

The September 11, 2012 Commission in Committee meeting was held in the Village Office, 67 Pictou Road. The meeting was called to order by Deputy Chair Van Kroonenburg at 7:05 pm; the meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Call to Order

Chair Burke
Deputy Chair Van Kroonenburg
Commissioner MacCormick
Commissioner McLeod
Commissioner McLean

Regrets: R. Christianson, Clerk & Treasurer

Staff: A. Ogden, Finance Officer
K. Curry, Recording Secretary
B. Smithson, P&R Director

Present: C. Blair, County Councillor
D. Mellish, Bible Hill Fire Chief
N. Loomer, Village Resident

Deputy Chair Van Kroonenburg welcomed Chief Mellish, Recreation Director Smithson, and Village Resident N. Loomer to the meeting.

Review and approval of the agenda, call for new or other business

*Moved by McLeod
Seconded by Burke*

"That the agenda be approved."

Motion carried.

Approval of the Minutes of August 14, 2012

*Moved by Burke
Seconded by McLeod*

"That the minutes of August 14, 2012 be approved as presented."

Motion carried.

Business Arising out of the minutes

Purchasing Policy

Deputy Chair Van Kroonenburg and Finance Officer Ogden reviewed the memorandum from the Village Solicitor regarding the new Village Purchasing Policy.

*Moved by Burke
Seconded by McLean*

"That the Commission in Committee recommends that the

Village of Bible Hill amend the Purchasing Policy as noted: adding the term "best value" to Part 1 Introduction, Interpretation, Section 3, and Part IV (Alternative Procurement Emergency and Sole Source Purchases) Item 1 (c) on page 5 of the document be amended to add "...the purchasing employee must obtain the approval of at least two Commissioners"

Motion carried.

Deputy Chair Van Kroonenburg welcomed Councillor Blair to the meeting.

Scotia Pool Society

All Village Commissioners agreed to meet with the Scotia Pool Society to discuss Scotia Pool's future. Recreation Director Smithson will arrange the meeting and inform all Commissioners of the date and time.

Community Infrastructure Improvement Fund

Recreation Director Smithson updated the Commissioners on the progress being made with our potential application for the Community Infrastructure Improvement Fund. The Village will be required to contribute 50% of the funding. The Commissioners agreed to adjust the proposed list of projects to fit our budget to a maximum of \$115,000.

New Business

Bible Hill Fire Brigade Chief Mellish

Chief Mellish came to the Commission Meeting this evening to give details to the Commission on the idea of purchasing a washing machine rather than a wash station as originally set in the budget. Chief Mellish said that fire brigade members would be able to wash their own gear to improve hygiene and prevent contamination. Excessive contamination or ripped gear would still be sent to Atlantic Bunker Gear. Chief Mellish is requesting direction from Commissioners on whether or not to obtain additional research on purchasing this machine.

Right to Know Week

*Moved by McLean
Seconded by McLeod*

"That the Commission in Committee recommends that the Village of Bible Hill proclaim September 24th to September

28th to be "Right to Know Week" in Bible Hill."

Motion carried.

Agritech Park Trail Extension

*Moved by McLeod
Seconded by Burke*

"That the Commission in Committee recommends that the Village of Bible Hill write to the Department of Agriculture to obtain permission for a right of way connecting Farnham Trail to the County line to build a trail."

Motion carried.

Staff Christmas Event

A discussion took place regarding this year's Christmas Event for Bible Hill Staff and Commissioners. The Finance Officer was requested to compile options and bring forward the ideas to the Regular Monthly Meeting.

ANSV Conference - September 21st and 22nd

The Association of Nova Scotia Villages is holding their Annual General Meeting on September 21st and 22nd in Chester, NS. All five Village Commissioners and the Clerk and Treasurer will be attending.

Councillor Blair

Councillor Blair was invited to speak on County issues that affect Bible Hill. The County will be fully financing a speed reader board (at a cost of \$11,000) to be used by RCMP. Wind Farms have become a big issue in Colchester County and County Council has been giving a lot of time and consideration to this issue. Councillor Blair has also been sending out thank you notes to volunteers that have given so much time and effort during and after the flood on September 10, 2012. Councillor Blair has re-offered as a Councillor for District 1 and has been acclaimed.

Adjournment

*Moved by Burke
Seconded by McLeod*

"That the September 11, 2012 Commission in Committee Meeting of the Village of Bible Hill be adjourned."

Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Deputy Chair Van Kroonenburg

Recording Secretary Curry

Finance Officer Ogden
