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KINGSTON VILLAGE COMMISSION

MINUTES OF THE COMMISSION MEETING OF FEBRUARY 12, 2025

COMMISSION:

Wayne Fowler - Chair
Mike Bishop – Vice Chair
Maggie Travis
Neil Larder
Lauren Avery

Mike McCleave – Clerk/Treasurer
Paula Ferguson – Admin Assistant

OPENING

Chair Fowler called the Regular Session meeting to order at 7:00pm.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

Noted that there was an error on Steve Mosher's last name. Previous minutes have been corrected.

ON MOTION OF COMMISSIONER LARDER AND COMMISSIONER AVERY, THAT THE COMMISSION APPROVE THE REGULAR SESSION MEETING MINUTES OF JANUARY 8, 2024. MOTION CARRIED.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

N/A

CONSENT TO AGENDA ITEMS

ON MOTION OF COMMISSIONER BISHOP AND COMMISSIONER LARDER THAT THE COMMISSION APPROVE THE AGENDA. MOTION CARRIED.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES – See Full Report

Commission wishes to congratulate Steve Mosher on passing his exam and thanks him for his continued learning.

PUBLIC WORKS – See Full Report

Commission noted how well the sidewalks have been cleared with the recent weather and expressed gratitude for the hard work that has gone into the maintenance of the outdoor rinks and snow/ice removal.

RECREATION – See Full Report

It was agreed that the monies requested for the Hall of Fame event would be better approved in the next fiscal year as that is when the event takes place.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT REPORT:

Commission welcomes Amy Spurrell to her new position and appreciate her eagerness to jump right into her role.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

2024 Steer BBQ

N/A

Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee (JAAC)

Meeting times conflict with Commission meetings, a solution is being worked on.

Kingston Area Advisory Committee (KAAC)

N/A

Audit Committee

Getting ready for their annual meeting.

Soldiers Memorial Hospital (SMH) Foundation – Dr. Recruitment Committee

N/A

Association of Nova Scotia Villages (ANSV)

Still looking into hiring a part-time or full-time staff member. Commissioner Fowler spoke to Chris Palmer and as a result the Minister called. Minister was uncertain where our funding would come from but agreed to put it on her docket and said there are currently no plans to change the MGA. Grant discussions with Chris D'Entrement were regarding bridge work and public water.

CLERK REPORT – See Full Report

Clerk met with the County of Kings' CAO, Director of Finance, Engineer and Deputy Mayor to discuss the possibility of bringing central water to Kingston. They are looking into grants and possibilities of a loop connecting from the county and to Greenwood. Commission supports the County bringing water to Kingston.

FINANCE REPORT – See Full Report.

DISCUSSIONS:

ON MOTION OF COMMISSIONER AVERY AND COMMISSIONER LARDER, THAT THE VILLAGE COMMISSION APPROVE FOR SECONDARY STAFF MEMBER PAULA FERGUSON TO HOLD SIGNING AUTHORITY FOR BILL PAYMENTS AND CHEQUES UP TO \$10,000.

AND

ON MOTION OF COMMISSIONER BISHOP AND COMMISSIONER AVERY THAT PAULA FERGUSON WILL SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO BECOME A COMMISSIONER OF OATHS.

MOTIONS CARRIED

Clerk reviewed documents for upcoming Budget meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

As there was no further business to discuss, Commissioner Avery moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:55pm.

COMMISSION CHAIRPERSON

CLERK/TREASURER