LAWRENCETOWN VILLAGE COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES March 5, 2009

COMMISSION

Troy Emmett – Chairman Larry Powell – Deputy Chairman Lynette Gilks Dianne Moore

STAFF

Kelly Rice – Clerk/Treasurer David Leonard – Superintendent of Public Works

CHAIRMAN EMMETT called the meeting to order at 7:00PM.

MINUTES:

Clerk/Treasurer read the minutes of the February 9, 2009 Regular Meeting. Comm. Gilks moved the minutes be approved as read. Seconded by Comm. Moore. Motion Carried.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

- 1. Comm. Powell asked if there had been any damage to the new flow meter from being submerged in water and ice. Supt. of Public Works stated that there had been no damage.
- 2. Comm. Powell asked if Chairman Emmett had spoken to the property owner of 471-474 Main St., regarding the water concerns. Chairman Emmett stated that he had not been able to contact the owner but would continue to try to speak to him about the Village's concerns.
- 3. Comm. Powell asked if the broken window in the storage building was a result of vandalism. Supt. of Public Works stated yes.

OLD BUSINESS:

Well Project Update

- pitless adaptor and pump have been installed and the main wire has been fed to the building
- pump and well have been tied into the new pipeline
- next step is to complete the wiring for the project
- still waiting on the Water Withdraw Permit from NSDEL, expected within the month

Public Works Update

- repaired water leak in front of 343 Main St., pipe split; repair took 20hrs. to complete
- Nova Scotia Power has finally replaced the rest of the power poles at the Reservoir
- repaired water meters
- finished the tool room in the Public Works building; started moving in the equipment
- submitted list to Clerk/Treasurer for budget items
- cutting edge on backhoe and tractor were replaced
- sorting through old stock at works dept.
- met with NSDEL regarding the operating approval for the STP
- preparing for year-end inventory

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Comm. Powell made a motion to accept the Financial Report for February 2009 as presented. Seconded by Comm. Moore. Motion Carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Recreation

Lynn Roscoe stated that the Recreation Committee were waiting to hear on the status of their grant request for summer students.

Activities/Events Planning Committee

Clerk/Treasurer stated that the Village has been successful in receiving \$ 5,810 in funding under the "Seniors Positive Aging Fund", and plans for the programming can begin.

Phil Milo reported on the "Village Circle" project, stating that it will be a spring project for some students at COGS, and the Village should be able to plan a celebration event for this summer. He also stated that the original map of the circle boundaries of the Village was found at COGS.

Annapolis County Councilor Report

No Report.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- 1. Clerk/Treasurer read a letter of appreciation from the Annapolis Valley Regional Library thanking Comm. Gilks for attending and participating in the "Family Literacy Day World Record Attempt".
- 2. Clerk/Treasurer read a letter from Lawrencetown Consolidated School asking the Commission to become involved and support their efforts to improve their school grounds. They have applied for the "Evergreen Canada Grant for Greening School Grounds" and have asked for in-kind support from the Village to help plant the trees and move the necessary boulders. After a discussion, the Commission whole-heartedly supports the school's efforts and will be pleased to commit in-kind services to help them achieve their goals. The Commission asked the Clerk/Treasurer to send a letter to the school with their decision.

NEW BUSINESS:

Request for Right-of-Way from Mrs. Rosie Beals

Chairman Emmett stated that Mrs. Beals is requesting a right-of-way from the Village for her driveway located off of Prince St. After a discussion, Clerk/Treasurer was asked to contact Lawyer, Bruce Gillis, to ensure this easement can be put in place and if so, notify Mrs. Beals that the Commission has no objections. The Commission stated that all costs to put the easement in place will be the responsibility of Mrs. Beals.

<u>Lawrencetown Fire Dept. Discussion – Mike Stoddart, Fire Chief</u>

Mike Stoddart, Fire Chief of the Lawrencetown & District Fire Dept. read a letter from the Fire Dept. requesting clarification on the Village's policy regarding equipment use and also the costs related to the use of this equipment. After a discussion, where comments from the floor included giving the Annapolis Valley Exhibition the same consideration, the Commission decided they would meet to discuss this issue further. They will notify the Fire Dept of their decision as soon as one is reached.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC:

- 1. Mr. Gesner, Annapolis Valley Exhibition Board, stated that the Exhibition is presently submitting a request for funding from the NS Eco Fund to replace 12 toilets with the new low flow toilets. He asked if the Commission has any incentive/rebate programs in place for residents that install these toilets. After a discussion, the Commission will look into this issue further.
- 2. There was a question regarding the due dates on the water bills.

As there was no further business to discuss, Comm. Gilks mo meeting adjourned at 8:10PM.	ved to adjourn the meeting. The
COMMISSION CHAIRMAN	CLERK/TREASURER