

PUGWASH VILLAGE COMMISSION  
Regular Meeting #340  
18th August, 2014 at 7pm  
Pugwash Village Hall

**Minute Number 340**

**PRESENT**

Kathy Redmond (Chair), Roger Mundle (Vice Chair) and Christie Blackie

**RECORDING SECRETARY**

Lisa Betts

**CALL TO ORDER**

340.1 The Commission of the Village of Pugwash met at 7:05pm in the Village Hall Board Room on 18th August, 2014.

**REGRETS**

340.2 Commissioner Farley is away and Commissioner Gould is working. Councillor Gillis sent regrets as he is away.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**MOTION**

340.3 It was moved by Chair Redmond that the agenda be adopted as amended.  
**MOTION CARRIED**

**APPROVAL OF REGULAR MINUTES**

**MOTION**

340.4 It was moved by Commissioner Mundle and seconded by Commissioner Blackie that the minutes of regular meeting 340, held June 16<sup>th</sup>, 2014 be approved.  
**MOTION CARRIED**

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

340.5 None

**PRESENTATION**

340.6 **Canadian Red Cross – 72 Hour Preparedness – Caleb Stark**

The Red Cross is responsible for disasters – before, during and after the disaster. This program is designed to help prepare for a disaster. (<http://www.redcross.ca/what-we-do/emergencies-and-disasters-in-canada/for-home-and-family>)

The importance of knowing where to find important documents, medications and other important personal belongings in the case of emergency was

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discussed. Pre-assembled kits for home, car and emergency evacuation were also discussed.

There will be workshops/presentations at the Tidnish Community Centre on August 25<sup>th</sup> and planned in Pugwash on August 26<sup>th</sup>.

Mike Johnson, the new Regional Emergency Management Coordinator from the Municipality of Cumberland County was introduced to the meeting. He will meet with the Clerk soon to discuss disaster preparedness for the Village.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Pugwash and Area Master Plan - Infrastructure – Municipal Water**

340.7 No report

**Pugwash and Area Master Plan – Multi-purpose Centre (MPC)**

340.8 The appraisal of the primary site has been completed. The County will meet with the property owners soon.

**Pugwash and Area Master Plan – Tourism – Visitor Information Centre (VIC)**

340.9 The Clerk reported that the VIC statistics. Since the VIC opened in mid/late May (667 hours); 326 visitors have been “counselled” (helped to find directions, accommodations etc) and 311 have been “considered” (come to the VIC to pick up guides, but not required assistance). The Clerk said she was very pleased with these numbers, given there is yet to be any highway signage erected.

**Pugwash and Area Master Plan - Collaboration and Communication (CCAT)**

340.10 The new side walks alongside the Pugwash Parks Commission (PPC) property (Eaton Dining Hall/Lobster Factory) needs to be graded to better tie in to that property. This is the responsibility of the PPC.

**Gathering of the Clans**

340.11 The Clerk/Coordinator submitted written and financial reports (see attached). The gross income at \$15,340.36 is 4% higher than last year. The year end has been changed to September 30<sup>th</sup> as expenses for the festival start in the previous autumn. The Coordinator is also working to show a separation between The Gathering of the Clans and Canada Day. Both events go on at the same time, but for the purposes of some funding sources, the events have to be shown separately.

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**Association of Nova Scotia Village (ANSV) Conference and AGM**

340.12 Pugwash will host the ANSV Conference on September 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>.

**Communities in Bloom**

340.13 The planters have worked out very well. Summer student, Colby Stevens, has done a great job looking after the flowers. The hanging baskets have had patchy success. The Clerk reported that CIB is considering whether to have hanging baskets again next year.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Fireworks**

340.14 The Clerk reported that are complaints about fireworks from residents of the Village and surrounding cottage areas every summer. The existing County noise by-law should be used to better effect. The Village will post the by-law for fireworks consumers to see what the rules are in Cumberland County. The information will be made available to vendors to distribute if they wish.

**YMCA Partnership**

340.15 The Clerk will continue negotiations with the YMCA in Amherst to see if a partnership to share recreational activities can be organized, for example swimming lessons.

**Bernie White, Registered Parliamentarian**

340.16 Chair Redmond said there are many procedures and rules to do with running meetings that most people do not know. Mr White will be speaking to the ANSV convention on the 19<sup>th</sup>. Chair Redmond said that this would be an excellent opportunity to have Mr White speak to the general public in Pugwash for much less money than if he were to make a stand alone public presentation.

**MOTION**

**340.17 It was moved by Commissioner Mundle and seconded by Commissioner Blackie that the Village should invite Bernie White to make a presentation in Pugwash for the general public.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**CORRESPONDENCE**

**Tides Inn**

340.18 Letter of complaint about some raucous behaviours on Dinghy Beach. The Commissioners agreed that most young people in the village are well behaved

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but there are occasions when individuals become too noisy or destructive and the RCMP should be notified. A letter has already been sent to that effect.

**Cyrus Eaton Elementary School**

340.19 Letter of thanks for the bursary funds sent to the school in May.

**Special Olympics**

340.20 Thank you for Village pins that the athletes used to trade with others at the games in Vancouver this summer.

**Maggie Stone**

340.21 Thank you for being chosen as Parade Marshall for the Gathering of the Clans.

**Rev. Meggin King**

340.22 Copy of letter of commendation of O'Brien's PharmaChoice who went to special efforts to help a cancer patient.

**Communities in Bloom (CIB)**

340.23 Upon request from Communities in Bloom, Chair Redmond made the proclamation:

"The Pugwash Village Commission declares that Saturday, September 27<sup>th</sup> 2014 will be Pugwash Volunteer Recognition Day"

There was some discussion of the species of trees that CIB would like to plant in Eaton Park as shade trees at the PeaceGround. There was some concern of too many trees changing the viewscape from and across the park. The Commissioners would like to have final approval of what kind of trees is planted. The Commission will cost share for the appreciation day lunch, as they have in recent years.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

340.24 **It was moved by Commissioner Mundle and seconded by Commissioner Blackie that the Treasurer's un-audited report be approved as presented.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

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**INFORMATION ITEMS**

**340.25**

- Advisory Panel on District Health Authority Consolidation. Peter Lewis will be representing Pugwash and area at the new panel.
- Margaret King Memorial Park, September 27<sup>th</sup>
- The Clerk will be away from the office September 1<sup>st</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup>
- The next Village Commission Meeting will be on Monday, September 15<sup>th</sup> at 7pm

**ADJOURNMENT**

**340.26 The meeting was adjourned at 8:20pm**

Respectfully submitted  
Lisa Betts  
Clerk Treasurer

Chair \_\_\_\_\_

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