

**Village of Bible Hill  
Regular Monthly Meeting  
October 18, 2016**

The Village of Bible Hill Regular Monthly meeting was held on October 18, 2016 in the Village Office, 67 Pictou Road. Chair MacCormick called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm; the meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Call to Order:           Chair MacCormick  
                              Commissioner Bell  
                              Commissioner Kennedy  
                              Commissioner McLeod

Regrets:                 Deputy Chair Van Kroonenburg

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

In Attendance:         Councillor Parker, County of Colchester  
                              Mayor Blair, County of Colchester

**Review and Approval of the Minutes of September 20, 2016 and October 11, 2016**

*Moved by Kennedy  
Seconded by McLeod*

*That the meeting minutes of September 20, 2016 and October 11, 2016 be approved.*

*Motion carried*

Chair MacCormick welcomed Mayor Elect Blair and newly re-elected Councillor Parker to the meeting.

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

*Moved by McLeod  
Seconded by Kennedy*

*That the agenda be approved as presented.*

*Motion carried.*

**Miscellaneous Business Including Delegations**

Mayor Blair updated the Commission on the recent election results from this area. The Perennia Project and Incubation Mall have continued to be in the forefront of items of importance by the County of Colchester. The Nova Scotia Provincial Exhibition grounds, facilities, and events that happen there are also being looked at for improvements. The next County Council Meeting is on Thursday, October 27<sup>th</sup> where the new Mayor and Councillors will be sworn in.

Councillor Parker brought up Bible Hill issues that are of concern to the Village of Bible Hill: drainage issues on Teakwood, drainage issues between Johnson Ave and Wright Ave, a proposed sidewalk on Village Line to Old Courthouse Branch, reports of poor well water in several areas that will be requesting water laterals, and the repairs to be done in the spring to the recently developed drainage on Pictou at Village Line Avenue.

**Business Arising out of the Minutes**

• **Commission in Committee Report**

*Moved by Kennedy  
Seconded by McLeod*

*That Commissioner Bell be appointed as Chair of Environmental Services and Deputy Chair of the Recreation Committee; all other previously made committee appointments shall stand.*

*Motion carried.*

*Moved by Kennedy  
Seconded by Bell*

*That the Village of Bible Hill adopt the updated Statement of Travel Expense form, which will apply to both the Commissioners and staff. The mileage rate will be set at 42.31 cents per kilometer; meals and incidentals will remain as before. On a monthly basis Commission and Senior Staff travel expenses will be posted on the Bible Hill website.*

*Motion carried.*

*Moved by Kennedy  
Seconded by McLeod*

*That the Village of Bible Hill award the Airport Park Washroom Renovation RFQ to JC Mechanical at a cost of \$3,180 plus HST.*

*Motion carried.*

*Moved by Kennedy  
Seconded by Bell*

*That the Village of Bible Hill award the RFQ for Portable Radios to Nova Communication at a cost of \$4,221.90 plus HST.*

*Motion carried.*

- **Update Phase II Guest Drive Storm Sewer Upgrades**

The Clerk explained in detail the schedule for the installation of the piping for the Phase II Guest Drive Storm Sewer Upgrades. Geotechnical testing will be carried out in the near future to ensure the best route has been chosen for the piping through the Park. The Clerk anticipates that the work at the Rec Park will be completed before July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017.

### Review of Correspondence

- **Dr. David Gray – Dalhousie University**

A letter was received from Dr. Gray at Dalhousie University thanking the Village of Bible Hill for use of the Village Hall for their staff and students during the bomb scare on September 27<sup>th</sup>.

- **Christine Blair – Chair Colchester-Stewiacke Police Advisory Board**

A letter was received from the Colchester-Stewiacke Police Advisory Board expressing the effectiveness of the emergency response by all parties involved on September 27<sup>th</sup>.

### Reports of Commissioners and Clerk and Treasurer

- **Commissioner Bell**

Commissioner Bell reported that he met with Fire Chief Mellish for a tour of the facility and an explanation of all that the Fire Brigade does in the Village. Commissioner Bell will also be meeting with the Parks & Rec Director for a tour of all of the parks in Bible Hill. He will also be meeting with the Clerk to obtain additional information on Environmental Services.

- **Commissioner Kennedy**

Commissioner Kennedy read the Fire Brigade Report. The Bible Hill Fire Brigade responded to 3 emergency calls between September 15<sup>th</sup> and October 12<sup>th</sup>. The Fire Brigade responded to the bomb threat at Dalhousie University, held an Open House for Fire Prevention Week, continued work on the Automatic Aid Protocol, and ensured all equipment is tested and up to standard.

- **Commissioner McLeod**

Commissioner McLeod read the Recreation Report that included start up information on autumn recreation programs, Safe Halloween, After School Programs at Bible Hill Junior High School, the disc golf course being set up at Bible Hill Junior High, the Early Start Program at Bible Hill Central, Senior Fitness and upcoming Christmas Events. Mark November 30<sup>th</sup> as the date for the Bible Hill Tree Lighting.

- **Deputy Chair Van Kroonenburg**

Deputy Chair Van Kroonenburg sent regrets to the meeting.

- **Clerk and Treasurer Christianson**

The Clerk reported that the Village's new electronic sign is up and running. Sidewalk repairs for Coupar Terrace have been cancelled for this year and will be re-visited in the spring. Maintenance staff has been busy removing branches and preparing for the winter season. The Clerk is on the Steering Committee for a traffic study being done for the proposed round about at the intersection of Pictou Road, College Road, and Main Street.

- **Chair MacCormick**

Chair MacCormick reported on events she attended on behalf of the Village. She reported that Bible Hill has been chosen for the Canada 150 Program which will mean photos and videos of Bible Hill's Canada Day events will be shared across Canada and put in the Canada 150 archives.

### **Accounts**

*Moved by Kennedy  
Seconded by McLeod*

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

*Motion carried.*

### **New Business**

- **Updated Banking Forms**

The Clerk had newly appointed Commissioner Bell sign banking forms for the Village of Bible Hill.

The Chair excused Solicitor Roper, Recording Secretary Curry, and those in attendance from the meeting to continue the Municipal Government Review.

- **Municipal Government Review - Villages Working Group Proposed Changes (September, 2016)**

A review was made of the Village's Working Group Proposed Changes. It was agreed that further discussion on the documents would be tabled, until a final version was circulated.

### **Adjournment**

*Moved by Kennedy  
Seconded by McLeod*

*That the October 18, 2016 Regular Monthly Meeting of the Village of Bible Hill be adjourned.*

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*Motion carried.*

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Chair MacCormick

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Recording Secretary Curry

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Clerk and Treasurer Christianson

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