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KINGSTON VILLAGE COMMISSION

MINUTES OF THE COMMISSION MEETING OF NOVEMBER 12, 2025

COMMISSION:

Mike McCleave – Clerk/Treasurer
Wayne Fowler – Chair
Mike Bishop – Vice Chair
Neil Larder
Laurie Green
Maggie Travis

Paula Ferguson – Admin Assistant
Councillor Riley Peckford

OPENING

Chair Fowler called the Regular Session meeting to order at 6:55pm and invited Councillor Peckford to speak.

Councillor Peckford let Commission know that they are beginning the water study for Kingston, looking for the most cost-effective route into Kingston and if there is need to upgrade wastewater to promote growth and infrastructure. The cost of this study will be \$50,000 for the Village.

The Deed Transfer tax was approved to start immediately. Clerk noted that with the military population in our area we would likely be the paying the most, he is hopeful that the County will track where the money comes from and Chair Fowler pointed out that few people would benefit from a rec complex in Coldbrook so the hope is that monies will be distributed in a fair manner that will take the needs of the Village into consideration.

Clerk asked Councillor Peckford to look into the reimbursement of the VICE program as he has not heard back since submitting in September and following up at the end of October.

Chair Fowler brought up that the County gives each arena \$10,000 and that number is outdated and needs to be raised in consideration of inflation and operating costs.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

No questions, concerns, errors or omissions

ON MOTION OF COMMISSIONER LARDER AND COMMISSIONER TRAVIS, THAT THE COMMISSION APPROVE THE REGULAR SESSION MEETING MINUTES OF OCTOBER 8, 2025. MOTION CARRIED.

ON MOTION OF COMMISSIONER TRAVIS AND COMMISSIONER LARDER, THAT THE COMMISSION APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL SESSION MEETING OCTOBER 15, 2025. MOTION CARRIED.

ON MOTION OF COMMISSIONER TRAVIS AND COMMISSIONER BISHOP, THAT THE COMMISSION APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL SESSION MEETING OCTOBER 17, 2025. MOTION CARRIED.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None

CONSENT TO AGENDA ITEMS

Additions- In Camera discussions

ON MOTION OF COMMISSIONER LARDER AND COMMISSIONER GREEN THAT THE COMMISSION APPROVE THE AGENDA WITH ADDITIONS, MOTION CARRIED.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES – See Full Report/PUBLIC WORKS – See Full Report

John Deere has been in for repair for 5 weeks. At first, they thought the seals needed to be replaced but discovered it needs a new gear box. Waiting for the part and hopefully it will be ready by the end of this week.

RECREATION – See Full Report

Commissioner Green will attend the Anti-Racism and Equity meeting on November 26, 2025.

Commission wanted to ensure that the Night of Lights is being advertised correctly as a free event open to everyone.

COMMUNITY PROGRAMMER REPORT– See Full Report

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

2025 Steer BBQ

No updates

Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee (JAAC)

No updates

Audit Committee

No updates

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

No updates

Association of Nova Scotia Villages (ANSV)

Chair Fowler, Clerk and Brian Banks met with New Minas Commission to discuss new employee. All 5 Commissioners now support this endeavour and will vote on the dollar amount. They will visit Canning next

The next meeting is November 20, 2025. on “Teams”

Hall of Fame

The event drew more people than expected, the evening went well. Looking forward to next year

CLERK REPORT – See Full Report

FINANCE REPORT – See Full Report

Round Table

Commissioners would like to have Chris Palmer at one of our meetings soon.

In-Camera Session

Commissioner Travis motioned to go in-camera.
IN CAMERA BEGAN AT 8:10PM- ADMIN EXCUSED

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Travis motioned to adjourn at 8:45pm

COMMISSION CHAIRPERSON

CLERK/TREASURER