

**Village of Bible Hill  
Regular Monthly Meeting  
December 19, 2017**

The Village of Bible Hill Regular Monthly meeting was held on December 19, 2017 in the Village Office, 67 Pictou Road. Chair MacCormick called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm; the meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Call to Order:           Chair MacCormick  
                              Commissioner Kennedy  
                              Commissioner Mellish  
                              Deputy Chair Van Kroonenburg

Regrets:               Commissioner Bell

Staff:                  Clerk and Treasurer Christianson  
                              Recording Secretary Curry  
                              Solicitor Roper, Burchell MacDougall

In Attendance           W. Parker, Colchester Councillor

**Review and Approval of the Minutes of Nov. 21, 2017 and Dec. 12, 2017**

*Moved by Kennedy  
Seconded by Van Kroonenburg*

*That the meeting minutes November 21, 2017 and December 12, 2017 be approved.*

*Motion carried*

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

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg  
Seconded by Kennedy*

*That the agenda be approved as presented.*

*Motion carried.*

**Call for Declaration of Conflict of Interests**

The Chair called for any declarations of conflict of interest and no conflict was declared.

**Miscellaneous Business Including Delegations**

Mr. Parker spoke to the Commission on behalf of the County of Colchester. The Town of Truro and the County of Colchester are jointly working on a tourism map to be distributed in the local area. The Clerk was requested to contact the County Office to discuss possible contributions from a Bible Hill point of view. The Commission would like to see a little more highlighting of Bible Hill attractions as well as possibly getting a map blow up similar to Truro's map.

**Business Arising out of the Minutes**

- **Amendment to Meeting and Procedures Policy**

The Clerk reviewed some proposed changes to the policy including updated wording changing “In Camera Meeting” to “Closed Session” which is consistent with the Municipal Government Act.

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg  
Seconded by Mellish*

*That the Village of Bible Hill update the Meeting and Procedures Policy to reflect the change in wording from “In Camera Meeting” to “Closed Session” and increased definitions of this term.*

After discussion, the Commission felt that a more thorough review of the policy should take place and any other updating needed should take place at the same time. An updated version will be presented at the January 2018 meeting.

*Motion tabled.*

- **Village of Bible Hill Employee Pension Plan**

The Clerk reviewed the recent correspondence from Nova Scotia Pension Services outlining the approval to proceed with the six Village employees moving to the Public Service Superannuation Plan of Nova Scotia (PSSP) from the current Manulife defined contribution pension plan.

- **Phone System - 67 Pictou Road**

Three quotes were received on a new phone system for the Village Office. The Clerk requested a deferral of a decision until the January meeting when he had had more time to review the documents.

**Review of Correspondence**

- **D. Roper - Cheque in Trust for Clean Water & Waste Water Fund**

The Clerk will be sending a cheque for the holdback to Mid Valley Construction to Burchell MacDougall that will be held in trust until the final review in late August or early September 2018. By writing the cheque in trust, the Clerk is able to fully complete the final report for the Clean Water & Waste Water Fund.

**Reports of Commissioners and Clerk and Treasurer**

- **Commissioner Bell**

Commissioner Bell sent regrets to the meeting.

- **Commissioner Kennedy**

Commissioner Kennedy reported on Protective Services. He read the Fire Chief's Report that listed the 8 emergency calls that were between November 9<sup>th</sup> and December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2017. The report

included a list of the newly elected officers for the fire brigade of which Joey Bisson remains as fire chief.

- **Commissioner Mellish**

Commissioner Mellish reported there was nothing new in Transportation Services.

- **Deputy Chair Van Kroonenburg**

Deputy Chair Van Kroonenburg read the Recreation Report which included updates on the Trailblazer Program at both RedCliff Middle School and Bible Hill Junior High School, Wheelchair Basketball, Christmas events, and upcoming events planned for 2018.

- **Clerk and Treasurer Christianson**

The Clerk did not have a report this evening.

- **Chair MacCormick**

Chair MacCormick reported on meetings and events she had attended on behalf of the Village. She reminded all Commissioners of the upcoming New Year's Levee on January 1<sup>st</sup> at 1:00pm.

### **Accounts**

*Moved by Kennedy*

*Seconded by Van Kroonenburg*

*That the Village of Bible Hill approves the accounts for payment.*

*Motion carried.*

### **New Business**

- **Light Up Bible Hill Winners**

1st Place	28 Retson Drive	Julie and Carver Thompson
2nd Place	41 Village Line Avenue	Lori Smith
3rd Place	49 Butler Drive	Wes and Marion Blair

- **Purchase of Replacement Overhead Crosswalk Lights (Guest Drive)**

The Clerk was requested to seek another supplier for the overhead crosswalk lights. They must, however, meet Nova Scotia Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal standards.

- **Dalhousie Botanical Garden**

An email was received from Dr. David Gray, Principal and Dean of the Faculty of Agriculture of Dalhousie University requesting a contribution towards their botanical garden. This garden will be in celebration of the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Dalhousie University. The Clerk will follow up with Dr. Gray.

**In Camera Committee Meeting of the Whole**

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg  
Seconded by Kennedy*

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

*Motion Carried.*

At 7:55pm the Commission went into an In-Camera Committee Meeting of the Whole.

The In-Camera Committee Meeting of the Whole adjourned back to the Regular Monthly Meeting at 8:12 pm.

**Adjournment**

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg  
Seconded by Kennedy*

*That the December 19, 2017 Regular Monthly Meeting of the Village of Bible Hill be adjourned.*

*Motion carried.*

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Chair MacCormick

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Recording Secretary Curry

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Clerk and Treasurer Christianson

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