

VILLAGE OF NEW MINAS
REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING
JUNE 11, 2012
7:00 p.m., Civic Center
A G E N D A

The regular monthly meeting of the Village Commission of New Minas was held on June 11, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in the Civic Center.

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

Also in Attendance: Lynn Spencer, Admin Assistant/Accountant
Gordon Silver, Resident
John Owen, Resident
John Ansara, Recreation Director

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Chaulk called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone to the meeting

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: June 11, 2012

It was moved by Commissioner Redmond, seconded by Vice-Chair Stevens that the Agenda for the June 11th, 2012 Commission meeting be approved as presented. MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Regular Commission Meeting May 14, 2012

It was moved by Commissioner Redmond, seconded by Vice-Chair Stevens, that the minutes of the regular Commission meeting of May 14th, 2012 be approved as presented. MOTION CARRIED

Special Commission Meeting June 7, 2012

It was moved by Vice-Chair Stevens, seconded by Commissioner Redmond that the minutes of the Special Commission meeting held June 7, 2012 be approved as presented. MOTION CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTESa) Boundary Expansion – June 11, 2012 – Hearing Begins

T. Silver advised that the UARB Hearing for the Village's application to expand its boundaries started today, and that the Village staff and experts gave evidence today. She stated tomorrow would hear the property owners and Millett Trust, and on Wednesday and beyond the County of Kings would give evidence.

b) Facility Update➤ Fundraising – Update John Ansara

John Ansara stated that he and Commissioner Hatt continue to meet with business owners in the Village. He stated the response is slow, but was glad to report he has received a cheque from Wal-Mart of \$2,000.

c) Lease – Windsor to Hantsport Rail – Report from Staff

T. Silver stated that the Supt of Public Works, the Village's Engineer, the Rec Director have all been working towards getting a definitive solution to the concerns regarding the rail bed erosion issues. John Ansara has spoken with Mr. Rick Jacques, the County's trail co-ordinator, and it was hoped that Mr. Jacques could attend this meeting to answer questions from the Commissioners. The Commission agreed to defer this decision to the July 2012 Commission meeting.

d) Security at Skateboard Park – Update

T. Silver advised that there have been no incidences reported from the Skateboard Park. She stated she had spoken with Jean-Guy Richard from the RCMP today and he had said also that they had not received any complaints, and were continuing to monitor the Skateboard Park as time and personnel permit. T. Silver advised he will be attending an upcoming Commission meeting to give an annual report.

e) Naming of the new Village Facility

T. Silver stated the Commission had intended to come up with possible official names for the Village's new facility. To date, Commissioner Hatt had presented two names, and these have been kept on file. The Commission asked staff to request the public to help presenting possible names for the new facility, and these will be brought forth to the next Commission meeting.

f) Sale of Civic Center – Update

T. Silver advised that nothing new has been forthcoming from the process to sell the old Civic Center/Village office. She stated that there has been a public information session held by the New Minas Area Advisory Committee on the buyer's rezoning application, and that process is on-going.

COMMITTEE REPORTSa) Recreation Director's Report – John Ansara

The Commission had previously received the Recreation Director's monthly report, and Chair Chaulk asked if there were any questions for John. Commissioner Pineo asked if there has been any activity with the Active Transportation Committee by the County. John responded that he hasn't heard anything lately, but as far as he knows, the Committee is still in existence.

It was moved by Commissioner Pineo, seconded by Vice-Chair Stevens that the report of the Recreation Director be approved as presented. MOTION CARRIED

b) Water Commission Report

Commissioner Stevens advised there was no Water Commission meeting and no report. He advised that the next meeting of the Water Commission will be a Budget meeting on Monday, June 18th at 8:00 a.m.

b) Area Advisory Committee – Commissioner Dean Hatt

Commissioner Hatt advised there was no Area Advisory Committee meeting and no report.

NEW BUSINESSa) Village Commission Annual General Meeting – date

Chair Chaulk advised that the Annual General Meeting of the Village Commission will be held on Thursday, June 28th at 7:00 p.m. in the Civic Center.

b) Village Wellness/Fitness Incentive Program

At the June 7th Budget meeting, the Commission requested that the issue of the Wellness/Fitness Incentive Program for staff be reviewed at the June Commission meeting.

It was moved by Commissioner Hatt, seconded by Commissioner Pineo that the Wellness/Fitness Incentive Program be tabled to the July Commission meeting. MOTION CARRIED

OTHER ADDED ITEMS

CORRESPONDENCE

PUBLIC DISCUSSION PERIOD

Mr. John Owen, Resident – Mr. Owen stated he had attended the first day of the NSUARB Hearing for the Village’s application to expand its boundaries, and wanted to commend the Village and their representatives for being well prepared and for presenting their case in a comprehensive manner.

Chair Chaulk thanked Mr. Owen for taking the time to attend the hearing and for his positive comments.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Commissioner Redmond, the meeting adjourned.

Dave Chaulk, Chair

Terry Silver, Clerk Treasurer