

VILLAGE OF NEW MINAS
REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING
JUNE 9, 2008
7:00 p.m.

The Regular monthly meeting of the New Minas Village Commission was held on June 9, 2008 at 7:00 p.m..

In Attendance: Dave Chaulk, Chair
Dale Pineo, Vice-Chair
Dean Hatt, Commissioner
James Redmond, Commissioner
Maynard Stevens, Commissioner
Terry Silver, Clerk Treasurer

Also in Attendance: Sandra Horley, Resident
Mark Redmond, Resident
Peter Pothier, Superintendent of Public Works

CALL TO ORDER – Dave Chaulk, Chair

Dave Chaulk called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: June 9, 2008

It was moved by Commissioner Redmond, seconded by Commissioner Hatt that the Agenda for the regular Commission meeting of June 9, 2008 be approved with the following additions: Under “**Other Added Items (a) Nova Scotia Flag at Lockhart Ryan Park**” and “**Noise Complaint**” **MOTION CARRIED**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Regular Commission Meeting May 12, 2008

It was moved by Commissioner Redmond, seconded by Commissioner Stevens that the minutes of the May 12, 2008 meeting be approved as amended. **MOTION CARRIED**

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

COMMITTEE REPORTS

a) Water Commission Report – Commissioner Maynard Stevens

Commissioner Stevens read from a written Water Commission Report (attached to original minutes).

It was moved by Commissioner Stevens, seconded by Vice-Chair Pineo, that the Water Commission report be adopted as read. MOTION CARRIED

b) Area Advisory Committee – Commissioner Dean Hatt

Commissioner Hatt read from a written Area Advisory Committee report (attached to original minutes).

It was moved by Commissioner Hatt, seconded by Commissioner Redmond, that the Area Advisory Committee report be adopted as read. MOTION CARRIED

c) Recreation Advisory Committee – Vice-Chair Dale Pineo

Vice-Chair Pineo read from a written Recreation Advisory Committee report (attached to original minutes).

It was moved by Vice-Chair Pineo, seconded by Commissioner Stevens, that Leslie Sequeira be accepted as the citizen member of the Recreation Advisory Committee. MOTION CARRIED

It was moved by Vice-Chair Pineo, seconded by Commissioner Hatt, that the report of the Recreation Advisory Committee be adopted as presented. MOTION CARRIED

d) Transportation Advisory Committee – Commissioner Dean Hatt

Commissioner Hatt read from a written Transportation Advisory Committee report (attached to original minutes).

It was moved by Commissioner Hatt, seconded by Commissioner Stevens, that a letter be written to Fred Whynot, NSDTIR expressing disappointment with the dismissal of the Transportation Study carried out by the Village in 2005/2006, and thereby requesting that the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal conduct a traffic study within the next 6 months to determine how traffic conditions can be improved on Commercial Street. This letter is to be copied to the MLA, the Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal and the Premier of Nova Scotia. MOTION CARRIED

It was moved by Commissioner Hatt, seconded by Vice-Chair Pineo, that money allotted for new sidewalks every year be used for all sidewalks in general. MOTION CARRIED

It was moved by Commissioner Hatt, seconded by Commissioner Stevens that a letter be written to the NS Department of Transportation and

Infrastructure Renewal requesting them to do a study to determine if a crosswalk should be installed at Milne Avenue and Prospect Road.
MOTION CARRIED

It was moved by Commissioner Hatt, seconded by Commissioner Stevens that a letter be written to Eastern Kings Chamber of Commerce supporting their lobbying efforts to have Highway 101 twinned west beyond the current cut-off point of Avonport. **MOTION CARRIED**

It was moved by Commissioner Hatt, seconded by Commissioner Redmond to send a delegation to Kings County Council, with a well-thought recommendation to lobby Council to provide substantial annual funding for new sidewalks and/or maintenance and renewal of sidewalks, as deemed necessary by the Village Commission on a yearly basis. **MOTION CARRIED**

It was moved by Commissioner Hatt, seconded by Vice-Chair Pineo that the report of the Transportation Advisory Committee be adopted as presented.
MOTION CARRIED

e) 40th Anniversary Committee – Commissioner Maynard Stevens

Commissioner Stevens read the report of the 40th Anniversary Committee (attached to original minutes).

It was moved by Commissioner Stevens, seconded by Vice-Chair Pineo that the Commission present certificates of appreciation to Susan Rawlins, Ashley Anderson and Denise Wade for their assistance in organizing the Terry Fox Family Fun Day. **MOTION CARRIED**

It was moved by Commissioner Stevens, seconded by Commissioner Hatt, that the report of the 40th Anniversary Committee be adopted as presented. **MOTION CARRIED**

NEW BUSINESS

a) Request for Disposal of General Ledger Files (including Invoices) 1968 to and Including March 31 2001 (per Policy)

T. Silver requested the Commission's permission to carry out destruction of old General Ledger Files (from 1968 through March 31, 2001), following the procedure as outlined in the **Records Management Policy**.

It was moved by Vice-Chair Pineo, seconded by Commissioner Stevens that General Ledger files from 1968 through March 31, 2002 be destroyed pursuant to the **Records Management Policy**". **MOTION CARRIED**

OTHER ADDED ITEMS

a) Nova Scotia Flag Lockhart Ryan Park

Commissioner Stevens stated he noticed that there is no Nova Scotia flag flying at Lockhart Ryan Park, and recommended the Village request a free flag from the MLA's office.

It was moved by Commissioner Stevens, seconded by Vice-Chair Pineo that the Clerk contact the local MLA's office to request a free Nova Scotia Flag for Lockhart Ryan Park. MOTION CARRIED

T. Silver advised that the flag is only temporarily off the flagpole at Lockhart Ryan Park... we always have a flag, we're just waiting for a replacement.

b) Noise Complaint

Chair Chaulk stated he has received a complaint from a resident of Minasvale Subdivision that there is excessive noise coming from West Side Charlie's that is disturbing his peace and quiet at his home. Chair Chaulk advised him that there is a County Noise Bylaw for New Minas, and the Commission has no control over noises except the extent of the bylaw.

The Clerk was requested to write a letter to West Side Charlie's advising them of the complaint and to the RCMP asking them to police the establishment.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION PERIOD

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Commissioner Redmond, the meeting adjourned.

Dave Chaulk, Chair

Terry Silver, Clerk Treasurer