

The Chair calls the meeting to order

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Annual Meeting & Elections

In Camera Session – Bruce Thompson – Thompson Engineering

Adjournment

The regular monthly meeting of the Village of Bible Hill was held on April 18, 2006 at 7:00pm; in the Village Hall, 69 Pictou Road.

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Present: Chair Rick Hilliard, Deputy Chair Burke, Commissioner Blair, Commissioner McKenna and Commissioner McLean.

Staff: Mr. Christianson, Clerk and Treasurer; Ms. Miller, Solicitor and Mrs. Ogden, Recording Secretary.

In attendance: Bill Cook.

Review and Approval of minutes of March 21, 2006.

On motion of McKenna and seconded by Blair that the minutes of March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2006 be approved.

Motion carried.

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

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

Motion carried.

Business Arising out of Minutes

- Report Commission Committee Meeting April 11, 2006

Correspondence Colchester Gas Tax

The draft letter was reviewed and amended; clarification was requested regarding "area rate" funding for projects.

Correspondence No Stopping Signs – Wright Avenue

The Clerk drafted correspondence to NSTPW requesting no stopping signs to be installed on Wright Ave. along the property lines of the two commercially zoned properties at the Pictou Road intersection and on Pictou Road from the Wright Ave. intersection to the Jennifer Drive intersection. No response has been received from NSTPW.

Purchasing- Grounds work ball fields

The commission requested the Clerk obtain a second quote for ball field work. The commission reviewed two quotes for grounds work at the Airport and Recreation Park ball fields.

On motion of Burke and seconded by McLean that the Village of Bible Hill award the grounds work at our ball fields to Justaart Landscaping for \$1,510 plus HST.

Motion carried.

Purchasing – Tents for Canada Day

On motion of Burke and seconded by Blair that the tenting for Canada Day be purchased from Tents for Events in the amount of \$2,026.

Motion carried.

- The Truro Tulip Festival funding request (deferred from March meeting)

On motion of Blair and seconded by McLean that the Village of Bible Hill approve funding of \$250 plus HST for the Tulip Festival.

Motion carried.

- Overhead crosswalk sign construction project Pictou at Jennifer

The Clerk and Treasurer outlined that W.N. Horner & Associates received two tenders for the concrete work for the overhead crosswalk project at Pictou and Jennifer. The commission reviewed the two tenders.

On motion of Mclean and seconded by Blair that the Village of Bible Hill award the concrete contract for the overhead crosswalk project on Pictou at Jennifer to Duracon for \$29,800 plus HST.

Motion carried.

- Application for sanitary sewer line replacement funding Main Street

The Village has received correspondence from the Canada Nova Scotia Municipal Infrastructure program acknowledging receipt of our application for funding. The Chair has sent letters to our MLA and MP requesting support of our application. The Clerk said that once approval is received the commission should hire an engineering firm to begin in October to have tender ready for January or February of 2007.

- Pre-Engineering Design Report- Sidewalk Construction

The Clerk reported that CBCL has submitted a price list for sidewalk construction. The commission reviewed the list. Commissioner McLean suggested that the commission might be interested in installing an overhead crosswalk on College Road near Osprey prior to the installation of a sidewalk.

- Draft correspondence to the Municipality of the County of Colchester re: Colchester Infrastructure Program

The commission discussed the content for the letter to the County regarding their infrastructure program. (1) that the portion of tax revenues generated from Bible Hill taxes should be designated/spent in Bible Hill. (2) A letter is to be written to the Minister of Service Nova Scotia outlining our situation regarding Colchester's infrastructure program, this letter is to be copied to the County and Minister Barnett.

## Review of Correspondence

- Letter to the residents of the Murdock Park area regarding disposal of the park property

The commission reviewed the letter to be sent to property owners in the Murdock Park area. The Village also received confirmation from the County that the property will have to be rezoned and a rezoning application submitted. The Village also received a quote from Weatherby Appraisals that the Murdock property appraisal fee would be \$325 plus HST. The commission agreed to have Murdock Park property assessed. The rezoning application will be processed if we receive interest from adjacent property owners.

The Village commission also discussed the disposal of the Clover Park property.

On motion of McLean and seconded by Blair that the Village of Bible Hill proceed with the selling of Clover Park with Murdock according to the Village of Bible Hill disposal of property policy.

Motion carried.

- Mr. Mekers – dumping of organics

The Clerk and Treasurer spoke to the property owner on Maple Blvd and he had no objections to putting up no dumping signs on his property. The Clerk also reported that the property owner plans on selling the empty lots on Meadowland and when they come up for the sale the Village Commission should consider purchasing a lot to help with trail development.

On motion of McKenna and seconded by Blair that the Village of Bible Hill place no dumping signs on the Maple Blvd property.

Motion carried.

- Bill Casey MP – regrets unable to attend Volunteer reception

The commission reviewed the letter sent by Mr. Casey.

- Painting of crosswalks

The Village has received correspondence from the Department of Transportation and Public Works outlining that they are in acceptance with the Village taking responsibility of certain crosswalks in Bible Hill. The Clerk will clarify with NSTPW regarding the number of sidewalks the Village will be responsible for. The Finance Officer is currently in the process of obtaining quotes on crosswalk painting, this work will be completed by June 1<sup>st</sup> and again in October. The Village will also look into obtaining additional information on purchasing a machine to paint sidewalk lines.

## Reports of Commissioners, and Clerk and Treasurer

- Commissioner McLean

Commissioner McLean reported that the Pictou Road/Jennifer Driver overhead crosswalk project will be completed by June 2006. She also reported that the Village will responsible to paint certain crosswalks within the Village. The Village is currently in the process of compiling a sidewalk repair list, any repairs can be report to Commissioner McLean or the office.

- Commissioner McKenna

Commissioner McKenna reviewed the Fire Chief's report. They will be updating some members First Aid. The membership committee reported that two applications have been passed out. Commissioner McKenna also reported that the Spring Banquet will be held on April 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Commissioner McKenna reviewed the Safety Advisory Committee report. This year the committee will be holding their annual Child ID Clinic on May 27<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm and a Babysitters Course on May 13<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm.

- Deputy Chairman Burke

Deputy Chairman Burke reported that the engineers have revised their recommendations and suggest braces off side of the polls for support. The Clerk outlined that repairs are needed to the Senior Field because of settlement. The Clerk will arrange for the Commission to meet prior to their next committee meeting to look at the site prior to making a decision on the netting.

- Commissioner Blair

Commissioner Blair reported that a letter has been received from the Canada Nova Scotia infrastructure program acknowledging receipt of our application. She also attended the Community in Bloom meeting with Carol Goodwin and the Bible Hill Garden Club, the Village and the committee will work together on projects and ideas. The need to appoint a representative for the Communities in Bloom Committee should be added to committee agenda in May.

Commissioner Blair reported that the next meeting for the Association of Nova Scotia Villages is June 19<sup>th</sup> in Canning. Correspondence has been sent to Service Nova Scotia from the committee asking for a meeting to address villages and federal fuel tax.

- Clerk and Treasurer

The commission agreed to keep the new set up for the commission meetings. The Recording Secretary will be seated at the table with the commissioners, clerk and solicitor.

- Chair Hilliard

Chair Hilliard outlined what events he attended on behalf of the Village of Bible Hill.

#### The Accounts

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

Motion carried.

#### New Business

- Upcoming Action on the Hill issue

The Commission will be placing "news from the commission" in the May issue of Action on the Hill, the following are a few articles: new overhead crosswalk, application for Canada NS Infrastructure program (explain difference between program and County's). The deadline for this is issue is May 8<sup>th</sup>. The Village Commissioners Annual reports are also due May 8<sup>th</sup>, a condensed version of the reports will be placed in the May issue of Action on the Hill.

- In Camera Session – Bruce Thompson- Thompson Engineering

On motion of McKenna and seconded by McLean that the Village of Bible Hill enter into the in camera session.

Motion carried.

The Commission entered into an in camera session at 8:58pm.

- Adjournment

On motion of McLean and seconded by Blair that the meeting adjourn.

Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 9:46 pm.

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A. Ogden  
Recording Secretary

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Richard Hilliard  
Chair