

The Village of Bible Hill Commission in Committee Meeting was held on November 10, 2015 in the Village Office, 67 Pictou Road. Clerk Christianson called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm; the meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Call to Order: Chair Burke  
Commissioner Kennedy  
Commissioner McLeod

Regrets: Deputy Chair MacCormick  
Commissioner Van Kroonenburg

Staff: Clerk and Treasurer Christianson  
Recording Secretary Curry

### **Review and Approval of minutes of October 13, 2015**

*Moved by Burke  
Seconded by Kennedy*

*That the minutes of October 13, 2015 be approved as presented.*

*Motion carried.*

### **Review and Approval of the Agenda, call for new or other business**

*Moved by McLeod  
Seconded by Kennedy*

*That the agenda be approved as presented.*

*Motion carried.*

### **New Business**

- **Natural Playground - RFQ for additional equipment**

The Clerk reported that some extra funding has become available but the equipment must be installed before December 31, 2015. An RFQ was sent out to Hornbeam Contracting and Playpower/Little Tykes with the Parks and Recreation Committee recommending the submission from Hornbeam. The Clerk awarded the contract to Hornbeam.

*Moved by McLeod  
Seconded by Burke*

*That the Commission in Committee recommends that the Village of Bible Hill award the contract for the additional natural playground commercial grade playground equipment to Hornbeam Contracting at a cost of \$22,450 + HST.*

*Motion carried.*

- **Tourism Nova Scotia**

The Clerk has received correspondence from Central Nova Tourism stating that Tourism Nova Scotia will no longer provide core funding to regional tourism organizations. This will result in a loss of \$48,000 in operational funding from the Central Nova Tourism Association in 2016. There will be an important meeting on November 19<sup>th</sup> in Masstown discussing this decision. The Clerk and the Chair will attend on behalf of the Village.

- **Boiler - 69 Pictou Road**

The Clerk reported that during routine maintenance, a leak was discovered in the older boiler that heats the building at 69 Pictou Road. The Clerk has arranged for MCW Thompson Engineering to do the mechanical engineering on specifications for a replacement boiler. The Clerk is prepared to tender in December. Funding for this expenditure may have to come from capital reserve. The Chair is doing further investigation.

- **MGA Review - Correspondence to the Minister**

A copy of the letter on the MGA Review sent to the Minister of Municipal Affairs on behalf of the Village was circulated for information purposes. Input from the Fire Brigade was included.

- **Staff Christmas Party - December 17 @ 7pm, Roadside Willie's**

The Village Staff Christmas Party will be on December 17<sup>th</sup> at Roadside Willie's. The Clerk will contact all Commissioners to confirm their attendance at either Roadside Willie's or another location of their choice.

- **Occupational Health and Safety Policy**

The Clerk circulated a draft version of the proposed new Occupational Health and Safety Policy. Commissioners are to review and discussion will take place next week at the Regular Monthly Meeting.

- **Trans Canada Trail Approval - Truro Bible Hill Connection Feasibility Study**

The Village made an application to do a study on the feasibility of an extension to the Trans Canada Trail through the Bible Hill area. Approval has been received for less than the requested amount with no guarantee that it will be paid at all. The Clerk will request clarification of the wording of the letter.

- **Eastlink - Season's Greetings Message**

Commissioners are invited to go to the Eastlink office and record a Christmas message to be played on the local channel during the Christmas season. It is up to each individual Commissioner to make arrangements with Eastlink.

- **Quote - Snowblower for Kubota Tractor**

*Moved by Burke  
Seconded by McLeod*

*That the Commission in Committee recommends that the Village of Bible Hill purchase a snow blower for the Kubota tractor for \$5000 from Central Equipment Inc.*

*Motion carried.*

Discussion was held on the possibility of purchasing a cover/hood the tractor when using the snow blower to keep blowing snow off the operator.

- **Budget Review**

The Clerk reviewed the proposed budget numbers for both Administration and Environmental Services. Under environmental Services, the Clerk would like to put out a tender for the yearly monitoring of former landfill site - now the Bible Hill Recreation Park. The contract would be for two or three years. Wage increase for the year will be 2.5 % (inline with the CUPE contract).

### **Adjournment**

*Moved by McLeod  
Seconded by Burke*

*That the November 10, 2015 Commission in Committee Meeting of the Village of Bible Hill be adjourned.*

*Motion carried.*

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Clerk and Treasurer Christianson \_\_\_\_\_

Recording Secretary Curry \_\_\_\_\_