

VILLAGE OF GAGETOWN

Minutes of Regular Meeting of Council

February 16th, 2015

- Location: Gagetown Municipal Office
 - Attendance: Present – Mayor Blaney, Councillor Massoeurs, Councillor Ratliffe, Councillor Perry, Clerk – Connie May
Absent with regrets – Deputy Mayor Pleadwell
1. Meeting was called to order by Mayor Blaney at 6:30 pm.
 2. Approval of Agenda
 - Call for motion to approve Agenda after time for review with the following changes, item 10 (Closed Session) removed and item 8c) (Sales of two lots on Harts Lake) added.
 - I. Moved by Councillor Perry and seconded by Councillor Massoeurs to approve agenda - with no questions and all in favour – motion carried.
 3. Approval of Minutes: After time was given for review of the minutes a motion was made to approve as follows:
 - a) Adoption of Regular Meeting of Council – January 19th – Moved by Councillor Ratliffe and seconded by Councillor Perry – with no questions and all in favour – motion carried.
 4. Guests
 - a) Mr. Hoganson advised council that the January meeting of PRAC meeting was postponed due to weather. The report submitted was as of February 4th. Issues involving private roads and widths of private roads were discussed in more detail.
 - b) RCMP – January Report was submitted and it was noted that there were 6 calls in and around the Gagetown area in the month of January. Corp. Andrea Gallant discussed traffic issues, off-road vehicles and reminded council to call if there was any issues.
 5. Correspondence
 - a) 2014 Statistics Report from RSC11 – Stephen McAlinden presented and reviewed report at the previous planning meeting. It was formally tabled.
 - b) Rotary Park Variety Show – FYI to all
 - c) Voices for Sustainable Environments event – FYI to all
 - d) February Newsletter – Municipal newsletter was presented as an FYI to all. It was noted that the Rotary Park was assisted by allowing them to use the back page of the newsletter so they could advertise the Variety Show at no cost to them.
 6. Business Arising From Minutes:
 - a) Speed Limit Change on Route 102 – the DTI traffic department is willing to work with us on this. The Clerk is arranging a meeting.
 - b) Surveying of Lower Vail Road – to be brought forward to next meeting.
 - c) Equipment Quote – awaiting a revised quote – to be brought forward to next meeting.
 - d) Wharf repairs – no update
 - e) Economic Development Meetings – no update
 - f) DTI – Next year's priorities – no update

7. Councillor's Reports

- Deputy Mayor Pleadwell
 - a) Tourism and Beautification – No report
 - b) EMO
 - Clerk reported on EMO courses attended by herself and Fire Chief Perry. The following certifications were received: Basic Emergency Management, Emergency Site Management and Emergency Operations Center.
 - Jason Cooling will be working with us to revised and register our Emergency Plan. Appointment of Emergency Operations Center Coordinator to be discussed at the next meeting.
 - c) Finance
 - Financial reports were distributed by the clerk and reviewed.
 - Payables were presented for payment as follows:
 - General Payables - \$39,024.35
 - Sewerage Payables – \$8,198.66
 - Motion to approve above as presented, by Councillor Perry, seconded by Councillor Ratliffe – with no questions and all in favour – motion carried.
 - Council was advised that both the General and Sewerage Budgets have been approved and returned by the Department of Local Government. We have received approval from the MCBB regarding the Build Canada Fund – subject to be successful with our project. Hearing for the borrowing for the Sewerage is scheduled for March 9th.
- Councillor Massoeurs
 - a) Buildings & Properties – Nothing to ~~repet.~~ report .
 - b) Human Resources – Application to SEED and Canada Summer Jobs have been submitted. Job description and advertisement for new employee continues to be worked on.
 - c) Animal Control – 2015 Dog Tags are on sale. A reminder was placed in the newsletter.
- Councillor Ratliffe
 - a) Roads
 - Report submitted and discussed.
 - b) Sewerage
 - Inserts for the next sewerage bills will include a reminder of the 'store it – don't pour it' information as well as 'watch what you flush'.
 - c) Councillor Ratliffe also reported on the Orchard View Driving Assistance program.
- Councillor Perry
 - a) Recreation and Youth
 - It was reported that the Rec Center Board was really pleased with the grant for 2015.
 - New programs are Adopt a Grandparent, 3 on 3 Mini Basketball, Power Hour Homework Club and March Break Camp.
 - Annual General Meeting is on March 25th.
 - b) Fire Department
 - The Fire Department received, at no cost, a "new to us" vehicle. Thank you will be sent to our MP John Williamson who helped us procure this from the Base Gagetown Fire Department. It will be used as a multi-purpose response vehicle and has off road capabilities.

- Base Gagetown should be called to plow the Lawfield Road before it gets too soft incase it is needed during the spring thaw.
- Four members attended ice rescue training and there are now seven that are qualified.
- As previously mentioned, the Fire Chief attend EMO courses.
- Quite month for calls – one chimney checked for blockage. It was mentioned that people staying home when possible during the storms helped decrease the possible number of calls and the First Responders appreciated that.
- An electrical issue in the Fire Hall was reported. Repairs will be done once the choice between LED and florescent lighting has been made.
- Further training is coming up and GAHSA will be coming to visit the FD and support will be sought to assist in getting calls for ambulance runs.

- Mayor Blaney

- a) Policing

- Appraisal came in at a little over \$100,000. A structural inspection has also been done but no cost associated for the suggested work was supplied. RSC11 will be asked if they can help us cost this. We are still waiting on the Right to Information Request response on the selling price of other detachments in the province.

- b) Regional Service Commission

- Approval was given at the last meeting to go ahead with the tender for scrubbers. This will help with the quality of gas, increase revenue and reduce the odour.
 - A proposal on the Playhouse rebuild was shared. It was not passed at the meeting but will be brought forward.

- c) Mayor's Report

- Update on Habitat for Humanity still pending.
 - Steamship Tour information was shared with Council. Several concerns about docking against our wharf were expressed. Clerk will follow up with organizers.

8. New Business

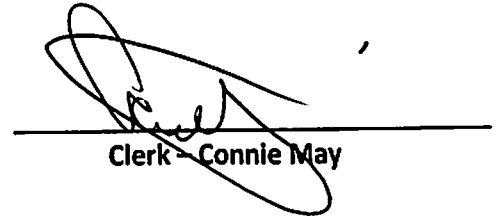
- a) New Streetlight Request – 44 Knorr Road. A request for a new street light was received. Council was asked to go past the site at dark and the issue will be brought forward at next meeting.
- b) Responsive website – the current website will no longer be supported and the clerk is looking for approval to move ahead with a new and improved website. This will be a responsive website that can be viewed on any mobile devise. Motion to proceed with website update and expenditure of \$1522.68 made by Councillor Massoeurs and seconded by Councillor Ratliffe. With no questions and all in favour – motion carried.
- c) Motion to place notice in paper of intent to sell two lots on Harts Lake and set the asking price of \$80,000 per lot was moved by Councillor Massoeurs and seconded by Councillor Ratliffe. It was stated that Market Value was approximately \$65,000 per lot. With no further questions and all in favour – motion carried.

9. Other Business

- Councillor Ratliffe shared that he had submitted a response to the call for cost cutting ideas from the Province. The submission was made by him as an individual and not as a councillor. He summarized the submission for council.

10. Next Regular Council Meeting will be Monday, March 16th @ 6:30 pm, planning session – Thursday, March 12th @6:30pm.
11. Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:05pm by Councillor Massoeurs.


Mayor – Mike Blaney


Clerk – Connie May