LAWRENCETOWN VILLAGE COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES January 9, 2023

COMMISSION

Brian Reid – Chair Jane Baskwill Sean Ebert-

Laura McLarnon-Sends regrets Vernon Gaudet

STAFF

Melissa Roscoe- Clerk/Treasurer

CHAIRPERSON Reid called the meeting to order at 7:00PM.

Mi'kma'ki land acknowledgement read

MINUTES:

Comm. Gaudet moved the minutes for December 12, 2022 be accepted as amended. Seconded by Comm. Baskwill. Motion Carried.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES:

None

OLD BUSINESS:

None

FINANCIAL REPORT: December 2022

Comm. Baskwill made a motion to accept the financial statements for December as presented. Seconded by Comm. Gaudet. Motion Carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PW Committee:

- Fire inspection was completed, minor deficiencies have been repaired and inspector to return tomorrow.
- OHPR application has been submitted (\$55,000 including in kind) this will allow promotion of the Village, community events and visits with health professionals.
- Shrub mulching on the fire road has been completed, some trees need to be cut
- We will need to purchase a #2 first aid kit and 6" compression bandages
- Lateral leak on Lawrencetown Lane has been repaired
- Water main break on the 201 was detected at 1:30PM on December 30, repairs completed by 9:30PM

- The new flow meter was installed on the 16th, however was set to US gallons and needed to be changed to imperial gallons.
- LCHC-Still in touch with Dr. Russell
- Water meter readings have been completed for the 3rd quarter; 5 meters need to be replaced.

Public Works: No Report available

Economic Development Committee: No report available

Audit Committee: No report available

HR Committee: No report available

Recreation: No report available

Annapolis County Councilor Report: (See attached)

Website: Good

NEW BUSINESS:

1. None

CORRESPONDENCE:

• Letter from resident about water drainage of the East end of the #1, we will contact Department of highways

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC:

• Resident inquiring about drainage on the Lane as well as a mirror near the retaining wall, we will discuss this with Department of highways as well.

As there was no further business to discuss, Comm. Ebert moved to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 7:50PM.

COMMISSION CHAIR

CLERK/TREASURER

January 9, 2023

Councillor Comments below:

Having submitted our Audited books for 2020-2021 to the province. They have published our Financial indicators report which gives a snapshot of the county's Financial health. This is from 2 years ago so it is not very current to today. Our books from the last year 2021-2022 are currently with our new auditor.

The Financial indicators report states things are ok overall with mediocre grades for Reserves and liquidity being low and 2 deficits in the last 5 years.

Tomorrow we will begin the discussion about the Boundary review (number of councilors) and Warden vs Mayor system.

Remuneration of Warden, Deputy Warden, and Council policy is on the schedule tomorrow the amendment removes some ambiguity about times of salary increase and re-inserts the pay scale in the policy.

Low Income tax exemption policy is getting a needed overhaul. There is a significant change to the way income is calculated, if approved it will now be aligned with CRA and no longer includes Child Tax benefit and GST rebate. The max income will move up to \$27,500 and cover up to \$400 of property tax.

And there are 4 people running for the open Council seat in District 3! Hurrah for democracy!

Kind regards,

Brad Redden
Councillor District 10
Deputy Warden
Municipality of the County of Annapolis