



TOWN OF OXFORD

**Committee of the Whole Meeting**

Council Chambers, Zoom and streamed live to Facebook

Monday, November 7, 2022

6 pm

**AGENDA**

**1. Call to Order**

*Pg 1* **2. Approval of Agenda**

**3. Approval of minutes from the previous meeting**

*Pg 2-4* 3.1 Committee of the Whole Minutes – October 3, 2022

**4. New Business**

*Pg 5* 4.1 Municipal Boundary Review – In Person Hearing booked for December 7

**5. Reports of Town Departments**

*Pg 6-7* 5.1 Public Works Report - *included in package*

5.2 Fire Department Report – *submit separately*

*Pg 8-9* 5.3 Municipal Physical Activity Leader (MAPL) Report – *included in package*

*Pg 10-12* 5.3 Administration Department Report, submitted by Linda Cloney - CAO – *included in package*

**6. Reports of Committees and Boards**

6.1 Recreation Commission – *verbal report from Councillor McNutt*

*Pg 13-15* 6.2 Solid Waste Management – *included in package*

*Pg 16-22* 6.3 RCMP Quarterly Reports – *included in package*

**7. Correspondence**

*Pg 23* 7.1 Dream Business Program

**8. Adjournment**



## Minutes of Committee of the Whole Meeting

Place: Council Chambers, Zoom, streamed-live to Facebook  
Date: Monday, October 3, 2022  
Presiding Officer: Mayor Gregory Henley  
Councillors Present: Councillor Carla Black, Councillor Brenton Colborne,  
Councillor Paul Jones, Councillor Chrystal McNutt, and  
Deputy Mayor Arnold MacDonald

Regrets: Nil

***A quorum was present throughout the meeting.***

Staff in attendance: CAO – Linda Cloney and Office Assistant – Stan McDougall  
(recording secretary)

*Prior to calling the meeting to order, Mayor Henley announced the Policing Services Review Committee has a Community Consultation Meeting on October 19, 2022, at 6:30pm at the Capitol Theatre and all are welcome to join in to discuss current policing services in the Town of Oxford.*

### **1. Call to Order**

At 6:00 pm, Mayor Henley called the meeting to order.

### **2. Approval of Agenda**

Moved by Councillor Jones and seconded by Councillor McNutt that the agenda of the Committee of the Whole Meeting for October 3, 2022, be approved, as presented.

***Motion Carried***

### **3. Approval of minutes from the previous meeting**

#### **3.1 Committee of the Whole Minutes – September 7, 2022**

Moved by Councillor Colborne and seconded by Councillor Black that the minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting for June 6, 2022, be approved, as presented.

***Motion Carried***

### **4. New Business**

#### **4.1 Fire Hydrants (painting characters) – for discussion – *verbal report***

An idea was brought forward from a community member to paint the town hydrants with characters. A plan to organize this was discussed with the Municipality Physical Activity Leader (MPAL). Guidelines would be followed to keep the tops in the colour required as per the NFPA Standards for fire hydrants.

Council gave direction to move forward with this project.

### **5. Reports of Town Departments**

#### **5.1 Public Works Report - *included in package***

#### **5.2 Fire Department Report – *submit separately***

It was noted that the fire department had requests in for the purchase of bunker gear and has room in their budget to do so.

It was also noted that there were no in-town calls by the fire department last month.

#### **5.3 Municipal Physical Activity Leader (MAPL) Report – *included in package***

It was noted that the Oxford Christmas parade date has been set for November 25, 2022.

#### **5.3 CAO and Administration Department Report, submitted by Linda Cloney - CAO – *included in package***

Moved by Councillor Colborne and seconded by Councillor McNutt to accept the reports of town departments as presented.

***Motion Carried***

## **6. Reports of Committees and Boards**

6.1 Recreation Commission – verbal report from Councillor McNutt

6.2 Solid Waste Management – Report included in package

It was noted, that during the Oxford Exhibition the coordinator worked with exhibition staff and had provided green bins and signage so that the Exhibition was setup for proper sorting.

The Oxford household hazardous waste event and had 20 vehicles to attend to dispose of hazardous household waste material.

Moved by Deputy Mayor MacDonald and seconded by Councillor Black to accept the reports of committees and boards as presented.

***Motion Carried***

## **7. Adjournment**

At 6:07 pm, it was moved by Councilor Jones that the meeting be adjourned.

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**Gregory Henley, Mayor**

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**Stan McDougall, Recording Secretary**

**From:** [Robinson, Teena](#)  
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**Subject:** M10819 - Town of Oxford MB Review 2022 - In-Person Hearing  
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Ms. Cloney,

The Board would like to proceed with scheduling a date for an in-person hearing for this matter. Could you please provide the Town's availability for either **Monday, December 5, 2022**, or **Wednesday, December 7, 2022**? Could you also advise as to whether Oxford Council Chambers would be available to hold this hearing on either of these dates?

We look forward to hearing from you at your earliest convenience.

Thank you,

*Teena Robinson*

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## **Public Works Report October 2022**

**Public works team completed the following tasks in the month of October**

**Repaired water break on Sunset Ave**

**Weekly water samples**

**Bi-Weekly lagoon samples**

**Water meter reads**

**Repaired standpipe on 37 Birchwood Road**

**Greased blowers at lagoons**

**Repaired multiple leaks on 77 Birchwood Road**

**Installed air release line at the end of Foundry Street**

**Added reclaim to water break patches**

**Weekly garbage runs**

**Started pre-winter maintenance on salt spreaders**

**Maintenance on truck plow**

**Cleaned UV lights at lagoons**

**Pothole patching on Foundry Street**

**Installed no littering sign down by the school**

**Hooked up Water line on 1790 Black River Road**

**Replaced locks at wells**

**Equipment maintenance before winter**

**Changed oil in ride on mower for winter storage**

**Added topsoil to 77 Thompson Road (from a water break fixed a while back)**

**Changed chlorine tanks**

**Heavy equipment course**

**Asphalt prep on Ellis Street and Waverly Street**

**Greased hydrants**

**Half ton truck taken for oil change**

**Removed brick and left-over sand from walkway at town hall**

**Cleaned out ditch/culvert Sunset Ave**

**Cleaned out ditch/culvert 20 Pugwash Road**

**Fixed water meter 20 Pugwash Road**

**Installed pressure reader at old tank on Pugwash Road**

**Installed new chlorine regulator at chlorine building**

**Repaired water meter at 14 Foundry Street**

**Dump truck to Spring Specialty in Moncton**

**Covered A/C at town hall**

**Installed salt spreader on Kubota tractor**

**Any questions feel free to reach out, Thanks**

**Nick Purdy**

**Jimmy Ward**

**Municipal Physical Activity Leader**

**Monthly Report for October 2022**

- Continued preparation for the Christmas Parade set for November 25<sup>th</sup>. This year's theme will be "Walking in A Winter Wonderland"
  - Next meeting to be held on November 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6pm to finalize all the details.
- Learn to Skate program starting Friday October 28<sup>th</sup>
- Public Skating Schedule starting November 1<sup>st</sup>
- Gathering ideas for a Winter Carnival to be held at the Arena in December
- The Arena Committee is looking at offering curling. Details are still being finalized. (Adult League hoping to start Nov, 12<sup>th</sup> with a Learn to Curl 6-8 week program set to start after Christmas.)
- Reviewing the Physical Activity and Recreation Strategic Plan. Looking over Objectives and High-Level Actions that pertain to my role.
- Creating a yearlong plan developed around special events and holidays where I can use my role to promote Physical Activity within the community.
- Attended the Recreation Nova Scotia Conference held in Dartmouth from October 19<sup>th</sup> - 21<sup>st</sup>. Met with fellow MPAL'S throughout NS and will be working closely with others, especially within our region to create new programs.
- Working with Carolyn Bollwerk and Alison Watson to offer Multi Sport and Learn to Lead programs.
- PAPE Conference to be held in Dartmouth November 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> – Specific to MPAL'S only.
- Partnered with NS Walks to create a walking group. Susan Rector to take the lead and be an official Walk Leader.

- Johnny Cash band played at the Capitol Theatre on October 22<sup>nd</sup>.
- Working with Y Reach coordinator, Ksenia Sabouloua to find a meeting spot for their group. This is for newcomers to our community which will meet weekly as a way of introducing them to others within the community and share any current or upcoming programs and events. A great way to make them feel welcomed to our community.
- Working with Ruth Collins (Cumberland Performing Arts) and her music studio students to get their programming running again which shut down when Covid first hit. In the past, they used the Theatre for their rehearsals and shows.

Monthly Report October 2022 – L Cloney – CAO

### **Highlights**

Coordinated the Public Information Session for the Policing Review

Coordinated the brick walkway repair

Final reading and advertising for Amending Bylaw for Land Use Bylaw

Attended meetings for Public Works, Council, COW, MPAL, Admin Staff, Police Advisory Board, Accessibility, Special Council, Landfill Meeting (Amherst), OPH Club – re OPH Hall

Met with Department of Environment regarding Wastewater reports

Attended Records Management Workshop – New Glasgow

Coordinated Team Members Potluck

Started process for Special Election – January 7

Handling Dangerous and Unsightly cases

Working on Snow Removal Policy

Working with Arena Association regarding future ideas

Closing of federal and provincial grants regarding Ballfield fence

Coordinate re-issuing of Transfer Site Cards to Oxford Residents

Ordered Town Hall Boiler

Handling Dog Complaint issues

Coordinating Water Rate Study – research and re-examining

Coordinate Oxford Volunteer of the Year – Provincial Event – Shaun Galbraith and Jimmy Ward attending.

Coordinate board members for the Welcoming Committee

Email issues – working with IT

Public Works Supervisor and Public Works Staffing – involves needing a MOU from CUPE

## **October 1-31 2022 R Brookins-Accounting**

### **Regular Duties**

Balanced Town Suite to Simply, made adjustments in Simply  
Post pays  
Check deposits  
Bank Reconciliations- 5 accounts  
HST Return

### **Water Bills**

Check all house sales and new builds , meter must have proper start date and proper fees applied to account  
Updated Water Mastersheet ( broke, call in, catups,new accounts, flats, account creation fees, connection fees)  
Updated new meters into water meter sheets  
Requested re reads for those with exceptional consumption  
Created notes for clients with exceptional high usage  
Obtain meter reads and Created Water bills in excell for OFF  
Post Water bills in Simply  
Processed broken water meter sheet for public Works -58 in total

### **Assisted with**

Creation of consumption report, checking consumption, post and creation of water bills  
Running Interest  
Water bills for house Closing  
Updating the spreadsheet on the meters that are shut off-potential meters to replace broken ones

### **Tax Sale Process**

Updated spreadsheet of payment plans with payments, outstanding balance from Town Suite  
Emailed clients that are behind on payments  
Updated arrears spreadsheet with payments and outstanding balances greater than 2 years taxes from Town suite  
Developed a list for those receiving a Preliminary Notice  
Developed a list of those receiving a statement of arrears

### **Provincial Reporting**

Researched revenue for grants deposit

### **Audit Process**

Used information from draft financails from Baker Tilly to make adjustments in 2021/22 year end  
created a spreadsheet for Interfund  
Transferred funds to Reserves according to Interfunds

### **Other**

Worked on UARB questions and consulted with Gerry  
Reviewed the replies given to UARB  
Change Visa limits  
Set up Flats in Town Suite  
Set up Account creation fees in Town Suite  
Set up Connect/Disconnect Fees in Town Suite  
Set up new accounts and learned how to transfer balances in Town Suite

## **Administration Assistant**

### **October Report - Highlights**

- AMANS Records Management Workshop October 28, 2022, in New Glasgow.
- Assisting to print the quarterly water bills and insert for the water bills.
- Coordinate Policing Services Review Committee, Public Consultation Meeting Oct 19, 2022:
- Setting up for meetings in Council Chambers including AV setup, printing agendas and materials and distributing.
- Working with committees to print and email materials (Accessibility, Policing Review).
- Tracking hours for Hurricane Fiona and printing applications for financial assistance for residential, small business and non-profit.
- Posting of updated meeting minutes, policies, and changes to office hours, etc. to the current and new/development website, the file server, and various binders.
- Minute taking course – Continuing Eli Mina’s course notes, etc.

### **Ongoing/Daily/Monthly tasks**

- Monthly Interest Posting (Auto Credit, Property Tax and Utility/Water).
- Payroll – entering of hours submitted into timesheet and analysis of hours for submission to Scotia Bank for pay days.
- Mid-Month Reporting for Payroll (Manulife Pension, Union Dues, Workman’s Comp, Source Deductions (Revenue Canada), and payment of these online.
- Social Media & Town of Oxford Website posts (FB and Web) posts.
- Working in conjunction with Linda, Les Coleman and Mark Rushton toward the setup of the new Town of Oxford Website
- Customer Service – receiving bill payments via debit, cash and cheque and general customer service inquiries, directing to forms, locations in town, etc.
- Computer and Network Troubleshooting – printing, phone and tablet troubleshooting, file issues, backup monitoring, general operating, and power-related issues. Assisting Tammy Teed from Amherst when required, etc. Troubleshooting of meeting devices and Zoom-related troubleshooting.
- Timesheet entry & Payroll – Setup of New Employees and communication of new employee detail to Mark at Connie’s Financial Services, requesting ROE’s, hours of work and research for employees for leave and EI purposes. Submission of payroll through online banking.
- Payroll time allocation tracking for Public Works to assist Ruthann with current and future budgets.
- Data Entry and Documentation creation, printing, emailing, scanning, conversion to PDF.
- Reports & Spreadsheet setup and modifications
- Minutes for various Committee, and Council Meetings (Accessibility, COW, Regular Council, Police Services Review, Health & Safety Committee, PRAC)
- Research, Information gathering, Proofreading, compiling.

# Solid Waste Management Report

## October 2022

### Provincial Updates

#### Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR)

No update as the Priorities Committee has not met.

#### C&D Regulation Changes

The regulations are now 10 months away and some municipalities are concerned that they do not have enough information. The following outlines concerns for the different operations (provided by Andrea Trask who is on the Managers/Directors Committee).

1. Municipalities that do not have facilities or have Transfer Stations for C&D:
  - concerned as they do not know what the costs will be to transport (where material will be able to go) or tipping fees (C&D is traditionally less expensive vs regular garbage)
  - concern for increased costs to local businesses and/or residents if they direct haul materials to a facility (and where those facility options may be if there are changes to existing locations)
  - some transfer stations allow C&D drop-off however they are concerned what this will look like when mixed loads come in – how do they manage that if they do not currently accept garbage at that facility? (ex. Cumberland)
2. 2nd Generation Landfills:
  - there are 7 in Nova Scotia (4 municipally-owned and 3 private)
  - these are the only locations that will be approved under the regulations to take newly banned materials
  - operational concerns around engineering design of their cells to receive this material (ex. Kemptown bales garbage – how would they manage C&D? If they need to chip it there is a cost to that), unsure of the amount of material that will come in (volume), unsure of costs to receive type and volume of the material
3. Existing C&D Landfills (ex. East Hants):
  - many municipalities opted to switch to C&D landfills (1st generation) in 2005/6 when requirements for regular garbage shifted to 2nd generation sites
  - these sites are concerned about:
    - i. what they can and can't take moving forward
    - ii. reality of managing mixed loads

- iii. operational expenses to staff, transport, tipping fees for materials they will no longer be able to accept
- iv. capital costs for management of materials they will no longer be able to accept
- v. level of service to the communities

In addition to the above there are changes to come related to the sampling programs at facilities, but no specific details have been provided.

NSECC staff stated that their expectation is a guideline will be produced internal, in conjunction with the regulatory enforcement team, and then municipalities will be consulted.

### **EPR for electronics (Recycle My Cell)**

As of December 31, 2022, the Recycle My Cell (RMC) program will cease to operate as a stewardship program and will stop offering cell phone recycling services to consumers. As a result, carriers will have to sign up with Electronic Products Recycling Association (EPRA) and materials will continue to be accepted through this program.

### **Landfill audit**

Divert NS is looking to do another round of waste audits in April 2023. It is the understanding that they will be similar to the last round of audits. The idea is to gather information for the 300kg target.

## **Education & Enforcement**

### **Solid Waste Hotline**

The Solid Waste Hotline received 450 calls in September. We had over 110 calls in the two days after the post-tropical storm.

### **Social Media**

Focus for the month was on Monthly “What Goes Where” posts, Household Hazardous Waste Events, brush disposal options from the post-tropical storm, promotion of our Waste Reduction Week Events.

### **Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Fall Event**

The fall Amherst event scheduled for September 24<sup>th</sup> had to be cancelled due to the storm. The event is now scheduled for October 22<sup>nd</sup> from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. at the Amherst Fire Hall.

### **Education & Enforcement Contracts/Agreements**

Staff are working on mid-term reports for Region 3’s Education and Enforcement funding contracts.

### **Solid Waste Collection Contract**

The Town of Amherst and the Municipality of Cumberland have issued a joint RFP for Residential Three Stream Solid Waste Collection Services. The RFP closes on November 3, 2022.

## Events

Staff are busy preparing for Waste Reduction Week (October 17<sup>th</sup> -22<sup>nd</sup>). The theme this year is *Swap, Share, Thrift, Repair*. The following events are taking place in Cumberland County:

**Sports Equipment Swap:** this event is taking place on October 15<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. at the Amherst Stadium.

**Community Costume Swaps:** we have one event taking place at the Dr. Carson & Marion Murray Community Centre on October 19<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. with the other event taking place on October 20<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. at West Highlands Elementary School.



**SPORTS GEAR SWAP**

**October 15**

Bring in your clean, gently used, and functional sports & rec gear to swap for "new to you" gear

**Where:** Amherst Stadium

**When:** Saturday, October 15  
9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Acceptable gear includes: helmets, basketball shoes, hockey gear, skates, rackets, and more!

**Early Drop-Off Dates**

October 13 - 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.  
October 14 - 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

For more information call 902 667 5141

Cumberland County Solid Waste



**Community Costume Swap**

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19<sup>th</sup>**  
5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

**DR. CARSON & MARION MURRAY COMMUNITY CENTRE**

Drop off a gently used costume you no longer need & pick up a new one for Halloween.  
Costumes will be accepted beginning October 13<sup>th</sup> in the lobby.

Cumberland County Solid Waste



**COMMUNITY COSTUME SWAP**

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20<sup>th</sup>**  
6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

**WEST HIGHLANDS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

Drop off a gently used costume you no longer need and pick up a new one for Halloween.

**Early drop off begins Monday, Oct. 17<sup>th</sup> at the main office.**

Cumberland County Solid Waste

<b>TOWN</b>	<b>April 1 – June 30, 2022</b>	
Zone 12 – Town	103	
OSX – Oxford School	0	
<b>Total Town</b>	<b>103</b>	

<b>RURAL</b>		
Zone 6	37	
Zone 7	49	
Zone 8	13	
Zone 15	0	
Zone 16	3	
TCH TC1	2	
TCH TC2	183	
OSP	0	
Other Rural	181	
Total Rural	468	
<b>Total Rural and Town</b>	<b>571</b>	

## Oxford Town

### Criminal Code Offenses

Fraud	3
Forcible Confinement	1
Fail to Comply/Breach/UAL	1
Disturbing the Peace	2
Assaults	4
Threats	4
Harassing Communications	3
Criminal Harassment	1
Theft of MV	1
Theft Under \$5000/Shoplifting	4
Operation while Impaired	2
Mischief/Property Damage	8
Break & Enter	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>35</b>

### Calls for Service that are not Criminal Code Offences

Motor Vehicle Collisions	4
Off Road Collisions	1
Provincial Traffic Offences	15
Non Criminal Code Offenses	48
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>68</b>

## Oxford Rural

### Criminal Code Offenses

Arson	0
Assaults/Assault Causing	5
Forcible Confinement	1
Break and Enter	1
Criminal Harassment	0
Property Damage	0
Thefts Over \$5000	6
Thefts Under \$5000	0
Possession of Property	1
Forgery	2
Cause Disturbance	2
Threats	3
Fail to Comply	1
Flight from Police	0
Operation while Impaired/Refusal	5
Dangerous Op of MV	0
Harassing Communications	0
Identify Fraud	0
Fraud	2
Mischief/Damage to Property	2
Possession Controlled Substances/Trafficking	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>32</b>

### Calls for Service that are not Criminal Code Offenses

Motor Vehicle Collisions	30
Off Road Vehicle Collisions	1
Non Criminal Code Offenses	68
Other Provincial Offenses	5
Provincial Traffic Offenses	332
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>436</b>



**RCMP**

ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE

# Town of Oxford

## Police Advisory Board

**July 1 to September 30, 2022**

S/Sgt. Craig Learning  
District Commander



# CALLS FOR SERVICE

July 1 to September 29, 2022

## Town of Oxford

### Criminal Code Offences

Fraud	1
Forcible Confinement	1
Fail to Comply	1
Disturbing the Peace	4
Assaults	4
Threats	1
Harassing Communications	1
Theft of MV	1
Theft Under \$5000/Shoplifting	8
Operation while Impaired	1
Mischief/Property Damage	13
Total	36

### Non Criminal Code

Motor Vehicle Collisions	4
Off Road Collisions	1
Provincial Traffic Offenses	11
Non Criminal Code Offenses	38
Total	54
<b>CC AND NON CC TOTAL</b>	<b>90</b>

## Oxford Rural

### Criminal Code Offences

Arson	7
Assaults/Assault Causing	7
Unlawfully in dwelling house	1
Break and Enter	6
Criminal Harassment	1
Property Damage	6
Thefts Over \$5000	1
Thefts Under \$5000	2
Theft from MV	1
Theft MV	2
Cause Disturbance	2
Threats	9
Fail to Comply	3
Flight from Police	1
Operation while Impaired	3

Dangerous Op of MV	2
Harassing Communications	4
Identify Fraud	2
Fraud	3
Mischief/Damage to Property	6
Possession Controlled Substances -	1
Total	70

### Non Criminal Code

Motor Vehicle Collisions	27
Off Road Vehicle Collisions	1
Non Criminal Code Offenses	81
Provincial Traffic Offenses	227
Total	336
<b>CC AND NON CC TOTAL</b>	<b>496</b>

## Oxford Detachment Updates

July 1 to September 30, 2022

### 20221078901

On August 2 at approximately 0500 hrs, RCMP members responded to a commercial alarm at a business in the Collingwood area. A neighbor heard a commotion, attended the business, and chased two subjects who fled on a four wheeler. The suspects cut the phone/internet lines, then the chain to the fence to gain access. It was determined there were three suspects involved who stole an ATV and a dirt bike. The three suspects were later spotted by police on the ATV, but no pursuit was engaged due to public safety concerns. Owner to provide vehicle details once their system is restored. Suspects have since been identified. The matter remains under investigation.

### 20221175035

On August 19 at approximately 2200 hrs, RCMP members were advised that a stolen truck out of Colchester which was being tracked by On Star had entered Cumberland County. Through live updates, members were informed that the vehicle was approaching exit 6, then was observed on Main Street, Oxford, by an Oxford member. Upon activating the police unit's emergency lights, the truck accelerated narrowly missing the front of the police vehicle. No pursuit was initiated due to risk to the public. The truck was observed to turn right onto Water Street, then shortly thereafter flew past members toward the Hwy in excess of 100 km/hr. OnStar continued to track the vehicle which allowed members to coordinate and set up with a spike belt. At exit 4, the truck took the off ramp, where members were able to box the vehicle in. The driver did attempt to evade police and in the process of doing so struck two police vehicles resulting in minor damage, but not injuries. The truck then veered into a ditch. Two occupants were successfully arrested. Both accused appeared for a show cause the morning of August 19. One was held for a second appearance on 2022-08-22 and the second was released with a court date, conditions and curfew.

The following charges have been laid for the driver: Possession of stolen Property over \$5000.00, Possession of Stolen Property under \$5000, Assault with a weapon x 2, Fail to Stop For Police, Dangerous Operation of Vehicle. The follow Charges have been laid for the passenger: Possession of stolen Property over \$5000.00, Possession of Stolen Property under \$5000, Assault Police Officer.

## 20221216593

Cumberland District RCMP is continuing the investigation into multiple suspicious and confirmed arson fire in the Collingwood area which have been ongoing since the beginning of August. Several support units have been employed and investigators are making good progress. Further information will be shared as and when we are able.

## 20221282050

On September 6 at approximately 0653 hrs, the owner of a business in the Collingwood area called to report a Break Enter and Theft in Progress during which a dirt bike was stolen, then dumped by the suspects who fled. Police attended, and employed Police Dog Services who completed a track. The bike was recovered and examined by Forensic Ident Services. A suspect was identified during the investigation, arrested and eventually confessed to police during an interview. This matter is before the courts.

## ANNUAL PERFORMANCE PLAN 2022/2023 PRIORITIES

- Crime Prevention and Reduction
- Road Safety
- Connecting With Our Community – Community Engagement
- Our People – Healthy and Respectful Workplace

## Staffing Updates

The following is a list of all members and staff who are currently posted to Cumberland District R.C.M.P.

**District Commander:** S/Sgt. Craig Learning

**Operations NCO:** Sgt. Jason Pennoyer (Long Term Leave)

**Community Policing Officer:** Cst. Sarah Pennoyer

**Domestic Violence Coordinator:** Lydia Quinn

**Court Liaison Officer:** Alannah Blanch

### Amherst Office

Cpl. (vacant)

Cst. Victor Manuel

Cst. Jeffrey Campbell

Cst. Phil Basque

Cst. Matt Bray

Cst. Richard Harvey

D/A (vacant)

### Oxford Office

Cpl. Drew Smith

Cst. Paul Cheesman

Cst. Heather Graves

Cst. Donald Fisher (Long Term Leave)

Cst. Heather Lourie

D/A Lina Taraschi

D/A Crystal Farrell

**Parrsboro Office**

Cpl. Troy Gill (long term leave)  
Cst. (vacant)  
Cst. Don Matthews  
Cst. Colin Swim  
Cst. Steve Maddison  
D/A Heather Winters

**Pugwash Office**

Cpl. Shawn Galbraith  
Cst. Marc Blinn  
Cst. Jeff Brooks  
Cst. Anna Cochrane  
D/A Joan Jamieson

**Springhill Office**

Sgt. Brian Cameron  
Cst. Tom Livingstone  
Cst. Terry Gautreau  
Cst. Marilyn Campbell  
Cst. Dean Boland (Paternity)  
Cst. James Campbell  
Cst. Gina Macrae  
D/A Cindy MacDonald

**Street Crime Enforcement Unit**

Cpl. Josh Dubois  
Cst. Mike Black  
Cst. Ryan Wilson (Long Term Leave)  
Cst. Wayne Gillam (Amherst Police Service)  
Cst. Stefan Deuville (Amherst Police Service)



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Good evening Mayor and Council,

I am the newest part of the team at [Mashup Lab](#), a for-more-than-profit company based here in Nova Scotia. I am reaching out in hopes that you will help us inspire prospective entrepreneurs in Oxford about an awesome opportunity called the [Dream Business Program](#).

The Dream Business Program focuses on making the idea of entrepreneurship more approachable. It provides participants with valuable tools and resources to help them figure out the business model around their idea. Participants will receive 1:1 coaching opportunities and access to new connections with other entrepreneurs and become part of the Mashup Community, which provides continued support after completion of the Program. Thanks to the help of the Provincial Government, the Program is free to rural residents in Nova Scotia.

The sessions begin in November and run once a week for six weeks. Participants will receive 1:1 coaching opportunities, new connections with other entrepreneurs and access to the Mashup Community, which provides continued support after completion of the Program. Your residents can register for the Program at <https://mashuplab.ca/nova-scotia/>.

You can find us on [Facebook](#) and [LinkedIn](#) to learn more about us and easily share posts on this or another program we deliver. If you'd like to learn more about Mashup Lab, the founder, Andrew Button, describes what we are all about in this short video - [Unleash Rural Potential](#).

If you have any questions or if there are other opportunities you'd like to share with me to reach your residents, please get in touch with me by email or at 902-300-2356.

Thank you for helping us unleash rural potential by turning dreams into realities,

