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## **News Release**

## **Riverside Park Upgrades**

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ST. GEORGE – Among the topics discussed at Wednesday evenings Regular Monthly Meeting for the Council of Eastern Charlotte was the next phase of upgrades for Riverside Park in St. George.

The park area, located along the Magaguadavic River in St. George, was previously known as the Day Adventure Centre and renamed "Riverside Park" at the meeting of Council in April. Last year, under the initiative phase of improvements, five buildings were removed from the site. The buildings were built in 1995 as part of the Adventure Destination initiative which saw the development of the Day Adventure Centre and had required extensive upgrades and repairs. Additional work included the renovation of the bandstand/gazebo and landscaping.

The next phase of improvements will be the construction of a 40 foot x 60 foot outdoor shelter, additional landscaping work, repairs to the roadway (Adventure Lane), installation of roadway rails, improved lighting and improved areas for food truck vendors. The municipality will also be looking to expand parking at the southern area of the park to better accommodate boat trailer traffic.

With the construction of an outdoor shelter, Council is planning to provide space for outdoor markets and community events such as live music. The shelter will be made for use of local organization as well as rental of private events such as weddings. The outdoor shelter will continue to be supported by one of the remaining buildings which provides washroom facilities to the park.



Example of Outdoor Shelter (courtesy of the Village of Grand Manan)

"For thirty years the park space along the Magaguadavic River has been a central part of recreation in Eastern Charlotte." Saids Mayor John Craig. "Council remains committed to investing in the newly renamed "Riverside Park" and bringing the park into a new era of use for residents."

Riverside Park is one of several park spaces in Eastern Charlotte operated and maintained by the municipality under a land-use agreement with the property's owner, J.D. Irving.

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