

**Village of Bible Hill
Regular Monthly Meeting
April 18, 2017**

The Village of Bible Hill Regular Monthly meeting was held on April 18, 2017 in the Village Office, 67 Pictou Road. Chair MacCormick called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm; the meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Call to Order: Chair MacCormick
 Commissioner Bell
 Commissioner Kennedy
 Commissioner McLeod
 Deputy Chair Van Kroonenburg

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

Review and Approval of the Minutes of March 21, 2017 and April 11, 2017

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by McLeod*

That the meeting minutes of March 21, 2017 and April 11, 2017 be approved as presented.

Motion carried

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

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by Bell*

That the agenda be approved as presented.

Motion carried.

Miscellaneous Business Including Delegations

There was no miscellaneous business.

Business Arising out of the Minutes

- **Commission in Committee Report**

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by McLeod*

That the Village of Bible Hill proceed to develop a playpark at the Armstrong property. The development will start in 2017 with the planting of trees on the property.

Motion carried.

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by Kennedy*

That the Village of Bible Hill engage MacDonald and Forbes to survey both properties on Armstrong Ave and prepare a consolidation plan for submission to The County of Colchester. The estimated cost of the project is \$2,700 + HST.

Motion carried.

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by McLeod*

That the Village of Bible Hill engage Palaton Security Inc. to provide security services at the Bible Hill Recreation Park in the summer of 2017 at the rate of \$25 + HST per hour.

Motion carried.

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by Kennedy*

That the Village of Bible Hill purchase a utility trailer from J.P. Cross Trailer World in the amount of \$2,605 + HST.

Motion carried.

- **Approval of 2017 - 2018 Tax Rates**

*Moved by McLeod
Seconded by Bell*

That the Village of Bible Hill approve the following tax rates for fiscal year 2017 - 2018: Residential 0.700, Residential less sewer service 0.525 and Commercial 0.870.

Motion carried.

- **Approval of 2017 - 2018 Operating and Capital Budgets**

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by Kennedy*

That the Village of Bible Hill approved the Operating and Capital Budgets as circulated.

Motion carried.

- **Motion to award tender for the Phase II Guest Drive Storm Sewer Upgrades**

*Moved by Bell
Seconded by Kennedy*

That the Village of Bible Hill award the tender for the Phase II Guest Drive Storm Sewer Upgrades to Mid Valley Construction (1997) Limited in the amounts of:

- *Recreation Park Storm Sewer Upgrades - \$696,800 plus HST*
- *Guest Drive Inlet Upgrades - \$51,500 plus HST, and*
- *Wright Ave Storm Sewer Upgrades - \$93,250 plus HST*

Motion carried.

In Camera Committee Meeting of the Whole

Moved by Van Kroonenburg

Seconded by McLeod

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

Motion Carried.

At 7:10 pm 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 7:15 pm.

Review of Correspondence

- **Dwayne Cross- Intersection Improvement Study**

The Clerk reviewed the information sent by Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal regarding the Intersection Improvement Study. The Clerk is attending a meeting on April 19th to further discuss the draft study concept for this project. He will report to the Commission via email.

- **Celebrate Canada Grant Notification**

The Village has been approved for a grant from Canadian Heritage under the Celebration and Commemoration Program, Celebrate Canada Component in the amount of \$3,600.

- **88 Truro Sea Cadets Invitation**

Chair MacCormick will be attending the 88 Sea Cadet 63rd Annual Ceremonial Review on Tuesday, April 25th at 7pm.

- **Battle of the Atlantic Ceremony**

Chair MacCormick will be attending the Navy League Cadet Corps Battle of the Atlantic Ceremony on Sunday, May 7th at 10:30am.

- **Minister of Municipal Affairs - Joint Municipal Accountability and Transparency Committee**

Chair MacCormick received a thank you letter from Minister Zach Churchill, Municipal Affairs for her participation on the Joint Municipal Accountability and Transparency Committee. She attended this committee as the representative from the Association of Nova Scotia Villages.

Reports of Commissioners and Clerk and Treasurer

- **Commissioner Bell**

Commissioner Bell reported on Environmental Services. He outlined some current and upcoming projects in the Village. Ditching on Retson and Hillcrest are scheduled to be worked on this summer as well as opening up a problem area in Osprey.

- **Commissioner Kennedy**

Commissioner Kennedy reported on the Fire Brigade for both March and April. The brigade responded to 10 calls between February 28 and April 12. Tickets for the Mother's Day Basket fundraiser are now available with the draw being on May 13th. The Annual Spring Banquet is on Saturday, April 29th.

- **Commissioner McLeod**

Commissioner McLeod read the Recreation Report that included an update on Volunteer Week including the Banquet on April 26th, March Break activities, the Youth Expo on April 22nd in Brookfield, day camp registration on May 17th, and "Come Try It" events running throughout May.

- **Deputy Chair Van Kroonenburg**

Deputy Chair Van Kroonenburg reported on Transportation Services. Any curbs and/or sidewalk sections needing repair should be reported to the Administrative Assistant in the office. Lawn damage that occurred over the winter is in the process of being repaired by our maintenance staff and contractor.

- **Clerk and Treasurer Christianson**

The Clerk reported that maintenance summer staff will all be starting soon with a very busy season planned. The Clerk is getting prices for concrete parking lot markers to be put along the front of the parking lot replacing the 6x6 wooden markers currently in place. The annual audit has also started this week. The Clerk will be contacting Truro's CAO to set up a meeting with the Town of Truro with several suggested topics to be put on the agenda: a recent tourism study, Park Street, and future development of a dog park. He was also requested to circulate the date of the upcoming hearing for the Easy Home Development on College Road as there are concerns regarding fire hydrants and water supply.

- **Chair MacCormick**

Chair MacCormick reported on the Joint Municipal Accountability and Transparency Committee she has been a part of. She also attended the Provincial Volunteer Awards in Halifax today with the Recreation Director and our representative, Beth MacKay.

Accounts

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by McLeod*

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

Motion carried.

New Business

- **2017 Election Schedule**

Two positions are coming up this year - Chair MacCormick and Commissioner McLeod.

- Nomination Period - May 11 to May 18
- Annual Meeting - June 5
- Advance Poll - June 6
- Election Day - June 10

- **County of Colchester Business Breakfast - April 20th 8:00am to 10:00am**

All Commissioners are invited to attend the breakfast that is going to be here at the Village Hall.

- **Purchase of additional lot Maple Blvd. PID 20346672 - \$2,290**

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by Bell*

That the Village of Bible Hill proceed with the purchase of the additional lot on Maple Blvd (PID 20346672) for \$2,290 + HST.

Motion carried.

- **2017 - 2018 Insurance**

The Clerk reviewed the changes that are being made in this year's insurance policy.

Adjournment

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by McLeod*

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That the April 18, 2017 Regular Monthly Meeting of the Village of Bible Hill be adjourned.

Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Chair MacCormick

Recording Secretary Curry

Clerk and Treasurer Christianson
