

**VILLAGE OF NEW MINAS**  
**REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING**  
**NOVEMBER 9, 2009**  
**A G E N D A**

The regular monthly meeting of the Village Commission of New Minas was held on November 9, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in the Civic Center.

**In Attendance**

Chair Dave Chaulk  
Vice-Chair Dale Pineo  
Commissioner Dean Hatt  
Commissioner James Redmond  
Commissioner Maynard Stevens  
Clerk Treasurer Terry Silver

**Also in Attendance:**

Mr. Gordon Silver, Resident  
Mr. George Smith, Resident  
Mr. Chris Parker, Councillor District 10  
Mr. Mark Redmond, Resident  
Mr. Peter Pothier, Superintendent of Public Works  
Ms. Marlene Dwyer, Resident  
Mr. Robert Horne, Resident

**CALL TO ORDER** – Commissioner Dave Chaulk, Chair

Chair Chaulk called the meeting to order, and welcomed everyone in attendance.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** November 9, 2009

**It was moved by Vice-Chair Pineo, seconded by Commissioner Hatt that the Agenda for the meeting of November 9, 2009 be approved with the following addition: add to “OTHER ADDED ITEMS c) Coole Property Agreement”. MOTION CARRIED**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** October 19, 2009

**It was moved by Commissioner Redmond, seconded by Commissioner Hatt that the minutes of the regular Commission meeting held October 19, 2009 be approved as presented. MOTION CARRIED**

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

**a) Sun Safety Policy - Update**

T. Silver stated at the last Commission meeting, the staff's proposed Sun Safety Policy was sent back to be reviewed. The staff, after much discussion, agreed that they Sun Safety Policy draft be withdrawn. She stated that staff are all very well versed in the procedures contained in the current safety manuals and very diligent in practicing sun safety. The Commission directed the Clerk to re-work the Policy for the Commission's consideration at the next meeting.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**a) Water Commission Report – Commissioner Maynard Stevens**

Commissioner Stevens read the report of the New Minas Water Commission (attached to original minutes).

**It was moved by Commissioner Stevens, seconded by Commissioner Redmond that the report of the New Minas Water Commission be approved as read. MOTION CARRIED**

**b) New Minas Area Advisory Committee – Commissioner Dean Hatt**

Commissioner Hatt read the report of the New Minas Area Advisory Committee (attached to original minutes).

**It was moved by Commissioner Hatt, seconded by Commissioner Redmond, that the report of the New Minas Area Advisory Committee be adopted as read. MOTION CARRIED**

**d) New Minas Recreation Advisory Committee – Vice-Chair Dale Pineo**

Vice-Chair Pineo read the report of the New Minas Recreation Advisory Committee (attached to original minutes).

**It was moved by Vice-Chair Pineo, seconded by Commissioner Hatt that the report of the New Minas Recreation Advisory Committee be accepted as read. MOTION CARRIED**

**e) New Minas Transportation Advisory Committee – Commissioner Dean Hatt**

Commissioner Hatt advised there was no meeting of the New Minas Transportation Advisory Committee therefore no report is available.

**f) Fire Services Task Force – Commissioner Redmond**

Commissioner Redmond advised there was no meeting of the Fire Services Task Force, therefore no report.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**a) Proposed Housing Development – Castle Loma Drive/Colonial Crescent – Vice-Chair Pineo/Commissioner Stevens**

Commissioner Stevens and Vice-Chair Pineo each presented a report to the Commission with regard to their concerns and the concerns of their neighbours with a proposed subdivision application for two semi-detached units to be constructed on Castle Loma Drive and Colonial Crescent. These reports are attached to the original minutes.

Chair Chaulk stated he is unsure whether the Commission, in its capacity as an elected body, has any authority to protest this development as long as it meets all zoning requirements. Vice-Chair Pineo stated that no one doubts the right of the Housing Authority to construct the proposed building, but it is his wish that the Commission support him and Commissioner Stevens, as residents of this area and behalf of all residents of the area, to maintain the subject land as a green space. Commissioner Redmond agreed with Chair Chaulk, and suggested the Village could purchase the land for a parkland. Commissioner Hatt agreed that it wouldn't hurt to send a letter.

**It was moved by Commissioner Stevens, seconded by Commissioner Hatt that a letter be written to the AV Housing Authority and the NS Department of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Affairs requesting that they re-consider the proposed development on Castle Loma Drive and Colonial Crescent, and make them aware that this is a play area for the children of the local area. MOTION CARRIED**

**OTHER ADDED ITEMS**

**a) Tangible Capital Assets Process – Approval for Consultant**

T. Silver read a report outlining the requirement for the Village to begin capitalizing the tangible capital assets (report attached to original minutes).

**It was moved by Commissioner Redmond, seconded by Vice-Chair Pineo that funds be made available from the general and water operating budgets for 2009/2010 to hire a consultant to carry out the tangible capital assets process for fiscal year ending March 31, 2010. MOTION CARRIED**

**b) Request Commissioner Stevens – Chris Morine Appeal**

Commissioner Stevens read his presentation to the Village Commission regarding the upcoming appeal to the NS UARB on the County's decision to refuse to enter into a development agreement respecting a property at 69 Cornwallis Avenue.

**It was moved by Vice-Chair Pineo, seconded by Commissioner Hatt that Commissioner Stevens be appointed by the Village Commission to speak at the NS UARB appeal session on December 14, 2009. MOTION CARRIED**

**c) Coole Property – Commercial Street**

Chair Chaulk reminded the Commissioners of the Commission's decision to enter into an agreement with Mr. and Mrs. Coole on Commercial Street, and recommendation of the Village's Solicitor.

**It was moved by Commissioner Redmond, seconded by Commissioner Hatt that this item be tabled to the December Commission meeting. MOTION CARRIED**

**CORRESPONDENCE**

**PUBLIC DISCUSSION PERIOD**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**On Motion of Vice-Chair Pineo, the meeting adjourned.**

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**Dave Chaulk, Chair**

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**Terry Silver, Clerk Treasurer**