

Call to order; roll call and quorum

Review and approval of minutes of April 19 and May 10

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

Miscellaneous business including delegations

Business arising out of minutes

Sidewalk Construction Farnham Road

Construction of Two Crosswalks Pictou Road

Capital Budget

Review of Correspondence

SAC East Court Road School - crosswalk request

Ray Bates - Expansion of the Bible Hill Water Distribution System

Cameron McKinnon - purchase of recreation property at Saywood Estates

Gary MacIsaac - Colchester Infrastructure Program

Wayne Franklin - Painting of Crosswalks

Reports of commissioners, and clerk and treasurer

The accounts

New Business

Parks and Recreation Committee Updates

Transfer of \$78,551.67 (plus outstanding interest) to Bible Hill Operating Fund from Bible Hill Water Project Fund.

Village Hall Caretaker

In-Camera Committee of the Whole Session - Personnel Issues

School crossing guard hours

Contract negotiations CUPE

Adjournment

The regular monthly meeting of the Village of Bible Hill was held on May 17, 2005 at 7:20 pm; in the Village Hall, 69 Pictou Road.

An audit meeting (with Ken MacDonald and Fraser MacQuarrie, Grant Thornton) was held from 6:30 to 7:15pm to review 2004-2005 audited statements.

Chairwoman Blair called the regular meeting to order at 7:20 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 April 19th and May 10th, 2005.

On motion of Hilliard and seconded by Burke that the minutes of April 19th and May 10th be approved as presented.

Motion carried.

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

On motion of McLean and seconded by Burke that the agenda be approved as presented.

Motion carried.

Miscellaneous business including delegations

Business arising out of minutes

- Sidewalk Construction Farnham Road

The sidewalk construction for Farnham Road started on May 16th. The Village has placed ads on the radio at the beginning of the week to inform motorists of traffic delays due to the construction. The construction will take approximately 3 to 4 weeks.

- Construction of Two Crosswalks Pictou Road

The Commission reviewed the correspondence from W.N. Horner & Associates. The Clerk reported that an application has been sent to the Department of Transportation and Public Works for approval. The design will be completed after approval from TPW. The contract will be divided into two phases, concrete and electrical. Both phases should be completed by the 1st of September.

- Capital Budget

The Village Commission reviewed the capital budget. The Commission agreed on the sidewalk construction priority list, the Clerk will place the first 3 to 4 into the capital budget. The commission will also review the revenue and tax rates for the five year capital budget.

Sidewalk Priority List

Main Street Subway to Bridge both sides	300
College Road Osprey to Maple	600
College Road Day Care to Vimy	600
Pictou Road Village Court to the Village Boundary	500
College Road Guest Drive to Osprey Court	400
Vimy Road Windale to Farnham	400
College Road Vimy to Guest Drive	900
College Road Maple to Saywood	400
College Road Saywood to Old Court House Branch	600
Old Court House Branch College to Regency	500
Saywood Estates Regency and Saywood Drive	800

Review of Correspondence

- SAC East Court Road School - crosswalk request

The Commission agreed to obtain additional information from the SAC such as number of children and location of their homes, and then forward the request to our Safety Advisory Committee. Correspondence will be copied to the Chignecto Regional School Board and also a copy sent to Bible Hill Junior High School.

- Ray Bates - Expansion of the Bible Hill Water Distribution System

The Commission reviewed the correspondence. Acknowledgement of his letter has been sent by the Clerk and Treasurer.

- Cameron McKinnon - purchase of recreation on Saywood Estates

The Village Commission agreed to forward this request to the Parks and Recreation Committee, along with the request from Mr. Lake to purchase recreation property. The Clerk will get a package ready for the Recreation Director to include both requests and map of the area.

- Gary MacIsaac - Colchester Infrastructure Program

The Council Committee meeting in February discussed the Infrastructure Program with respect to Villages. An action item will be brought to a future council meeting; the Village will receive a copy in advance of the meeting.

- Wayne Franklin - Painting of Crosswalks

The Clerk reported that the Village currently has 29 crosswalks; an additional three will be added by the 1st of September. NSTPW has written a letter stating that the cost for annual painting and maintenance of crosswalks will be charged at \$300.00 each, therefore crosswalk painting expense is \$9,600 (in previous years NSTPW charged out at the actual cost of painting between \$20 and \$40 each). It was agreed to request that NSTPW have the crosswalks painted. The Commission agreed to send a letter to our MLA outlining our disagreement with the increase in the cost of the NSTPW charge from crosswalk maintenance.

Reports of Commissioners, and Clerk and Treasurer

- Commissioner Burke

Commissioner Burke reported on the Safety Advisory Committee meeting.

Commissioner Burke attended the Bible Hill Fire Brigade monthly meeting. At the meeting the members voted in favour of continuing to smoke in the brigade meeting rooms. Commissioner Burke reported that the Fire Chief has been in discussion with the Department of Health concerning the issue and the department has authorized their smoking in the meeting rooms. A discussion was held. The Commission agreed to have the Clerk meet with the Fire Chief and request written confirmation from the Department of Health concerning this issue prior to a discussion by the commission.

On motion of Hilliard and seconded by Burke that smoking in the fire hall be tabled until the next commission meeting.

Motion carried.

- Commissioner McLean

Commissioner McLean reported that the construction for the Farnham Road sidewalk started on May 16th. She also reported that the Clerk, in discussion with NSTPW, has been advised that the Village of Bible Hill will not be required to maintain the wooden catch basins within the Village.

- Deputy Chairman Hilliard

Deputy Chairman Hilliard reported that the Parks and Recreation Committee requested the removal of the existing green fence at Murdock Drive Park as it is a hazard and costly investment to the Village. A discussion was held. The Commission agreed to have the Parks and Recreation Committee discuss the disposal of this property at their next meeting. The Clerk will add this to the property request package.

The Village Commission agreed to have the Canada Day Celebrations rain or shine at the Bible Hill Recreation Park.

On motion of Hilliard and seconded by Burke that Parks and Recreation Committee Policy be amended to reflect the meeting date to be the first Tuesday of the month.

Motion carried.

- Clerk and Treasurer

The Clerk and Treasurer presented the Commission with the financial report for April 2005.

- Chairwoman Blair

Chairwoman Blair outlined various events she attended on behalf of the Village of Bible Hill during the months of April and May.

The Accounts

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

Motion carried.

New Business

- Action on the Hill

The Commission reviewed the Action on the Hill. The Commission agreed to leave H.D. Boyce's letter in this month's Action on the Hill. The Commission also suggested that we reserve a section for any resident's comments or concerns.

- Transfer of \$78,551.67 (plus outstanding interest) to Bible Hill Operating Fund from Bible Hill Water Project Fund.

On motion of Hilliard and seconded by Burke that the Village of Bible Hill transfer \$78,551.67 plus outstanding interest on the Bible Hill Water Distribution Project Fund account to the Bible Hill Operating Fund.

Motion carried.

- Village Hall Caretaker

The Clerk reported that we need to fill the position of Village Hall Caretaker. The Commission agreed with the concept of hiring a part-time caretaker responsible for all opening and closing of the hall. A draft of the job description, hours and advertisement for the position will be supplied to the commission.

- July regular monthly meeting

On motion of Hilliard and seconded by McLean that the regular monthly

meeting of July be cancelled.

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned for an in-camera session at 9:30 pm by Deputy Chair Hilliard.

The Commission entered into an in-camera session committee of the whole regarding personnel issues.

The in-camera session ended at 10:20 pm.

On motion of Hilliard and seconded by McLean that the contract negotiated by Chairwoman Blair, Deputy Chair Hilliard and the Clerk with CUPE be approved.

Motion carried.

On motion of Hilliard and seconded by McLean that the non-unionized staff, commissioners, solicitor, and the fire brigade receive a 3% increase in wages and honoraria for each fiscal year: 2005 and 2006 and 2007, 2005 increase shall be retro-active to April 1, 2005.

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 10:25 pm by Commissioner Burke.

A. Ogden
Recording Secretary

Christine Blair
Chairwoman