

**VILLAGE OF NEW MINAS**  
**REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING**  
**JANUARY 12, 2009**  
**A G E N D A**

The regular monthly meeting of the Village Commission of New Minas was held on January 12, 2009 at 7:00 p.m..

**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:** Gordon Silver, Resident  
Chris Parker, Councillor, District 10

**CALL TO ORDER**

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

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** January 12, 2009

**It was moved by Commissioner Redmond, seconded by Commissioner Hatt that the Agenda for the regular Commission meeting of January 12, 2009 be approved as presented. MOTION CARRIED**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Regular Commission Meeting December 8, 2008

**It was moved by Vice-Chair Pineo, seconded by Commissioner Stevens, that the minutes of the regular Commission meeting held December 8, 2008 be approved as circulated. MOTION CARRIED**

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

**a) Sewer Bylaw Amendment – Update T. Silver**

T. Silver referenced her report to the Commission (attached to the original minutes). She further stated that she, the Superintendent of Public Works, the Village's Engineer and the Village's Solicitor are working on a complete new draft of the Sewer Bylaw, which is necessary for upcoming updates to provincial regulations.

**b) Funding Options for Civic Re-numbering Project – T. Silver**

T. Silver advised she had written a letter to the County of Kings on December 22<sup>nd</sup>, requesting funding and/or in-kind assistance with the civic re-numbering project, as suggested by Councillor Parker at the December Commission meeting. To date no response has been received.

**c) No Smoking Policy Lockhart Ryan Park – Vice Chair Pineo**

Vice-Chair Pineo read a presentation to the Commission outlining his reasons for wanting a policy requiring restricted smoking areas at Lockhart Ryan Park.

Discussion took place, and the Commission directed the Clerk to contact the Village's Solicitor to determine if the Village has authority to restrict or even prohibit smoking at its parks.

This item is tabled to the February 2009 regular Commission meeting.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

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

Commissioner Stevens advised there was no Water Commission meeting in December; therefore, there is no report.

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

Commissioner Hatt advised there was no Area Advisory Committee meeting in December; therefore, there is no report.

**c) Recreation Advisory Committee – Vice-Chair Dale Pineo**

Vice-Chair Pineo advised there was no Recreation Advisory Committee meeting in December; therefore, there is no report.

**d) Transportation Advisory Committee – Commissioner Dean Hatt**

Commissioner Hatt advised the Transportation Advisory Committee was cancelled due to inclement weather; therefore, there is no report.

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

Commissioner Redmond stated there was no Fire Services Task Force meeting in December, but he advised he has met with the Fire Inspector from the County of Kings and was pleased to report that most of his concerns have been resolved, and the few outstanding minor concerns will be resolved very shortly.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**a) Appointment of member to Recreation Advisory Committee**

Vice-Chair Pineo declared a conflict and removed himself from the discussion on the topic of the appointment of member to the Recreation Advisory Committee.

**It was moved by Commissioner Stevens, seconded by Commissioner Redmond that the application from Jennifer Pineo for citizen member on the Recreation Advisory Committee be accepted. MOTION CARRIED**

**PUBLIC DISCUSSION PERIOD**

Mr. Chris Parker, Councillor District 10 – Councillor Parker advised the Commission that the County of Kings has been advised that there are opportunities for funding for all types of infrastructure projects, including trails, indoor soccer domes, parks, etc., and suggested the Commission contact the County of Kings to tap into these funding opportunities.

T. Silver advised the Commission and Mr. Parker that she was contacted by the County of Kings last Thursday and she, in consultation with Village staff, and the Village's Engineer, spent Friday and today crunching numbers to provide a "wish list" to the County tomorrow morning. She stated she compiled a five year plan itemizing such things as new wells, repairs to sewer lines, trail development, the extension of the Village's services to Prospect Road West, water services upgrades, a new sewage treatment facility, etc., totaling approximately \$13.5M, and she asked the Commission to advise her this evening if they have any other items to add to the list.

Councillor Parker was thanked for his information.

Commissioner Maynard Stevens – Commissioner Stevens asked what process is in place to deal with property owners who, when plowing their driveways, leave excessive amounts of snow in the sidewalk or street. T. Silver advised that the property owner is reported to the RCMP, and indeed, Village staff have reported such actions to the RCMP, who in turn advise the property owner that this is illegal and the practice must stop.

## **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**