



## VILLAGE COMMISSIONERS OF GREENWOOD

REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING

MINUTES

August 19, 2015 @ 9.00 a.m.

Village Office- 904 Central Avenue

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- 1) The meeting was called to order at 9 a.m.
  - 2) Present: Commissioners- Brian Banks, Chair, Heather Parker, vice- chair, Bob Baker, Richard Nickerson, Don MacDonald. Staff- Marian Elsworth, Clerk-Treasurer.
  - 3) Additions to Agenda : Nothing added to agenda
  - 4) Approval of Agenda: MOVED/SECONDED Commissioners MacDonald and Nickerson that: The Agenda for August 19, 2015 be approved . **CARRIED**.
  - 5) Approval of Minutes: Minutes for Monthly Meeting, June 17, 2015 were circulated electronically. The Chair called for any errors or omissions. Hearing none the Minutes for June 17, 2015 are approved as read. **CARRIED**.
  - 6) Business arising from the Minutes;
    - 1.) Chair Banks informed the commission that the heat pump will be installed next week by H.E. Armstrong Mechanical Ltd.
    - 2.) Paving around Civic Building was for future information, look at for budget time.
    - 3.) Kings County Water utility petition is in process with deadline of August 25, 2015.
    - 4.) Snow clearing at Greenwood Mall, Chair Banks met with Darryl Wade, who is not in favour of removing the cedar trees. Darryl suggested that once winter snow accumulation is too deep, that the village not clear the sidewalk and see how that works. Darryl suggested that most mall workers and customers enter through the mall doors from the parking lots, so that sidewalk does not get a lot of use in winter.
  - 7) Correspondence;
    - 1.0 Invitation to RCMP Ball October 3<sup>rd</sup> 2015. Cost \$65.00 per person. RSVP Sept 10. It was MOVED/SECONDED by Commissioners MacDonald and Baker that Brian Banks and his wife attend the RCMP ball and that the village pay to purchase the tickets. The question was called. 3 voted aye, 1 vote nay and the chair did not vote. **CARRIED**. Clerk is asked to research under the Municipal Government Act if paying for functions are allowable, will send email to municipal advisor. Suggested to check with other units, how they handle invitations with cost attached.

## 9) Unfinished Business;

- 1.0 Outstanding items List; Audit Committee,
- 2.0

10) New Business

- a.) Financial update; Circulated Comparative Income Statement April 1 2015 to July 31, 2015. MOVED/SECONDED by Commissioners MacDonald and Baker that; The comparative income statement be accepted. **CARRIED.**
- b.) Update Tremont Mountain Rd trail (Heather); MOVED/SECONDED by Commissioners Parker and Nickerson that; Approve moving forward with the Tremont Trail Partnership Project with the understanding the Village of Greenwood will be responsible for snow removal and upkeep only. Question called. **CARRIED.**
- Bob Baker mentioned he spoke with Mike Best and we would need to obtain a Breaking of Soil permit (refundable) and he spoke with Roger Parker and a verbal estimate to dig the trail could be \$40,000.00 to \$50,000.00.
  - Heather will bring that to the partnership.
  - The next meeting of the partnership group is September 9 and Heather invited all commissioners. She also researched possible grant funding options for the proposed Tremont Trail.
- c.) Flower Beds (Don); Commissioner MacDonald has a complaint about the condition of the flower beds, in serious need of weeding. Commissioner Baker noted that the sprinkler system by the Needs flower beds need to be upgraded. Commissioner Parker asked about budgeting for water in a dry summer. Commissioner Nickerson asked if weeding is part of the public works job, mentioned looking into having a horticultural summer student.
- d.) VCFN meeting with Mark Povah; The Clerk is instructed to set up a meeting with Mark Povah in September to discuss the Valley Community Fibre Network and how it might benefit Greenwood. Kingston is actively working on bringing the VCFN to the village.
- e.) ANSV annual general meeting Sept 18-19, 2015; The AGM for the Association of Nova Scotia Villages will be Sept 18-19. Brian Banks, Heather Parker and Marian Elsworth will be attending this year.
- f.) Quotes Driveway shoulder topsoil and hydroseed; Following the repaving of the CB driveway, there is a drop off on either side of the driveway. Two quotes were received to provide topsoil and to hydro-seed along the sides of the driveway. MOVED/SECONDED by Commissioners Baker and Nickerson to accept the quote from Tim Deveau for a cost of \$1,500.00 plus HST. Question called. **CARRIED.**

COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS SECTION

Heather Parker commented on;

- a.)attending the Giant Tiger opening,
- b.)attending the opening ceremony for the Kingston/Greenwood Soccer Tournament,
- c.)the amount of garbage behind Canadian Tire, unsightly.
- d.) Lloyd Smith, town crier, suggested sending him a thank you for the opening of Giant Tiger.
- e.) Training for temporary office employee, bring up at a future meeting.
- f.) Wanted to know Commission input on using Facebook and Twitter to reach residents

11) There being no further business Commissioner MacDonald Moved to Adjourn at 10:20 am.

12) The Next Regular Monthly meeting is September 16, 2015 at 9 am.

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Brian Banks, Chair

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Marian Elsworth, Clerk-Treasurer