

The January Village of Bible Hill Regular Monthly meeting was held on January 18, 2011 in the Village Office, 67 Pictou Road. The meeting was called to order by Deputy Chair Van Kroonenburg at 7:00 pm; the meeting adjourned at 9:05 pm.

**Call to Order**

Deputy Chair Van Kroonenburg  
Commissioner Mahar  
Commissioner McLean

Regrets: Chair Burke

Staff: Clerk and Treasurer Christianson  
Solicitor Barrett  
Recording Secretary Curry

In Attendance: B. Smithson, Bible Hill P&R Director  
D. Mellish, Bible Hill Fire Chief  
T. Lohnes, Lawn Bowls Committee  
4 Lawn Bowling Committee members

Deputy Chair Van Kroonenburg welcomed all delegations to the meeting.

**Approval of the Minutes of  
December 21, 2010**

*Moved by McLean  
Seconded by Mahar*

*"That the minutes of December 21, 2010 be approved as presented."*

*Motion carried.*

**Review and Approval of Agenda,  
Call for New or Other Business**

*Moved by McLean  
Seconded by Mahar*

*"That the agenda be approved as presented."*

*Motion carried.*

**Miscellaneous Business Including  
Delegations**

**Fire Chief Mellish**

Fire Chief Mellish was present to answer any questions about the fire brigade purchases that the Commission might have.

- Bunker Suits

*Moved by Mahar  
Seconded by McLean*

*"That the Village of Bible Hill purchase four bunker*

*suits from Cardinal Fire & Safety at a cost of \$6,085.34 including HST."*

*Motion carried.*

- Scott Air Packs

*Moved by  
Seconded by*

*"That the Village of Bible Hill purchase two Scott Air NFPA 30 Min Breathing Apparatus from Acklands Grainger, including the trade-in of two surplus units, at a cost of \$8,316.10 including HST."*

*Motion carried.*

#### **Lawn Bowling Steering Committee - Ted Lohnes**

Mr. Lohnes made a presentation to the Commission detailing the history of lawn bowling, the development of the Lawn Bowls Committee to create the lawn bowling facility at the Douglas Street Recreation Facility, and the financial planning for the development of this facility. Mr. Lohnes is requesting a \$15,000 contribution from the Village of Bible Hill as either a cash donation or in kind (ie: information on discounts, grants, etc.). The facility will be run on a volunteer basis and will be wheelchair accessible. The Commission will deliberate this request and reply to Mr. Lohnes.

#### **Business Arising out of the Minutes**

#### **Commission in Committee Report**

*Moved by McLean  
Seconded by Mahar*

*"That the Village of Bible Hill apply to have two components of the original storm water management project, the outfall repairs, and addition of the manhole be requested to be added back to the project as the deadline for completion has now been extended."*

*Motion carried*

*Moved by McLean  
Seconded by Mahar*

*"That the Village of Bible Hill write to Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal requesting permission to construct a sidewalk on the north side of Pictou Road from Village Court to Village Boundary within the foreseeable future."*

*Moved by McLean  
Seconded by Mahar*

*"That the motion tabled until February Commission Meeting."*

*Motion carried.*

*Moved by McLean  
Seconded by Mahar*

*"That the Village of Bible Hill not hold a bi-election to fill Commissioner Dawson-Sharbell's seat. This election will be held at the regular election in June, 2011 to fill the two Commission seats that will be up for re-election."*

*Motion carried*

*Moved by McLean  
Seconded by Mahar*

*"That the Village of Bible Hill move forward to use bi-weekly compost pick-up service from Truro Sanitation and to purchase four small compost bins to be placed in the Village Office, the Village Hall, the Fire Hall, and the Maintenance Department."*

*Motion carried*

*Moved by McLean  
Seconded by Mahar*

*"That the Village of Bible Hill proceed with advertising for two summer maintenance staff and four recreation programming staff at \$10.61 per hour and permission to complete any available employment grant applications."*

*Motion carried*

*Moved by McLean  
Seconded by Mahar*

*"That the Village of Bible Hill accept the application from Michelle Dawson-Sharbell to sit on the Bible Hill Parks and Recreation Committee until March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2011."*

*Motion carried*

### **Motion to Rescind, November 16, 2010**

*Moved by Mahar  
Seconded by McLean*

*"That the motion made on November 16, 2010 that the Village of Bible Hill strike the Osprey sidewalk/ crosswalk item from the priority list and concentrate on Village Court to the Village Boundary be rescinded."*

*Motion carried.*

### **Motion to Reconsider**

*Moved by Mahar  
Seconded by McLean*

*"That the Commission in Committee recommends that the Village of Bible Hill re-tender the contract for the construction of the pedestrian crosswalk including overhead crosswalk lights on College Road at Osprey Drive including the necessary sidewalk work on Osprey (concrete curb and asphalt sidewalk). Tender period mid February to mid March and a construction completion date of August 15, 2011; as per attached design."*

*Motion carried.*

It was agreed to use the firm of CBCL to provide engineering services for this project as they have already completed the design and tender documents.

### **Sidewalk Priority List**

The Clerk would like to have the Sidewalk Priority List that was last updated on August 18, 2009 reviewed after the election in June, 2011.

**Review of Correspondence**

**CAO Dan MacDougall, Colchester Long Range Plan Sidewalk Construction**

Mr. MacDougall responded to the Clerk's letter about the proposed Colchester Long Range Plan for Sidewalk Construction and the Village's concerns regarding potential additional cost to the Village. The County will advise us when they have approved this plan and associated financing.

**Water for Life - NS Environment**

Correspondence was received from the Water Strategy Coordinator for Nova Scotia Environment regarding the newly released provincial water management strategy. This was included as an information item for the Commissioners.

**Local 734-01 Collective Bargaining**

Preliminary discussions regarding dates for this meeting have begun. The negotiations will begin in March, 2011. Chair Burke, Deputy Chair Van Kroonenburg (prefers evening meeting time), and Clerk and Treasurer Christianson will be attending on behalf of the Village. The Clerk will confirm available dates with the CUPE Representative handling these negotiations.

**Reports of Commissioners**

**Environmental Services Report**

The Deputy Chair reported that the Construction Meeting had been postponed from last Thursday to this coming Thursday at 10:00am in the Chambers.

**Protective Services Report**

The Clerk reviewed the Fire Brigade Report. He also discussed the first draft of the Fire Apparatus Specifications. He will be e-mailing this document to all Commissioners. There is a meeting on Wednesday, January 26<sup>th</sup> to review this first draft. The Clerk will be attending and the Deputy Chair will be attending in the Chair's absence.

**Recreation and Culture Services**

Commissioner McLean reported on recreation happenings in the Village highlighting the new bike trail, after school programs in the two Bible Hill

elementary schools, the Trailblazer program at Redcliff and Bible Hill Junior High Schools, proposed walking routes throughout Bible Hill, the status of Meadowland Rink, the progress being made on the oval skating rink, Ladies Night Out, Yoga, and Senior Fitness Classes. The proposed name for the Bike Trail through Bible Hill Cemetery property is the W.A. "Pat" Mahaney Memorial Bike Trail. A shorter name is being discussed.

### **Transportation Services**

Commissioner Mahar reported on the positive comments the Village has been receiving on the snow removal on Village sidewalks. The Village is still awaiting contact from The Nova Scotia Power Light Program for building assessment. The JEPP Grant has been recommended by the local committee to be sent on to the next approval stage.

### **Clerk and Treasurer's Report**

The Clerk did not have a report this evening.

### **Accounts**

*Moved by McLean  
Seconded by Mahar*

*"That the accounts be approved for payment"*

*Motion carried.*

### **New Business**

#### **Development Agreement Amendment Wallace Development**

Mr. Wallace has applied to put a series of solar panels to be placed on the south side of the property adjacent to the Village Office. This was put on the agenda as an information item.

#### **Volunteer Awards - deadline Jan 28, 2011**

Commissioners were encouraged to make nominations for the upcoming Bible Hill Volunteer Awards.

### **In Camera Committee Meeting of the Whole**

*Moved by McLean  
Seconded by Mahar*

*"That the Regular Monthly Meeting be adjourned to an In Camera Committee Meeting of the Whole."*

*Motion Carried.*

At 8:25 pm the Commission went into an In-Camera Committee Meeting of the Whole.

The In-Camera Committee Meeting of the Whole ended at 9:00 pm.

The Clerk and Treasurer was instructed to develop a request a Request for Proposal for a new sidewalk-snow removal contract which ends in the Spring of 2011.

**Adjournment**

*Moved by Mahar  
Seconded by McLean*

*“That the January 18, 2011 Regular Monthly Meeting of the Village of Bible Hill be adjourned.”*

*Motion carried.*

The meeting adjourned at 9:05 pm.

Deputy Chair Van Kroonenburg

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Recording Secretary Curry

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Clerk and Treasurer Christianson

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