## Cole Harbour Rural Heritage Society Annual General Meeting March 21, 2023

## Chair of the Board of Director's Report

## To the Members of the Cole Harbour Rural Heritage Society

As you will see in the financial reports, the Society has taken on many successful projects over the past year, and with tireless work of staff and volunteers, is doing well. This is despite another year without our dinner and auction—historically our largest fundraising event of the year. We are looking forward to refocusing our fundraising and would be happy for any members to join our fundraising team.

Details surrounding our successful projects and events can be found on our website and across our social media, as well as profiles of some of the folks that make the Farm the success that it is, however I would like to specifically thank our Executive Director for another great year. Janice was awarded the Queen Elizabeth II Platinum Jubilee Medal in 2022 for her outstanding contributions to the Farm and the greater Nova Scotia Museum community, which was well deserved.

Along with regular maintenance as capital improvements, we are planning some exciting projects for the near future. Some of which may be referenced in other reports this evening, while others are not yet ready to be announced, but the Society is hard at work to continue and build on the successes of recent years, thanks in part to our active and committed members and volunteers.

I was elected as the Chair of the Society in 2019, following 2 years acting as vice-Chair. After 4 years as Chair, I am happy to step down so that our current vice-Chair, John Stewart, can take over as Chair moving forward. I've enjoyed my past 7 years with the Board of Directors and am happy to re-offer for the Board for the coming year. I also encourage anyone interested in the Society in any way to reach out for a conversation about past or upcoming projects, any of the reports provide this evening, volunteer opportunities, or anything else farm or Society related.

All of Which is Respectfully Summitted,

Brennan LeJean, Chair

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