

## MINUTES OF MAY 24, 2011

### REGULAR MEETING

A regular meeting of Council was held May 24, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. with Mayor Keating presiding. All members of Council and Clerk were present.

#### THE LORDS PRAYER

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

#### APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

It was moved by Councillor Best and seconded by Councillor Lamb to '*Approve the minutes of April 11, 2011 with corrections.*' Councillor Lamb pointed out an error. Motion Carried.

#### SWN SOUTHWESTERN ENERGY

Mike Rhodes from SWN joined the meeting. SWN is asking for permission to place nine geochemical probes along Route 112 in the DOT right of way. He explained that as a part of the DOT permit they need permission from the village for those nine located in the village. He then showed Council where the probes will be and explained what they are and how they will work as a part of the exploration program.

Mayor Keating explained that he himself is not in favour of drilling in the Village of Salisbury. Mike Rhodes didn't feel that they would ever drill inside the village, this is just testing. Mayor Keating then wanted to know why they would do this testing if they are not going to be drilling here? Mike Rhodes explained that several years ago there was seismic testing done along the Route 112 and they are just trying to follow that testing line. This is just for data purposes.

After some discussion, Councillors Kitchen and Ayles see no problem with doing these geochemical probe tests. This is in no way giving permission to drill. Council also asked for a report of the results of this testing. After more clarification, Mike Rhodes explained that if they didn't think they could do this safely and properly, they wouldn't do it and he wouldn't be working for this company.

Mayor and Council thanked him for attending the meeting and Mike Rhodes thanked Council for their time.

#### BILLS FOR THE MONTH OF MAY

It was moved by Councillor Kitchen and seconded by Councillor Wilson to '*Pay the bills for the month of May with the exception of a few that the Manager of Works must review and approve.*' Some of the bills have not been reviewed and approved by the Manager of Works. Motion Carried.

#### DEVELOPMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE REPORT

Councillor Best explained that the Development Review Committee met on May 18<sup>th</sup> to discuss Cash in Lieu of public purposes for the Salisbury Industrial Developments. Also discussed was a variance for a garage at 2660 River Road. The committee had no objections to the height variance.

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES:**Trueman Street

Council received a copy of a letter sent to the Insurance Company with three quotes for the work required.

New Library

Nothing to report.

Mojo Mapping & GIS Service

Still working on this issue. Clerk explained that we may consider other options for PSAB.

Canada Post Request

After much discussion, Council agreed to make no decision. This will be removed from the agenda and a letter sent to the Salisbury Canada Post Office.

**CORRESPONDENCE****The following items were discussed by Council and remaining correspondence placed on file**GMPDC - Building Permit Report for April

Two building permits were issued in the month of April for a total of \$243,100.

GMPDC - Public Notice for Terms and Conditions Request for 9 Harlow Street

Public notice for terms and conditions for a development at 9 Harlow Street. This will be required for any building development in this zone over two units.

GMPDC - Public Notice for Variance Request for 2660 River Road

Public notice for a height variance request for 2660 River Road.

Pine Hill Cemetery - Request for support

Request for support for Pine Hill Cemetery. Council agreed to give a donation of \$500 as budgeted.

Letter from Jonathan Crosby requesting a response to a previous letter

Letter from Jonathan Crosby requesting a response to his previous letter. Councillor Kitchen thought Council had agreed to send a letter in response. Councillor Ayles forgot about the issue. Mayor Keating took a look at the properties. Both property owners are aware of encroachments. Property lines will be established and letters will be sent to the property owners and the information will be kept on record.

After some discussion, a letter will be sent to Jonathan Crosby inviting him to attend a Council meeting.

Petitcodiac Watershed Alliance - Newsletter and Membership Renewal

Membership renewal. Council agreed to continue its membership and become a Corporate Watershed Supporter. Council is also willing to discuss the possibility of helping with the water testing.

**RCMP/FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

There was no RCMP or Fire Department Member in attendance.

## **MAYOR'S REPORT**

Finn Report - May 10<sup>th</sup> I attended a public meeting regarding the Finn Report. It was a good public meeting but most of the discussion was from the LSD's and they do not want it.

Lions Breakfast - May 21<sup>st</sup> I attended the Lions Breakfast.

## **COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS**

### **Councillor Best**

Finn Report - I attended the public meeting on May 10<sup>th</sup> and I have to agree with the Mayor. The LSD's do not want to be amalgamated and do not want their taxes increased for no more services. People have also complained because of the increase in their property tax assessment.

### **Councillor Kitchen**

Development Review Committee Meeting - I attended the meeting and to add to Councillor Best's point about the land for public purposes, I think it is a fair rate.

Illegal Dumping - I think someone is illegally dumping on our land. I think most of it is garden waste. I'm not sure how this should be dealt with.

Street Patching - Councillor Best inquired if there was any idea when street patching was to begin. There is a letter in correspondence from the Manager of Works regarding street maintenance. There is no date as of yet.

### **Councillor Lamb**

Property Tax for Library - I seem to remember not long ago there was a proposition or something sent to the Minister of Finance asking to remove the property taxes for libraries. I see our property taxes are \$1,600. Have we heard anything on this? Clerk explained that as a board, a letter was sent and nothing has been received.

New Fire Fighter - Cindy Cassie has joined our Fire Department. It was moved by Councillor Lamb and seconded by Councillor Best to *'Accept Cindy Cassie as a member of the Salisbury Volunteer Fire Department.'* Motion Carried.

### **Councillor Wilson**

Lions Breakfast - I attended the Lions Breakfast.

Volunteered - I volunteered for various odd jobs.

### **Councillor Ayles**

WASWC - Council requested Bill Slater attend a meeting. He has agreed to attend the June 13<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Development Plan - Mike Taylor's letter suggests we look at our Municipal Plan. I think we should get together and review and discuss the Municipal Plan for our own benefit.

Auditor General Questionnaire - We were requested to complete the questionnaire regarding the Waste Commission. A meeting will be scheduled to discuss this and other issues.

Annual General Meeting for WASWC - The Annual General Meeting for the WASWC is May 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 P.M. This is the same night as the Enterprise Fundy meeting.

Flushing - There was a lot of flushing and cleaning of the sewer lines. There were lots of roots cut out. This is something that will be budgeted for in the future.

SWN Geochemical Testing - It was moved by Councillor Kitchen and seconded by Councillor Lamb that *'The Village of Salisbury allow Southwest Energy to conduct geochemical testing as outlined on the map submitted under the terms and conditions set by DOT.'* Motion Carried.

### **CLERK'S REPORT**

Recreation Council Meeting - The Recreation Council is having a meeting with the RCMP, tomorrow night at 7:00 pm upstairs. This meeting was discussed at their annual meeting and Council are all invited to attend.

Letter from Mike Taylor - This letter will be forwarded to our solicitor as it is a legal issue.

Conference - Clerk gave Council a short report about the Annual Municipal Administrators Conference.

Summer Students - We received two students from the Summer Career Program. One for eight weeks and one for 10 weeks.

SEED - Salisbury Library did not receive any SEED students. I spoke to our MLA, Sherry Wilson and she is looking into it. The Petitcodiac Library also did not receive any SEED students.

Council agreed that if the library does not received funding through the SEED Program, funding for a student can be taken out of the library budget.

Meeting - We need to schedule a meeting with, the Recreation Council to discuss the reciprocal agreement, GMPDC to discuss plumbing questions, WASWC survey, and winter maintenance. Council agreed to meet Thursday at 9:00 am.

Rick Hansen - Many in Motion Tour - What does Council wish to do? The tour is only going to stop for five minutes, and Rick Hansen will most likely not be here. After much discussion, Clerk to speak with Rick Archibald as he was willing to donate money towards a BBQ.

Leo Sexton Letter - Clerk asked for clarification from the last meeting. Did Council want Leo Sexton to attend a Council meeting? Council would like the Clerk to speak with Leo Sexton and schedule him for a meeting.

Off Road Enforcement - I spoke to one of the Off Road Enforcement Officers and I guess I didn't explain myself well enough and he patrolled the area around the lagoon, not Highland park area. They will look into it.

Gas Tax - We have some money still available from the Gas Tax. There are several places where this money can be used. Council will need to decide what capital expense it wishes to proceed with.

Parks - Our Manager of Works is wondering if we can start using the money received from Cash in Lieu on the parks.

Gates - Our Manager of Works sent a memo regarding new gates for the trail. It was moved by Councillor Kitchen and seconded by Councillor Best that *'The Manager of Works have permission to acquire Eastern Fence under the submitted quote, to supply and install two trail gate assemblies in the amount of \$5,060 plus HST.'* Motion Carried.

Surplus Items - Councillor Kitchen explained that the Manager of Works feels there are a few surplus items not being used that Council should consider selling. He will comprise a list.

### **ADJOURN**

It was moved by Councillor Kitchen and seconded by Councillor Best to *'Adjourn the meeting.'* (9:25 P.M.)