhancement Committee Notes
Town Council Chambers
December 2, 2021 – 5:00 PM**

Present

Councillor A. Murray, Chair
Councillor M. Farrell
Adam Baden-Clay
Anuj Jain
O. Landry

Absent with Regret

Mayor L. Boucher

Also Present

S. Scannell, Director of Community Development
D. Wilson, Deputy Clerk

Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

Approval of Agenda

S. Scannell provided comment on amending the Agenda for this evening.

“It was Moved and Seconded to approve the Agenda as amended.” Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes

“It was Moved and Seconded to approve the Community Enhancement Committee Minutes of June 8th and October 13th, 2021, as presented.” Motion carried.

The Chair provided comment on Committee meetings noting the Committee would be getting back to a more regular schedule.

Business from Minutes

- Mural Program (Update) – **Tabled**

- James Street Beautification (Update)

S. Scannell provided an update on the funding application noting approximately \$16,000 was approved, which will allow most of proposed projects to proceed.

S. Scannell spoke to the idea of a ‘branding theme’, noting that the Town and County are currently in the process of looking at the possibility of ‘consolidation’ and questioned whether it would be appropriate to utilize ‘branding’ at this time.

Discussion took place. S. Scannell noted he would circulate pictures of some recommended colours for the proposed planters.

- Downtown Core Enhancements (Update) – **Tabled**
- Antigonish Landing Signage (Update) – **Tabled**

- Community Enhancement Priorities – **Tabled**

New Business

- Columbus Field Remediation

S. Scannell provided comment on the damage caused at Columbus Field during the recent rain event and provided photos of some of the damage.

An overview of steps being taken and opportunities that may have been presented as a result of the flooding, and proposed steps were provided. S. Scannell provided further comment on remediation options.

Committee members provided comment and discussion took place. S. Scannell noted he would discuss replacement ground material and options with a contractor.

S. Scannell provided comments on future considerations of shaping the area, and it was suggested that the Town look toward disaster preparedness moving forward.

- Chisholm Park Vending

S. Scannell provided details on a recent application for a mobile vending license at Chisholm Park. He noted this is the only space available for food trucks and mobile vending and provided positive comments on the location.

Some options were reviewed include moving vendors out of the area, electrical hook up requests, parking issues and safety.

Although management and enforcement has improved, S. Scannell noted he does not want to encourage more vendors for the area until such time as there is a plan in place and expanded on some details that may need to be reviewed.

S. Scannell polled the Committee as to whether they would be interested in further discussion on other locations for the vendors. The Committee was in general agreement to receive additional information. The idea of use of the former Petro-Canada property, or possibly the Farmers' Market property were briefly discussed.

S. Scannell agreed to discuss the matter further with Bylaw Enforcement staff.

A. Jan suggested that perhaps virtual meetings be considered. S. Scannell noted that budget considerations will soon be underway and noted that over the past few meetings some ideas have come forward and suggested a priority list be developed with the Committee. S. Scannell provided further comment.

At 5:56 PM the meeting was adjourned.