

The Village of Bible Hill Regular Monthly meeting was held on August 16, 2011 in the Village Office, 67 Pictou Road. The meeting was called to order by Chair Burke at 7:00 pm; the meeting adjourned at 9:30 pm.

Call to Order

Chair Burke
Deputy Chair Van Kroonenburg
Commissioner MacCormick
Commissioner McLean
Commissioner McLeod

Staff: Clerk and Treasurer Christianson
Solicitor England
Recording Secretary Curry

In Attendance: B. Roy, Nova Scotia Power
M. Chiasson, Truro Daily News
C. Blair, County of Colchester
D. Mellish, Bible Hill Fire Chief
R. Mahar, Village Resident

**Approval of the Minutes of
July 19, 2011**

*Moved by McLean
Seconded by MacCormick*

"That the minutes of July 19, 2011 be approved as presented."

Motion carried.

**Review and Approval of
Agenda, Call for New or
Other Business**

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by McLeod*

"That the agenda be approved as presented."

Motion carried.

Chair Burke welcomed Councillor Blair, Fire Chief Mellish, Truro Daily News Staff M. Chiasson, Village Resident R. Mahar, and B. Roy of Nova Scotia Power to the meeting.

**Miscellaneous Business
Including Delegations**

Nova Scotia Power - Backing into Parking Spaces

Mr. B. Roy, Area Supervisor with Nova Scotia Power, gave a short presentation to the Commission on the Back Up Policy that Nova Scotia Power enforces for vehicles within their scope of responsibility. He described the benefits that Nova Scotia Power has achieved through the enforcement of this policy. The Commissioners were given the opportunity to ask questions of Mr. Roy. Mr. Roy would be available to speak to members of the fire brigade or to make a

presentation to the public regarding this policy.

**Business Arising out of the
Minutes**

Redesign Entrance Bible Hill Recreation Park

The Clerk reported that the Village has received a \$4,000 Age Friendly Grant from the Nova Scotia Department of Seniors for the design of a new accessible entrance to the Bible Hill Recreation Park. He explained the attached RFP document for construction design and cost estimates. The goal is approval and award of the contact by November for budgetary purposes.

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by McLeod*

"That the Village of Bible Hill post the Request for Proposals for the engineering design and cost estimate for the proposed new entrance to the Bible Hill Recreation Park on the government procurement website."

Motion carried.

Fire Apparatus Purchase

The Clerk reported that he had received an e-mail from the Fire Chief recommending that the Village proceed with the purchase of the new fire apparatus from Fort Garry Trucks.

*Moved by MacCormick
Seconded by McLeod*

"That the Village of Bible Hill grant the contract for the construction of the pumper truck to Fort Garry Fire Trucks as per the final drawings and supporting documents."

Motion carried.

Emergency Provider Fund Grant

*Moved by McLeod
Seconded by MacCormick*

"That the Village of Bible Hill award the contract for the purchase of a self contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) compressor and fill station for the Bible Hill Fire Brigade to Breathing Air Systems at a cost of \$23,792.85."

Motion carried.

At this point in the meeting, Chair Burke invited Councillor Blair to bring forward any items of interest from the County of Colchester. Councillor Blair discussed a dangerous and unsightly premises complaint that had been received by the County about a property on Pictou Road. This has now been cleaned up. Councillor Blair requested that the Village write a letter to the County of Colchester requesting an inspection of a property on Blanchard Avenue. Councillor Blair also discussed the recent Noise By Law issue between the Village and the County. She reiterated that all noise complaints should be referred to the RCMP as they are equipped to handle these types of complaints.

Review of Correspondence

Association of Nova Scotia Villages AGM - September 16 and 17

*Moved by McLean
Seconded by McLeod*

"That the Village of Bible Hill appoint Chair Burke as their voting delegate at the Association of Nova Scotia Villages Annual Meeting in Baddeck on September 16th and 17th."

Motion carried.

The Clerk outlined several bylaw amendments that the ANSV is requesting approval on. The Commission will discuss these proposed amendments before the ANSV Meeting.

Reports of Commissioners

Environmental Services Report

Commissioner McLean reported the application to the Building Canada Fund by Bible Hill for the completion of the storm drainage at the Recreation Park.

Commissioner McLean also brought forward an item from the Occupational Health & Safety Committee regarding the issue of poor visibility around the corner of the Village Hall and the possible need to install a gate across the parking lot.

*Moved by McLean
Seconded by Van Kroonenburg*

"That the Village of Bible Hill have a gate installed at 69 Pictou Road to deter traffic from using the blind corner area of the property."

Motion defeated.

*Moved by McLean
Seconded by Van Kroonenburg*

"That the Village of Bible Hill engage a reputable fence company to do a sketch of possibilities for fencing across the parking lot and provide a cost estimate."

Motion carried.

Protective Services Report

Commissioner MacCormick reported on Fire Brigade happenings and also on events she had attended on behalf of the Village of Bible Hill.

Recreation and Culture Services

Commissioner McLeod highlighted recent and upcoming recreation events happening in the Village including the playground at the Bible Hill Recreation Park, benches for the Airport Fields, progress on the Farnham Brook Trail, the progress on the Rec Park College Road entrance, and the success of the Day Camps.

Transportation Services

Deputy Chair Van Kroonenburg reported on meetings she had attended on behalf of the Village. She also noted that the arms for the crosswalk overhead sign at Osprey were on backorder and no specific date of delivery was given. The crossing guard from Main Street will be replacing the Captain's location on Maple Blvd for the first week of school so that the Captain is able to make rounds to all other crossing stations.

Chair's Report

The Chair commended the Recreation Department Summer Staff on the terrific job they have done with the Summer Day Camps. He also reported on events and meetings he had attended on behalf of the Village.

Clerk and Treasurer's Report

The Clerk reminded all Commissioners of the Staff Social on Wednesday, August 24th to say farewell to the Summer Students.

Accounts

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by MacCormick*

"That the accounts be approved for payment"

Motion carried.

New Business

Fees charged to food vendors at Canada Day Celebrations

Commissioner McLeod brought forward a suggestion from the Parks and Recreation Committee that the fees charged to commercial vendors at the Canada Day Celebrations be reduced from \$150. They felt that there was a shortage of vendors at the Canada Day Celebrations and a reduction in fees would encourage more to participate. It was decided to return this issue to the P&R Committee and request that in future that recommendations come from the committee in the form of a motion.

Dillon Consulting Ltd. Workplan and Cost Estimate Annual Monitoring Former Landfill Site, Bible Hill Recreation Park

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by McLean*

"That the Village of Bible Hill retain Dillon Consulting to complete the ground and surface water testing required at the Recreation Park in the amount of \$7,500 plus HST."

Motion carried.

Invitation to Battle of Britain, Truro Cenotaph, Sunday, Sept 18, 2011

Chair Burke will attend the anniversary of the Battle of Britain at the Truro Cenotaph on Sunday, September 18th. The Clerk will instruct the Finance Officer to order a wreath.

Resident Complaint regarding Recreation Park

A complaint was received by the Clerk from a property owner abutting the Bible Hill Recreation Park. It was agreed that the Commissioners would go up to the park to view the situation personally. It was agreed that the Village was not responsible for damages occurring to properties abutting a park. The Chair will draft a letter to the homeowner outlining this position.

RA5 Overhead Crosswalk Signs

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by MacCormick*

"That the Village of Bible Hill approve the purchase of two RA5 Overhead crosswalk signs from Mallard Forestry Equipment at a total cost of \$4,945 + HST."

Motion carried.

In Camera Committee Meeting of the Whole

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg
Seconded by McLeod*

"That the Regular Monthly Meeting be adjourned to an In Camera Committee Meeting of the Whole."

Motion Carried.

At 8:45 pm the Commission went into an In-Camera Committee Meeting of the Whole.

The In-Camera Committee Meeting of the Whole ended at 9:25 pm.

*Moved by McLean
Seconded by Van Kroonenburg*

"That the Village of Bible Hill award to Seacrest Electric the project to connect the generator at 69 Pictou to the office Building at 67 Pictou Road at a cost of \$20,700 including HST."

Motion carried.

Adjournment

*Moved by MacCormick
Seconded by McLean*

"That the August 16, 2011 Regular Monthly Meeting of the Village of Bible Hill be adjourned."

Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 pm.

Chair Burke

Recording Secretary Curry

Clerk and Treasurer Christianson
