

**Village of Bible Hill
Commission Meeting
November 21, 2023**



The meeting was held in Commission Chambers, at the Village Office, 67 Pictou Road. Chair Kennedy called the meeting to order at 7:00PM.

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

Review and approval of the minutes of October 17 and November 14, 2023.

Moved by Van Kroonenburg and seconded by Pitcher, that the meeting minutes of October 17 and November 14, 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 Pitcher requested to add Recent Passing of Charlie Boyce under new business.

Moved by Shea and seconded by Pitcher, that the agenda be approved with the addition. Motion carried.

Call for declaration of conflict of interest

Kennedy called for any declarations of conflict of interest, and none were declared.

Miscellaneous business including delegations

There were no miscellaneous business or delegations.

Business arising out of the minutes

Commission in Committee Report

Moved by Van Kroonenburg and seconded by Pitcher that Village of Bible Hill execute the SSGF agreement between the County and Village as presented. Motion carried.

Moved by Van Kroonenburg and seconded by Pitcher that Village of Bible Hill apply funds from the SSGF to the Scenic Drive and Maple Boulevard sidewalk revitalization project that was completed during the year. Motion carried.

Moved by Van Kroonenburg and seconded by Pitcher that Village of Bible Hill support an application for the Municipal Capital Growth Program, with potential funding to be used for the generator installation project. Motion carried.

Moved by Van Kroonenburg and seconded by Pitcher that Village of Bible Hill purchase a meeting room display from Holland Technologies at a cost of \$6,984.36 plus HST, with BHF&E reimbursing the Village for the total cost. Motion carried.

Moved by Van Kroonenburg and seconded by Pitcher that Village of Bible award an Energy and Facility Condition Assessment at a cost of \$33,000 plus HST to LMMW Group Ltd., contingent on receiving \$25,000 in FCM Grant Funding. Motion carried.

Moved by Van Kroonenburg and seconded by Pitcher that Village of Bible Hill move forward with suggested kitchen upgrades, contingent on receiving ACOA funding, at a cost of approximately \$150,000 including HST.

Motion amended.

Moved by Van Kroonenburg and seconded by Pitcher that Village of Bible Hill move forward with suggested kitchen upgrades as noted in the November Commission in Committee meeting, contingent on receiving ACOA funding, at a cost of approximately \$150,000 including HST. Motion carried.

Regional Accessibility Advisory Committee Report

Bell presented proposed amendments to the Regional Accessibility Advisory committee Terms of Reference, highlighting revisions to terms 7, 8, 11 and 13. He noted each municipal body in the committee will need to accept the proposed amendments before the Terms of Reference are fully adopted.

Moved by Van Kroonenburg and seconded by Pitcher that Village of Bible Hill accept the proposed amendments to the Regional Accessibility Advisory Committee Terms of Reference. Motion carried.

Review of Correspondence

Colchester Community Support Society – Thank You

Bell presented a letter from Colchester Community Support Society thanking the Commission for their donation and for promoting that we are accepting donations at both our office and recreation programming.

Minister of Agriculture – Harness Racing Exhibition Grounds

Bell presented a letter from the Minister of Agriculture in response to a letter dated October 12, 2023 from Chair Kennedy, Mayor Mills and Mayor Blair, regarding the harness racing industry, Truro Raceway, and the Bible Hill Exhibition Grounds.

Reports of Commissioners and Clerk and Treasurer

Giddens provided an oral report and submitted the Parks and Recreation Report. Shea provided an oral report and submitted the Fire Chief report. Pitcher, Van Kroonenburg, Kennedy, and Bell provided oral reports. The Commission discussed.

Accounts

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

New Business

Sanitary Sewer System Renewals project update

Bell provided a draft re-costing estimate for the Sanitary Sewer System Renewal project which was tendered and cancelled earlier in the year. The Commission discussed.

Hazel Drive crosswalk

Bell presented pricing for an overhead crosswalk light as a response to a damaged fixture. He mentioned that after consulting with Nova Scotia Department of Public Works (NSDPW) they offered two used mast arms and RA-5 light fixtures that are currently available, with a higher arch, priced at \$3,665, excluding labor and traffic control. During the discussion, there was a question regarding the possibility of obtaining a new rapid flashing beacon style of lights instead. Bell noted a new installation could cost \$15,000 and asked the Commission how they would like to proceed.

Moved by Van Kroonenburg and seconded by Shea that Village of Bible Hill authorize Bell to purchase two used mast arms and RA-5 light fixture with install by NSDPW, at a cost of \$3,665, to fix the overhead crosswalk lights on Hazel Drive.

Motion amended.

Moved by Van Kroonenburg and seconded by Shea that Village of Bible Hill authorize Bell to purchase two used mast arms and RA-5 light fixtures with install by NSDPW, at a cost of \$3,665 plus HST, labour and traffic control, to fix the overhead crosswalk lights on Hazel Drive. Motion carried.

Recent passing of Charlie Boyce


Pitcher noted she would like to honor the exceptional 70 years of volunteer service of the late Charlie Boyce and suggested ideas as to how the Village could proceed. The Commission discussed and was in favour of honoring Charlie. They agreed to consult with both the Brigade and Charlie's family prior to making any decisions.

Adjournment

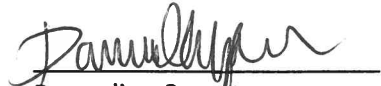
Moved by Shea that the meeting be adjourned. The meeting adjourned at 8:16 PM.

Signature page to follow.

November 21, 2023 Commission Meeting Minute Approval:


Chair


Clerk and Treasurer


Recording Secretary

