

**Lawrencetown Village Commissioners
Minutes of the Regular Monthly Meeting**

March 3 2008

Attendance: L. Gilks (Chairman) L. Powell (Deputy Chair)
D. Spears D. Moore
T. Emmett
D. Leonard (Superintendent of Works) D. Marshall (Village Clerk)
S. Taylor (Assistant Superintendent of Works)
Eric Slauenwhite; Nancy Emmett; Berend Pietersma; Randy Neily; Randy McGill;
Jodie Moase; Phil Milo, County Councillor

Amendments: **Under XTR: Add “Industries to Carleton Road Association to read Carleton Road Industries Association**
Under Peter Redden: add “water protection” to the land use bylaw.
Under Randy Neily: it should be Lawrencetown Water Supply Area Advisory Committee not water shed.
Under Trail Society add “been” to the sentence “her letter states every effort has been made...”

Minutes: The clerk read the minutes of the February 4 2008. Dave Spears accepted the minutes as amended. Larry Powell seconded the motion.

ADDITION TO AGENDA:

Randy Neily: It was explained to Mr. Neily that the village has no input with regards to the Lawrencetown Water Supply Area Advisory Committee, only through our representative. The Village does not receive regular reports. The steering committee will exist until the by law is passed by the Minister. The area advisory committee under the Municipality is to advise the village. The process cannot be stopped as the deadline is March 31 2008.

BUSINESS ARISING:

Sub Committee Report: Dave Spears and Larry Powell reported there are a number of things on the go. Would like to see a morning open house with an afternoon seminar for the 72 home based businesses combine everything into one day. Need to pick a date and place for this. There would be no charge for this event. Todd Roberts has closed his business in Brickton and will be opening a sign shop. Randy Neily stated he plans to run a farm market outside of town within the village.

Canada Day: The Lawrencetown and District Swimming Pool Committee will be handling all the details involved with this event.
Will run from 1:00 to 4:00PM in the Library parking lot- with games, bubble making, face painting, free barbeque, free swimming, ethnic games and a band will be playing throughout. There will be a scavenger hunt at the pool....things hidden in the pool that kids have to go after.
All signage has to be in 2 languages.
Will be soliciting businesses for prizes, etc. Good support already.

Pending items: Village web site; tourism kiosk – during the summer; tours of the village – older homes; cranberry bog and the farm museum at the exhibition.

Cairn: to be erected in the exact center of the village – thought to be in the area of the hydrant in front of 540 Main Street.

Twin our village with Lawrencetown in Southern Ireland.

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ACTS: Larry Powell attended the meeting of February 21st. Not a lot was discussed James Frank opened the meeting with Larry Powell's editorial in the Annapolis County Spectator and reading several letters. There was a discussion on the Paradise situation, but he doesn't want to act on anything that has been in the media.
The feeling is the provincial government is responsible for the current atmosphere by granting multi use trails and letters of authority.
The current situation is having a financial impact on Bridgetown businesses, especially the End of the Line Pub.
Troy Emmett commented on the lack of snowmobile traffic through Lawrencetown since the closing of the Paradise section of the trail.
Possible alternate route – to cross the Trans Canada highway in 2 places.

OLD BUSINESS:

COGS Break In: The 18 year old involved in the break in has been sentenced to 2 years less a day, 200 hours of community service, restitution of \$1700.00 and cannot go near COGS. Nothing further on the other 2 individuals involved in the break in.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Minister of Justice: Lynette Gilks received a reply to her letter regarding the recent crime activity in the village. A report entitled "Time to Fight Crime Together" can be viewed at www.gov.ns.ca/just.

Dept. of Environment: By 2010, all provincial departments are mandated to reduce the paperwork burden placed upon their business clients by 20 percent. Forms will be accessible online, filled out on a computer, printed and mailed to the appropriate office for processing.

OTHER:

Dave Leonard: There is a serious water run off problem at George Grant's – 372 Carleton Road.

Phil Milo: Hydrants – a letter will be coming from the County regarding the 3 hydrants in question and their removal.
Village will receive payment for the hydrants for 2007-2008.

The land use by law is still a draft, no longer in the hands of the committee. Any changes now will be made by the PAC.
County only has zoning for water sheds. Selection dictated by the Provincial Government.

Right of Way: Contact Michael McKenna asking him to proceed with researching the right of way and getting it written in to the new deed.

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Infrastructure Claims: Need an extension to get the paper work completed. Eric Slauenwhite has agreed to do this.

Adjournment: Troy Emmett moved the meeting be adjourned at approx. 8:30 PM.

Next Monthly meeting: APRIL 7th 2008 ~ 7:00 PM

Chairperson

Village Clerk