

The Village of Bible Hill Regular Monthly meeting was held on August 20, 2013 in the Village Office, 67 Pictou Road. Chair Burke called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm; the meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.

Call to Order

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

Staff: Solicitor MacDougall
Clerk & Treasurer Christianson
Recording Secretary Ogden

Approval of the Minutes of July 16, 2013

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by McLeod*

"That the minutes of July 16, 2013 be approved as presented."

Motion carried.

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

Miscellaneous Business Including Delegations

There were no items or miscellaneous business.

Business Arising out of the Minutes

- **Sale of Surplus 1987 Pumper Tanker**

Clerk and Treasurer Christianson reported that an ad has been placed in the Auto Trader for the sale of the surplus 1987 Pumper Tanker with a minimum bid price of \$15,000. The tender closed on August 13th with no submissions received. The Clerk reviewed two options, one that the surplus Pumper Tanker be placed in the Debert auction with no reserve placed on the vehicle or we re-advertise at a reduced price.

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by MacCormick*

"That the Village of Bible Hill give authorization to the Clerk and Treasurer to advertise the sale of our surplus 1987 Pumper Tanker on Kijiji with a bid price of \$12,500 or best offer and that the Chair and Clerk and Treasurer be given authorization to choose the best offer on behalf of the Village."

Motion carried.

- Sale of Surplus 1993 1/2 Ton Truck

Clerk and Treasurer Christianson requested that the advertisement of the sale of our 1993 1/2 Ton Truck be processed first through our Fire Brigade. Should there be no interest in the truck from fire fighters then the Clerk be given permission to place an ad for the vehicle.

*Moved by McLean
Seconded by McLeod*

"That the Village of Bible Hill offer the sale of the surplus 1993 1/2 Ton Truck to the Bible Hill Fire Fighters first, if no interest is received Village staff will advertise the truck for \$1,500 or best offer and that the Chair and Clerk and Treasurer be given authorization to choose the best offer on behalf of the Village."

Motion carried.

- Trail System Expansion

The Village has the authority to expand trails in the Village of Bible Hill. The Village is currently developing an agreement with the Department of Agriculture regarding the trail expansion near Perrenia Park. This section on the East side of Perrenia Park will meet the Colchester County trail from the Valley area connecting the Cobequid Trail System. Anticipation for the expansion of this system is 2014.

The Commission agreed to request that the Parks and Recreation Committee review the future of trail development in Bible Hill and submit a list of recommendations in priority order.

Review of Correspondence

- Letter to James Webster, TIR, Crosswalk Request

Clerk reported that the letter requesting the crosswalk was sent to Mr. Webster.

- Email James Webster, List of Roads for Repaving

The list of road for repaving submitted by the Village have been patched or added to the priority list. He also outlined that when TIR repaved Pictou Road not all water issues were eliminated but it will be revised.

The Clerk will report a pothole on the corner of Saywood & Regency Point Drive to TIR.

- Notice of Sidewalk Construction

This letter is an information item for the sidewalk replacement of Blanchard Ave and Pictou Road, the work has been completed on Blanchard Avenue.

- SNSMR Municipal Advisors' Territory Assignments

Mr. Paul Wills will be the new municipal advisor for the Colchester County area.

- Air Force Association of Canada: Anniversary of the Battle of Britain- Sept 15th

The Clerk was instructed to send a letter of regret for this event as it is taking place at the same time as our Grand Opening Ceremonies for our Bible Hill Rec Park.

Reports of Commissioners & Clerk and Treasurer

- Environmental Services Report

Commissioner McLean reported on events she attend for the month.

- Protective Services Report

Commissioner Van Kroonenburg reviewed the Fire Brigade report. The brigade responded to 9 emergency calls during the period of June 13 to August 14th. The year to date calls are 48 with a fire loss of \$346,000. Chief Mellish and Deputy Chief MacDonald attended the 99th Annual Maritime Fire Chiefs Conference in Summerside. The Brigade members have been busy with weekend duties, Touch a Truck, Canada Day and NSPE Parade traffic control as well as helping with the 60th Anniversary Fireworks. Upcoming activities include Demolition Derby and the Firefighter Demonstration Day.

- Helmet Purchase for Bible Hill Fire Brigade

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by MacCormick*

"That the Village of Bible Hill purchase 6 Rosenbauer Heros XT Helmet with face shield from ResQtech at a total cost of \$2,271.30 tax included."

Motion carried.

- Recreation Services Report

Commissioner McLeod reviewed the August Recreation Report. The Recreation Park Grand Opening is schedule for September 15th from 1:00 to 4:00pm. The After School Program is back for another year and will be taking place both in the fall and spring, the program is targeted towards inactive youth for middle school age children. The Nova Scotia 55 plus games will be hosted at the Glengarry on September 19 to 21, 2013.

- Transportation Services Report

Deputy Chair MacCormick did not provide a report on transportation services.

She provided a report for the 60th Anniversary Committee. Deputy Chair MacCormick reported that all events were well attended and feedback from residents was positive. The committee had a wrap up meeting this afternoon to review each event.

Deputy Chair MacCormick did attend the ANSV Board of Directors meeting on July 26th. The AGM for the ANSV is taking place in Chester on September 13th and 14th, the agenda will be release in the next few days.

- Clerk's Report

Clerk and Treasurer Christianson reported that he attended the recent staff flood meeting at the County. The committee reviewed projects that will be taking place over the next few months, such as: dredging the Salmon River behind Avon Street and Tim Horton's, other sections of the river will be dredged and banks re-stabilized in co-ordination with the Department of Environment and Fisheries.

The Clerk is currently addressing the possibility of Village staff cleaning garbage and debris from in the Farnham Road area.

- Chair's Report

Chair Burke reported on events he had attended on behalf of the Village. He also commented on the successful 60th Anniversary Celebration and thanked the committee for their work.

The Clerk was instructed to send thank you letters to the dignitaries that attended the 60th Anniversary Celebrations and the gift presentation from the Town of Truro.

Accounts

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by McLean*

"That the accounts be approved for payment."

Motion carried.

New Business

- Wallace Senior Living, Pictou Road

Clerk and Treasurer Christianson reviewed the correspondence received from Mr. Chisholm requesting permission to install a gate in the chain link fence between the Village property and the property owned by Ron Wallace Realty Ltd. The Clerk met with Mr. Chisholm and he confirmed that Ron Wallace Realty Ltd will be responsible for snow removal. The gate install will be abutting the walkway adjacent to 67 Pictou building.

*Moved by McLean
Seconded by McLeod*

"That the Village of Bible Hill give permission to Wallace Realty Ltd to install a gate in the chain link fence between the Village property and their property with the understanding that all costs for install and maintenance will be the responsibility of Ron Wallace Realty Ltd."

Motion carried.

- Road Widening and Sidewalk Construction Pictou Road

The commission reviewed a plan for Pictou Road relating to the road widening and installation of turning lanes in front of the Bible Hill Centre. This project is currently underway.

- Village of Bible Hill Website

The Clerk reviewed the AMANS Municipal Website Venture Agreement. The AMA website initiative provides design, hosting and technical services to the municipalities, they currently provide website services to 50-70% of municipalities at a cost of \$3,000 each year. He reported our website is currently not up and running and staff is unable to provide the technical support to ensure website safety.

*Moved by McLeod
Seconded by MacCormick*

"That the Village of Bible Hill proceed with the AMANS Municipal Website Venture Agreement at a cost of \$3,000 a year for the period of August 6, 2013 to August 6, 2016."

Motion carried.

- Yoga RFQ

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by MacCormick*

"That the Village of Bible Hill hired Breathing Space Yoga Studio to oversee twenty three yoga classes at a cost of \$1,725 plus HST for the period of September 16th up to May 19th, 2014."

Motion carried.

- Transfer to Reserves

*Moved by MacCormick
Seconded by McLeod*

"That the Village of Bible Hill Transfer \$350,000 from the Operating Fund to the Operating Reserves, \$57,500 from Operating Fund to Fire Reserve, \$9,250 from Operating Fund to Maintenance Reserve and \$200,000 from Operating Fund to Capital Reserves."

Motion carried.

- Girl Guides

Correspondence from the Colchester District Girl Guides was reviewed. The Commission approved the donation of 200 pins for their bi-annual adult guider education conference welcome package.

- Association of Nova Scotia Villages AGM September 13 & 14th- appointment of voting delegate

The Association of Nova Scotia Villages AGM is in New Minas on September 13 & 14th. Chairman Burke, Deputy Chair MacCormick, Commissioner McLean, Van Kroonenburg and Clerk and Treasurer Christianson will be attending. Deputy Chair MacCormick was elected as the voting delegate for Bible Hill.

- Purchase of Painting

Deputy Chair MacCormick requested the Village purchase the Historian picture that was on display for the 60th Anniversary Art Show at a cost of \$550.00.

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by MacCormick*

"That the Village of Bible Hill purchase "The Historian" painting at a cost of \$550.00."

Motion carried.

Adjournment

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by MacCormick*

"That the August 20, 2013 Regular Monthly Meeting of the Village of Bible Hill be adjourned."

Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.

Chair Burke _____

Recording Secretary Ogden _____

Clerk & Treasurer Christianson _____