

**Village of Bible Hill  
Regular Monthly Meeting  
March 21, 2017**

The Village of Bible Hill Regular Monthly meeting was held on February 21, 2017 in the Village Office, 67 Pictou Road. Chair MacCormick called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm; the meeting adjourned at 7:00 pm.

Call to Order:           Chair MacCormick  
                              Commissioner Bell  
                              Commissioner Kennedy  
                              Commissioner McLeod  
                              Deputy Chair Van Kroonenburg

Staff:                    Solicitor Roper, Burchell MacDougall  
                              Clerk and Treasurer Christianson  
                              Recording Secretary Ogden

**Review and Approval of the Minutes of February 21, 2017 and March 14, 2017**

*Moved by McLeod*

*Seconded by Van Kroonenburg*

*That the meeting minutes of February 21, 2017 and March 14, 2017 be approved as presented.*

*Motion carried*

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

*Moved by Kennedy*

*Seconded by Bell*

*That the agenda be approved as presented.*

*Motion carried.*

**Miscellaneous Business Including Delegations**

There was no miscellaneous business or delegations.

**Business Arising out of the Minutes**

- **Commission in Committee Report**

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg*

*Seconded by McLeod*

*That the Village of Bible Hill purchase 11 Cairns 1044 helmets from Cumings' Fire & Safety at a cost of \$5,654.55 including HST.*

*Motion carried.*

- **Detailed review of draft budget**

The Clerk reviewed the 2018 budget in extensive details. The plan is to approve the 2018 budget in April at their regular monthly meeting. The Clerk reviewed the Schedule of Changes in the General Operating Fund; this statement reflects a projected closing fund balance for the Village. The \$370,460 net balance is a projection only. The Operating Revenue and Expenses were reviewed in detail by reviewing the 2018 budget for General Government Services, Fire Protection Services, School Crossing Guard, Transportation, Environmental as well as the Capital Fund Budget.

- **Tax rate for 2018.**

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg  
Seconded by McLeod*

*That the Village of Bible Hill increase the tax rate by 0.05 cents from 0.695 to 0.700 residential and 0.865 to 0.870 for commercial.*

*Motion carried.*

- **General Government Services budget for 2018.**

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg  
Seconded by Bell*

*That the Village of Bible Hill approve the General Government Services budget for a total of \$431,000.*

*Motion carried.*

- **Fire Protection Services budget for 2018.**

*Moved by Kennedy  
Seconded by Van Kroonenburg*

*That the Village of Bible Hill approve the Fire Protection Services budget for a total of \$224,000.*

*Motion carried.*

- **Crossing Guard Program budget for 2018.**

*Moved by Bell  
Seconded by Kennedy*

*That the Village of Bible Hill approve the Crossing Guard Program budget for a total of \$62,000.*

*Motion carried*

- **Transportation Services budget for 2018.**

*Moved by Bell  
Seconded by Kennedy*

*That the Village of Bible Hill approve the Transportation Services budget for a total of \$286,000.*

*Motion carried*

- **Environmental Health Services budget for 2018.**

*Moved by Kennedy  
Seconded by Van Kroonenburg*

*That the Village of Bible Hill approve the Transportation Services budget for a total of \$278,000.*

*Motion carried*

- **Recreation and Cultural Services budget for 2018.**

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg  
Seconded by Kennedy*

*That the Village of Bible Hill approve the Recreation and Cultural Services budget for a total of \$362,000.*

*Motion carried*

- **Capital Fund Budget 2018**

*Moved by Bell  
Seconded by Kennedy*

*That the Village of Bible Hill approve the Capital Fund Budget as discussed with the Play and Park Equipment set at \$40,000, Fire Fighting Equipment at \$82,000 with a total Capital Fund Budget in 2018 at \$1,736,000 this also includes an adjustment to the Recreation and Culture Services trail budget by an increase of \$5,000 up to \$16,000.*

*Motion carried*

### **Review of Correspondence**

- **To Mayor Blair regarding Bible Hill recommendations roundabout**

This letter was written to obtain support from the County of Colchester for our recommendation of the roundabout on Main Street. The Clerk will contact the Province, as the Village has not received acknowledgment for their correspondence.

**Reports of Commissioners and Clerk and Treasurer**

- **Commissioner Bell**

Commissioner Bell reported on Environmental Services. He outlined that the tenders for environmental services for Guest Drive Storm Sewer Project were closing on March 23<sup>rd</sup>, after this date Design Point will review the tenders and provide the Village with a recommendation followed by a selection by the commission on the contractor. He also outlined a few items, recommendations from the Joint Flood Advisory Committee Final Report. The next Area Flood Advisory Committee meeting is on March 23<sup>rd</sup> at 11:00am with a Joint Flood Advisory Committee on April 20<sup>th</sup> at 4:00pm.

- **Commissioner Kennedy**

Commissioner Kennedy reported on the number of fire calls for the month and that Jack Daye was voted in as a member.

- **Commissioner McLeod**

Commissioner McLeod read the Recreation Report that included a list of March break activities and the After School Programs at Bible Hill Junior High and RedCliff. The Village will also be hosting a free babysitting course in partnership with Maggie's Place. The Volunteer awards are scheduled for April 26<sup>th</sup> from 6-8pm.

- **Deputy Chair Van Kroonenburg**

Deputy Chair Van Kroonenburg reported on Transportation Services. She outlined that the Village received the traffic report from the Province for the request to have 4 way stop signs at the intersection of Village Line Avenue/Foresthill Drive and Village Line Avenue/Meadowland. A discussion took place.

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg  
Seconded by McLeod*

*That the Village of Bible Hill send correspondence to the Minister of Transportation to outline our concerns to have a 4 way stop not a 2 way stop at the locations of Village Line Avenue/Foresthill Drive and Village Line Avenue/Meadowland as this is a safety concern that this area is being used as a thoroughfare with increase in speeds for this residential development.*

*Motion carried*

- **Clerk and Treasurer Christianson**

The Clerk reported that Village staff are in the process of year end, the maintenance department is currently cleaning and painting the fire hall and building some recycle garbage bins. One of our crossing guards is going in for surgery and will be off for a period of time, therefore leaving us with no spare and our maintenance will need to fill in.

- **Chair MacCormick**

Chair MacCormick had nothing to report.

### **Accounts**

*Moved by Van Kroonenburg  
Seconded by Kennedy*

*That the Village of Bible Hill approves the accounts for payment.*

*Motion carried.*

### **New Business**

- **Meeting with the Town of Truro**

The Clerk was instructed to contact the Town CAO to arrange for a time to meet with Truro to discuss common interest the third week in May. The Chair also suggested that a meeting with Colchester could be beneficial.

- **Proposed CUPE Contact Talk Schedule - May 4, 9am exchange, May 11 and 12 contract talks**

The contract talks with CUPE will involve the Clerk, Chair MacCormick and Deputy Chair Van Kroonenburg. The initial exchange will be on May 4 at 9:00am with the Clerk, the contract talks will be May 11 from 3-8pm and May 12 from 3-7pm.

A discussion took place relating to the Village employee pension plan. The Village agreed to look into the option of transferring our current plan to the Public Service Superannuation Plan. The Clerk was instructed to contact an actuary who will provide our employees with an analysis.

- **2017 2018 Meeting Schedule**

The Commission reviewed the meeting schedule. The Clerk reminded the commission that the Village would have future construction meetings every two weeks at 10am for the Guest Drive Storm Sewer Project.

### **In Camera Committee Meeting of the Whole**

*Moved by McLeod  
Seconded by Kennedy*

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

*Motion Carried.*

At 9:10 pm the Commission went into an In-Camera Committee Meeting of the Whole.

The In-Camera Committee Meeting of the Whole adjourned back to the Regular Monthly Meeting at 9:35 pm.

**Adjournment**

*Moved by Kennedy  
Seconded by McLeod*

*That the March 21, 2017 Regular Monthly Meeting of the Village of Bible Hill be adjourned.*

*Motion carried.*

The meeting adjourned at 9:37 pm.

Chair MacCormick

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Recording Secretary Ogden

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Clerk and Treasurer Christianson

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