

NEW MINAS WATER COMMISSION
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
Wednesday Jan 20, 2016
BOARD ROOM, LMCC
7:00 pm

AGENDA

The regular monthly meeting of the New Minas Water Commission was held on Wednesday, January 20, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the Louis Millett Community Complex (LMCC).

In Attendance: Chair Maynard Stevens
Vice-Chair Robert Horne
Village Commissioner Dave Chaulk
Village Commissioner James Redmond
Citizen Member Scott Crowell
A/Supt of Public Works, Gerard Hamilton
Village Engineer, Doug Seamone
Clerk Treasurer, Terry Silver

Also in Attendance: Gordon Silver, Resident

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Stevens called the meeting to order.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – JANUARY 20 2016 Regular Meeting

It was moved by D. Chaulk, seconded by J. Redmond that the Agenda for the regular New Minas Water Commission meeting of January 20, 2016 be approved as presented. MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF REGULAR NEW MINAS WATER COMMISSION MEETING DECEMBER 16, 2015

It was moved by D. Chaulk, seconded by J. Redmond that the minutes of the regular New Minas Water Commission meeting held December 16, 2015 be approved as circulated. MOTION CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

- a) Regional Sewer update and discussion on Governance

Chair Stevens brought the Commission members up to date on the Regional Sewer governance process. He stated that up until recently, the partners of the Regional Sewer Committee had agreed to entertain a possible move toward Inter Municipal Agreements, however, at the last meeting, it was decided by the voting members that each partner review their own Agreements, as well as those of their partners, and aim towards amending the Agreements. Chair Stevens noted that if amendments were made that did not significantly change the Agreements, the partners could keep things as “status quo”.

Chair Stevens stated that a sub-Committee was set up to review the Agreements and to prepare a report making recommendations on the Village of New Minas' Agreement with the County. He said the Committee consisted of himself, Doug Seamone, Terry Silver, Gerard Hamilton and Lynn Spencer, and he stated that before them is a report of the Committee's findings and recommendations (attached to the original minutes). He said it was his hope to present this report to the Regional Sewer meeting tomorrow (January 21st, 2016).

Chair Stevens then asked Doug Seamone to give a brief overview of the report, and Doug explained the details in the report to the Commission.

It was moved by J. Redmond, seconded by S. Crowell that the report for recommendations for changes to the Village's Regional Sewer Agreement with the County of Kings (report entitled "*Critique of New Minas Regional Sewer Agreement*"), be approved for submission to the Regional Sewer Committee. MOTION CARRIED

DEPARTMENTAL MONTHLY REPORT – Gerard Hamilton

G. Hamilton reviewed his Departmental Report (attached to the original minutes) with the Commission and answered questions.

It was moved by J. Redmond, seconded by B. Horne that the Departmental Monthly Report as presented by G. Hamilton be approved as presented. MOTION CARRIED

OTHER BUSINESS

D. Chaulk brought up a question regarding process for disclosing information about staff, and the topic was discussed in general. The Clerk agreed to update the Commission on staffing matters that are not considered confidential.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of J. Redmond, the meeting adjourned.

Maynard Stevens, Chair

Terry Silver, Clerk Treasurer