

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING OF January 15, 2008

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

IN ATTENDANCE: Janet Newton Stanton Hancock Phillip Porter
Brian Tupper

The Chairman, Lewis Benedict called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m.

Approval of Minutes:

It was moved and seconded that the Minutes of December 18, 2007 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. Their next meeting is slated for January 23, 2008.

Janitor- Brian Tupper reported that he needed a ladder and a snowrake for low slope roof. The urinal in the Lions Den had valve problems but this has been fixed. All the tree lights are now down outside and put away

Fire Department- Report attached.

The computer that use to be in the Village Office was discussed and the commission agreed that the Fire Department could have same for use in their office.

Phillip brought up the fact that the fire department would like to raise the cost of hauling water from \$50.00 to \$75.00 per load. The Village Commissioners could see no problem with this suggestion.

The Old Pumper was discussed re: sale of same. After some discussion it was moved and seconded that the pumper be put for tender in the Advertiser and also in the Fire Department's magazine the Atlantic Firefighter with a closing date of March, 2008. Motion Carried

The Fire Department asked the Commission if they could build a BBQ station towards the back of the Village lot. It is covered in and a design of same was passed around. After some discussion the Commissioners moved and seconded that the BBQ be allowed to be situated in the far northwest corner of the back lot

of the Village.Motion Carried

Phillip also mentioned the fire panel and Valley Alarms was to be contacted to look after the checking of this panel etc.

Lions- Brian reported that they had handled 11 baskets and 12 turkeys. The Zone meeting is to be held here on the 16th. On January 26th there is a Variety Show scheduled. The Lions Club has two new members joining the club for a total of 21 members.

Transportation- Included in Public Works report.

Recreation- Craig Newcombe reported that Winter Frolic was scheduled for the 20th but it could get changed for colder weather. Ted Fraser wants a family skate during the month of February. Wayne Blenkhorn got a letter regarding funding from the Municipality of Kings.

Public Works- . Report attached. The quotes from Tibbetts Electrical for work to be done on the generator and the community centre were reviewed. It was moved and seconded that Tibbetts Electrical be hired to complete the work for the generator and the community centre hookup for the generator. Motion Carried

The mice problem in Well #1 was discussed and Stanton was to contact Joe MacDonald at Braemar Pest Control to see what he would suggest for controlling the mice in the Well building

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

Gas Tax Committee: Kim Cogwell reported that there was no meeting this month. The consultant is to do site visits and supposedly there will be a meeting sometime in the New Year.

While dealing with Hiltz & Seamone on the water study and reservoir application it was noted that most villages have a Model of their systems. Doug Seamone said that such a model would be valuable to the Village and could be done for approximately \$10,000.00. After some discussion it was moved and seconded that the Village have this model done and apply for funding for same under P Cap to see if we can recover some of the costs. Motion Carried

Business Arising from Minutes:

Old Business: Dianne had contacted Hiltz & Seamone regarding the surveying costs for easements and was notified that Hiltz & Seamone no longer would be doing surveying. She then contacted McKenna Surveyors and they were going

to give her a price.

The new Web site was mentioned and Dianne advised the Commissioners that she had not gotten to this yet however had further discussions with Anthony and they were talking about phasing this in.

The Siren was discussed and to date it has not been hooked up.

The Library Anniversary booking of the hall was discussed and it was moved and seconded that the Village would absorb the cost of the hall rental for this occasion. Motion Carried

The Middle School function was discussed but postponed for further discussion in March.

E.P. Hovell mentioned the bulletin board and the clerk advised him that Brian had such a thing and it could be mounted on the wall in the entry way on the north side of the doors.

New Business: nil

Correspondence-

Valley Communications report,0 inside and 1 outside of Village
Municipality of Kings Activity Report- nil
Card of Thanks and \$150 from Rotary Club of New Minas for bleachers
Fax from Gyro Club re: slip and fall of a member of their group
Municipality of Kings- Proposed amendments to the Kings County Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By Law to allow for Agric-tourism Commercial Uses in the Forestry Districts.

There being nothing further to come before the meeting UPON MOTION being made and seconded the meeting was adjourned at 9:46 p.m.

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Lewis Benedict, Chairman

Dianne Hancock, Clerk