

**Village of Bible Hill
Regular Monthly Meeting
January 18, 2022**



The Village of Bible Hill regular monthly meeting was held on January 18, 2022 via videoconferencing, per the direction of the Minister of Municipal Affairs issued July 29, 2020 (enclosed). Chair Kennedy called the meeting to order at 7:00pm; the meeting adjourned at 8:12pm.

Call to Order: Commissioner Burke
Commissioner Kennedy
Commissioner Pitcher
Commissioner Shea
Commissioner Van Kroonenburg
Clerk and Treasurer Bell
Recording Secretary Chandler
Solicitor Roper, Burchell MacDougall

Guests: Kyle McConnell, Englobe Corp

Review and approval of the minutes of December 21, 2021, and January 11, 2022

Moved by Van Kroonenburg and seconded by Pitcher that the meeting minutes of December 21, 2021, and January 11, 2022 be approved. Motion carried.

Call for new or other business and review and approval of agenda

Chair Kennedy called for new or other business, and Clerk and Treasurer Bell requested to defer the Meadowland Ave drainage update to the February meeting, and to add sanitary sewer to the agenda. Commissioner Shea requested to add the passing of two prominent Bible Hill residents to the agenda.

Moved by Van Kroonenburg and seconded by Shea that the agenda be approved as amended. Motion carried.

Call for declaration of conflict of interests

Chair Kennedy called for any declaration of conflict of interest and no conflict was declared.

Miscellaneous business including delegations

Sanitary Sewer

Clerk and Treasurer Bell welcomed Kyle McConnell of Englobe Corp to present information regarding a section of sanitary sewer at Farnham Brook. McConnell presented three options to consider for the pipe.

Moved by Shea and seconded by Van Kroonenburg that Village of Bible Hill move forward with option one from Englobe, keeping the Farnham Brook sanitary sewer pipe segment status quo, and instruct Clerk and Treasurer

Bell to inquire with Municipality of the County of Colchester on whether regular inspections are or can be conducted and whether a supplementary pump is available if required. Motion carried.

McConnell left the meeting at 7:42pm.

Business arising out of the minutes

Commission in Committee Report

Moved by Van Kroonenburg and seconded by Pitcher that Village of Bible Hill nominate Alison and Beryl Keilty for the Nova Scotia Provincial Volunteer Award. Motion carried.

Moved by Van Kroonenburg and seconded by Pitcher that Village of Bible Hill re-adopt the Expenditure Reimbursement Policy, with amendment. Motion carried.

Moved by Van Kroonenburg and seconded by Pitcher that Village of Bible Hill re-adopt the Hospitality Policy, with amendment. Motion carried.

Review of Correspondence

There was no correspondence to discuss.

Reports of Commissioners and Clerk and Treasurer

Commissioner Burke

Commissioner Burke noted that due to the recent wintery weather there are more roadway issues including ice, snow, and flooding. He noted that the Department of Public Works' 5 year capital plan sees College Road repaved in 2022.

Burke questioned if there has been any response or progress regarding the Saywood Dr poultry concerns. Clerk and Treasurer Bell responded that the Village has not yet received a response on the inquiry to Saywood Developments Limited. The Commission discussed.

Commissioner Shea

Commissioner Shea noted his recent Village activity, including attending the virtual Regional Accessibility Committee meeting. Shea noted that the January 10 meeting provided an update from the consultant Reachability on the status of the regional accessibility plan development, including that approximately 100 feedback responses were received from Truro and Colchester residents. Shea provided congratulatory remarks to Brigade member Justine Mabey, who became the first female to be elected to a chief officer role. He explained how Mabey has dedicated significant time and effort to supporting the Brigade over eight years and that the Village is lucky to have her.

Shea presented a summary of the Fire Chief's report for January 2022, as enclosed. The Commission discussed.

Commissioner Pitcher

Pitcher presented the January 2022 recreation report – as enclosed. The Commission discussed.

Deputy Chair Van Kroonenburg

Deputy Chair Van Kroonenburg noted that she was hoping to discuss an update on the Meadowland Avenue Drainage project, but that this update has not yet been provided by the engineering firm.

Chair Kennedy

Chair Kennedy reported that he recently filmed the holiday greeting video with Steve Currie, and that he attended a virtual funding announcement.

Clerk and Treasurer Bell

Clerk and Treasurer Bell opened his report by noting that he will forward the Meadowland Avenue drainage project reporting once it is received from the engineering firm.

Bell discussed an interior and exterior wall crack that has been noted in the fire station on the south-east corner, and that structural engineers have been in to assess the crack and will advise on its seriousness, repair strategies and weight capacity of the bay floors.

Bell noted that he too attended the virtual Regional Accessibility meeting, of which Shea had already discussed.

Bell added that he met with Jim Scott from Trace Planning and Design, who is planning to meet with Bible Hill Consolidated Elementary grade four students in the coming week, and the firm is looking to meet with the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee and Village Commissioners, preferably all in one meeting on February 1 at 6pm. Bell noted that Trace will then meet with village staff.

Bell noted that the boundary sign on the Salmon River truss bridge on Main Street has now been installed.

Bell noted that he too attended the virtual conference with the Honourable Sean Fraser, Minister of Immigration, Refugees, and Citizenship and Member of Parliament for Central Nova, and Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency (ACOA) on January 18, where it was announced Village of Bible Hill was granted funding in the amount of \$67,545 to fund the window and door renewal project at H. Douglas Boyce Village Hall. Bell added that eleven other projects in Cumberland-Colchester have been granted funding, all totaling \$1.86 million. The Commission discussed.

Van Kroonenburg raised the topic of recent flooding of Main Street under the Subway tunnels, and that the Department of Public Works neglected to install flood warning signs on College Road to inform drivers before they reach Main Street and are unable to safely pass the area when flooded. The Commission discussed.

Accounts

Moved by Pitcher and seconded by Van Kroonenburg, that Village of Bible Hill approve the accounts for payment.
Motion carried.

New Business

Bible Hill Recreation Park playpark master plan meeting – Trace Planning and Design

Clerk and Treasurer Bell questioned the Commission whether they wanted to have their own meeting with Trace Planning and Design or if they wanted to join the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee on February 1. The Commission discussed.

It was agreed by consensus for the Commission to join the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee meeting with Trace Planning and Design on February 1, 2022 at 6pm, in H. Douglas Boyce Village Hall.

Passing of Village Residents

Shea provided words of reflection regarding the late Anthony Purdy, also known as "Coach Purdy", and David Woodman, the franchisee of Bible Hill Foodland.


Kennedy added words of reflection regarding the late Abbey Aucoin. The Commission discussed.

Adjournment

Moved by Pitcher that the January 18, 2021 regular monthly meeting of Village of Bible Hill be adjourned. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:12pm.

Chair Kennedy



Recording Secretary Chandler



Clerk and Treasurer Bell

