

PUGWASH VILLAGE COMMISSION
Regular Meeting #445
9th January 2023 at 7pm
Board Room, Pugwash Village Hall

Meeting Number 445

1 CALL TO ORDER

- 1.1 Chair Brent Wilson called the meeting to order at 7:03pm.
- 1.2 **Territorial Acknowledgment** – read by Commission Chair Wilson.

2 ROLL CALL

Commissioners: Chair Brent Wilson
Vice Chair Sue Duncan
Commissioner Roger Mundle
Commissioner Margaret Anderson
Commissioner Dave MacEwan

Staff: Clerk Treasurer, Lisa Betts (recording secretary)

3 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

- 3.1 **IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Mundle and seconded by Commissioner Anderson to approve the agenda as presented.**
MOTION CARRIED

4 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 4.1 **IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Mundle and seconded by Commissioner Anderson to approve the minutes of regular meeting 444, held December 12th 2022.**
MOTION CARRIED

5 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

- 5.1 None.

6 ACTION LIST – actions completed

- 6.1 **Trees at Community Garden property**
A quote has been accepted and the trees will be removed once weather and equipment permit.
- 6.2 **Lease Agreement - Farmers' Market**
With all signing officers present and additional people available as witnesses, this will be signed after the meeting.

7 PRESENTATION

None.

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8 CORRESPONDENCE

8.1 Letter to Minister Masland (NS Dept. Public Works)

The letter from the Village is yet to be acknowledged by the Minister.
The Clerk will pursue this further.

8.2 Trees overhanging the travelled portion of Village roads

A letter will be sent to all residents of the Village asking property owners to trim trees or branches away from the travelled portion of the road.

9 COMMITTEE REPORTS

9.1 Standing Committees

9.1.1 Accessibility [Betts]

No report

9.1.2 Association of Nova Scotia Villages (ANSV) [Duncan]

A Zoom/in person quarterly meeting will be held January 20th by/at Bible Hill. Preparations for the September conference and AGM in Pugwash will start soon.

9.1.3 Audit Committee [Duncan]

No report

9.1.4 CN Train Station [MacEwan/Wilson]

Committee chair Houghtaling reported that funding applications have been made that, if successful, would pay for the largest part of the currently planned project. The Village will apply for funding for other renovations or repairs that are also required.

9.1.5 Policy Review [MacEwan/Wilson]

No report

9.2 Special Committees

None

9.3 Advisory Committees

None

9.4 Community Committees or organizations with Village Commission/staff representation.

9.4.1 Communities in Bloom (CIB) [Betts]

No report.

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9.4.2 **Physician Recruitment and Retention** [Duncan/MacEwan]
From the gallery, Bill Martin was invited to report that the funding application mentioned at the December meeting has been completed, with some feedback already received. The successful applications will be announced next month.

9.5 **Clerk Treasurer's Reports** [Betts]

9.5.1 **Christmas Cheer Day**

This event, cancelled for the past few years due to COVID-19, was cancelled again, due to weather. The hot chocolate and other treats were taken to the school instead. This was very much enjoyed by the students and staff on a otherwise dreary last day of school.

9.5.2 **RV Pumping Station**

By motion, a request was made to the Municipality to provide a pumping station for recreational vehicles (September 2021. Minute #428.12.4). The Municipality asks that this service be coordinated by the Village. The Village commission agreed that the service would be appreciated but is not currently considered essential. Any new or additional requests may re-activate research into providing this service.

9.5.3 **Financial**

Budget 2024 - Information items have been issued and preliminary meetings are started.

Grants – a wide variety of grants are available at this time. The Clerk is applying for any which the Village qualifies. Suggestions of any fund that may have otherwise been missed are welcome.

11 MOTIONS

11.1 None.

12 NOTICE OF MOTION

12.1 None.

13 NEW OR OTHER BUSINESS

13.1 The next regular Village meeting will be 7pm, 13th February, 2023.

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14 ADJOURNMENT

- 14.1 The meeting was adjourned at 7:30pm by motion from Commissioner Mundle.

Respectfully submitted
Lisa Betts
Clerk Treasurer

Chair _____

Clerk Treasurer _____