

MINUTES OF APRIL 27, 2009

REGULAR MEETING

A regular meeting of Council was held April 27, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. with Mayor Keating presiding. All members of Council and Administrator/Clerk were present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was moved by Councillor Kitchen and seconded by Councillor Wilson that the '*Agenda be approved.*' Motion Carried.

2008 AUDIT

Roger Bastarache and Janet Robb from LeBlanc Nadeau Bujold presented the 2008 Audited Financial Statements to Council. The audit showed the following results:

	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>
<u>General Capital Fund</u>		
Capital Assets	\$ 3,997,566	\$ 3,899,793
<u>General Operating Fund</u>		
Surplus (Deficit) For the Year	\$ 19,039	\$ (5,521)
<u>Utility Capital Fund</u>		
Capital Assets	\$ 4,311,280	\$ 4,305,180
<u>Utility Operation Fund</u>		
Surplus For the Year	\$ 45,729	\$ 33,989
Accumulated Surplus	\$ 107,949	\$ 65,570
<u>Reserve Funds</u>		
General Capital Reserve Fund	\$ 446,056	\$ 395,470
Utility Capital Reserve Fund	\$ 269,271	\$ 226,416

Mayor and Clerk will sign the audited financial statements and two copies will be forwarded to the Minister in Fredericton as required. Mayor and Council thanked Roger Bastarache and Janet Robb for their hard work and they both left the meeting at this time.

BILLS FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL

It was moved by Councillor Kitchen and seconded by Councillor Lamb to '*Pay the bills for the month of April.*' Motion Carried.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES:

Gas Tax Rebate

Clerk spoke to Rob Moores' office about the Gas Tax Rebate. The rebate has been doubled this year from the first of the five years, but starting in 2010 for the next four years it is doubled. We will meet to discuss once the Manager of Works is ready with the work to be completed.

Trueman Street

Clerk tried to contact the Solicitor today and he was not in. This will be discussed again later.

By-Law Reviews

Council must decide what amendments it wants to implement in the Procedure By-Law.

PUBLIC HEARING - Re-zoning of 3207 Main Street

Jamie Burke, GMPDC presented Council and those members of the public in attendance the re-zoning application for 3207 Main Street. This re-zoning will permit a farm equipment sales and services centre as well as the existing uses on the site. This will be subject to terms and conditions. Any additional expansion will also be subject to terms and conditions. No written objections were received. One request from the public was for trees to be planted in front of the fence. After some clarification, it was moved by Councillor Best and seconded by Councillor Wilson to *'Have first and second reading of By-Law 43-4.'* Motion Carried. Councillor Best gave the first and second reading of By-Law 43-4 at this time. After some discussion on trees and where their placement would make sense, Kevin Trites agreed to plant 8 - 10 trees. This will be added to the agreement before the third and final reading. It was suggested that the building permit process be started prior to the final reading.

MENTAL HEALTH - Denise Miller

Denise Miller, Regional Community Worker for Canadian Mental Health Association joined the meeting. Denise Miller explained that she is part of a support team that work with the rural areas. She covers all of Westmorland and Albert County. She has met with Evelyn Robichaud at the Boys & Girls Club and has met with the staff a couple of times. They will be doing a workshop called 'Kids Have Stress Too'. This will help care givers understand that children do have stress, what signs and symptoms to look for, and tools and strategies to help the children. All services are complimentary. She will be in touch with the schools and is willing and able to hold presentations in the area and be part of any community committees. Councillor Best explained there is a group connected with the school that is trying to address issues with the youth. Some of the issues you touched upon are items they would like to be addressing. The Salisbury & District Recreation Council and the Lions Villa may also be interested. Everyone thanked Denise Miller for attending the meeting and will pass her name and information onto others.

JONATHAN CROSBY

Jonathan Crosby joined the meeting. Councillor Kitchen asked Jonathan if he recalls speaking with John Gallant of Touchie Engineering about accepting a lesser standard than what we have in place for base for a certain area? Jonathan does not recall any such conversation.

Jonathan read a letter which will be kept on file. The letter states his disappointment with Council for not keeping him employed on a part time base. He feels Council should consider reorganizing the Works Department as he feels the Works Department could use more employees. He also stated how he disagrees with Village policy, of the individual home owner being responsible for the laterals from their homes to the sewer main. He also mentioned that he and others felt it was Councils intention to build a street from Main Street to Country Side Estates after acquiring the land from NB Power.

Mayor Keating feels Council should meet to discuss Jonathan's letter and then maybe Council will want to meet with Jonathan.

CORRESPONDENCE

The following items were discussed by Council and remaining correspondence placed on file
Village of Petitcodiac - Response to Councils inquiries on the refurbishment of the Petitcodiac Arena.

Council received a response from the Village of Petitcodiac and a package from Councillor Gerald Robinson. Council agreed to met Tuesday at 7:00 pm to discuss this issue.

GMPDC - Application and Processing Fees Quarterly Remittance.

A total of \$868.00 in remittance from application and processing fees from January to March.

Petitcodiac Watershed Alliance - Membership Renewal.

Membership renewal from the Petitcodiac Watershed Alliance. Council agreed to renew its membership.

Petitcodiac Riverkeepers - Riverkeepers to Host Petitcodiac River Run.

Just for Councils information, they will be hosting the Petitcodiac River Run, May 2nd. They will be starting in Petitcodiac and finishing at Highland Park in Salisbury.

RCMP/FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

There was no RCMP or Fire Department Members present to give a report. Mayor Keating was speaking to the Acting Sgt. Martin Marin and St. Sgt Belliveau will be out to meet Council.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Lions Breakfast - April 18th I attended the Lions Club Breakfast.

In Camera Meeting - April 20th I attended the In Camera Meeting

Meeting with DOT - April 21st I attended the meeting with Willard Fram to discuss Route 112.

Recreation Council Meeting - April 26th I attended the annual Recreation Council meeting. It was a good meeting with lots of people in attendance. They are well organized and on their way.

In Camera - Will be having an In Camera near the end of the meeting.

COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS**Councillor Kitchen**

In Camera Meeting - April 20th I attended the In Camera Meeting

Meeting with DOT - April 21st I attended the meeting with Willard Fram to discuss Route 112.

Walkthrough - Manager of Works, GMPDC Officials, Dave Hopper and his Engineering Firm and I completed a walkthrough for deficiencies of the first phase of Hopper Subdivision. This is what prompted the question about the base and sub-base I asked Jonathan earlier.

Ditching - We all received the specifications from the Manager of Works for ditching. I assume we have accepted his specifications/guidelines. It is policy that the Manager of Works approves or disapprove ditching. The only question I have is that if there is more than one driveway, we identify which driveway is accepted and which one is not. This is transferable to any and all new property owners. These specifications address how it is to be done and identifies the responsibilities. The Village is only responsible for 24' of culvert. After much discussion, Council agreed to have a meeting with the Manager of Works to discuss.

Paper Recycling - I received a call today from a gentleman who will be recycling paper and is wondering if there is an opportunity to set up a depot in the Village somewhere? To possibly set up a bin somewhere where people can drop off paper. Council would be willing to meet with him to discuss.

Route 112 - It was moved by Councillor Kitchen and Councillor Wilson that *'Village Council request that ADI conduct all aspects of engineering, design, and construction services for the construction of storm sewer along Route 112 which will include roadway widening and provisions for future curb, gutter and sidewalk.'* Councillor Best questioned where the work would take place. After some clarification, Motion Carried.

Councillor Lamb

Meeting with DOT - April 21st I attended the meeting with DOT to discuss Route 112.

Drug Awareness Meeting - April 22nd I attended the meeting regarding student drug use. Councillor Lamb gave a short review of the meeting and the information learned.

Solicitor - Met with our solicitor.

Funding - Wondering how come all these communities get funding and we are getting nothing? It was pointed out that we already received funding for Waste Water Treatment years ago.

Councillor Wilson

In Camera Meeting - Attended the meeting on April 20th.

Meeting with DOT - Attended the meeting on April 21st.

Recreation Council Meeting - Attended the meeting on April 26th. They will be purchasing a storage container to keep their equipment. There were twenty people in attendance at last night's meeting. Things are looking positive. Councillor Best wondered if the storage container would need a building permit? Councillor Wilson explained that Doug Duff is looking into all that information.

Complaints - I have received complaints again about noise coming from the pub on Fredericton Road after midnight as the weather gets warming.

Councillor Ayles

In Camera Meeting - Attended the meeting on April 20th.

Meeting with DOT - Attended the meeting on April 21st. Very productive.

WASWC - Attended a Westmorland-Albert meeting. First quarter this year is way down. Recyclables are worth very little this year and tonnages are down. It will be a rough year.

Drug Awareness Meeting - Attended the meeting on April 22nd. It was well represented and a good meeting. Something to keep an eye on and to support. I believe Denis Miller, who was here tonight, her involvement would be a definite asset.

Complaint - I have received complaints several times about a residence on Main Street that has several all-terrain vehicles, snowmobiles, vehicles, parts and equipment in their yard. They are coming and going at all hours of the night and people in the area are being very patient. Wondering if there is something that can be done?

RiverKeepers - As we discussed, I think we should have a look at membership for the Petitcodiac RiverKeepers and the Petitcodiac Watershed. I also hope someone could be around at the park for their River Run.

Councillor Best

In Camera Meeting - Attended the meeting on April 20th.

Drug Awareness Meeting - April 22nd I also attended the meeting regarding student drug use. It was an excellent meeting with great potential. I certainly am willing to do what I can to help them out.

Recreation Council Meeting - I also attended the Recreation Council meeting on April 26th. It was a really good meeting. Very positive.

Heritage Committee - There is a Heritage Committee meeting next Monday.

Waste Management - I have sent a letter to Waste Management.

CLERK'S REPORT

Sears National Kids Cancer Ride - The Sears National Kids Cancer Ride will be stopping here at the Salisbury Sears Depot on their bike ride across Canada. Just wondering if Council would like to do something or attend while they are here? After some discussion, Council would like to do something and would like to inform the Recreation Council and Lions Club.

Volunteer BBQ - Just wondering when you would like to have the BBQ again this year? Council agreed that September worked well and will think about a gift.

Francis Melanson - Received an e-mail from Francis Melanson, our previous Auditor, letting Council know that his retirement is going great and to thank Council for the jacket.

Spring Clean- up/Hazardous Waste - Just a reminder that spring clean up is May 11th and the Household Hazardous Waste truck will be here May 13th from 2-7 pm.

Sewer Flushing - Everyone received a copy of the letter going to homeowners warning of the sewer flushing taking place.

Gallery Hop - Received an invitation to a Gallery Hop in Uptown St. John on May 8th.

Zone Meeting - Reminder of the Zone Meeting on Saturday. Councillor Ayles, Best, Lamb, and Wilson will try to attend.

Administrators Conference - The Administrators Conference is in Moncton this year in June.

SEED - We received one student for eight weeks this year. The Recreation Council received one student for ten weeks. We have not heard from the other summer student employment application.

Ducks Unlimited - Councillor Ayles inquired who is looking after the Ducks Unlimited? Where do we stand with the application that we sent for walking trails? It was pointed out that the Heritage Committee was applying for the walking trails. Clerk to speak with Jason to see if he has been in contact with Ducks Unlimited.

Extend Meeting - It was moved by Councillor Best and seconded by Councillor Wilson that '*Council extend the meeting.*' Motion Carried.

IN CAMERA - LEGAL

ADJOURN

It was moved by Councillor Wilson and seconded by Councillor Kitchen to '*Adjourn the meeting.*' (10:00 P.M.)