

The Village of Bible Hill Regular Monthly meeting was held on September 21, 2010 in the Village Office, 67 Pictou Road. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm; the meeting adjourned at 9:05 pm.

Call to Order

Chair Burke
Deputy Chair Van Kroonenburg
Commissioner Dawson-Sharbell
Commissioner Mahar
Commissioner McLean

Staff: Clerk and Treasurer Christianson
Solicitor Barrett
Recording Secretary Curry

In Attendance: Truro Tigers Biathlon Club members
D. Richards, Bible Hill resident
Fire Chief Mellish, Bible Hill Fire Brigade
B. Smithson, Bible Hill P&R Director

**Approval of the Minutes of
August 17, 2010**

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by Mahar*

“That the minutes of August 17, 2010 be approved as presented.”

Motion carried.

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

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by McLean*

“That the agenda be approved as presented with the addition of a request from the Chamber of Commerce under New Business.”

Motion carried.

Delegations

Truro Tigers Biathlon Club

Two local biathletes, Robyn Kelly and Reagan Mills, made a presentation on behalf of the Truro Tigers. Truro Tigers is a biathlon event that combines cross-country freestyle skiing with marksmanship. The Truro Tigers requested financial support from the Village of Bible Hill to assist with the purchase of rifles. Chair Burke thanked the biathletes for their presentation and stated that the Commission would make a decision on their request by their October Regular Monthly Meeting.

D. Richards

Mr. Richards made a presentation to the Commission requesting that he be allowed to purchase a section of the green space adjoining his property in Osprey Subdivision. Mr. Richards explained in detail the steep embankment at the edge of his property that he feels would be improved by the purchase of this additional land. The Clerk requested that Mr. Richards flag the area in question so that it would be easily identifiable for the Commission to go and view. This item will be discussed at the October Regular Monthly Meeting.

Business Arising out of the Minutes

Commission in Committee Report

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by Mahar*

"That the Village of Bible Hill engage Will-Kare Paving and Contracting Limited to repair the driveway entrance at 64 Meadowland Drive at a cost of \$1,000 plus tax."

Motion carried.

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by McLean*

"That the Village of Bible Hill request that the four BA bottles and the man down alarm be turned over to the Clerk for immediate disposal."

Motion carried.

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by Mahar*

"That the Village of Bible Hill contact the Nova Scotia Agricultural College requesting cost-sharing for a sidewalk on the north side of College Road from Vimy Road to either the library or the NSAC Daycare to allow for a safe crosswalk location."

Motion carried.

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by McLean*

"That the Village of Bible Hill approve the expenditures for the Eagle Crest Mountain Bike Trail."

Motion carried.

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by McLean*

"That the Village of Bible Hill approve the expenditure of \$9,425.00 + HST to Will-Kare Paving & Contracting Limited for resurfacing the trail with 2" of crusher dust using the asphalt paving machine."

Motion carried.

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by Mahar*

"That the Village of Bible Hill approve the quote to paint lines in the parking lot at 69 Pictou Road."

Motion carried.

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by McLean*

"That the Village of Bible Hill report four specifically noted properties in Bible Hill to the County of Colchester as dangerous and unsightly."

Motion carried.

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by Mahar*

"That the Village of Bible Hill approve the reduction of the ball field rental to \$200 for the fund-raising ball tournament September 18th and 19th."

Motion carried.

The Clerk suggested that in future when there is a request for a reduction in fees on a ball field rental, that a copy of the charitable receipt be provided after the event.

Sewer Pumping Station and Storm Drainage Upgrade

The Clerk gave an update on the Sewer Pumping Station and Storm Drainage Upgrade. The Sewer Pumping Station has been tendered and awarded but there is now a concern about the Storm Drainage Upgrade project. It seems unlikely at this

point that the project will be able to be completed by March 31, 2011. The Clerk outlined several options for the consideration of the Commission.

*Moved by Mahar
Seconded by McLean*

"That the Village of Bible Hill move forward with the Sewer Pumping Station and have the Clerk contact Service Nova Scotia and Infrastructure Renewal requesting a time line extension on the Storm Drainage Upgrade and if not possible to withdraw from that portion of the grant."

Motion carried.

The Clerk was instructed to contact Canada Mortgage and Housing Program to advise them that the Village will be withdrawing their loan request. The Village will be pursuing a debenture issue of approximately \$300,000 or using their own funds for this project.

Village of Bible Hill Emergency Plan

The Clerk will organize a meeting of the Bible Hill Fire Chief, an RCMP representative, the Village Chair, the Chair of Protective Services, and the Clerk to review and update the Bible Hill Emergency Plan.

Review of Correspondence

There were no items of correspondence highlighted.

Reports of Commissioners

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by Dawson-Sharbell*

"That the Village of Bible Hill amend the agenda to allow Commissioner Dawson-Sharbell to do her report and leave early due to illness."

Motion carried.

Protective Services Report

Commissioner Dawson-Sharbell requested confirmation of the hiring of Mr. Kennedy. She would like to see the Village have everything ready for April 1, 2011 including the proposals being made and ready to be awarded after April 1st. Time constraints are becoming an issue.

*Moved by Dawson-Sharbell
Seconded by McLean*

"The Fire Chief Mellish be allowed to address the meeting."

Motion carried.

Chief Mellish wanted to clarify that no one was to speak to vendors regarding the upcoming purchase of the fire apparatus. Chair Burke assured Chief Mellish that proper procedures are being followed.

Commissioner Dawson-Sharbell reported on issues to be brought forward from the Safety Advisory Committee including a request to cost share with Maggie's Place on a Babysitting Course, concern over parking issues at East Court Road Elementary School, and a request to have a center line painted on Saywood Drive. Commissioner Dawson-Sharbell is unable to attend the October 4th Safety Advisory Committee meeting - Deputy Chair Van Kroonenburg will attend the meeting on behalf of the Commission.

Commissioner Dawson-Sharbell also reported on the Bible Hill Fire Brigade.

Commissioner Dawson-Sharbell left the meeting at 8:05pm.

Environmental Services Report

Deputy Chair Van Kroonenburg had nothing to report.

Recreation and Culture Services

Commissioner McLean reported on recreation happenings in the Village highlighting the recent Official Opening of the new Eagle Crest Bike Trail. Other initiatives from the Parks and Recreation Committee were the recent installation of easy sorters and dog bag holders. Commissioner McLean continues to attend the Lawn Bowling Meetings and encouraged any other interested Commissioner to attend the next meeting on Friday, September 24th at 9:30am at the Douglas Street Recreation Center. There is a planned "Meet and Greet" for our new Recreation Director, Mr. Brendon Smithson. It is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, October 20th in the Village Chambers. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

Transportation Services

Commissioner Mahar reported on issues relating to Transportation Services. He especially highlighted his concern regarding the parking issue on East Court Road.

Clerk and Treasurer's Report

The Clerk introduced Brendon Smithson to the Commission. He wished to clarify the Safety Advisory Committee's concerns regarding East Court Road parking issues. The Clerk will organize a meeting between the RCMP, Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal, the School Principal, the East Court Road School Advisory Council, and the Village Commission.

*Moved by Mahar
Seconded by Van Kroonenburg*

"That the Village of Bible Hill call a meeting of affected parties within the next two weeks regarding the drop off zone at East Court Road Elementary School."

Motion carried.

The Clerk is also to advise the Safety Advisory Committee that the Village did not feel that Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal painted center lines on residential streets.

Chair's Report

Chair Burke reported on events he had attended as Chair.

Accounts

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by Mahar*

"That the accounts be approved for payment"

Motion Carried

New Business

Rotary Club Advertisement - \$359

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by McLean*

"That the Village of Bible Hill approve the expenditure of \$359 for the purchase of an advertisement for the Rotary Club."

Motion carried.

Teakwood Park

Commissioner McLean reported on her conversation with a resident of Teakwood regarding storm water issues, rats, and coyotes.

Storm Water Management

*Moved by McLean
Seconded by Mahar*

"That the Village of Bible Hill write to the County of Colchester to say that the Village is pleased to hear of their on-going work on Storm Water Management."

Motion carried.

Association of Nova Scotia Village's Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting of the Association of Nova Scotia Villages is on September 24th and 25th. All Commissioners are attending as they are able. The Clerk will be re-sending the agenda to all Commissioners.

Small Business Week Sponsorship

The Clerk was instructed to respond to the Truro Chamber of Commerce that the Village will not be participating in the sponsorship of Small Business Week.

In Camera Committee Meeting of the Whole - Legal Issue & Occupational Health & Safety Committee Recommendations

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by McLean*

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

Motion Carried.

At 8:35 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.

Adjournment

*Moved by McLean
Seconded by Van Kroonenburg*

*“That the September 21, 2010 Regular Monthly meeting of
the Village of Bible Hill be adjourned.”*

Motion Carried.

The meeting adjourned at 9:05 pm.

Chair Burke

Recording Secretary Curry

Clerk and Treasurer Christianson
