

The Village of Bible Hill Regular Monthly meeting was held on October 16, 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 8:50 pm.

Call to Order

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

Regrets: Solicitor S. England

Staff: Clerk and Treasurer Christianson
Recording Secretary Curry

In Attendance: V. Jackson, NS Trails
G. MacLaughlin, Trans Canada Trail
J. Webby, Bible Hill Estates
2 Village Residents

**Approval of the Minutes of
September 18, 2012**

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by McLean*

*"That the minutes of September 18, 2012 be approved as
presented."*

Motion carried.

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

*Moved by McLeod
Seconded by MacCormick*

*"That the agenda be amended as follows: removing Licensing
Agreement and Purchasing Policy from In Camera Session, and
adding Berm at Holywell Park under New Business."*

Motion carried.

The Chair welcomed those present at the meeting.

**Miscellaneous Business
Including Delegations**

Vanda Jackson, Executive Director, NS Trails

Ms. Jackson spoke on behalf of Nova Scotia Trails outlining who they are, what they do, and how they can be of assistance to the Village. They are looking to assist Bible Hill and other areas in the construction and promotion of trail systems that will complete the joining of trails to form the Trans Canada Trail. There will be a celebration when this trail system is finally complete. The advertising for the trail systems will be a boost to tourism in the area as well as promoting economic development.

Mr. MacLaughlin also spoke on behalf of Nova Scotia Trails. He is very enthusiastic about joining the existing trail systems in Bible Hill with other trails in the area to complete the last section of the Trans Canada Trail. They are looking to assist with enhancing and partnering with plans already in place and working with the Village on TCT time. The target date for completion of the entire trail system is 2017.

The Clerk gave some background on the progress being made by the Village to extend our trails through the Perennia property and also spoke of the importance of a pedestrian river crossing along the Salmon River.

Chair Burke reiterated that the Village is committed to the importance of trails in this area and thanked Ms. Jackson and Mr. MacLaughlin for their presentations.

Jack Webby - Bible Hill Estates

Mr. Webby came to the Commission Meeting this evening to express his concerns with the increased flooding in the Bible Hill Estates Park off of Farnham Road. Mr. Webby said that the construction of the sidewalk along Farnham Road (built in 2001) was holding water back within the trailer park during major flood events. Mr. Webby is looking to have several culverts put in under Farnham Road to help flood waters travel to the other side of the road and disperse across the field into Farnham Brook.

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by McLeod*

"That the Village of Bible Hill engage and engineering firm to look at the flooding situation between 90 and 140 Farnham Road."

Motion carried.

Brendon Smithson - Scotia Pool Update

Mr. Smithson arrived at the meeting having just come from a meeting with the Scotia Pool Society. He reported that the recently formed Task Force that will be working with the Society. The current members of the Scotia Pool Society will be finished their mandate as of December 31st, 2012. This committee will continue the financial administration of the pool until March 31, 2013. The Village will need to agree to cover any shortfall the pool experiences for payroll only. The Task Force will need to make a decision by the November Commission meeting.

**Business Arising out of the
Minutes**

Commission in Committee Report

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by McLeod*

“That the Village of Bible Hill commit to funding up to \$125,000 for the Bible Hill Recreation Park Upgrade Project if full funding is approved through ACOA. In addition Bible Hill will commit to further funding an additional \$20,000 to the project if proposed grant applications to other funding agencies are not approved.”

Motion carried.

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by McLean*

“That the Village of Bible Hill approve Dillon Consulting to do the 2012 Monitoring Program at the former landfill site for \$7,800 plus HST.”

Motion carried.

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by MacCormick*

“That:

-with the completion of the current project Pictou Road sidewalk, all items on the sidewalk priority list will be moved up one place

-pre-engineering cost estimates for the construction of a sidewalk from Vimy Road to the College Road Day Care Centre plus a section in front of Holywell Park to the Subway Tunnel are to be developed

-the Clerk is authorized to engage Colchester to provide engineering services for this project (pre-design, design, project management). Projected construction period is spring / summer 2014.

Sidewalk Priority Listing Approved October 9, 2012

- 1 College Road Day Care to Vimy & Holywell Park to the Subway Tunnel*
- 2 Saywood Estates Regency and Saywood Drive*
- 3 Village Line Avenue Pictou to College ***
- 4 Vimy Road Windale to Farnham*
- 5 Main Street Subway to Bridge southside*
- 6 Old Court House Branch College to Regency ***
- 7 College Road Guest Drive to Osprey Court*

- 8 College Road Vimy to Guest Drive
- 9 College Road Maple to Saywood
- 10 College Road Osprey to Maple
- 11 College Road Saywood to Old Court House Branch

***Conditional upon cost sharing with the Municipality of the County of Colchester*

Motion carried.

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by McLeod*

“That the Village of Bible Hill award the Clerk & Treasurer six weeks annual vacation effective in the 2012 / 2013 fiscal year.”

Motion carried.

60th Anniversary Committee

Commissioner MacCormick reported on the recent meeting held by the 60th Anniversary Committee. A new member was present at the meeting. The Committee would like to proceed with the printing of the booklet by H.D. Boyce. The meeting will be on November 19th at 2pm (third Monday of every month). They will be working on a budget for the anniversary events.

Dyke at Holy Well Park

Drawings showing the elevations of lands between the CN tracks and the east side of Holy Well Park were reviewed. The elevation showed that there was a low area running through Holy Well Park and out to Main Street 1.3 metres below current dyke elevations. It is the recommendation of the Colchester Engineering Department (reporting to the Flood Committee) that the dyke be extended through Holy Well Park to close off this gap. It is proposed that this work be conducted before the new year.

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by McLeod*

“That the Village of Bible Hill proceed with the extension and building up of the dyke through Holy Well Park in cooperation with the Municipality of the County of Colchester . The estimate of Bible Hill’s share of this expenditure is \$15,000.”

Motion carried.

Councillor Blair

Councillor Blair reported that County Council will not be meeting again until October 25th at which time all newly elected Councillors will be sworn in. Councillor Blair spoke on the Farnham Road problems expressed by Mr. Webby. She indicated that trees, bushes, and shrubs were now growing up that are actually in the Farnham Brook. In her opinion, digging these out would help alleviate the flooding.

In Camera Committee of the Whole

*Moved by McLean
Seconded by MacCormick*

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

Motion Carried.

At 8:05 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 8:25 pm.

*Moved by MacCormick
Seconded by McLeod*

"That the Village of Bible Hill approve the expenditure of approximately \$17,000 to repair the gabion baskets at the storm sewer outfall. CBCL will be supervising the project and providing individual bids form contractors."

Motion carried.

Review of Correspondence

Truro Sport Heritage Invitation - November 9, 2012

Chair Burke will be attending the Truro Sport Heritage Reception on behalf of the Village of Bible Hill. He will also be attending the Recreation Nova Scotia Conference being held in Truro.

Reports of Commissioners

Environmental Services Report

Commissioner McLean reported on events she had attended on behalf of the Village.

Protective Services Report & Fire Brigade Report

Deputy Chair Van Kroonenburg gave the fire brigade report and also an overview of the presentation to be done by Michael Gaultois on October 24th. She also noted events she had

attended.

Recreation Services Report

Commissioner McLeod gave updates on recreation programs happening in the Village including events such as the Senior Socials, Senior Fitness, and Music Jamborees. The Recreation Director has been very busy with both Scotia Pool and the upcoming Recreation Nova Scotia Conference of which he is Co-Chair. Christmas events are shaping up and interviews are scheduled this week for an After School Program Coordinator who will be working out of the Village Office.

Transportation Services Report

Commissioner MacCormick reported on events she had attended on behalf of the Village.

Clerk's Report

The Clerk reported to the Commission that the Village is working with the Nova Scotia Department of Social Services and has agreed to have someone work with the maintenance department three days a week for three months as work experience.

The Christmas Dinner for Commissioners and Staff will be on Thursday, December 13th. Menu choices will be available soon.

The Clerk is very happy with the work being done by the Recreation Director and the newly formed Task Force regarding Scotia Pool. It is very important to keep the lines of communication open.

Chair's Report

The Chair reported on events and meetings that he had attended on behalf of the Village.

Accounts

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by McLean*

"That the accounts be approved for payment"

Motion carried.

New Business

Fire Brigade - 6 Pager Purchase

*Moved by McLean
Seconded by Van Kroonenburg*

"That the Village of Bible Hill purchase six pagers from the low bidder Nova Communications at a cost of \$3,393 including HST."

Motion carried.

Adjournment

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by McLeod*

"That the October 16, 2012 Regular Monthly Meeting of the Village of Bible Hill be adjourned."

Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm.

Chair Burke

Recording Secretary Curry

Clerk and Treasurer Christianson
