

**VILLAGE OF NEW MINAS**  
**REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING**  
**NOVEMBER 10, 2008**  
**7:00 p.m.**

The regular monthly meeting of the Village Commission of New Minas was held on Monday, November 10, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. in the Civic Center.

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Vice-Chair Dale Pineo, Chairing Meeting  
Commissioner Dean Hatt  
Commissioner James Redmond  
Commissioner Maynard Stevens  
Clerk Treasurer Terry Silver

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:** Councillor Chris Parker, District 10  
Peter Pothier, Superintendent of Public Works

**REGRETS:** Chair Dave Chaulk

**CALL TO ORDER**

Vice-Chair Pineo called the meeting to order. Vice-Chair Pineo welcomed everyone to the meeting and acknowledged Councillor Chris Parker, District 10.

Vice-Chair Pineo sent along condolences from the Commission and Staff to Dave and Mary Lou Chaulk and family on the loss of Mary Lou's father, Mr. Fred Weidhaas, stating our thoughts and prayers are with them at this sad time.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** November 10, 2008

**It was moved by Commissioner Redmond, seconded by Commissioner Hatt that the Agenda for the regular Commission meeting of November 10, 2008 be approved as presented. MOTION CARRIED**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Regular Commission Meeting October 20, 2008

**It was moved by Commissioner Stevens, seconded by Commissioner Hatt, that the minutes of the regular Commission meeting of October 20, 2008 be approved as circulated. MOTION CARRIED**

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

a) **Association of NS Villages Report – Commissioner Stevens**  
Commissioner Stevens read a report from the Association of Nova Scotia Villages (attached to original minutes).

**It was moved by Commissioner Stevens, seconded by Commissioner Hatt that the report presented by Commissioner Stevens of the recent AGM of the Association of Nova Scotia Villages be accepted as presented. MOTION CARRIED**

**b) Fire Services Task Force – Representative – Update**

Commissioner Redmond stated that the Fire Services Task Force has not met since his appointment by the Commission.

**It was moved by Commissioner Stevens, seconded by Commissioner Hatt, that *Fire Services Task Force* be included on the Commission’s regular monthly Agenda under “Committee Reports”. MOTION CARRIED**

**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 Hatt that the report of the New Minas Water Commission be accepted as presented. MOTION CARRIED**

**b) 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**

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

Vice-Chair Pineo presented the report of the Recreation Advisory Committee. He highlighted the following items:

- Celebration of Lights – organizing continues
- Skateboard Park file – RCMP have reported they are continuing to monitor the Skateboard Park and maintains an active file.
- Grants – The Village continues to apply for grants through the province and County of Kings
- Golfview Park grant approved by the province; however, the Village was unable to provide funding for the project in the 2008/2009 budget
- King Arthur Park – County advised there is a maximum grant of \$5,000 to assist with green space, and an opportunity for a provincial grant as well; however, the Village was unable to provide funding for the project in the 2008/2009 budget.
- Carey Ann Pineo, the Village’s appointee to the Active Transportation Committee has had to resign as the Village’s representative.

**It was moved by Commissioner Stevens, seconded by Commissioner Hatt that Dale Pineo be appointed by the Village Commission as an interim representative to the Active Transportation Committee until an alternative representative is secured. MOTION CARRIED**

**It was moved by Commissioner Stevens, seconded by Commissioner Hatt that the report of the Recreation Advisory Committee be accepted as presented. MOTION CARRIED**

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

Commissioner Hatt reported that there was no meeting of the Transportation Advisory Committee; therefore no report.

**e) 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee – Commissioner Maynard Stevens**

Commissioner Stevens read the report of the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee (attached to original minutes). The Committee had its final meeting in November, 2008.

**It was moved by Commissioner Stevens, seconded by Commissioner Redmond that Certificates of Appreciation be presented to Ms. Holly Thompson, Mr. Greg Whynot and Mr. Laurence Coldwell, for their participation and dedication to the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee. MOTION CARRIED**

Vice-Chair Pineo acknowledged Commissioner Stevens and the Committee for their great work in bringing all the events to the Village to commemorate the Village's 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Incorporation. He noted in particular Commissioner Stevens' hard work and dedication to the Committee.

**It was moved by Commissioner Stevens, seconded by Commissioner Redmond that the report of the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee be approved as presented. MOTION CARRIED.**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**a) Proclamation – CPR Awareness Month November 2008**

Vice Chair Pineo read the Proclamation for November is CPR Awareness Month.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

**a) Copy of Letter from Larry Priestnall, Coach Valley Bulldogs**

A letter from Larry Priestnall, Valley Bulldog Coach was presented to the Commission for information.

**b) Letter from David O'Connell, Site Remediation Specialist Imperial Oil**

A letter from Mr. David O'Connell, Imperial Oil was presented to the Commission for information. This letter relates to the remediation of the former Esso Service Station

9088 Commercial Street, and the Clerk's request to Imperial Oil for accountability and responsibility for the site.

### **PUBLIC DISCUSSION PERIOD**

Councillor Chris Parker – Councillor Parker introduced himself as one of New Minas' County Councillors (due to new boundary changes, the Village has been split into 2 districts, 10 and 11). He stated he will report any Village issues to the County Council, and any Council issues back to the Village Commission.

He stated he is Chair of a committee which is doing a study of the trails in Kings County. He reported the Committee is looking at partnerships, and advised the Commission that if they identify any needs now or in the future, contact should be made with Mr. Bob Suffron.

Councillor Parker advised the Commission that there is *New Horizons for Seniors Program* where up to \$25,000 may be available to the Village for building renovations. He offered to provide information for Commission use, stating the deadline is November 14<sup>th</sup>.

Councillor Parker stated he is also aware of funding for trails up to \$100,000 (50% funding).

### **ADJOURNMENT**

**On motion of Commission Redmond, the meeting adjourned.**

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**Dale Pineo, Vice-Chair**

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**Terry Silver, Clerk Treasurer**