

PUGWASH VILLAGE COMMISSION
Regular Meeting #409
9th December, 2019 at 7pm
Pugwash Village Hall

Minute Number 409

CALL TO ORDER

409.1 Chair Tracey Mundle called the meeting to order at 7pm.

ROLL CALL

409.2 Commissioners: Chair Tracey Mundle
Commissioner Charles Gould
Commissioner Bill Martin
Commissioner Kathy Redmond

Staff: Clerk Treasurer, Lisa Betts (recording secretary)

Regrets: Vice Chair Roger Mundle

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

409.3 Commissioners Gould requested that item 12.1 "Request for Leave of Absence" be added to the agenda.

MOTION

409.4 It was moved by Commissioner Redmond and seconded by Commissioner Gould that the agenda be accepted as amended. MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

409.5 Commissioner Martin said that the wording be changed in minute 408.4 to remove the word "radio".

MOTION

409.6 It was moved by Commissioner Gould and seconded by Commissioner Martin that the minutes of regular meeting 408, held 18th November 2019 be approved as amended. MOTION CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

409.7 None

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PRESENTATION

409.8 None

CORRESPONDENCE

Nova Scotia Department of Justice

409.9 Information and timelines on The Accessibility Act. Prescribed bodies (public sector bodies) must form accessibility advisory committee and have a plan in place. The communique relays that public bodies may form joint committees.

MOTION

409.10 It was moved by Commissioner Martin and seconded by Commissioner Gould that a letter to the Municipality be sent requesting representation on their accessibility committee. MOTION CARRIED

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Clerk Treasurer's Report

409.11 The Clerk reported that the insurance investigators will return to Pugwash to inspect storm damage to the seawall sustained during post tropical cyclone Dorian in September. Damage to the boardwalk has been established but the company had not understood that damage to the seawall resulted in a situation that a repaired boardwalk would be damaged again in the next severe storm without the protection of an adequately repaired seawall would provide.

Internet has been installed at the Harbourfront Centre. The C@P Site internet has been recently disconnected.

The financial report was presented. The Clerk will request the second installment of the Village tax levy. Not all seasonal employment has yet been allocated to the correct accounts.

Pugwash Harbourfront Centre (PHC)

409.12 The Clerk gave an update on the Temporary Borrowing Resolution. The paperwork should all be completed in the next couple of weeks.

Commissioner Martin said that the PHC should not have been reported as "closed" in the recent village newsletter as this suggests it is not available for use until next year. The building is not winterized and thus the backstage area is not open but the stage itself is still available. There was some discussion as to how and when the building should be available and when or how any fees for use

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could be applied to for-profit groups or rentals. Research a facility use policy is in progress. The Clerk asked that any inquiries be directed to her office.

Communities in Bloom

409.13 There was good local participation in Pugwash and area in the first annual “Festival of Lights”. It is hoped the festival will continue and expand.

There will be a meeting January 3rd to start planning the “Great Pugwash Tree Blitz” with the idea of replacing at least 50 trees. There were many trees lost during post tropical cyclone Dorian.

The Clerk reported that the community Christmas tree was a blow down from the same storm and it took help from several members of the community to get it down, transported and back up again at the train station. There are hopes to find a tree to plant to eventually become a permanent community tree.

Physician Recruitment & Retention

409.14 Commissioner Martin reported that there has been no meeting of the committee recently. A physician and her family who were shown around Pugwash (and other communities) have chosen to settle in Tatamagouche. It is hoped that this will still have an indirect positive effect on Pugwash

MOTIONS

409.15 None

NOTICE OF MOTIONS

409.16 None

NEW OR OTHER BUSINESS

409.17 Commissioner Gould read a resolution: Whereas I, Commissioner Charles Gould, will be absent from the Village for a period of time and whereas that time includes three consecutive regular commission meetings, therefore let be it resolved that the Pugwash Village Commission approve a leave of absence for January to March 2020 inclusive.

MOTION

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409.18 It was moved by Commissioner Redmond and seconded by Commissioner Martin that Commissioner Gould be granted a three month Leave of Absence.

MOTION CARRIED

409.19 The next regular meeting of the Pugwash Village Commission will be Monday, 7pm January 13th, 2020

ADJOURNMENT

409.20 The meeting was adjourned at 7:50pm by motion of Commissioner Redmond.

Respectfully submitted

Lisa Betts

Clerk Treasurer

Chair _____

Clerk Treasurer _____