

The July 10, 2007 Commission in Committee meeting was held in the Village Office at 67 Pictou Road. The meeting was called to order by the Deputy Chair at 7:00 pm; the meeting adjourned at 8:50pm.

Call to Order

Commissioner Blair
Commissioner Burke
Commissioner McKenna
Commissioner McLean
Commissioner Van Kroonenburg

Staff: Robert Christianson, Clerk and Treasurer

**Approval of the Minutes of
June 12, 2007**

Moved by McKenna
Seconded by McLean

"That Commission in Committee Meeting minutes of June 12, 2007 be approved."

Motion carried

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

Moved by McLean
Seconded by Blair

"That the agenda be approved with the addition of the Bible Hill Master Plan, Construction Project Wright Avenue, Sewer Pumping Station, Rotary Club Advertisement, and Fire Brigade Incentive Program."

Motion carried

**Miscellaneous business
including delegations**

Jackie Norrie; NSPE Dutch Mason Blues Festival

Ms Norrie, Marketing and Promotions Manager for the Dutch Mason Blues Festival scheduled for August 10, 11 and 12, made a presentation to the Village. Ms Norrie reviewed the program and stated that the NSPE was seeking the support of municipal governments in the area for the festival. A discussion was held on Ms Norrie's presentation.

Moved by McKenna
Seconded by Blair

"That the Commission in Committee recommends that the Village of Bible Hill purchase promotional signage for the Dutch Mason Blues Festival in the amount of \$500 + HST. That the Village of Bible Hill offer the services of the Parks and Recreation Coordinator on a part time basis, during regular working hours, to a maximum of 35 hours to assist with the promotion of the festival. That the Village of Bible Hill offer space to the NSPE in a newsletter to promote the festival and space on the Village web page. Finally, the Village of Bible Hill will provide space on the Village promotional sign to promote the festival."

Motion carried

Business arising from the minutes

Main Street Sewer Project

The Clerk reported that work on the project has ceased while the contractor is waiting for NSPC to brace a power pole. It appeared that work had commenced on this project that day and hopefully the contractor will be able to start work again next week.

Bible Hill Water Distribution Project

The report from CBCL Ltd. regarding financial updates for the Bible Hill Water Distribution Project was circulated. The Clerk was instructed to proceed with a Canada Nova Scotia Rural Municipal Infrastructure Program Application. This application will be a joint venture of the Village of Bible Hill and Municipality of the County of Colchester.

Municipality of the County of Colchester, Bible Hill Master Plan

Chairwoman Blair, along with Commissioner McKenna, who is a member of the Steering Committee for the Master Plan Project, informed the Commission that a Public Meeting would be held on July 11th to review the draft of the plan. Chairwoman Blair, due to previous commitments, is unable to attend the meeting. Commissioner McKenna will attend the meeting. General displeasure was expressed on the process leading to the development of the plan primarily with the lack of consultation with the Steering Committee.

Sewer Pumping Station, College Road

The report commissioned by the Village of Bible Hill conducted by Horner and Associates regarding the replacement/upgrading of the sewage pumping station on College Road was presented. It was agreed to request that Horner and Associates send an engineer over to the August Commission in Committee Meeting to review the report.

Review of Correspondence

Shannex - re: Water Extension Request

A letter from Shannex Health Care requesting an extension of the next phase on the Water Distribution Project was reviewed. Shannex has a proposal in to the provincial government to construct a long term care unit at 321 Pictou Road and requested that the Village of Bible Hill extend the water distribution to service that property. A discussion was held on this issue. It was agreed that the Village of Bible Hill would proceed with current plans to extend the water distribution system on Main Street and Ryland Avenue along East Court Road down Pictou Road to Bigney Avenue. After those sections are constructed, the Village would entertain further extensions of the water distribution system.

Construction Wright Avenue

Commissioner McLean and the Clerk reported on problems residents on Johnson Avenue were experiencing resulting from the

construction of apartment buildings on Wright Avenue. Apparently storm water from the new housing units is having a negative effect on their properties. The Municipality of the County of Colchester, through its Planning and Development Department, is investigating this issue. It was agreed that there is a lack of municipal regulations controlling storm water issues resulting from new developments.

New Business

Burning in Outdoor Fireplaces

The Clerk reported that the Village has been receiving complaints about burning in outdoor fireplaces. A discussion was held on this issue.

Rotary Club Advertisement

Moved by McKenna
Seconded by McLean

"That the Village of Bible Hill purchase an advertisement in the Rotary Club of Truro Advertisement at a cost of \$349."

Motion carried

Chairwoman Blair abstained from voting.

Fire Brigade Incentive Program

Commissioner McKenna said that the Fire Brigade was reviewing the Fire Brigade Incentive Program and would be making recommendations to the Village regarding the policy.

Adjournment

Moved by McKenna
Seconded by McLean

"That the meeting be adjourned."

Motion carried

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm

Robert Christianson
Clerk and Treasurer

Tom Burke
Deputy Chairman