

## 2024 MUNICIPAL ROADSHOW - WHAT WE HEARD

Resident Comments & Questions	Ward					Department Director Commentary <i>Engineering &amp; Public Works Department</i>	Action
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Can we have speed bumps or radar signs installed entering the village core?	X					It is understood that the request is for traffic calming and not necessarily these specific measures. More data required to assess speeds and identify possible measures. Consultation will required with DTI since this is Route 106. Radar signs can be used as a temporary measure and to collect data. Suggest that the radar sign be placed for about two weeks in fall 2024.	Deploy radar sign, review TAC Traffic Calming & consult DTI.
Congestion where Main Street and King St. come together. Is there a plan for new lights, additional signage to help with the congestion?	X		X	X		There is not a plan to install signals at this location. When Council directs, the intent will be to conduct a corridor traffic study to ass Main Street from Mallard Drive to Allison Avenue. Implementation of alterations would have to be supported by warrant analyses.	Obtain study \$est. & include with budget.
Can we have a crosswalk installed in the square as there are more children biking, walking to school, library, activities, etc	X					See item 1 above. Data will be required for a warrant analysis and consultation with DTI. This is a challenging intersection because it is a skewed intersection, horizontal and vertical geometry, and width of pavement. An alternate location may be preferable. Suggest radar sign along with manual counts be used for data collection. Any intersection is a legal crossing point regardless of whether it is marked or not.	See item 1. E-mailed DTI 20240909
There are not enough proper curb cuts to safely get around Dorchester dash specifically by the library and to crossover to Station 8.	X					Significant road work and curbs have been conducted in Dorchester in the last ten years. We will inventory the curb cuts and assess in due course.	Work order issued
Road in front of library, culvert was installed incorrectly, and you hit when entering the property.	X					Public Works will assess and act accordingly. Service request will be created.	Work order issued
Where is the link between the municipality and DTI and how do we better engage with them	X	X	X	X	X	We are working on closer communication and information sharing with DTI.	E-mailed DTI 20240909
There are only a few crosswalks in the municipality that do not have the bright yellow signs indicating it's a crosswalk when will those be complete. They are busy crosswalks (King, Civic Centre, post office) - everything should be consistent.		X	X	X	X	See TAC. White background with black character is the standard crosswalk sign. Where flashing beacons are installed then the crosswalk sign is not required. Having all the same does not heighten awareness of crosswalks of apticular concern. Makes them all have the same value to a driver. Difference draws attention. There is not currently a plan to make changes to other crosswalk signage.	Check TAC
Queens Road between Marshview and Lorne - any plans for safer pedestrian use - multi pedestrian lanes, etc			X			This section of Queens Road is planned to be reconstructed (Main to Lorne) in the next several years. Sidewalk improvements will be considered as part of work. The r.o.w. is restrictive - may be why sidewalks are relatively narrow and at curb now. It would be good to have an understanding of where the middle school will be if it is to be replaced as rumoured.	
Is there any discussion with Mount A to install lights at the main crosswalk			X			The concept has been discussed, but neither party has funds in their budgets to implement at this time.	E-mailed Mt A 20240909
Reconstruction of Queens Road provided lots of opportunity to increase safety for pedestrians - how we can make sure we are improving safety when improving infrastructure - sidewalks, crosswalks			X	X		Good point and will be considered for reconstruction projects. It is understood that the sidewalks were retained in the last phase because they were in adequate condition and to maximize work on the road.	
Can we get lights in rural areas at least at stop and yield signs.			X			Street lighting is not a service that DTI provide. Lighting on highways is only done for specific intersections where deemed necessary as per TAC.	E-mailed DTI 20240909
Pedestrian link over the lake by Pond shore is missing. When will there be a sidewalk there			X			Bridges are DTI's responsibility. When the bridge is eventually replaced then it should have a sidewalk or wide shoulder incorporated.	E-mailed DTI 20240909
Sidewalk from Wry Lane to Moffatt needs to be complete, also mentioned Squire Street to Charles (there is a sidewalk on one side)			X			The sidewalk network as a whole should be reviewed as part of the Municipal Plan review.	

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Walker Rd. from King to water treatment plant - any discussion for it to be a priority on being upgrade - it's a main connector to Dorchester, specifically once the new healing centre is operational	X	X				Dorchester has two paved connectors, Route 106, to Memramcook and to Sackville. Woodlawn Rd, 3rd connector, is paved to King St. and King St. is paved. There is little in tax base along gravel section of Walker Rd and is not an area intended for development - lacks tax base to support paving of the road or other improvements. King St. to Hwy 2 is about 0.84 km DTI/3.6 km Tantramar. Improvement idea broached but there are no plans. Dilemma - where to spend limited funds - Walker Rd with no houses, or on repairing paved residential streets in poor condition, replacing aging pipes, repairing and completing sidewalk network?	E-mailed DTI 20240909
When will LSD roads become the Municipality's responsibility		X				There has been no suggestion from DTI or DELG that LSD roads will be transferred to Tantramar to my knowledge.	
Quite the gully leaving Queens Road to turn onto Route 935 - Engineering will look at a barrier if required.		X				Public Works will assess and act accordingly. Service request will be created. Not sure if this is Tantramar or DTI.	Work order issued
Route 935 has always been in a rough state - push province to have it upgraded where it should be.		X				We will flag the concern to DTI for their consideration.	E-mailed DTI 20240909

### Active Living & Culture

Acoustic panels at the DVCC will allow it to be more renter friendly	X					This would likely be a capital project and something we can explore after the energy audit of the building is completed.	Energy Audit scheduled
Electronic signage at the DVCC will allow more to know what's happening in the community	X					There is currently a sign being used by Great Dorchester Moving Forward. An electric sign is not currently part of the department's 5-year capital plan, but can be looked at more closely to evaluated the effectiveness of a potential sign and the safety of drivers by locating it at the DVCC.	No action to date
Flower beds downtown are not being properly maintained. There are many experienced gardeners in our community that potentially could assist.			X			Council approves a flower contract every two years to plant the flower beds in downtown Sackville. That contract is due for renewal in 2025.	Met with EOC Eco Energy and the Sackville Community Garden to reevaluate the plants and flowers being used downtown.
Active Transportation Plan is required. Once a plan is in place, when will infrastructure follow. Are sidewalks and paved shoulders part of the plan?			X	X		Any good Active Transportation Plan would include sidewalks. To date, a plan has not been developed.	Item could be discussed as part of municipal strategic plan
Rec Master Plan is required			X			The former Town of Sackville Recreation Master Plan was due to expire in 2024.	Item could be discussed as part of municipal strategic plan
High number of seniors do not have access to any transportation, how can the municipality assist with getting those seniors to programs.			X			Rural Rides in a potential solution, but we try to plan our senior programs to be as central as possible.	Item could be discussed as part of municipal strategic plan
Is there a plan in works for a community centre that would include the farmers market, a fitness centre, multi-use, etc.				X		There have been preliminary discussions, but the Dorchester Fire Hall is the current priority for a large Capital project, so the construction of such a building would be several years away. Mount Allison is also constructing a new building that could potentially meet this need.	Preliminary meetings with stakeholders

### Community & Corporate Services

Analytics of Facebook vs. Website users (send to Resident)					X	Website Analytics at a glance: 7.1K Users in the last 30 days. Avg. of 279 users per day.	Facebook Analytics at a glance: Content Reach: 126K in the last 28 days. 2.9K Content interactions in the last 28 days. 2.8K Followers over lifetime.
Signage at Aulac saying entering Tantramar would allow the ward to feel more apart of the municipality and also tell visitors who they are.					X	We are considering this for our 2025 sign plans.	
Is there anything in the works for dry / non-dumping camp sights, spots for tourist to stay over night to allow them to stay longer in our community.			X			We do not currently have plans for this, but we would be happy to support any entrepreneurs or organizations that might be interested in developing something like this.	At the September 23, 2024 Committee of the Whole Meeting, a Councillor asked if a dumping / water filling station for travel trailers would be in the works for Tantramar. A project like this was not recorded by residents during the municipal roadshows however staff will document the question.
Heritage By-Law, what is in the works. Last By-Law was too strong. Some municipalities are modifying heritage by-laws for the new generation.			X	X		We have heard concerns about our heritage properties and are considering what are options would be going forward.	
How do we get more business to come to Tantramar, what plans are in the works.				X		We are always open to approaches by people who are interested in setting up or moving businesses here. We answer inquiries promptly and to the best of our ability. We are in contact with the Regional Service Commission regarding their business development services, and we are exploring where we can connect with the provincial government as well in this area.	
Is there a land bank that can be pulled from to entice business to open here					X	We have explored having something like this, but feel that letting the local real estate companies manage their availability lists is more efficient, and is more likely to have the correct information available for prosective business developers.	

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How much of a role can the municipality take in helping the Vogue Cinema			X			Because of limited resources, we are focused on offering business support services that will benefit the maximum number of local businesses at any given time.	
Does the municipality have a role to play to ensure that nothing happens to the train station (heritage)			X			We are helping people to see the station and connect with the station owners as inquiries arise.	
Public properties being used for private business – was there a request for interest sent out, or did businesses approach the Municipality. How do others get that opportunity.		X				If people have an idea about partnering with the Municipality, they can approach us and any ideas will be given due consideration.	

**Protective Services**

Properties on Woodlawn Road near King have become a dumping ground. What will be done about it?	X					By-Law Dept. to review.	
What influence does Tantramar have on getting 911 to dispatch more quickly, why are things taking so long.	X					The 911 centre is a professional dispatch centre and dispatches information received in a timely manner.	
Fire Hydrants are not meeting code	X					Public Works Dept.to review.	
Willow Lane parking – if people continue parking double there, emergency vehicles will not be able to get down the road. Willow Lane is in fact a ROAD.				X		By-Law Dept. to monitor more frequently and educate public as required.	
Would the municipality consider AED's in rural locations, given that the hospital isn't open 24-7			X			Topic for further discussion. Item would need to be budgeted.	

**Protective Services - RCMP**

Speeding along Route 106 on Main Street, what will be done?	X					The RCMP has received and appreciates the feedback from all five (5) wards. Increased visibility from the RCMP was the most common request/need from the communities. We will continue to improve on our presence and patrols in all of the communities we serve. We have taken strides to improve, as being visible in the public is an important part of our duties, and will continue to make efforts to patrol all areas of Tantramar, enforce traffic laws, and contribute to public safety - Sgt. Hanson	
Note for RCMP: 99% of vehicles leaving CSC are not stopping at the stop sign.	X						
RCMP Visibility	X	X	X	X	X		
Note for RCMP: Significant speeding on Route 935, specifically coming up from the marsh farmland – dump trucks, farming trailers, etc.		X					

**Financial Services**

Water and sewer increases are considerable, what percentage is the prison paying.	X					The prison percentage went up in 2024 by the same rate as others	Will review in 2025 rates for prison
When will water and sewer services be renegotiated with CSC		X				The agreement has expired and will be followed up on for a renewal	Will look to finalize in 2025

**Governance**

Need citizen committees to always be in contact with Fredericton to get answers.	X	X				At the staffing as well as elected official level we are in constant contact and communicate regularly with various provincial departments.	
What is the update on the village office	X					Director of Engineering & Public Works Jon Eppell provided an update during his departmental report at the August Committee of the Whole Meeting	
Taxation from the Province, assessment rates, what influence does Tantramar have	X	X		X	X	Tax rates are set at the local level, however this is based on your assessed value that is set by the province. Local governments do not have influence over assessments but staff and elected officials have expressed concern to increases to property valuation.	
ATV Access on municipal roads – free range lately at all hours. Follow up on the letter regarding ATV access.	X		X			Tantramar submitted a letter to the Province regarding additional road access for ATVs. To date, no response has been received.	Continued follow up
What will the Director of Protective Services be working on, how will it relate to all protective services departments			X			This position will oversee the 3 firehalls within Tantramar Fire Service and reports directly to the CAO. It oversees by-law enforcement i.e: Dangerous or Unsanitary Premises files as well as EMO for all of Tantramar	
More visibility for the road shows would have improved attendance			X			The roadshows were well advertised, but we recognize not all residents engage with us digitally. Going forward time of year would be considered as well.	
Has Tantramar been able to maintain the leadership in Municipal Government that Sackville always showed. Are we surviving appropriately?				X		Absolutely, we have strong leadership across our management team as well as Tantramar Council. We have incredible support staff that are dedicated and committed to that continue to making Tantramar a great community.	
How were council and staff salary increases determined? Did everyone get the same?				X		Council salaries were set through the LGR transition process by the province and the following two links include staff compensation:	<a href="https://sackville.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/12/Collective-Agreement-Tantramar-CUPE-Local-December-1-2023-December-31-2027-Signed.pdf">https://sackville.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/12/Collective-Agreement-Tantramar-CUPE-Local-December-1-2023-December-31-2027-Signed.pdf</a> <a href="https://sackville.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/09/Salary-Scales-Managers-and-others-2024.pdf">https://sackville.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/09/Salary-Scales-Managers-and-others-2024.pdf</a> <a href="https://sackville.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/02/By-Law-No.-2022-04-A-By-Law-Respecting-the-Remuneration-of-Council-for-Tantramar-Signed.pdf">https://sackville.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/02/By-Law-No.-2022-04-A-By-Law-Respecting-the-Remuneration-of-Council-for-Tantramar-Signed.pdf</a>

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Has the policing contract changed since it became Tantramar, are there still provisions in it for setting priorities and how they are measured. Would the RCMP publish their priorities?	X					Effective April 2024, Tantramar consolidated two different policing contracts MPSA (Sackville) and PPSA (Dorchester & Former LSDs) into one MPSA for all of Tantramar and increased the regular member complement to 14.	
Has there been any consideration with staff and council of creating a public safety committee	X					This has not been discussed at the staff or council level. All committees carried over from former Town of Sackville i.e CCAC to keep the momentum new committees will be considered going forward. No current discussions or plans for a Public Safety Committee	
There are areas within former Sackville/Dorchester that are very similar in character to the former LSD – will there be any committee of residents created to determine how tax rates are created.	X					If Tantramar underwent a taxation review or boundary review this would be a collaborative effort by staff and a consultant.	
Push the federal government for funding to upgrade access to CSC and new healing centre	X					Regular discussion are held with CSC and this will be on the agenda	
How is the Municipality going to benefit from the new CSC Healing Centre	X					<p>The project lead for the Health Center of Excellence will present to Council in November 2024 to create an awareness for the project and can speak to the benefits of this community asset</p>	<p>The Correctional Service of Canada (CSC) will build a new, bilingual, Health Centre of Excellence (HCoE) in the Atlantic Region, in Tantramar beside the existing Dorchester Penitentiary. The Health Centre will serve as a national resource to strengthen CSC's overall capacity to address the health needs of federal offenders, contributing to better public safety outcomes.</p> <p><b>Improved public safety:</b> One of CSC's priorities is to provide effective and timely interventions in addressing the mental health needs of offenders so that when they return to the community, they have an increased likelihood of leading law-abiding lives. This means providing them with the health services they need to assist with their rehabilitation; which directly contributes to public safety.</p> <p><b>Jobs:</b> By opening a new Health Centre, this will increase the number of jobs available to the community, not only when it opens but as the project is designed and built.</p> <p><b>Reduce the demand on the public health system:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>One of CSC's key priorities is the provision of professional, clinically-independent, culturally-responsive, integrated and coordinated person-centred care.</li> <li>Currently, offenders requiring specific treatments go to an outside hospital as they cannot receive treatment within CSC facilities. With the HCoE, we expect services like this and others to be provided at the institution, therefore reducing the demand on the public health system.</li> <li>In addition, HCoE could reduce local hospital admissions by increasing CSC's internal hospital bed capacity.</li> </ol> <p>More information about the project can be found on the Health Centre of Excellence website.</p>
How can the Municipality help residents who are impacted by the continued blasting at current and soon to be new quarry pits. The impact on water quality and damages to surrounding houses is significant	X					Tantramar Council has moved a motion (August 15th) to submit a resolution to UMNB regarding stronger rules & regulations for private blasting sites. Residents are also encouraged to contact ELG	
The Municipality's voice is significantly stronger than the voice of a few residents when it comes to lobbying provincial government	X					Council always attempts to represent the majority of residents, at times topics are out of the scope of local government	
Should have the residents be able to choose top priorities that the government should be focused on, vs. staff/council setting those priorities	X					Opportunity during the Strategic Planning Process to express priorities. Not all priorities submitted end up in a final Strat Plan.	
Will the Municipality bring a provincial representative in to discuss concerns for LSD areas, rep from RCMP, etc.	X					This will be addressed in future engagement/ roadshow sessions and partners/ province will be invited accordingly.	