

**Village of Bible Hill
Commission Meeting
June 20, 2023**



The meeting was held in Commission Chambers, at the Village Office, 67 Pictou Road. Chair Kennedy called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM.

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

Delegations: Thomas Baltzer, P.Eng, PMP, Eastpoint

Review and approval of the minutes of May 16, and June 13, 2023.

Moved by Pitcher and seconded by Shea, that the meeting minutes of May 16, and June 13, 2023 be approved. Motion carried.

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

Kennedy called for new or other business and Bell requested to add sidewalk snow clearing under business arising out of the minutes and closed session - acquisition of property under new business.

Moved by Van Kroonenburg and seconded by Pitcher, that the agenda be approved with the additions. Motion carried.

Call for declaration of conflict of interest

Kennedy called for any declarations of conflict of interest, and Kennedy declared conflict of interest on sidewalk snow clearing and asked Shea to take over as Chair when that topic is being discussed.

Miscellaneous business including delegations

Eastpoint – Solar PV Feasibility Study Final Report

Bell introduced Baltzer and Kennedy invited him to review the Solar PV Feasibility Study Final Report. The Commission discussed. Bell referred to the executive summary and noted that Eastpoint does not recommend moving forward with the project based on payback metric.

Bible Hill Fire Brigade (BHFB) officer Michael Mabey arrived at 7:40PM.

Business arising out of the minutes

Commission in Committee Report

Moved by Van Kroonenburg and seconded by Pitcher that Village of Bible Hill purchase a flow test kit from K&D Pratt at a cost of \$8,363.05 plus HST. Motion carried.

Mabey gave an explanation as to why the BHFB is looking to purchase a flow test kit.

Moved by Van Kroonenburg and seconded by Pitcher that Village of Bible Hill accept the contract from Glow the Event Store for the Back to School Bash inflatables at a cost of \$4,794 plus HST. Motion carried.

Moved by Van Kroonenburg and seconded by Pitcher that Village of Bible Hill engage Englobe for engineering services for sanitary sewer work at a cost of \$11,400 plus HST. Motion carried.

Moved by Van Kroonenburg and seconded by Pitcher that Village of Bible Hill donate \$400 to the CEC Safe Grad event. Motion carried.

Sidewalk snow clearing

Bell reviewed sidewalk snow clearing pricing that was presented at the June Commission in Committee meeting. The Commission discussed.

Moved by Pitcher and seconded by Van Kroonenburg to move engage Justaart Landscaping for a 3-year contract for sidewalk snow clearing at proposed pricing provide by the vendor. Motion carried.

Review of Correspondence

Mayor Blair – HWY 102 construction and traffic disruption

Bell presented correspondence from Mayor Blair to the Honorable Kim Masland, regarding HWY 102 construction and traffic disruption, requesting the NS Department of Public Works extend working hours to the project, and outlining other concerns.

Reports of Commissioners and Clerk and Treasurer

Pitcher presented an oral report. Shea presented an oral report and submitted the June 2023 Bible Hill Fire Brigade Fire Chief report - as attached. Giddens presented an oral report and submitted the June 2023 recreation report- as attached. Van Kroonenburg, Kennedy, and Bell presented oral reports.

Accounts

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

New Business

National Indigenous Peoples Day – Millbrook Cultural & Heritage Centre

Bell notified the Commission of the National Indigenous Peoples Day event at Millbrook Cultural & Heritage Centre including an unveiling ceremony of Regalia that returned home to Millbrook First Nations Community from Australia.

ANSV AGM – Voting representative

Bell noted the Association of Nova Scotia Village (ANSV) Annual General Meeting (AGM) on September 15th and 16th requires a voting member from each Village.

Moved by Shea and seconded by Giddens that Village of Bible Hill assign Pitcher as Bible Hill's ANSV AGM voting representative. Motion carried.

ANSV AGM – Conference fees and accommodations – retired BH officials

Bell asked the Commission if Bible Hill will be paying for the ANSV AGM conference fees and accommodations of retired BH officials serving as ANSV directors.

Moved by Van Kroonenburg and seconded by Giddens that Village of Bible Hill pay conference fees and accommodations for Past President Lois MacCormick and Senior Advisor Christine Blair for the ANSV Conference. Motion carried.

Closed session – Acquisition of property

Moved by Van Kroonenburg and seconded by Shea that Village of Bible Hill enter closed session. Motion carried.

The Commission went into closed session at 8:31 PM. The Commission came out of closed session at 8:50 PM.

Adjournment

Moved by Pitcher that the meeting be adjourned.

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 PM.

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Member of

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FIRE BRIGADE



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Fire Chief Report – June 2023

The Brigade responded to 15 emergency calls from the period of May 10 to June 14, 2023. They are as follows:

1. May 10, 8:20 pm, Mutual Aid to Truro. Cleared at 9:07 pm, with 27 members responding. IC Cpt. Stewart
2. May 11th, 8:02 pm, Mutual Aid to Truro to standby at their station. Cleared 9:26 pm, with 16 members responding. IC DC Pearston.
3. May 11th, 8:15 pm while on call for Truro, Responded to MVA on the Highway, car hit guard rail and landed in the ditch. Cleared at 9:13 pm with 16 members responding. IC LT Currie
4. May 12th, 2:14 pm, Pictou Rd, 2 vehicle MVA cleared at 3:15 pm, with 14 members responding. IC DC Mabey
5. May 13th, 11:23 am Pictou Rd, Alarm ringing. Stood down before departing the station . Cleared at 11:25 am with 14 members responding, IC Chief Bisson
6. May 15th, 1:05 pm, College Rd, Medical Assist, child choking. Cleared at 1:15 pm, with 6 members responded. IC DC Mabey
7. May 20th, 10:22 pm, Mutual Aid to Truro, to standby at their station. Cleared at 11:08 pm, with 8 members responding. IC Lt Currie
8. May 26th, 12:07 pm, College Rd, Commercial Fire Alarm Sounding, suspecting burnt food. Cleared 12:55 pm, with 10 members responding. IC DC Pearston.
9. May 29th, 7:11 pm, Mutual aid to Truro to Standby at their station. Cleared at 7:52 pm, with 17 members responding. IC Cpt Stewart.
10. June 1, 5:08 pm, Fielding, investigation of burnt plastic smell. Venmar system required a good cleaning. Cleared at 6:09 pm, with 14 members responding. IC DC Mabey
11. June 5th, 11:48 am, Ryland Ave. Alarm ringing, stood down by 203, cleared at 11:53 am with 12 members responding, IC DC Mabey
12. June 10th, 12:30 am, Horseshoe Cres. Alarm ringing at Chapman House, result burnt food. Cleared at 1:12 am with 11 members responding. IC LT Dykeman.
13. June 11th, 5:58 pm, Pictou Rd. Cardiac Arrest, Cleared at 6:53 pm with 10 members responding. IC DC Mabey.
14. June 13th, 12:29 pm, College Rd, Tree on power lines. Cleared at 12:47 pm, with 12 members responding. IC DC Mabey
15. June 13th, 8:50 pm, Mutual Aid to Truro, standby at their station. Cleared at 8:52 pm, with 10 members responding.

Total Calls: **90**

Total Fire Loss: **\$0**

Chief Bisson

June Recreation Report

May and June is/has been a busy month for recreation! Here is a bit of what we have been up to:

- Summer adult coed soccer has begun, along with women's night. Both have had a great turnout and have lots of positive feedback already.
- After school programming with all schools is completed for the school year, the new Bible Hill Consolidated program went extremely well, and parents along with children are looking forward to next year already.
- Village recreation has been busy with helping to wind down school years for the schools within the Village and Redcliff Middle School.
 - The Village provided a fun day for Colchester Christian Academy (PP-8 students) at the Bible Hill Recreation Park on June 2nd. Staff organized a variety of activities from 9:30-2PM for the school.
 - Recreation provided assistance with Bible Hill Junior High's grade 9 celebration that took place at the Rath Eastlink Community Centre on June 15th, where staff aided with supervision and ran a Minute to Win It station for the evening.
 - Recreation also helped with Redcliff Middle schools field day on June 15th, this was in partnership with the school phys ed teacher.
 - We lastly were part of Bible Hill Junior High's Wellness Day on June 16th, where staff provided supervision along with running a few stations.
- Recreation has started 'pop-up' equipment opportunities at the parks within the Village, while lightly attended, the families who have taken part have enjoyed the time to spend in the park trying new games.
- The Village had a successful application to take part in a Pilot Program in partnership with Recreation Nova Scotia and Canadian Parks and Recreation Association. The pilot program is called "Activate Your Neighbourhood" and has a target of addressing the issue of physical inactivity, in relation to the pan-Canadian physical activity strategy.
 - As a pilot project team, the Village and others amongst Nova Scotia while working with the CPRA and RNS, will be focusing on ways to engage, and encourage people who live in neighbourhoods to re-think, re-imagine and re-purpose their neighbourhood green spaces and parks to be more active to move more.
 - This pilot team will be meeting monthly from June 2023 to March 2024, and have a current plan of the pilot test itself running from July 2023 to January 31, 2024.

Respectfully submitted,

Haley Smith
Parks and Recreation Director

Date: June 10, 2023

Re: Election Results for Village of Bible Hill

Village of Bible Hill held an election this week, with advance polling on Tuesday from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. and regular polling today from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

After careful counting and verification of votes in the presence of scrutineers, the Village confirms the following vote count:

Hema Chopra – 157;

Dwight Giddens – 182 – elected as Village Commissioner for a term to June 2026; and

Tim Shea – 169 – elected as Village Commissioner for a term to June 2026.

Congratulations and best wishes to the successful candidates in their roles as they work towards the betterment of our Village. Their dedication and commitment to serving the community are greatly appreciated.

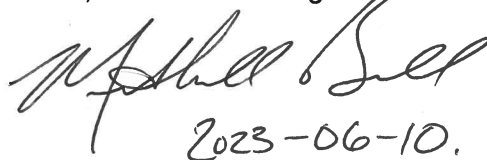
The Village would also like to extend gratitude to each candidates who put their name forward to serve the community and to voters who took part in this democratic process. Your passion and ideas are invaluable assets, and we encourage you to stay engaged and continue to contribute to the ongoing development of Bible Hill. Your participation is vital in building a strong and vibrant community.

At their next meeting on June 13, Commissioners will elect a Chair and Deputy Chair to lead the Commission and Commission in Committee meetings and will also make committee appointments for the year ahead.

Voting statistics:

- 285 electors voted (7.3%)
- 3,870 electors are on the list of electors
- 51 electors were added to the list of electors for the purpose of voting in this election

For election inquiries, please contact the Clerk and Treasurer at 902-893-8083 or email election@biblehill.ca. For general information, please contact our office by phone, email, or at 67 Pictou Road, visit our website at biblehill.ca, or follow our Village of Bible Hill page on Facebook.



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