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KINGSTON VILLAGE COMMISSION

MINUTES OF THE COMMISSION MEETING OF MARCH 19, 2025

COMMISSION:

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

Mike McCleave – Clerk/Treasurer
Paula Ferguson – Admin Assistant
Riley Peckford – Deputy Mayor

OPENING

Chair Fowler invited Deputy Mayor Peckford to open the meeting, he advocated for a plan to use the housing accelerator funding. This could be used to bring water to the Village, or to help build roads. There was also discussion about expanding sewer lines/lift stations and fixing/rebuilding the bridges between Kingston and Greenwood. Mr. Peckford said that there are community grants available, which may help us build a pickleball court.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

No questions, concerns, errors or omissions

ON MOTION OF COMMISSIONER AVERY AND COMMISSIONER TRAVIS, THAT THE COMMISSION APPROVE THE REGULAR SESSION MEETING MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 12, 2025. MOTION CARRIED.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Commissioner of Oaths application was returned and asked for a letter stating that one is needed in our area. Clerk will request the letter and Village will resubmit

CONSENT TO AGENDA ITEMS

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

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES – See Full Report

PUBLIC WORKS – See Full Report

Commission agreed that a letter should be sent to the homeowners on Markland, one this year and again in November. It was suggested that a post to remind people to clean up after themselves and not litter could be added to our FB page.

RECREATION – See Full Report

ON MOTION OF COMMISSIONER AVERY AND COMMISSIONER BISHOP, THAT THE COMMISSION APPROVE SPENDING \$172.50 FOR THE COMMUNITY SHREDDING EVENT. MOTION CARRIED.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT REPORT:

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

2024 Steer BBQ

Looking for a location for a possible movie to add. Confirmed "Community Cruiser" will be at the event.

Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee (JAAC)

A staff member can replace the Commissioner at the meetings but is not able to vote. Commissioner Bishop will keep his position, and Amy Spurrell will be asked to take his place at the meetings.

Kingston Area Advisory Committee (KAAC)

N/A

Audit Committee

N/A

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, New Minas voted against the hiring, but this is still "in process"

CLERK REPORT – See Full Report

FINANCE REPORT – See Full Report.

DISCUSSIONS:

Budget Discussions began at 9:10 and ended at adjournment

ADJOURNMENT

Paula Ferguson was dismissed from the meeting at 9:10pm as she was not needed for budget discussion, Commissioner Avery moved to adjourn the meeting at 11:00pm.

COMMISSION CHAIRPERSON

CLERK/TREASURER