

Call to order; roll call and quorum

Review and approval of minutes of March 15 and April 11

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Miscellaneous business including delegations

Business arising out of minutes

Bible Hill Volunteer Awards Reception April 27, 2005

Installation of Generator 69 Pictou Road

Sidewalk Construction Farnham Road

Review of correspondence

Bible Hill Fire Brigade Spring Banquet April 23, 2005

William Lake - purchase of Village property

Honourable Barry Barnet - federal fuel tax

Joints in Motion- Michelle Richard

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New business

Sidewalk snow removal tender

Resignation of Commissioner Hutchinson

Annual Reports

Framing of Village Chair pictures

Engineering Services Installation of 2 Overhead Crosswalk Signs; and associated work

Changes to Field Rental Agreement

Purchasing Village of Bible Hill Pins

School crossing guard hours

adjournment

The regular monthly meeting of the Village of Bible Hill was held on April 19, 2005 at 7:00 pm; in the Village Hall, 69 Pictou Road.

Chairwoman Blair called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Present: Chairwoman Blair, Deputy Chairman Hilliard, Commissioner Burke, and Commissioner McLean.

Staff: Robert Christianson, Clerk and Treasurer; Ms. Miller, Solicitor and Mrs. Ogden, recording secretary.

Review and approval of minutes of March 15<sup>th</sup> and April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2005.

On motion of Hilliard and seconded by Burke that the minutes of March 15<sup>th</sup> and April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2005 be approved as presented.

Motion carried

Review and approval of agenda, call for new or other business

On motion of McLean and seconded by Hilliard that the agenda be approved with the addition of Joints in Motion - Michelle Richard under correspondence and the removal of purchasing the camera for the Fire Brigade in New Business.

Motion carried

Miscellaneous business including delegations

Business arising out of minutes

- Bible Hill Volunteer Awards Reception April 27, 2005

Chairwoman Blair reported that the Bible Hill Volunteer Awards Reception is being held on April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2005 at 7:00pm at the Village Hall. The commission agreed to divide the presentation of the awards between them; description and award recipient bio's will be placed in each commissioner's slot by the end of the week.

- Installation of Generator, 69 Pictou Road

The commission reviewed the correspondence from Thompson Engineering regarding the satisfactory installation of the generator. A 6½ hour generator test was performed yesterday, and an additional test performed today for 7½ hours.

- Sidewalk Construction Farnham Road

The Clerk reported he is currently in discussion with Dexter on the construction contract for Farnham Road. The commission would like Dexter to start construction the first of May as per the agreement. The Clerk will set up a meeting with the commission and Dexter if necessary.

Review of correspondence

- Bible Hill Fire Brigade Spring Banquet April 23, 2005

Mrs. Ogden will RSVP to the spring banquet for Commissioner Burke. Chairwoman Blair reported that a presentation will be made to Bill Cook for 25 years of dedicated service to the Village.

- William Lake - purchase of Village property

The commission agreed to hire Horner's & Associates to identify walkways that the Village should keep for drainage purposes etc. The Commission also agreed to send the request by William Lake to the Parks and Recreation Committee for review. The Clerk will supply the Parks and Recreation Committee with a list of pros and cons to selling the property. Following the meeting with Horner's, the Clerk will supply the committee with a list of other walkways in the area that should be considered as well.

- Honourable Barry Barnet- federal fuel tax

The commission reviewed the letter sent by the Honourable Barry Barnet. The federal fuel tax was discussed recently at the recent meeting of the Nova Scotia Villages. The commission agreed to send a copy of the correspondence to Bill Casey.

The commission also agreed to send a letter to the County of Colchester requesting additional information on the municipal infrastructure program they offer.

- Joints in Motion- Michelle Richard

The commission reviewed the correspondence sent by Ms. Richard. The letter will be posted on the office bulletin board for information to the commission and staff members if they wish to make a self donation.

Reports of commissioners, and clerk and treasurer

- Commissioner McLean

Commissioner McLean reported that the total cost for snow removal for the fiscal year 2004-05 was \$75,679.45. Justaart Landscaping has drafted correspondence to the commission indicating he is willing to purchase a 1996 Trackless MT5 for the new snow removal contract, this will be reviewed in new business.

- Commissioner Burke

Commissioner Burke reported that the Bible Hill Safety Advisory Committee hosted the Boat Safety Course and Car Safety Seat Course on April 9<sup>th</sup>. The Safety Advisory Committee will be having the Bike Rodeo on May 28<sup>th</sup>, and are currently looking for sponsors.

Commissioner Burke reported that the Fire Brigade Auction is being held on May 4<sup>th</sup>, viewing at 6:00pm.

- Deputy Chairman Hilliard

Deputy Chairman Hilliard reviewed the Parks and Recreation report. The Local Senior Games is scheduled for May 9<sup>th</sup> to May 13<sup>th</sup>. The Volunteer Awards Reception is April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2005 at 7:00pm, we have 12 award winners this year. Interviews for summer staff are being scheduled for the week of April 25<sup>th</sup>.

- Chairwoman Blair

Chairwoman Blair outlined various events she attended on behalf of the Village of Bible Hill during the months of March and April. She also reported that the Tulip Festival is taking place on the 3<sup>rd</sup> week in May.

- Clerk and Treasurer

The Clerk reported that the generator room, boiler room and electrical room will be re-keyed to our current master lock system, there will be restricted access to these rooms. The Clerk also reported that we currently are training Dana Ellis to help with caretaking duties at the hall on the weekends.

- Solicitor report

Our solicitor reviewed the drafted waiver form for the Bike Rodeo. There are two versions of the draft but she recommended number two. The commission agreed to let the Bible Hill Safety Advisory Committee decide on the waiver and supply them with the recommendation of our solicitor.

#### The Accounts

On motion of Burke and seconded by Hilliard that the accounts be accepted as presented.

Motion carried

#### New Business

- Sidewalk snow removal tender

On motion of McLean and seconded by Hilliard that as Justaart Landscaping Services has complied with the Village of Bible Hill's request to increase its snow removal fleet to include a 1996 Trackless MTS with a double stage snowblower; the Village of Bible Hill will (a) extend the current contract to the last snowfall of 2008, (b) approve retainers of November \$500, December \$1,500, January \$1,500, February \$1,500, March \$1,500 and April \$600 and (c) hourly rates paid for snow removal equipment will remain the same as the current contract.

Motion carried

- Resignation of Commissioner Hutchinson

On motion of Hilliard and seconded by McLean that the Village of Bible Hill accept the resignation of Commissioner Hutchinson.

Motion carried

- Annual reports

The Clerk reported that the returning officer will prepare the Annual Meeting report this year. The commission agreed to set a deadline for all annual reports for May 10<sup>th</sup>.

- Framing of Village Chair pictures

The commission reviewed the quote. The commission agreed to proceed with framing the village chair pictures from Uneeda Hobby.

- Engineering Services Installation of 2 Overhead Crosswalk Signs; and associated work

The Clerk outlined the type of engineering services we required to install the overhead crosswalks.

On motion of McLean and seconded by Hilliard that the Village of Bible Hill hire W.N. Horner & Associates to provide engineering services to install two overhead crosswalk signs as outlined in their fax dated April 18, 2005.

Motion carried

- Changes to Field Rental Agreement

On motion of Hilliard and seconded by McLean that the Village of Bible Hill amend the field rental agreement to include a \$100.00 refundable deposit for the use of the ball field lights.

Motion carried

- Purchasing Village of Bible Hill Pins

On motion of Hilliard and seconded by McLean that the Village of Bible Hill purchase 5,000 lapel pins at 0.27 each from Simpson Specialties.

Motion carried

- School crossing guard hours

The Clerk reported that the elementary schools have cut back on the noon hour break and there currently is no traffic for the crossing guards during this time period. The Clerk was concerned with eliminating the noon hour shift because we would lose valuable and competent staff. The commission need to make a decision before June to notify the staff. The Clerk will send correspondence to Bible Hill Schools concerning this issue.

On motion of Commissioner Burke that the meeting be adjourned.

The meeting adjourned at 9:27 pm.

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A. Ogden  
Recording Secretary

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Christine Blair  
Chairwoman