

NEW MINAS WATER COMMISSION
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
Wednesday, March 23, 2011
7:00 p.m., Civic Center

The regular monthly meeting of the New Minas Water Commission was held on Wednesday, March 23, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. in the Civic Center, downstairs.

In Attendance: Chair Maynard Stevens
Vice-Chair Robert Horne
Commission Chair Dave Chaulk
Assistant Superintendent of Public Works, Gerard Hamilton
Clerk Treasurer Terry Silver

Also in Attendance: Mr. Mark Fredericks, Planner, Municipality of the County of Kings
Mr. Brian Fitzgerald
Mr. John Fitzgerald

Absent: Commissioner James Redmond
Citizen Member Scott Crowell

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Stevens called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone in attendance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Regular meeting January 26, 2011

It was moved by B. Horne, seconded by D. Chaulk that the minutes of the regular meeting held January 26, 2011 be approved as circulated. MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Regular meeting March 23, 2011

It was moved by D. Chaulk, seconded by B. Horne that the Agenda for the regular meeting of March 23, 2011 be approved as presented. MOTION CARRIED

HEATHER FLEMMING, KINGS COUNTY PLANNER/DECOMMISSIONED WELL ON COMMERCIAL STREET. REZONING AREA FROM ZONE A TO ZONE B

Mr. Mark Fredericks was welcomed to the meeting. He explained to those present that the Village Commission has made an application to the County of Kings to re-zone their property at 9209 Commercial Street from Wellfield Zone A to Wellfield Zone B. He stated this is a straight forward application, because the Village has decommissioned the well that was located on this property and Wellfield Zone A would no longer apply. The Commission concurred with Mr.

Frederick's recommendation that this property should be rezoned from Wellfield Zone A to Wellfield Zone B.

Mr. Fredericks also mentioned to the Commission that they may consider remodeling their ground water zones, which in essence would make minor changes in Zones B, C, and D. The Commission would have to have a geological study carried out to determine the character of the zones. The Commission felt that this would not be necessary at this time, since there would be very little change to the zones.

Mr. Fredericks noted that the process would likely take until late June to July to complete.

REGIONAL SEWER UPDATE

Chair Stevens reported that the last meeting of the Regional Sewer Committee was just an information session since there was no quorum and the Chair was not present. He stated one of his major concerns right now is that of capacity. He stated that Hiltz and Seamone and Henderson Consultants had done a study on the capacity, and their findings reported to the Regional Sewer Committee. Municipality staff were not willing to accept this report until they conducted their own research; however, this has not happened. Chair Stevens feels strongly that this needs to be dealt with and the Hiltz and Seamone/Henderson report accepted; who better to know the functionality of the plant than the very firm that designed it. He said he is intent on making sure the Village is credited with the capacity that is rightfully ours.

SUPERINTENDENT'S MONTHLY REPORT

Gerard Hamilton reviewed the Superintendent's Monthly report.

It was moved by B. Horne, seconded by D. Chaulk to adopt the Superintendent's Monthly Report as presented. MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION

Mr. Brian Fitzgerald asked questions regarding the Village's application to Rezone the Civic Center property, which were answered by Mr. Fredericks. Mr. Fredericks went over a tentative procedural schedule, although cautioning the times could change:

AAC	April 19, 2011
PAC	April 26, 2011
1 st reading by Council	May 3, 2011
Public Hearing	June
Final Reading	July

Mr. Fitzgerald thanked the Commission and Mr. Fredericks for the opportunity to speak and the information.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of D. Chaulk, the meeting adjourned.

Maynard Stevens, Chair

Terry Silver, Recorder