

The Village of Bible Hill Regular Monthly meeting was held on April 17, 2012 in the Village Office, 67 Pictou Road. The meeting was called to order by Chair Burke at 7:00 pm; the meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm.

Call to Order

Chair Burke
Deputy Chair Van Kroonenburg
Commissioner McLean
Commissioner McLeod

Regrets: Commissioner MacCormick

Staff: Clerk and Treasurer Christianson
Solicitor England
Recording Secretary Curry

In Attendance: M. Chiasson, Truro Daily News
B. Smithson, P&R Director
R. Mahar, Village Resident

**Approval of the Minutes of
March 20, 2012**

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by McLeod*

“That the minutes of March 20, 2012 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.”

Motion carried.

**Miscellaneous Business
Including Delegations**

The Chair welcomed Ms. Chiasson, Mr. Mahar and Mr. Smithson to the meeting.

Budget Presentation - Parks & Recreation

Mr. Smithson gave a presentation to the Village Commissioners on the Parks and Recreation proposed budget. He mentioned improving the Recreation Park Playground, adding a water and sewer line at the Recreation Park as future planning for the construction of a washroom, and new dugouts at the Airport Fields. Mr. Smithson told the Commission that the P&R Committee is making great progress on their Strategic Plan. Special events such as the Safe Halloween Program, summer day camps, yoga, Ladies Night Out, after school programs, senior events and Christmas happenings with new and exciting programs in the works.

**Business Arising out of the
Minutes**

Commission in Committee Report

Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by McLean

"That the Village of Bible Hill award the Guest Drive Storm Sewer Upgrade Project to the low bidder, Blaine F. Maclane Excavation Limited, at a cost of \$654,017.00 plus HST."

Motion carried.

Nova Scotia Provincial Exhibition Commission

A request was received from Nova Scotia Provincial Exhibition Commission asking if the Village of Bible Hill would like to appoint a non-voting delegate to attend NSPE Board Meetings.

*Moved by McLean
Seconded by McLeod*

"That the Village of Bible Hill will have Chair Burke attend the NSPE Commission meetings to represent the Village of Bible Hill."

Motion carried.

NSPE Taxation of Raceway Properties

A letter was received from the Nova Scotia Provincial Exhibition requesting a repayment schedule be worked out for the repayment of taxes owing. It was also requested that the Village excuse tax payments until this matter has been taken care of.

*Moved by McLean
Seconded by McLeod*

"That the Village of Bible Hill arrange a meeting between the Chair of the Village of Bible Hill and the Chair of the Nova Scotia Provincial Exhibition Commission to begin discussions on a repayment schedule of taxes owing with the Nova Scotia Provincial Exhibition Commission."

Motion carried.

Scotia Pool

There will be a meeting on Monday, April 23rd with MLA Lenore Zann, the Deputy Minister of Agriculture, the Co-President of the Nova Scotia Agricultural College, and the Village of Bible Hill to

discuss the future options for Scotia Pool. Village representatives at this meeting will report back to the Commission at the next meeting.

Sidewalk Services Agreement Colchester/Bible Hill

The Clerk brought forward again the proposed engineering contract between the County of Colchester and the Village of Bible Hill to be formalized. This is seen as a trial contract and a framework for future cooperation between the County and the Village.

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by McLeod*

"That the Village of Bible Hill approve for signature the Sidewalk Services Agreement between the County of Colchester and the Village of Bible Hill."

Motion carried.

Chairlift Fire Brigade Meeting Rooms

Information was provided to the Commissioners regarding the technicalities involved with installing a chairlift in the stairwell going up to the Fire Brigade Meeting Rooms.

*Moved by McLean
Seconded by McLeod*

"That the Village of Bible Hill proceed to get expert advice on the possible installation of a chairlift in the Village Hall."

Motion carried.

Review of Correspondence

There was no correspondence highlighted for this evening's meeting.

Reports of Commissioners

Environmental Services Report

Commissioner McLean reported on the upcoming Storm Sewer Realignment Project. She also would like to see continuation of the discussions to beautify the corner of College Road and Main Street. It is hoped approval can be received from the landowner (Nova Scotia Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal) regarding the possibility of grassing in this area with future plans to plant a small flower garden at this location.

*Moved by McLean
Seconded by Van Kroonenburg*

"That the Village of Bible Hill Clerk contact Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal to confirm permission to grass over the area at the corner of College Road and Main Street for beautification purposes."

Motion carried.

Protective Services Report & Fire Brigade Report

Deputy Chair Van Kroonenburg read the Fire Chief's Report updating the Commissioners on the work of the Fire Brigade.

Recreation Services Report

Commissioner McLeod read the Recreation Services Report highlighting the natural play space workshop recently attended by the Parks and Recreation Director, the hiring of summer staff, Volunteer Awards, and the After School Programs.

Transportation Services Report

Deputy Chair Van Kroonenburg reported on the progress of Justaart Landscaping and our own maintenance crew in spring cleaning the sidewalks after the winter months. Overhead streetlight costs were discussed as well.

Clerk's Report

The Clerk did not have a report this evening.

Chair's Report

The Chair reported on the recent Garden Club 65th Anniversary Dinner that he attended last evening on behalf of the Village.

Accounts

*Moved by McLeod
Seconded by Van Kroonenburg*

"That the accounts be approved for payment"

Motion carried.

New Business

Budget Development

The Clerk reviewed the proposed budget for the next fiscal year. If the Commissioners have specific questions regarding this

proposed budget they are asked to contact the Clerk.

Ball Field Maintenance Request for Proposal

*Moved by McLeod
Seconded by Van Kroonenburg*

"That the Village of Bible Hill approve the low bidder for Ball Field Maintenance to Milton Hoyt Trucking and Excavating for a cost of \$4,817.00 plus HST."

Motion carried.

Fire Equipment Request for Proposals

- **Fire Equipment**

*Moved by McLeod
Seconded by McLean*

"That the Village of Bible Hill approve the low bidder for Fire Equipment, Ackland Grainger, at a price of \$2,871.55 including HST."

Motion carried.

- **Fire Hose**

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by McLeod*

"That the Village of Bible Hill accept the low bidder, MicMac Fire and Safety Limited, for Fire Hose at a price of \$4,899.00 including HST."

Motion carried.

Transfer of \$107,900 from Fire Reserves to Operating Fund

*Moved by McLean
Seconded by McLeod*

"That the Village of Bible Hill transfer \$107,900 from Fire Reserves to the Operating Fund."

Motion carried.

Audit Committee Meeting - Tuesday, May 15, 2012

The Audit Committee will be meeting on May 15th, 2012 at 6:00 pm. The Clerk will confirm the time and advise the Commissioners.

Adjournment

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by McLeod*

“That the April 17, 2012 Regular Monthly Meeting of the Village of Bible Hill be adjourned.”

Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm.

Chair Burke

Recording Secretary Curry

Clerk and Treasurer Christianson
