

The Village of Bible Hill Regular Monthly meeting was held on August 15, 2017 in the Village Office, 67 Pictou Road. Chair MacCormick called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm; the meeting adjourned at 8:53 pm.

Call to Order: Chair MacCormick
Commissioner Bell
Commissioner Kennedy
Commissioner Mellish
Deputy Chair Van Kroonenburg

Regrets: Solicitor Roper, Burchell MacDougall

Staff: Clerk and Treasurer Christianson
Recording Secretary Curry

Present: Councillor Parker, County of Colchester
Mr. Audoux: N.S. Municipal Finance Corp.

Review and Approval of the Minutes of July 18, 2017

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by Kennedy*

That the meeting minutes July 18, 2017 be approved.

Motion carried

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

*Moved by Bell
Seconded by Kennedy*

That the agenda be approved as presented.

Motion carried.

Miscellaneous Business Including Delegations

- **Councillor Parker**

Councillor Parker addressed the Commission speaking on items pertaining to the Village that are currently active at County Council. The Flood Advisory Committee has met and advised that the drainage issues on College Road are actually a storm water management issue and does not fall under their jurisdiction. This item will be referred to staff. Councillor Parker also spoke of on-going communication with the Craigs who are

working to get their Easy Living Home project on College Road on track. He also reported that there was potential interest in purchasing the East Court Road School but that the school is currently being used for storage and will not be available to a new user until the end of September.

- **N.S. Municipal Finance Corp. – Mr. Audoux: MFC High Interest Savings Account**

Mr. Audoux gave a presentation to the Commission on the advantages and benefits of the Village of Bible Hill participating in a proposed MFC High Interest Savings Account. The more municipalities that participate in this program increase the total amount on deposit which in turn increases the amount of interest paid. Chair MacCormick thanked Mr. Audoux for attending the meeting.

Business Arising out of the Minutes

- **Sidewalk Pictou Road**

The Clerk discussed with the Commission the possible upcoming sidewalk construction on Pictou Road from Vimy Road to Blanchard Avenue. The Clerk was instructed to prepare a sidewalk priority list for October and bring this item back to the table then.

Review of Correspondence

- **Pension Plan**

The Clerk discussed recent correspondence from Manulife stating that the Monitored Avenue Portfolio Program (MAPP) will no longer be offered. Village staff participate in this program and an alternate program will have to be sourced out. Alternatives were discussed.

- **Province of Nova Scotia Superannuation Pension Plan**

Moved by Mellish

Seconded by Van Kroonenburg

That the Village of Bible Hill proceed to engage Mercer as an actuary to do an analysis of the current defined contribution pension plan program with a possible move to the Province of Nova Scotia superannuation Plan.

Motion carried.

Reports of Commissioners and Clerk and Treasurer

- **Commissioner Bell**

Commissioner Bell reported on Environmental Services. He and the Clerk have done several site visits to the Recreation Park during the construction process. Mid Valley seems to be sticking fairly closely to the proposed schedule and is currently working on re-instatement. There was a power line servicing the baseball field light broken during construction and the Clerk will request that Mid Valley make the repair.

- **Commissioner Kennedy**

Commissioner Kennedy reported on Protective Services. He read the Fire Chief's Report that listed the 14 emergency calls that were between June 15 and August 9, 2017. The Fire Brigade participated in local activities which included: traffic control for the CEC Prom, fire presentation to Bible Hill Day Camps, hosting the Linacy Poker Rally for the Children's Burn Camp, Maggie's Touch A Truck, and traffic control for the Bible Hill Canada Day Parade. Upcoming are events they are helping with for the Nova Scotia Provincial Exhibition.

- **Commissioner Mellish**

Commissioner Mellish reported on Transportation Services. He reported that the street cleaner has been around to some areas in the Village. Curb repair is still an important issue that has not been addressed. The Clerk will follow up with Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal on this issue.

- **Deputy Chair Van Kroonenburg**

Deputy Chair Van Kroonenburg reported on Recreation Services. The report included updates on summer day camps in the Village, the upcoming Red Cross Stay Safe Course, the Back to School Bash on August 26th, and the relative return to normal at the Recreation Park.

- **Clerk and Treasurer Christianson**

The Clerk will be on vacation for the month of September and the Finance Officer will be the Acting Clerk and Treasurer while he is away. The Clerk will give a copy of the Village passwords to the Solicitor so that they are on record.

- **Chair MacCormick**

Chair MacCormick reported on meetings and events she had attended on behalf of the Village. She discussed the upcoming Association of Nova Scotia Villages meeting to be held in Baddeck. A draft agenda was reviewed.

Accounts

*Moved by Kennedy
Seconded by Van Kroonenburg*

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

Motion carried.

New Business

- **Banners**

A quote was reviewed for banners that would be placed on the poles around the Village. This will be put in as a budgeting item for next year.

- **Voting Delegate – ANSV Annual Meeting**

*Moved by Bell
Seconded by Mellish*

That the Village of Bible Hill appoint Deputy Chair Van Kroonenburg to act as their voting delegate at the ANSV Annual Meeting in September.

Motion carried.

- **Potential Trail Route Raptor to Maple**

A map of the potential trail route was reviewed. The Commission felt it was a great project to begin working on but more land would need to be acquired. The Clerk was instructed to begin negotiations with the two parties: Dalhousie University - AC Campus and the private property owner.

- **Purchases Bible Hill Fire Brigade – Scott Air Equipment**

*Moved by Bell
Seconded by Kennedy*

That the Village of Bible Hill proceed with purchasing Scott Air Equipment from Levitt Safety at a cost of \$57,620.75 including HST.

Motion carried.

- **Purchases Bible Hill Fire Brigade – Job Shirts**

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by Bell*

That the Village of Bible Hill proceed with purchasing Fire Brigade job shirts from Frontline Outfitters Ltd at a cost of \$3,026.80 including HST.

Motion carried.

- **Storm Drainage College Road**

Storm drainage on College Road by the proposed Easy Living Home Development was discussed earlier in the meeting. It was agreed that Bible Hill would investigate increasing the capacity of the proposed storm drainage system on the Craig property once the Craig's have received all their permits and approvals. The increased capacity would be used to divert storm water away from the pipe system underneath the Bible Hill Recreation Park.

Adjournment

Moved by Bell

That the August 15, 2017 Regular Monthly Meeting of the Village of Bible Hill be adjourned.

Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:53 pm.

Chair MacCormick

Recording Secretary Curry

Clerk and Treasurer Christianson
