

## **MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING OF March 18, 2008**

**PRESENT:** Kim Cogswell Lewis Benedict Craig Newcombe Doug Gates  
Ernie Hovell

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Janet Newton Stanton Hancock Phillip Porter  
Brian Tupper Robyn Whidden

The Chairman, Lewis Benedict called the Meeting to order at 7:31 p.m.

Approval of Minutes:

It was moved and seconded that the Minutes of February 19, 2008 be approved as presented. Motion Carried.

**REPORTS:**

Hall Trustees- Doug Gates reported that the Trustees are meeting on a regular basis and reviewing the booking form. They have decided to wait until completely finished the review before having the new form printed.

Janitor- Brian noted that he has cleaned the chairs in the Multipurpose room. Housecleaned the library and contacted Best Buy Flooring regarding the tear in the kitchen floor, the entrance to the library and the lions club for pricing on replacing and fixing same. The Bulletin Board is up. He has purchased a new ladder. Brian has been pricing recycling bins for the building in keeping with the Waste Management new rules.

Fire Department- Report attached. The Fire Chief asked if the Commission would again this year pay for the Fire Department Banquet in May. After some discussion, it was moved that the Village Commission pay for the Fire Department Banquet expenses. Motion Carried.

The electrical power outage in the fire department and multipurpose room was discussed and Stanton was to have Tibbetts review the hookup and see if they could give us a price for fixing this problem.

Lions- Brian reported that there was a Variety Show happening. The Port Williams Days has been scheduled for June 13th and 14th and the Adopt A Highway would be done next week if the weather was fit and the Van was available for use.

Transportation- Included in Public Works report. Stan was asked to have a price done up on repairs to the sidewalk by Regan's on High Street. A new sign by

Kars Street and Main Street. The erosion up by Cornwallis Farms was worked on but not totally solved.

Recreation- Craig Newcombe reported that recreation held their meeting last Tuesday. Steve has also planned an auction on behalf of the Launcher's group. Soccer may start in May, 2008. Craig noted that they Recreation had put forth budgeting items for inclusion of the budget when being done, in particular the pond work and bleachers.

Councillor Newton: Janet reported on the progress of the Secondary Planning Committee with Ben Silvas. The next meeting would be April 3, 2008. Also brought forward was Ben's request to have the Clerk keep notes on decisions made etc as he would be busy with program etc. Commissioner Craig Newcombe asked who pays secretary and Janet advised she would see what funding was available from County. The Flapping Metal on the Shur Gain building was discussed and the portion of the fence that is down on the Carty Property. Janet advised she would email these problems to proper authorities.

Public Works- . Report attached. Scada System is on line and the bugs are gradually being worked out. Stanton lost flow this morning at lagoon, ice he believes is the problem.

Gas Tax Committee: Kim Cogwell reported that there was a meeting this month. The consultants meant with various interests and reviewed the 92 page assessment and evaluation report. Each one was to email their concerns and comments to them. Kim, Lewis, Dianne, Stan and Doug would meet and review the projects priority list for the future gas tax money.

Treasurer's Report- It was moved and seconded that the Treasurer's Report be accepted as presented. Motion Carried

Business Arising from Minutes:

Old Business:

The new Web site is gradually being developed. The Siren was discussed and to date it has not been hooked up. Volunteer of the Year Award and the Combining of same with the Harold B. Legge Volunteer Award for next year and the Provincial Recognition Dinner in Halifax was discussed. It would basically mean that the volunteer would have to be picked and in place for the March Commission Meeting. After some discussion it was moved that the Village pay 42 cents per kilometer for mileage for anyone travelling on behalf of the Village to Halifax for the Award Ceremonies.

The Fire Grant Committee Meeting was discussed and Earl Russell put the

Fire Departments wish list before council. The three items asked for would mean an increase in the County Budget of approximately 30 per cent. The county will take under advisory and inform them at a later date of their decision.

It was suggested that Evangeline Middle School fund raiser would go forward and that Port Williams Elementary School would donate their annual booking for this function which in fact includes Port Williams Children.

New Business: The Irving fuel vs. Sawler Fuels quote was discussed and after discussion it was moved and seconded that the Village stay with the fuel provided that does the system, Irving Oil. Motion Carried.

Correspondence-

Valley Communications report, 0 inside and 1 outside of Village  
Municipality of Kings Activity Report- renovation for residential \$5,000.00  
Municipality of Kings Proposed Amendments to the Kings County Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use ByLaw to Allow Temporary Off Site Portable Signs. Sawler Fuels Letter re: Irving Contract Price and their price.

There being nothing further to come before the meeting UPON MOTION being made and seconded the meeting was adjourned at 9:32 p.m.

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Lewis Benedict, Chairman

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Dianne Hancock, Clerk