

Rath Eastlink Community Centre

**9:00 AM March 4, 2025
Colchester Council Chambers**

Members Present:

Cathy Hinton, Mayor, Town of Truro
Tim Johnson, Councillor, Municipality of Colchester
Al Kennedy, Councillor, Municipality of Colchester
Deb Pryor, Councillor, Town of Truro
Bill Thomas, Deputy Mayor, Town of Truro
Paul Weatherby, Councillor, Municipality of Colchester

Staff Present:

Dan Troke, CAO, Municipality of Colchester
Mike Dolter, CAO, Town of Truro
Suzanne Graham, Recording Secretary, Municipality of Colchester

Regrets:

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by Tim Johnson at 1:08 PM.

Approval of Agenda:

The agenda was circulated for review.

**Moved by Paul Weatherby
Seconded by Al Kennedy**

“That the agenda be approved as presented.”

Motion Carried.

Approval of Minutes:

Minutes from the meeting held February 12, 2026 were included in tonight’s package.

**Moved by Paul Weatherby
Seconded by Cathy Hinton**

“That the minutes be approved as presented”.

Motion Carried.

Draft 2026 Operating Budget:

This item will be carried over to the next meeting. The Board will request the CFO attend the next Board meeting to present the draft operating budget. The CAO’s and Paul, as Chair of the Finance Committee, are going to try and set up a meeting with the CFO before the Board meets again.

Draft 2026 Stampede Budget:

Dan spoke to this item as the CFO was not in attendance. The CFO provided a budget with multiple potential scenarios for the 2026

Stampede: the best case, the lean case and the worst case. The biggest challenge in achieving the best case scenario would be ensuring a grant from the Province in the same amount as last year. Mike has reached out to the Province already to see what the process will be.

Signing Authority:

A Board member needs to be appointed to be a signatory on cheques and documents. Typically the person in the role of Treasurer would also fill this role.

Moved by Al Kennedy
Seconded by Bill Thomas

“That Paul, as Board Treasurer, be designated as signing authority”.

Motion Carried.

Summer Ice:

Tim reached out to RECC staff to get a recommendation on whether or not they would be putting in summer ice. Staff’s recommendation was to not leave the ice in for summer so as to not put extra pressure on the multistack.

**Moved by Bill Thomas
Seconded by Paul Weatherby**

“That the facility move forward without summer ice for the 2026 season”.

Motion Carried.

In Camera:

Moved by Paul Weatherby
Seconded by Al Kennedy

“That the meeting go into closed session at 1:21 pm”.

Motion Carried.

Moved by Cathy Hinton
Seconded by Al Kennedy

“That the meeting reconvene in open session at 3:00 pm”.

Moved by Paul Weatherby
Seconded by Deb Pryor

“That the Board move forward with the HR matter as discussed in closed session”.

Motion Carried.

Moved by Cathy Hinton

Seconded by Al Kennedy

"That the Board move forward with the Event as discussed in Closed Session.

Motion Carried.

Adjournment

Next Meeting next will be Tuesday, March 24th @ 9:00 am.

Moved by Al Kennedy

"That the meeting adjourn at 3:01 pm".

Motion Carried.

Tim Johnson, Chair

Date

Recording Secretary

Date