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KINGSTON VILLAGE COMMISSION

MINUTES OF THE COMMISSION MEETING OF OCTOBER 14, 2010

COMMISSION:

Tom Beardsley – Chairman
Martha Armstrong
Brad Beardsley
Lorne Reid
Doug Beaman - absent

Greg Towne – Clerk/Treasurer

GUESTS: George Corkum, DTIR
Diana Brothers, Deputy Warden, County of Kings

1. OPENING

Chairman Beardsley called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

2. REVIEW OF MINUTES

Chairman Beardsley asked for a review of the September 9th Regular Session meeting minutes.

ON MOTION OF COMMISSIONER REID AND COMMISSIONER ARMSTRONG THAT THE COMMISSION APPROVE THE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 9, 2010 AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED.

3. GEORGE CORKUM, DTIR

Chair welcomed Mr. Corkum, representing Department of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal to the meeting, who was filled in on the recent events in the village relating to road concerns within the village. He stated he was to report the Commissions concerns back to the Area Manager.

Commissioner Reid referred the list of road concerns that was brought forward to DTIR eighteen months ago as nothing had been done to date. He inquired about the process of determining conditions and when the Village would expect to see work done. He also inquired of the status of any road condition survey that was to be done by DTIR.

Chairman Beardsley expressed his frustration that the Area Manager was unable to attend, and that the Village would expect to see some answers to these concerns within a week.

Commissioner Beardsley mentioned that poor communication from DTIR was endemic, especially in relation to fire protection services. Recent road closures on Bridge Street were not forwarded to the Kingston Fire Dept.

Questions were asked about Park Road, and if DTIR had agreed to provide curbing along Park Road.

Mr. Corkum informed the Commission that these comments would be delivered to the Area Manager.

4. DEPUTY WARDEN DIANA BROTHERS

Chair welcomed Ms. Brothers, Deputy Warden for the County of Kings. She was available to discuss the following items:

Hotel for area – developers had been approached to look at Kingston/Greenwood area. A developer had decided on a site and was currently going through the process of accessing lands and gaining approvals.

Satellite office – issue was identified in 2007/08, still unknown if there is a need. Item was deferred in County 2010/11 operating budget. County staff were directed to report back to Council in September after their review of need for area.

Municipal Green Building – Council was looking at relocating offices in the County. Review is still in progress.

Twin Pad – Deputy Warden thanked Kingston for providing resources and staff to project. Project is moving through pre-design and funding stages. Funding commitment by partners is required by January 2012. County to include in this budget year. Request for Proposal for Site Options Analysis was closing shortly.

Commissioner Beardsley stated that the project needs to be shown as a multi-complex – rink, curling, walking track – not just a twin pad.

Road Maintenance Contract letter from Scott Quinn at County was brought up, village was disappointed with response from County. Deputy Warden suggested a letter be sent to Council.

5. DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT

Muriel Craig submitted letters from downtown development group, one regarding work on the old Irving site and a request to install a memorial fountain in the village.

To date, Clerk had not received answer from Irving regarding status of land, will follow up. Unknown if work can proceed on site. Regarding the fountain, resident is looking to

have something done shortly. Clerk stated a policy on donations and memorials would come to the Commission shortly.

6. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Wastewater, Public Works, Recreation and Tourism reports received as presented.

Commissioner Armstrong stated that the Apple Blossom Committee had its final meeting, which comprised of a review of the previous year.

ON MOTION OF COMMISSIONER ARMSTRONG AND COMMISSIONER REID THAT THE COMMITTEE REPORTS BE RECEIVED AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED.

7. ASSOCIATION OF NOVA SCOTIA VILLAGES ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Clerk presented report on attendance at ANSV AGM. Commissioner Beardsley stated event was a positive experience.

8. UPDATE – MARKLAND & MAGEE ROAD CHANGES

Clerk presented proposed petition letters to Commission. Contents of letter were discussed and wording changes suggested. Commission agreed to hold a public meeting on the evening of November 4, 2010.

9. FINANCE REPORT

Clerk presented finance report.

ON MOTION OF COMMISSIONER REID AND COMMISSIONER ARMSTRONG THAT THE PROJECTED VARIANCE OF \$9,200 BE USED TO REDUCE INTERNAL BORROWINGS ON VILLAGE EQUIPMENT. MOTION CARRIED.

10. REFUND – SEWER CHARGES

ON MOTION OF COMMISSIONER BEARDSLEY AND COMMISSIONER REID THAT THE COMMISSION APPROVE THE ADJUSTMENT ON ASSESSMENT ACCOUNT NUMBER 00330477 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$279.10. MOTION CARRIED.

11. CORRESPONDENCE

11.1 COUNTY OF KINGS – ROAD MAINTENANCE CONTRACT

The village received a letter from Scott Quinn stating the County's position on its road maintenance contract. Received as presented.

11.2 KINGSTON STEER BARBEQUE

Copy of cheque to Village in the amount of \$2,539.15. Received as presented.

11.3 REMEMBRANCE DAY 2010

Received letter from the Legion requesting a letter of support for a fly past on Remembrance Day. Commission agreed to send letter.

11.4 COUNTY OF KINGS – LAND USE BYLAW AMENDMENT – COMMUNITY SIGNS

Received letter from County to solicit village's opinion on allowing multiple signs at community centres. General agreement from Commission, Clerk to respond.

11.5 COUNTY OF KINGS – RACE RELATIONS AND ANTI-DISCRIMINATION COMMITTEE

Received invitation to attend event on November 3rd.

12. OTHER ITEMS

General discussion on other traffic issues in Kingston. Staff to contact DTIR to inquire about advance green turn at intersection of Main and Bridge and possibility of signal lights at Main and Maple.

Discussion about off-road traffic in village. Staff to contact Kings County Trails Society to inquire about barriers at roads to reduce speeds.

13. ADJOURNMENT

As there was no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 9:35pm.

COMMISSION CHAIRMAN

CLERK/TREASURER