

The Village of Bible Hill Regular Monthly meeting was held on February 16, 2016 in the Village Office, 67 Pictou Road. Chair Burke called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm; the meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm.

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

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

Attendance: Councillor Blair

Approval of the Minutes of January 19, 2016

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by MacCormick*

That the Regular Monthly Meeting minutes of January 19, 2016 be approved.

Motion carried

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

*Moved by McLeod
Seconded by Kennedy*

That the agenda be approved as presented.

Motion carried.

The Chair welcomed Councillor Blair to the meeting.

Miscellaneous Business Including Delegations

Councillor Blair reported on happenings in Colchester Council - there was nothing of specific impact to Bible Hill but all decisions made at the Municipality impact the residents of Bible Hill. Councillor Blair has just returned from a Sustainable Community Conference in Ontario and had specific interest in a crosswalk light system for those with disabilities. She has given the brochure to the Clerk.

Business Arising out of the Minutes

- **Commission in Committee Report**

*Moved by MacCormick
Seconded by McLeod*

That the Village of Bible Hill award JC Mechanical the tender for the Village Hall boiler replacement at a cost of \$95,481 plus HST.

Motion carried.

*Moved by MacCormick
Seconded by Kennedy*

That the Village of Bible Hill sign and approve the borrowing resolution with Scotia Bank in the amount of \$700,000.

Motion carried.

*Moved by MacCormick
Seconded by McLeod*

That the Village of Bible Hill appoint D. Wile, F. Stewart, J. Joy, M. McGarrigle, and N. Loomer as citizen representatives sitting on the Bible Hill Parks and Recreation Committee for a two year term April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2018.

Motion carried.

- **Sidewalk Priority List**

The Clerk presented a document to the Village Commissioners listing the streets in Bible Hill that currently do not have a sidewalk at all. Some streets are too narrow for the construction of a sidewalk but others could and should be done. Of particular note would be the need for a sidewalk in front of the new elementary school to be built on Pictou Road. The Clerk suggested that the Commission identify three to five specific sidewalk areas with identified sidewalks being moved up on the priority list if funding through cost-sharing becomes available. Councillor Blair recommended that the Village send the County of Colchester a letter outlining this specific request so it will be added to budget deliberations for the upcoming fiscal year.

*Moved by MacCormick
Seconded by Kennedy*

That the Village of Bible Hill set a new Sidewalk Priority List as follows:

1. *Pictou Road (south) from Vimy Road to Blanchard Avenue*

2. *Village Line Avenue from Pictou Road to College Road (built if Colchester cost shares)*
3. *Old Courthouse Branch from College Road to Regency Point (built if Colchester cost shares)*
4. *Hazel Drive (east)*
5. *Dunromin Avenue (east)*

Other sidewalk areas will be listed in alphabetical order.

Motion carried.

- **2015 Annual Monitoring Program Bible Hill Recreation Park**

The recent report from Dillon Consulting has suggested that the Village would be able to move to a bi-annual method of monitoring the Recreation Park as the last number of years has been consistently the same. A letter to this effect has been sent to the Department of Environment as a change like this cannot be made with their approval. The report will be circulated by email to the Commissioners.

Review of Correspondence

- **Truro and District Chamber of Commerce**

The Clerk will send regrets to the Truro and District Chamber of Commerce as there are no Commissioners available to attend the Annual General Meeting on March 9th, 2016.

Reports of Commissioners and Clerk and Treasurer

- **Protective Services Report**

Commissioner Kennedy read the Fire Brigade Report. The Brigade responded to 7 calls between January 14th and February 10th. The report on Dal AC barn fire came in with a damage total of \$2 million bringing the total damage for 2015 to \$2,904,500. Two new mutual aid members have started with the fire brigade. One new probationary member has started and one member has resigned. There is a fundraising spaghetti dinner on March 5th and spring training schedules have begun.

- **Transportation Services Report**

Deputy Chair MacCormick's report was dealt with under Old Business.

- **Environmental Services Report**

Commissioner Van Kroonenburg reviewed the outcome of the report from Dillon Consulting suggesting that a full monitoring does not need to be completed every year.

- **Recreation Services Report**

Commissioner McLeod read the Recreation Report that included an update on the Thrive Hike program for Bible Hill Junior High School girls, the successful snowshoe lend out program, upcoming March Break events, and the upcoming Volunteer Awards. All Commissioners are encouraged to spread the word about nominating volunteers for these awards.

- **Clerk's Report**

The Clerk reported that the Village will be interviewing for 3 summer maintenance staff and 4 day camp staff. The new caretaker working on Sundays will now be doing additional work in the Village Office to free up regular maintenance staff for other duties. Summer maintenance staff will not be cleaning the washrooms at the ball fields this summer - one of the crossing guards has been hired to work 2 hours Saturday and 2 hours Sunday. Work on the installation of the new boilers has continued. Work is being done on purchasing an electronic sign to replace the current one outside at 69 Pictou Road. Final tax payment from the Municipality of Colchester has been received.

- **Chair's Report**

The Chair stated that he does not feel the Village should be liable for the cost over-run for the cost of the boilers. The Clerk will follow up on this.

Accounts

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by McLeod*

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

Motion carried.

New Business

There was no new business.

Adjournment

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by MacCormick*

That the February 16, 2016 Regular Monthly Meeting of the Village of Bible Hill be adjourned.

Motion carried.

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The meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm.

Chair Burke

Recording Secretary Curry

Clerk and Treasurer Christianson
