

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

June 9 2008

Attendance: T. Emmett (Chairman) L. Powell (Deputy Chair)
D. Spears D. Moore
L. Gilks
D. Leonard (Superintendent of Works) D. Marshall (Village Clerk)

Eric Slauenwhite; Nancy Emmett; Brian Sturney; David and Lynn Roscoe;
Madelyn McLain; Phil Milo, County Councilor; Kelly Rice – New Village Clerk

Minutes: The clerk read the minutes of the April 7, 2008 meeting and moved they be approved as read. Larry Powell seconded the motion. Motion Carried

ADDITION TO AGENDA:

New Chairperson: Troy Emmett was introduced as the new Village Chairperson

New Village Clerk: Kelly Rice was introduced as the new Village Clerk and Larry Powell noted she is a driving force with the Association of Nova Scotia Villages.

BUSINESS ARISING:

Sub Committee Report: No grants have been released as yet. Now have 2 businesses interested Home Based businesses seminar/open house.

Library Janitor: Teresa Hamilton has been hired for this position.

RCMP: Larry Powell has spoken with Staff Sergeant John Innes regarding policing in Lawrencetown. Might be able to add Lawrencetown to the list of foot patrol officers. The idea of a community policing office possibly in the Demonstration Building at the Exhibition has been met favorably with the Exhibition. Maybe staffed with civilian police personal. Letters of support from various village businesses would help with this.

New Village Office: The walls have been insulated and sealed, one wall has been gyprocked and the electrical has been roughed in.
Larry Powell moved to leave it up to David Leonard to hire someone to crack fill the walls for the new office. Lynette Gilks seconded the motion. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Village Circle: Phil described the beginning of the circle which has a radius of 4528 feet. The task of finding the exact center point not an easy task.
Phil Milo has met with Cheryl Mackintosh and photo copies of the Village file have been made and will be sent to Amherst for mapping. A draft will be sent to Cheryl which Phil will bring back to a Village meeting.

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CORRESPONDENCE:

- Well Tenders: Commissioners to meet as a committee to pick a tender. Everything moving ahead with the well.
Eric Slauenwhite mentioned provisions for draining the reservoir.
- TCA Workshop: Lynette Gilks moved that Kelly Rice attended the Tangible Capital Assets workshop on June 23 in Coldbrook. Expenses for this will be covered by the village. Larry Powell seconded the motion. Motion Carried.
- Convocation NSCC: David Spears agreed to attend this on behalf of the Village on June 10.
- Robert Thibault: An information letter concerning the Digby to Saint John Ferry Service was read.
- Auditor's Letter: A letter regarding Internal Control findings from the 2008 Audit was received. The commissioners will work on this later.

New Business:

- Old Library Lease: David and Lynn Roscoe - Terraforma Limited have been leasing the old library for the past 5 years. They are interested in continuing with the lease and provided the Commissioners a letter outlining the upgrades they have made to the building in the last 5 years.
Larry Powell moved to continue the lease with Terraforma with the same conditions for another 5 years. David Spears seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- School Input Session: On June 2nd there was a presentation made at the Lawrencetown Consolidated School that showed a drop in enrollment in the next 6 years and wants municipal units, school advisory councils and individuals to come up with options to help keep schools open in Annapolis County.
The village formed a committee to work on this: Lynn Roscoe; Troy Emmett and Larry Powell.
It was suggested to hold an open public meeting inviting the residents of the village to offer their ideas.
The village will work closely with the Lawrencetown SAC. Troy Emmett will attend the June 16th meeting of the SAC.
The idea is to keep the schools open by leasing space to day cares, businesses, senior's and health programs.
Will keep in touch with Bridgetown to see what they're planning – one of these schools likely to close.
- Recreation Commission: Lynn Roscoe stated there is no grant available this year for a summer student. Trying to get funding through the province – hope to hear on Tuesday.
Will post the jobs this week. The recreation commission provides summer programming for approximately 50 children from the Village.

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OTHER:

David Spears: Thanked the commissioners for getting the village out of the red and into the black as was stated in the Auditor's report at the annual meeting.

Watermain Flushing: Flushing the system will be done once classes at the elementary school and COGS are finished.

Adjournment: Dave Spears moved the meeting be adjourned at approx. 8:05PM.

Next Monthly meeting: JULY 7TH 2008 ~ 7:00 PM

Chairperson

Village Clerk

The commissioners met to review the Well Tenders submitted by Hiltz and Seamone.

Hiltz and Seamone wanted a new test well drilled as they were not pleased with the one done by CBCL which was not tested every 10 feet.

DJ's Well Drilling Limited was recommended by Hiltz and Seamone at a cost of \$20,144.00 for the test well and \$71, 751.05 for the production well.

David Spears moved to accept the proposal by D.J's Well Drilling Limited. Lynette Gilks seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The cost of this test well was included in the Infrastructure Proposal.

Chairperson

Village Clerk