

VILLAGE OF NEW MINAS
REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING
MARCH 8, 2010, 7:00 p.m., Civic Center

The regular monthly meeting of the Village Commission of New Minas was held on Monday, March 8, 2010 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. Don Zwicker, Resident
Mr. Mark Redmond, Resident
Mr. Joseph Huntley, Resident

1. CALL TO ORDER – Commissioner Dave Chaulk, Chair

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

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: MARCH 8, 2010

It was moved by Vice-Chair Pineo, seconded by Commissioner Pineo that the Agenda of the March 8, 2010 regular meeting be approved as presented. **MOTION CARRIED**

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: FEBRUARY 8, 2010

It was moved by Commissioner Stevens, seconded by Commissioner Redmond that the minutes of the February 8, 2010 Commission meeting be approved as circulated. **MOTION CARRIED**

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

- a) RV Dump Station – County Council Item – Update
- b) Thunder in the Valley Venue change – County Council item – Update
- c) Kings Para Transit System - Update

Chair Chaulk stated that the Clerk had written letters regarding items 4 a), b) and c), but there are no updates to these items at this time.

5. 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 Vice-Chair Pineo, that the report of the New Minas Water Commission be approved as submitted.

MOTION CARRIED

b) Area Advisory Committee – Commissioner Dean Hatt

Commissioner Hatt advised there was no Area Advisory Committee meeting held since the last Commission meeting, therefore, no report was available.

c) Recreation Advisory Committee – Vice-Chair Dale Pineo

Vice-Chair Pineo advised there was no Recreation Advisory Committee meeting held since the last Commission meeting, therefore, no official report was available, but he asked the Commission's permission, which was granted, to give an unofficial report on Recreational happenings:

- Winter Carnival – This event was a huge success. Vice-Chair Pineo expressed a special "thanks" to the staff that made that success possible. He stated both he and Commissioner Stevens were in attendance, and they were very impressed.
- March Break Day Camps – Staff has once again organized a very impressive March Break Day Camp, with only a couple spots remaining.
- New Minas Kitchen Party – The first of many monthly "Kitchen Parties" was held on February 27th, with good attendance and lots of fun. It was a great evening of music, hosting lots of excellent entertainers.

d) Transportation Advisory Committee – Commissioner Dean Hatt

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

It was Commissioner Hatt, seconded by Commissioner Stevens, that the Commission accept Mr. Gavin Paterson as a citizen member on the Village of New Minas Transportation Advisory Committee. MOTION CARRIED

It was moved by Commissioner Hatt, seconded by Vice-Chair Pineo to accept the report of the Transportation Advisory Committee as presented. MOTION CARRIED

- e) Fire Services Task Force – Commissioner Redmond
- f) Commissioner Redmond advised there was no Fire Services Task Force meeting held since the last Commission meeting; therefore, no report is available.

NEW BUSINESS

- a) New Minas Volunteer of the Year Selection

Commissioners Maynard Stevens and James Redmond declared a conflict at this time and left the Commission table.

The Commissioners had reviewed the nominations for Volunteer of the Year, namely:

- Mrs. Laura Huntley nominated by Girl Guides of Canada and East Kings Soccer Club.
- Mrs. Mary Stevens, nominated by New Minas & District Lions Club.

It was moved by Vice-Chair Pineo, seconded by Commissioner Hatt that the Village Commission declares Mrs. Laura Huntley as the 2010 Volunteer of the Year. MOTION CARRIED

It was noted by the Commissioners that two very excellent nominations were received, and the decision was difficult.

- b) Idling Control Bylaw – Vice-Chair Pineo

It was moved by Vice-Chair Dale Pineo, seconded by Commissioner Stevens that a Idling Control Bylaw for New Minas be drafted and submitted to the County of Kings for consideration. MOTION CARRIED

The Clerk Treasurer was requested by the Commission to draft a proposed Idling Control Bylaw.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION PERIOD

Mr. Mark Redmond, Resident – Mr. Redmond commented that the County of Kings' proposal to move its offices and other venues to a new facility to New Minas has caused public concern from the Town of Kentville. He suggested the Village Commission might consider sending along an announcement to Kings County Council welcoming their proposal to locate in New Minas.

Chair Chaulk stated he doesn't think it would be appropriate for the Commission to do that, not that he wouldn't like to see it happen, but he feels it would be inappropriate

for the Commission to comment on Kentville's potential misfortune of losing the Municipal offices from their Town.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Commissioner Redmond, the meeting adjourned.

Dave Chaulk, Chair

Terry Silver, Clerk Treasurer