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KINGSTON VILLAGE COMMISSION

MINUTES OF THE COMMISSION MEETING OF MARCH 11, 2026

COMMISSION:

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

Paula Ferguson – Admin Assistant

OPENING

Meeting was called to order at 7:07pm

REVIEW OF MINUTES

ON MOTION OF COMMISSIONER TRAVIS AND COMMISSIONER LARDER, THAT THE COMMISSION APPROVE THE REGULAR SESSION MEETING MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 11, 2025. MOTION CARRIED.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None

CONSENT TO AGENDA ITEMS

ON MOTION OF COMMISSIONER TRAVIS AND COMMISSIONER GREEN THAT THE COMMISSION APPROVE THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED, MOTION CARRIED.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

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

It was asked what the expense and urgency of the pipes need to be changed out is and clarification on how that affects the budget. Clerk informed it is not a budget line but considered part of “maintenance”

It was asked if the lift station problem was fixed, Clerk indicated it was.

It was asked if there is an action plan for the manhole covers and if we should be addressing the storm water drains, perhaps a letter to DPW since there is a new area manager. Clerk agreed and will send an email

RECREATION – See Full Report

It was asked if it seems likely that provincial grants would still be available for things like the staging. No decision will be made for at least a month, and we should expect a 20% cut in what we would normally receive. It's not likely that we will be able to count on grant money going forward

It was suggested that for the short term we could request to borrow staging from Greenwood

Commissioner felt the amount for the Steer BBQ signage seemed high and asked for 3 quotes on that before agreeing to it, but all were in support of the purchase after that has been done

COMMUNITY PROGRAMMER REPORT– See Full Report

Commissioner Travis asked if it would be helpful for her to join the business FB group to encourage engagement

It was asked if Valley Ren was still active

Agreed that Food Bank volunteers should have a criminal record check

Suggested that soccer watch party would be better served in a school gym since we don't have the technology to project in the daytime

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

2025 Steer BBQ

Looking forward to an update on plans at the April meeting

Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee (JAAC)

Meeting was scheduled during this meeting, Community Programmer is attending

Audit Committee

Nothing to report until budget time

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

No updates

Association of Nova Scotia Villages (ANSV)

A recommendation will be made for the new employee at the next meeting

CLERK REPORT – See Full Report

ON MOTION OF COMMISSIONER LARDER AND COMMISSIONER GREEN THAT THE VILLAGE OF KINGSTON AWARD THE PICKLEBALL COURTS RESURFACING CONTRACT TO PLAYTECK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$73,300+HST AND WILL COVER THE AMOUNT NOT COVERED BY THE GRANT FROM THE RESERVES UP TO \$36,000, MOTION CARRIED.

FINANCE REPORT – See Full Report

ADJOURNMENT

Administrative Assistant was excused from budget talks at 8:10pm

Commissioner Larder motioned to adjourn at 9:15pm

COMMISSION CHAIRPERSON

CLERK/TREASURER