

The August 12, 2008 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 9:24 pm.

Call to order

Chairwoman Blair
Deputy Chairman Burke
Commissioner Mahar
Commissioner McLean
Commissioner Van Kroonenburg

Staff: Robert Christianson, Clerk and Treasurer

**Approval of the Minutes of
July 8, 2008**

*Moved by McLean
Seconded by Van Kroonenburg*

*"That Commission in Committee Meeting minutes of
July 8, 2008 be approved."*

Motion carried

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

*Moved by Blair
Seconded by Mahar*

*"That the agenda, with the addition of painting of
school sidewalks, be approved."*

Motion carried

**Business arising out of the
minutes**

Sale of Murdock Park

An appraisal of the Murdock Park property prepared by Weatherbee Appraisals was reviewed. The property has been appraised at \$8,000. Previously, the Village had gone through the process of public notice and notification of abutting land owners that the Village proposed this surplus park be sold to abutting land owners. Due to staff changes this process was halted and the commission now desires to complete the transaction.

*Moved by McLean
Seconded by Van Kroonenburg*

*"That the Commission in Committee recommends the
abutting property owners to Murdock Park be
contacted to ascertain if they wish to purchase a
portion of the property. The property will be sold for
the appraised value plus appraisal and legal
expenses."*

Motion carried

Amended 2008-2009 Budget

The Clerk and Treasurer presented for information purposes an amended budget that takes into account the fact that the Phase 3 of the water system will not be constructed in the current fiscal year. The net result for village finances is additional transfer of approximately of \$80,000 to the capital reserve fund.

Sidewalk Construction College Road

A draft call for proposals for engineering services for the construction of a sidewalk on college road was reviewed. It was agreed that as part of the project the village would request permission from the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal to upgrade the existing crosswalk at College Road and Maple Blvd with overhead crosswalk signs. No additional crosswalks will be constructed in this project. The Commission will review this project and this item will be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.

Ground Water Monitoring, Bible Hill Recreation Park

*Moved by Blair
Seconded by McLean*

"That the Commission in Committee recommends the firm of Dillon Consulting Ltd. be engaged to conduct the required yearly ground water monitoring at the former landfill site now the Bible Hill Recreation Park at a cost of \$6,615 plus hst."

Motion carried

Phase 3 and Phase 4 Water Line Construction

Chairwoman Blair stated that she had attended a funding announcement (in fact she was asked to MC the event) that for nine Building Canada Fund Infrastructure projects. Among the approved projects was the phase 4 Water expansion project in bible Hill. A discussion was held on this issue. It was agreed that if at all possible, Phase 3 and Phase 4 projects will be combined into one contract. This item will be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.

Fire Station Expansion Project

The project is nearing completion. It is expected that the building will be turned over to the Village on August 15th. At that time there will be a walk through and a deficiency list be generated.

*Moved by Mahar
Seconded by Blair*

"That the Commission in Committee recommends that Cox Hometown Flooring be engaged to replace two older sections of carpeted floor in the brigade club rooms with vinyl tile at a cost of \$2,299.84 including hst."

Motion Carried

Review of correspondence

Shannex Incorporated

A letter from Shannex Incorporated outlining the construction of the long term care facility in Bible Hill scheduled to open by March 31, 2010 was received.

New Business

June Financial Statement

The Village of Bible Hill Operating Financial Statement for the month of June was reviewed. The July statement should be ready for the next meeting.

Parking on Ryland Avenue during NSPE events

It was reported that cars were parking in posted no stopping zones on Ryland avenue during the Dutch Mason Blues Festival. It was agreed that correspondence would be sent to the Nova Scotia Department of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal requesting that additional no stopping signs be posted during special events on Ryland Avenue and that the existing faded signs be replaced. This correspondence will be copied to the NSPE. In addition, correspondence will be sent to Bible Hill RCMP Traffic Division requesting that increased enforcement be put in place during special events to ensure that cars are not parking in posted no stopping zones. An additional discussion was held on security services on site at the Dutch Mason Blues Festival. It was felt that the services were not extensive enough. Correspondence will be sent to the NSPE in this

regard.

Bible Hill Safety Advisory Committee

Commissioner Mahar reviewed a meet and greet meeting of the committee held earlier in the month. In addition to the Community Liaison Officer, the Staff Sgt. of the RCMP was in attendance and provided a lot of good information. The RCMP have Child ID kits and it was agreed that the Village of Bible Hill would request some of these kits be made available to Bible Hill residents.

Rotary Club of Truro Advertising Yearbook Request for Photo Ad

Moved by Mclean

Moved by Van Kroonenburg

"That the Commission in Committee recommends that the Village of Bible Hill purchase a photo ad in the amount of \$349 from the Rotary Club of Truro."

Motion Carried

UNSM Annual Conference, Yarmouth, September 17th to 20th, 2008

Chairwoman Blair and Commissioner McLean will represent the Village of Bible Hill at the Annual UNSM Conference.

Snow Removal Contract

The contract that had expired in the spring between Justaart Landscaping and the Village of Bible Hill for snow removal services was reviewed. It was agreed that the Commission would meet with Justaart Landscaping Services to discuss an extension of the snow removal contract.

Purchases

Bunker Gear Dryer

Moved by Mahar

Seconded by Blair

"That the Commission in Committee recommends that the Village of Bible Hill purchase a bunker gear dryer"

from CMJ Manufacturing in the amount of \$5,000 plus hst."

Motion Carried.

Flo Teat Scott Air Packs - 19 Air Packs

Moved by Van Kroonenburg

Seconded by Blair

"That the Commission in Committee recommends that Village of Bible Hill engage Acklands Grainger to conduct flo tests on 19 Scot Air Packs at a cost of \$60 each plus \$125 expenses."

Motion Carried.

Motorola Pagers - 6

Moved by Blair

Seconded by McLean

"That the Commission in Committee recommends that the Village of Bible Hill purchase six Motorola Pagers from DownEast Communications at a cost of \$530/each plus hst."

Motion Carried.

Fence Repairs Bible Hill Recreation Park

Moved by McLean

Seconded by Mahar

"That the Village of Bible Hill engage the firm of Eastern Fence to make repairs to the fences at the Bible Hill Recreation Park at a cost of \$2,495 plus hst."

Motion Carried.

**In Camera Committee
Meeting of the Whole**

Personnel Issues

Moved by McLean

Seconded by Blair

"That the Commission in Committee meeting be adjourned to an In Camera Committee Meeting of the Whole to discuss personnel issues"

Motion Carried.

At 9:00 the Commission in Committee went into an In

Camera Committee Meeting of the Whole which ended
at 9:24pm.

Adjournment

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by Mahar*

*"That the August 12, 2008 Commission in Committee
meeting be adjourned."*

Motion carried

The meeting adjourned at 9:25pm.

**Robert Christianson
Clerk and Treasurer**

**Tom Burke
Deputy Chairman**