

The Village of Bible Hill Regular Monthly meeting was held on February 18, 2014 in the Village Office, 67 Pictou Road. Chair Burke called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm; the meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Call to Order: Chair Burke  
Deputy Chair MacCormick  
Commissioner McLean  
Commissioner McLeod

Regrets: Commissioner Van Kroonenburg

Staff: Clerk and Treasurer Christianson  
Recording Secretary Curry  
Solicitor MacDougall

In Attendance: Parks and Recreation Director Smithson  
Colchester Councillor Blair, District 1  
Truro Daily News Reporter M. Chiasson  
Bible Hill Fire Chief Mellish  
Bible Hill Resident Loomer

Approval of the Minutes of January 21, 2014

Moved by McLean  
Seconded by McLeod

That the minutes of January 21, 2014 be approved as circulated.

Motion carried.

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

Moved by McLeod  
Seconded by McLean

That the agenda be approved as presented.

Motion carried.

Chair Burke welcomed those present to the meeting.

Miscellaneous Business Including Delegations

#### Parks and Recreation Director Smithson - Scotia Pool Update

Bible Hill's Parks and Recreation Director attended the meeting to give a presentation to the Commission on Scotia Pool. He is a non-voting member of the Scotia Pool Society Board of Directors and was able to report that the pool is doing well at the present time - maintaining the numbers of swimmers in attendance. The Board is working on a grant from the County of Colchester, which has a deadline of March 3, 2014. He reported that the Village's willingness to assist them with finances and payroll has been a huge help. They have received a letter from the Province of Nova Scotia stating that they must have funding in place by the end of August showing their sustainability. The Society will also be approaching the Town of Truro for

funding assistance. Mr. Smithson and Mr. Burgess, County of Colchester Recreation Director, have both been working with the committee on creating a new policy for Scotia Pool to follow.

#### Business Arising out of the Minutes

##### Commission in Committee Report

###### 1. Fire Brigade Vehicle Purchase

Moved by MacCormick  
Seconded by McLeod

Moved that the Village of Bible Hill purchase the half ton vehicle for the Fire Brigade from Hollis Ford at a cost of \$29,984 + HST as this vehicle meets all of the Fire Brigade's requirements.

Motion carried.

##### Crosswalk Vimy Road & College Road Intersection

Included in the minute package were preliminary drawings from PDI Engineering on the proposed construction of the sidewalk on College Road. A right of way from Dalhousie in front of the library is needed as the bank will have to be cut back in that area and a retaining wall put up. It is planned to go to tender in May so the work can be completed in the summer of 2014.

##### Standard Life Employee Pension Plan

Moved by MacCormick  
Seconded by McLean

That the Village of Bible Hill turn over the Staff Pension Plan currently administered through the UNSM to Standard Life directly effective March 31, 2014.

Motion carried.

#### Review of Correspondence

##### Mayor Bob Taylor - Park Street Flooding

The Chair reviewed a copy of the recent letter received from Colchester Mayor Taylor. The Clerk advised the Commission that during recent discussions with Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal, it was suggested that cost sharing on the construction of a gate might be a possibility. The Clerk will prepare a letter to both TIR and the County of Colchester expressing the Village's interest in cost sharing in the erection of a gate or equivalent structure on Park Street (Bible Hill side).

##### Colchester Historical Society - Heritage Night Celebration

Commissioner McLeod will attend the Heritage Night Celebration on behalf of the Village of Bible Hill on Thursday, February 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm at the Museum on Young Street.

#### Reports of Commissioners and Clerk and Treasurer

##### Environmental Services Report

Commissioner McLean had no new items of interest in environmental services.

Protective Services Report

Deputy Chair MacCormick reviewed the Fire Brigade Report in the absence of Commissioner Van Kroonenburg.

Recreation Services Report

Commissioner McLeod read the Recreation Report which included a report of the two Bible Hill outdoor rinks, the end of the student worker in the office through Sport Nova Scotia, Active Transportation, the popularity of snowshoe rental this year, and the upcoming Volunteer Awards.

Transportation Services Report

Deputy Chair MacCormick reviewed the correspondence that was received from MLA Zann and the listing of projects that was provided to her. She also reviewed the request for a crossing guard at two locations - College Road at Guest Drive and Vimy Road at Andy's Avenue. Village staff will do a count of children crossing at these locations.

Clerk's Report

The Clerk reported on the upcoming budget and audit plan. The Finance Officer continues cross training by working with Scotia Pool. Sidewalk snow removal continues to be a budget item. He also expressed the importance of the Bible Hill Volunteer Awards and encouraged the Commissioners to submit suggestions for nominations.

Chair's Report

Chair Burke reported that he has been following the progress of work being done on the Building Canada Fund.

Accounts

Moved by McLean  
Seconded by MacCormick

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

Motion carried.

New Business

Before the in-camera session, Truro Daily News Reported Chiasson was allowed to ask questions of the Commission.

In Camera Committee Meeting of the Whole - Personnel Issue

Moved by McLeod  
Seconded by MacCormick

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

Motion Carried.

At 7:30 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 7:50 pm.

Request to tap Maple Trees 69 Pictou Road

The Clerk has received a request to tap the trees at 69 Pictou Road for maple syrup. After investigation and consultation, it was decided that permission would not be given as rural trees in a forest setting are better suited for tree tapping.

Purchase of 8 4500psi Carbon Fiber Scott Air Bottles

Moved by MacCormick  
Seconded by McLean

That the Village of Bible Hill purchase 8 4500psi Carbon Fiber Scott Air Bottles from Acklands Grainger at a price of \$9,956.30 + HST.

Motion carried.

Building Canada Fund

The Clerk reiterated the information given earlier by the Chair on the information available on the upcoming Building Canada Fund.

Adjournment

Moved by McLeod  
Seconded by McLean

That the February 18, 2014 Regular Monthly Meeting of the Village of Bible Hill be adjourned.

Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Chair Burke

Recording Secretary Curry

Clerk and Treasurer Christianson

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