

A meeting of the Audit Committee for the Village of Bible Hill was held on May 19, 2009, in the Village Office, 67 Pictou Road. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm; the meeting adjourned at 6:55 pm.

Call to Order Chairwoman McLean
Deputy Chair Burke
Commissioner Mahar
Commissioner Van Kroonenburg

Staff Clerk and Treasurer Christianson
Solicitor Barrett

Auditors - Grant Thornton LLP Ken MacDonald, CA
Katie Brine, CA

The Audit Committee reviewed the draft statements for the year ending March 31, 2009. In addition the committee discussed the implementation of the Tangible Capital Asset Program and the Audit Committee Report.

The meeting adjourned at 6:55 pm

The May Regular Monthly meeting was held on May 19, 2009, in the Village Office, 67 Pictou Road. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm; the meeting adjourned at 9:45pm.

Call to Order Chairwoman McLean
Deputy Chair Burke
Commissioner Mahar
Commissioner Van Kroonenburg

Staff Clerk and Treasurer Christianson
Solicitor Barrett
Recording Secretary Curry

Delegations Councillor Brian Kinsman
Councillor Greg MacArthur

Approval of the Minutes of April 14, 2009 & Minutes of April 21, 2009

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by Burke*

“That the minutes of April 14, 2009 and April 21, 2009 be approved as presented.”

Motion Carried.

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

*Moved by Burke
Seconded by Mahar*

“That the agenda be approved with the additions of

increased vandalism at the Bible Hill Recreation Park and the removal of equipment at the Bible Hill Recreation Park.”

Motion Carried.

Miscellaneous business including delegations

**Heritage Advisory Committee - 250th Anniversary
First Planters Settlement - Town of Truro
Councillors Brian Kinsman & Greg MacArthur**

A presentation was given by Mr. Kinsman and Mr. MacArthur on the 250th Anniversary of the First Planters Settlement and the request for Bible Hill to participate on the Steering Committee. It's hoped that this celebration will promote tourism and community co-operation between the Village and the Town of Truro. Commissioner Van Kroonenburg offered to sit on this committee.

*Moved by Burke
Seconded by Mahar*

“That the Village of Bible Hill approve Commissioner Van Kroonenburg to sit on the Steering Committee for the 250th Anniversary of the First Planters Settlement.”

Motion Carried.

Councillors Kinsman and MacArthur left the meeting at 7:20pm.

Business arising out of the minutes

Phase 3 Water Expansion Project

The Clerk and Treasurer presented an update on Phase 3 of the Water Expansion Project.

The Clerk and Treasurer discussed the upcoming project and its impact on Ryland Avenue. The Commission agreed to replace the existing 4' sidewalk with a 6' sidewalk with no grass. The Village is awaiting approval from the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal for this change in sidewalk width. There is also a need to trim back trees that are overhanging the sidewalk.

*Moved by Burke
Seconded by Van Kroonenburg*

“That the Clerk and Treasurer contact the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal regarding the installation of a 6’ wide sidewalk with no grass on Ryland Avenue.”

Motion Carried.

Crosswalk - Sidewalk Project

A brief discussion followed on the construction of the sidewalk in the Osprey Subdivision and the installation of crosswalk with overhead crosswalk signs on College Road. The County of Colchester has approved this construction on Osprey and the Village is awaiting approval from TIR for the crosswalk.

Water Problems Teakwood Court

The Commission reviewed the possibilities discussed between the County of Colchester, the Department of Environment, and the Village of Bible Hill representatives regarding the water problems on Teakwood Court. Options were being explored and further discussion will be held at the next Commission meeting.

Truck Repairs

Discussion was held on the two quotes received for OEM parts for Village truck repairs.

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by Burke*

“That the Village of Bible Hill engage Darrell Dunn to do the repairs using OEM parts at a cost of \$3,900 + hst.”

Motion Carried.

Review of correspondence

The Honourable Judy Streach

The letter written to the Honourable Judy Streach regarding the new elementary school planned for Bible Hill was reviewed.

Mayor Robert Taylor - Water Systems

The letter to Mayor Taylor regarding increased funding from the County of Colchester for Phase 3 of the Water Distribution System was reviewed.

Mayor Robert Taylor - Unsightly Premises

The letter written to Mayor Taylor regarding unsightly premises on both Guest Drive and Guest Drive Extension was reviewed.

Jeff Yuill - NSPE Tax Exemption

The letter written to Jeff Yuill, President of the Nova Scotia Provincial Exhibition, declining their request for tax exemption was reviewed.

**Reports of Commissioners and Clerk
and Treasurer**

Protective Services Report and Fire Brigade Report

Commissioner Mahar reported on the recent Safety Advisory Committee meeting and their upcoming events. A discussion was held on the Safety Advisory Committee's request to have "Road Closed" signs erected on the Bible Hill side of Park Street when this road is closed. This item will be added to the agenda of the next Commission meeting. Also the committee raised concern regarding a lack of a crosswalk on Pictou Road at Village Court.

Commissioner Mahar also read the Bible Hill Fire Brigade report.

Recreation Services Report

Commissioner Van Kroonenburg reported recent and upcoming recreation events that have taken place in the Village.

Chairwoman's Report

The Chairwoman reported on recent events that she has attended on behalf of the Village.

Accounts

*Moved by Burke
Seconded by Van Kroonenburg*

"That the accounts be approved for payment"

Motion Carried

New Business

**Shannex - Vimy Court
Community Liaison Committee for Vimy Court**

A discussion was held regarding Shannex's request to have a Commissioner sit on the Shannex Community Liaison Committee. It was decided that the Village not participate on this committee.

Use of the Village Web Site

Shannex has requested use of advertising space on the Village website. As Shannex is privately owned, it was agreed that the Village would not put Shannex ads on our website.

Location of Proposed Elementary School

Discussion was held on the possibility of having a Village representative sit on the committee determining a location for the new elementary school in Bible Hill. A decision was made to follow up on this issue after the provincial election on June 9th, 2009.

Entrance to Bible Hill Recreation Park

A discussion was held on the necessity of improving the entrance to the Bible Hill Recreation Park from College Road.

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by Burke*

"That the Village of Bible Hill obtain the services of an engineer to look at the College Road entrance to the Bible Hill Recreation Park."

Motion carried.

After discussion, the mover and seconder removed this motion from the table. The Chairwoman declared the motion withdrawn.

The Clerk will have a load of gravel delivered to this

site to temporarily improve the accessibility of this entrance. An engineered plan will be added to the sidewalk construction project.

Sidewalk Construction Program

The Sidewalk Priority Listing that was approved on August 20th, 2007 was reviewed. It was agreed to move College Road Daycare to Vimy Road and Pictou Road Village Court to Village Boundary to the top of the list. Village Line Avenue will be added as #3 on the priority list.

*Moved by Mahar
Seconded by Van Kroonenburg*

“That the Village of Bible Hill will proceed to engage an engineering firm for sidewalks on College Road from the Daycare to Vimy Road and on Pictou Road from Village Court to Village Boundary. The Village will request cost sharing from the County of Colchester for sidewalk construction on Village Line Avenue.”

Motion Carried.

Driveway entrances Commercial Locations

This item will be place on the agenda for the next Commission meeting.

Fire Brigade Parking at 69 Pictou Road on June 6, 2009

A discussion was held on the Fire Brigade’s plan to park cars for the Golden Age Auto Club at 69 Pictou Road at the event taking place on the Provincial Exhibition Grounds on June 6th. As this is also Election Day for the Village there will be barricades erected in the parking lot to designate parking for voters and paid parking for the Auto Club event. The Fire Brigade will be requested to place their signs posting parking prices closer to the truck bays so there is no confusion about voter parking being free.

Crosswalk Painting

The Clerk reported that the Department of

Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal will be paving all Bible Hill sidewalks this year. It is to be completed before the end of June.

Bike Week Proclamation

The Chairwoman read the proclamation and declared that Bible Hill proclaims May 30th to June 6th will be Colchester Bike Week.

Bank transfer - \$300,000 from Operating Reserve (10033-00542-16) to Operating Fund (10033-00540-11)

*Moved by Burke
Seconded by Van Kroonenburg*

“That the Village of Bible Hill transfer \$300,000 from the Operating Reserve to the Operating Fund.”

Motion Carried.

Increased Vandalism at the Bible Hill Recreation Park

The Clerk and Treasurer will notify the RCMP of this increased vandalism. A sign will also be posted at both the Bible Hill Recreation Park and Holy Well Park stating that “This Park is closed between 10:00 pm and 6:00 am”.

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by Mahar*

“That the Village of Bible Hill place signs at the Bible Hill Recreation Park and Holy Well Park stating that the parks are closed between the hours of 10:00 pm and 6:00 am.”

Motion Carried.

Removal of Equipment at the Bible Hill Recreation Park

The batting cage owned by the Bible Hill-Truro Minor Baseball Association is to be dismantled. A quote was received from Portable Welders. The Clerk was instructed to get a second quote. All proceeds from the sale of scrap metal is to go to the Minor Ball

Association.

**In Camera Committee Meeting of
the Whole**

*Moved by Burke
Seconded by Van Kroonenburg*

*“That the Regular Monthly Meeting be adjourned to
an In Camera Committee Meeting of the Whole, to
discuss a property matter and a legal issue.”*

Motion Carried.

At 9:05 pm the Commission went into an In Camera
Committee Meeting of the Whole; the In Camera
Committee Meeting of the Whole ended at 9:45 pm.

*Moved by Mahar
Seconded by Van Kroonenburg*

*“That the Village of Bible Hill offer \$10,000 for the
two building lots on Foxhill Drive”*

Motion Carried.

Adjournment

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by Burke*

*“That the May 19, 2009 Regular Monthly meeting of
the Village of Bible Hill be adjourned.”*

Motion Carried.

The meeting adjourned at 9:50 pm.

K. Curry
Recording Secretary

Sharon McLean
Chairwoman