



VILLAGE COMMISSIONERS OF GREENWOOD

REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING
MINUTES
November 18, 2015 @ 9.00 a.m.
Village Office- 904 Central Avenue

- 1) The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.
- 2) Present: Commissioners; Brian Banks, Chair, Heather Parker, Bob Baker, Richard Nickerson, Don MacDonald. Staff; Marian Elsworth, Clerk-Treasurer.
- 3) Additions to Agenda : 9E. Argus Drive, 9F. Remembrance Day ad, 9G. Entrance Sign
- 4) Approval of Agenda: It was **MOVED/SECONDED** Commissioner Baker and Commissioner MacDonald that: The Agenda for November 18, 2015 be approved with additions. **CARRIED.**
- 5) North Greenwood water extension; It was **MOVED/SECONDED** by Commissioner Parker and MacDonald that; The Village of Greenwood approve a contribution of \$50,000.00 to the capital cost of extending the central water system to the North Greenwood area as described by the North Greenwood Water Phase 2 extension. All voted in favour. **CARRIED.**
 - Commissioner MacDonald commented that he supports the motion, this is the only opportunity to get the water extended, the Build Canada Fund cannot be used for any other project.
 - Commissioner Nickerson asked for a breakdown for the minutes on where the funding has come from. The total estimates cost to extend this phase is \$1,564,290.00. The Build Canada Funding is \$1,42,860.00 with the Federal government providing \$521,430.00 and the Province of NS matching that amount. The Municipality of Kings County also committed to provide \$100,000.00. Now with the \$50,000.00 commitment from the Village of Greenwood, the estimated cost per the 169 properties is now around \$2,200.00 for the capital cost. Kings County will be sending out another petition.
- 6) Presentation;

Off Leash Dog Park: Naomi Cooper did a brief survey to find out if there was consensus for a dog park in the area and she received lots of positive feedback. She said it would be an addition to the community's asset map, increased economic activity, a safe place for people with pets to socialize. She has identified two preferred locations near the Greenwood civic building, the first close to the Soccer field or between the Civic building and Needs, estimating an area about 30,000 sq. feet. She is willing to form a community collaboration committee and estimated a cost of \$10,000.00. Commission noted that the proposed land is owned by DND and the village only has a licence agreement. Commission indicated support for Naomi to proceed to investigate the possibility to establish the off leash dog park and the village willing to continue to mow the field, but the dog park community would be responsible for any maintenance to the structure, that the dog park be self sustaining.

- 7) Approval of Minutes: Minutes for Monthly Meeting, October 21, 2015 were circulated electronically. The Chair called for any errors or omissions. Hearing none he declared the October 21, 2015 MINUTES, **APPROVED.**
- 8) Business arising from the Minutes; Tim Bouter gave the ok for our public works to remove the mound of dirt by the easement. The Clerk send an email to Tom McEwan regarding the Greenwood growth centre boundary in the Kings 2050, and will follow up with him.
- 9) Outstanding Items list; Attached to the Agenda package.
- 10) Correspondence;
- a. 2015-10-21 Letter received from Kings County Re; Kings County Parks and Playground Review (The county will be doing a review of the playgrounds by May 2016)
 - b. 2015-10-29 Letter received from Lions Club Re; Results Community Assessment Survey Kingston/Greenwood
- 11) New Business:
- A. Financial update; Comparative Income Statement to April 1, 2015 to October 31,2015. **MOVED/SECONDED** by Commissioner Nickerson and Parker that the comparative income statement be accepted. **CARRIED.**
 - B. Lions Club Community Assessment Survey; Pat Nixon said they had a good response from their community survey and two options identified are an electronic sign or a bus shelter. Brian Banks will meet with the president of the lions club Rick Haiplik and Pat Nixon the community assessment coordinator.
 - C. Gertridge Land behind garage shop (Bob); Commissioner Baker brought to the attention of the commission that the Gertridge land behind the garage shop is up for sale. He had concerns that if the land is sold, the village would not have any room behind the shop and wanted to alert the village commission.
 - D. Public works employees request; It was decided to have an in-camera meeting November 23 to discuss the public works personnel requests.
 - E. Argus Drive street condition; Commissioner MacDonald asked for an update on when Argus Drive will be paved. The clerk spoke with Tim Bouter by phone and he indicated Argus Drive would be paved near the end of November.
 - F. Remembrance Day ad; Commissioner Nickerson received a complaint that the village did not have an ad for Remembrance day in the Aurora newspaper. It was **MOVED/SECONDED** by Commissioner Nickerson and Baker that in future to ensure that an ad is placed commemerating Remembrance Day. **CARRIED.**
 - G. Repainting sign at entrance; The sign at the entrance needs to be repainted due to graffitti was removed a couple of years ago. A quote from Doug Morse is estimated at \$2,300.00. It

was **MOVED/SECONDED** by Commissioner Nickerson and Baker that the village spend the funds to repaint the sign. **CARRIED.**

12) COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS Round table

- Heather Parker wanted to extend congratulaions to Naomi Cooper and her group from the local Guides, Brownies, Scouts and Beavers on the Clean up effort, the group did an outstanding job and collected a full trailer of debis. They counted 55 children and 20 adults who came out to help! Heather recommended that a certificate be sent to the groups and businesses as well as to valley waste, in appreciation. Brian offered to do up certificates in Publisher.
- Brian Banks mentioned that he is on the board of the Association of Nova Scotia Villages and that Kingston/Greenwood will jointly host the annual general meeting in September 2016.

13) The next regular monthly meeting will be December 16, 2015 at 9 a.m. There being no further business the meeting was Adjourned at 11:00 am.

Brian Banks, Chair

Marian Elsworth, Clerk-Treasurer