

**KINGSTON VILLAGE COMMISSION  
REGULAR SESSION  
July 10, 2007**

**COMMISSION:**

Murray Kinsman – Chairman  
Muriel Craig  
David Lowe  
Steve Nickerson  
Clerk/Treasurer – Kelly Rice

Chairman Kinsman called the meeting to order at 7:00PM.

**PRESENTATION:** Rick McMullen

Comm. Nickerson presented Rick McMullen with a plaque recognizing his design and development of the new Village Crest. He developed the crest in memory of his father Roger McMullen, a former commissioner and chairman of the Kingston Village Commission.

**RCMP REPORT:**

Cst. Neila Dollard gave a report on the RCMP activities for the last 3 months. The highlights included:

- 758 calls to the Kingston Office from May 1 to July 10, 2007
- Most night shifts there are 2 constables on duty for the whole area.
- Their priority is traffic enforcement

After a brief question and answer period, Constable Dollard left the meeting at 7:20PM.

**MINUTES:**

**Chairman Kinsman moved the minutes of June 12, 2007 be adopted as presented. Seconded by Comm. Craig. Motion Carried.**

**Chairman Kinsman moved the minutes of June 21, 2007 be adopted as presented. Seconded by Comm. Nickerson. Motion Carried.**

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

### STEER BBQ – UPDATE

Clerk stated that everything was in place and ready to go for the weekend. There was a final pre-event meeting held on July 4<sup>th</sup> and all Committees reported that everything was on track.

### SEWER TREATMENT PLANT EFFLUENT PIPE EXTENSION PROJECT UPDATE

Clerk stated that the Environmental Assessment for the project has now been completed and forwarded to the Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency. A letter of offer would be forthcoming within 2 weeks and the tendering process will proceed.

### SLIP AND FALL INCIDENT UPDATE

Clerk read a letter from the Village's Insurance Company's lawyer asking the lawyer of the plaintiff to release the Village from all liability in this suit because the Village does not own or maintain the curbing along Highway #1.

### FREEDOM OF INFORMATION AND PROTECTION OF PRIVACY REQUEST UPDATE

Clerk stated she had received another request with regard to the previous FOIPOP Request and will answer accordingly.

### SIDEWALK CONSTRUCTION MEETING

The Commission scheduled a sidewalk construction meeting for Wednesday August 15<sup>th</sup> at 2:30PM.

### SERVICE NOVA SCOTIA AND MUNICIPAL RELATIONS MEETING/ORIENTATION

The Commission stated that because of the summer months and the busy schedules, they prefer to have this session the last week of September. Clerk will try to arrange this request.

### QUOTES FOR A DRYER FOR THE SEWER TREATMENT PLANT

Clerk presented 3 quotes for a dryer for the sewer treatment plant. **Comm. Lowe made a motion to purchase the dryer from Home Hardware at a cost of \$279.00 + HST. Seconded by Comm. Nickerson. Motion Carried.**

## **ADDITIONS:**

- Comm. Craig stated that Markland/Bridge St. is a bottleneck and that it should be put on the Department of Transportation agenda for the next meeting. The Commission agreed.
- Comm. Craig stated that the recycling container for the Visitor Information Centre was received.
- Chairman Kinsman would like to set up a meeting with a family regarding the hiring of their son. The meeting will be scheduled for Wednesday July 11, 2007 at 5:45PM.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

WASTEWATER – Comm. Lowe presented the monthly sewer report (on file).

PUBLIC WORKS – Clerk presented the monthly Public Works report (on file).

**Comm. Nickerson made a motion to purchase the climbing wall for Stronach Park with an extra rope at a cost of \$1491.00 + HST. Seconded by Comm. Craig. Motion Carried.**

Also Clerk will check on the balance of the Rebekah's donation. **Comm. Craig made a motion to send a thank you letter to Garnet Loomer for the mulch donated to the Village. Seconded by Comm. Lowe. Motion Carried.**

RECREATION – Comm. Nickerson presented the monthly Recreation report (on file).

Also, Comm. Nickerson reported that on June 19<sup>th</sup> the new recreation committee had their 1<sup>st</sup> meeting. In attendance was:

John Pierce  
Comm. Nickerson  
Comm. Lowe  
Kelly Rice  
Glen Abriel

A copy of these minutes was distributed to the Commission (on file).

TOURISM – Comm. Craig reported on the following:

- A Steer costume is booked for the Steer BBQ but a volunteer is needed to wear it.
- The 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee is having a final meeting to seal the time capsule.

- All of the flowers have been planted by Rose Fitzgerald and Comm. Craig.
- All of the trees have been planted in the center of the Village and a few more are to be planted at the lower end.
- The Visitor Information Centre is going well and the number of visitors for the month of June was 855.
- The 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary quilt is now hanging in the Visitor Information Centre.
- Gene Cowie made the quilt rack.
- Compliments have been received regarding the Apple Blossom Festival Tea at the Legion in Kingston.
- There is now a computer on loan at the Visitor Information Centre from Destination Southwest Nova Scotia for use by the Counsellors.
- The VIC will be selling water, pop, chips, bars etc. on Steer BBQ day. The funds raised will be for a new computer.
- Proceeds from the quilt sale will go toward the new computer for the VIC.
- Chairman Kinsman asked that a letter of thanks be sent to the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and Apple Blossom Festival Committees on behalf of the Village.
- Comm. Craig attended a Chamber of Commerce meeting and a Steer BBQ meeting.

### WATER

Chairman Kinsman stated that the Public Meeting to present Phase 1 of the Water Study went very well. Ms. Rushton did a great job presenting. The Committee will reform in the fall to start Phase 2 of this project.

### CLERK/TREASURER

- Attended AMA meeting on June 22
- Attended Steer BBQ meeting on July 4

## **FINANCIAL REPORT:**

**Comm. Craig moved the financial statement for the Village of Kingston be accepted as presented. Seconded by Comm. Nickerson. Motion Carried.**

**Comm. Nickerson moved the financial statement for Kingston Recreation be accepted as presented. Seconded by Comm. Lowe. Motion Carried.**

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

### KINGS PARTNERSHIP FIRE STUDY

Clerk read a letter from the Kings Partnership Steering Committee Fire Task Force. After a brief discussion, the Commission would like to be included on the information distribution list.

### SOUVENIR VEHICLE ID PLATES

Clerk presented a souvenir Vehicle ID Plate that was donated to the Village by residents Mike and Rejeanne Melnick. They also looked at other variations of the plate that can be purchased. After a brief discussion, the Commission will consider the options and make their decision at a later date.

### LEGION FARMERS MARKET

Comm. Craig stated that the Legion contacted her to offer their vacant lot to the Village for use as a farmers/flea market. After a discussion, Clerk will check with the County for regulations.

## **ADDITIONS:**

**Comm. Nickerson made a motion to increase the Administrative Assistant's rate of pay by \$1.50/hour effective Saturday July 14<sup>th</sup>, 2007. Seconded by Comm. Lowe. Motion Carried.**

## **MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE:**

Letter from: Annapolis Valley Apple Blossom Festival Board  
East Coast Aikido  
Princess Thank You Cards

- Councilor Wayne Atwater showed the Commission the new "Select NS" promotion logo.
- Comm. Craig requested a detailed report of the expenditures for the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and the Apple Blossom Festival. Clerk will prepare.

As there was no further business to discuss, Comm. Nickerson moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Comm. Lyle. The meeting adjourned at 8:50PM.

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COMMISSION CHAIRMAN

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CLERK/TREASURER