

PUGWASH VILLAGE COMMISSION

Regular Meeting #355

19th October, 2015 at 7pm

Pugwash Village Hall

Minute Number 355

PRESENT

Kathy Redmond (chair), Roger Mundle, Charlie Gould, Christie Blackie and Florence Batiot

RECORDING SECRETARY

Lisa Betts

CALL TO ORDER

355.1 The Commission of the Village of Pugwash met in the Board Room at the Pugwash Village Hall on 19th October, 2015. Chair Redmond called the meeting to order

REGRETS

355.2 None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION

355.3 It was moved by Commissioners Gould and Mundle that the agenda be adopted.

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION

355.4 It was moved by Commissioner Batiot and seconded by Commissioner Blackie that the minutes of regular meeting 354, held 21st September, 2015 be approved as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

355.5 **Auditor's invoice.** After some discussion between commissioners and questions of the Clerk, the commission agreed that the outstanding amount be paid but should be accompanied by a letter to the auditors request that at their next audit they keep better track of their hours and advise the Clerk when they have approached 75% of their allocated time on the audit. The letter will request assurance that the quoted amount for the 2016 audit (\$5,600) be confirmed and that there will be no need for any additional work.

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355.6 It was moved by Commissioner Blackie and seconded by Commissioner Batiot that the outstanding amount of the invoice be paid.

MOTION CARRIED

PRESENTATION

None

OLD BUSINESS

Pugwash and Area Master Plan – Infrastructure Action Team – Municipal Water

355.7 No report.

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

355.8 No report. A meeting to update committee members is planned for October 20th. It was confirmed that Commissioner Blackie is the current Commission member of the committee.

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

355.9 No report.

Pugwash and Area Master Plan - Collaboration and Communication

355.10 No report

Association of Municipal Administrator, Nova Scotia (AMANS) Conference and AGM

355.11 The Clerk reported on several of the conference sessions.

NEW BUSINESS

Municipal Government Act Review

355.12 The Clerk reported that the review is being conducted very quickly. The last of the public forum events is in New Minas on October 27th.

CORRESPONDENCE

Communities in Bloom

355.13 An e-mail request that the Village Commission consider partnering with CIB in salvaging the old lighthouse from Pugwash Point. The commissioners agreed that the Village should not get involved in this project until more is known of how the plans for waterfront development are progressing.

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355.14 A concern was expressed by many of the commissioners that CIB sometimes starts projects and later asks the Village to contribute financially or for staff assistance. CIB should be asked to approach the Village for help at the earliest stages of planning development.

355.15 A committee will be struck to look at gifts and donations and the policy as to how to administer that budgeted amount. This should include in kind (labour) assistance.

TREASURER'S REPORT

MOTION

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

MOTION CARRIED

INFORMATION ITEMS

355.17 Waterfront Development Project – Pubic meetings on October 29th

355.18 YREACH video launch party – November 6th, Amherst YMCA

355.19 HortEast, a horticultural trade show and convention, is hosted by Moncton this year and will be held November 23/25th.

355.20 Christmas-by-the-Sea in Pugwash will be December 4th.

MOTION

355.21 It was moved by Commissioner Mundle and seconded by Commissioner Blackie that the December meeting date is changed from the 21st to the 14th.

355.22 The next Village Commission regular meeting will be on Monday, November 16th at 7pm

ADJOURNMENT

355.23 The meeting was adjourned at 8:12pm

Respectfully submitted

Lisa Betts

Clerk Treasurer

Chair _____

Clerk Treasurer _____