

MINUTES OF OCTOBER 24, 2011

REGULAR MEETING

A regular meeting of Council was held October 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 Best and seconded by Councillor Lamb that the '*Agenda be approved.*' Motion Carried.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES - July 11, 2011 and July 25, 2011

It was moved by Councillor Lamb and seconded by Councillor Wilson to '*Approve the minutes of July 11 and July 25, 2011.*' Motion Carried.

SNOWMOBILE ASSOCIATION - Earl Doucette

Earl Doucette joined the meeting. The Snowmobile Association has been trying to get a level crossing to continue their trail across the CN tracks. CN would like the group to go out to the Fredericton Road and use the existing street crossing.

Due to safety, noise, traffic, and other concerns, Council does not want the NB Trail crossing on one of its major streets (Route 112). Earl Doucette requested Council send a letter stating its concerns. Mayor and Council agreed to send a letter and thanked Earl Doucette for attending the meeting.

SDRC UPDATE - Doug Duff

Doug Duff joined the meeting to discuss this year's budget from SDRC. He feels that this year was probably the most successful year they've had. They had over 90 youth registered in baseball, 37 registered in soccer, and 44 registered for the toddler program. In addition, they ran the fun in the parks program where the students go to the parks in the village four days a week. They also go to the Lions Seniors Villa twice a week to meet with seniors and play games. In addition they continued to work on the ball fields and school property. They have a great working relationship with the Manager of Works and try to help each other whenever they can. Overall he thinks they have developed great programs. Zumba has begun with 55 registered. Our major problem is finding the facilities to accommodate all the programs.

A copy of the budget and expenses was given to Council. After much discussion on programs and fundraising, Mayor and Council thanked Doug Duff and Rose Magee for attending. The President and Treasurer of SDRC will be attending a future meeting to discuss the budget further.

BILLS FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER

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

Councillor Kitchen stepped out of the meeting due to conflict of interest.

IN CAMERA - LEGAL

DEVELOPMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE REPORT

Councillor Best explained that during the Development Review Committee meeting on October 20th, it was brought to our attention that a couple of lots in Village East Subdivision were sold and building permits were issued. It was discovered when they applied for electrical hookups, that there was no electricity to these sites. One lot can connect to hydro from the lot behind it, but the other has to have hydro brought from a fair distance.

Council asked for Dale Briggs, a solicitor, opinion on the villages responsibilities. Due to his comments on his letter dated June 10th, we have no responsibility or obligations to any constructions or to pay for any required streets and services which would be binding on Village and subsequent developers. It is up to the land owners to provide services to these lots.

It was moved by Councillor Best and seconded by Councillor Wilson that *'The Village of Salisbury has not, by by-law, assumed the responsibility for construction or paying for the construction of streets and services in the subdivision named Village East within our municipal boundaries. There are no agreements registered with previous owners or developers of the Village East Subdivision which would obligate the Village of Salisbury to construct or pay for any of the required streets and services, which would be binding on the Village and subsequent developers.'* Motion Carried. Councillor Best will speak with Dale Briggs and ask him to send a letter to the property owners.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES:

Trueman Street

Nothing to report.

New Library

Clerk spoke to Daniel Goguen and there is a petition to complete and suggested we start letting the public know what is planned.

By-Laws, Culvert and Sewer

A meeting is scheduled October 25 at 6:30 PM to discuss both by-laws.

Letter from Luc Bourque, Plant Hope Adjusters

Council received a copy of the email received from Luc Bourque. Two more quotes were received, but they were not local, which was what Council asked. Clerk spoke to Heritage Insurance and we then received a quote from one local company, but the other would not quote. That local quote was lower. It was moved by Councillor Kitchen and seconded by Councillor Best that *'The Village of Salisbury give approval to Plant Hope Adjusters to have file no 104552, work to be performed by the lowest quote of \$967.05 for work outlined in quote produced by O'Blenis Autobody.'* Motion Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

The following items were discussed by Council and remaining correspondence placed on file

GMPDC - Building Permit Report for September

A total of three permits were issued for the month of September for a total of \$37,950.00.

GMPDC - Application and Processing Fees Quarterly Remittance

Received our quarterly remittance for building permits from July to September.

Letter from Connie Colpitts regarding improvement to Highland Park

Received a nice letter from Connie Colpitts recognizing all the work that our Works Department Staff has been doing to improve Highland Park.

Thank you from Ruth Jackson

Thank you from Ruth Jackson for the flowers sent while she was ill.

RCMP/FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORTS

There was no RCMP or Fire Department present to give a report.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Lions Breakfast - October 15th I attended the Lions Breakfast.

MLA Meeting - October 24th I attended the shale gas meeting and our meeting with our MLA.

Maritime Lumber Bureau - The Maritime Lumber Bureau is asking us to fill out a survey regarding plans for wood construction.

Petitcodiac St. John Ambulance - November 16th the Petitcodiac St. John Ambulance will be holding an awards night. Mayor and/or Councillors are invited to attend.

Five Year Plan - Council received a memo from the Manager of Works regarding the Five Year Plan.

COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS**Councillor Wilson**

Funeral - I attended a funeral.

MLA Meeting - October 24th I attended the shale gas meeting and our meeting with our MLA.

Councillor Ayles

Ruth Jackson - I wanted to mention that it was a nice letter of appreciation from our previous Mayor.

Connie Colpitts - I also appreciated the letter received from Connie Colpitts regarding the improvements to Highland Park.

Fundy Biosphere - I thoroughly agree with voting for the Bay of Fundy to be one of the New 7 Wonders of Nature. After some discussion, Council would like the information be posted on our website asking for people to vote.

Councillor Best

Development Review Meeting - Attended the Development Review Committee meeting, November 20th as previously discussed.

Shale Gas Breakfast - November 21st I attended a Shale Gas meeting in Memramcook.

Councillor Best gave a review of the breakfast and what was discussed. Very glad I attended.

Disability Workshop - November 21st in the afternoon I attended a session on Disability. The Premier Council on the Status of the Disabled Person held this workshop to try to get peoples opinions and to educate how we can make our facilities easier for the disabled person. There is some funding available through the federal government.

Dogs - I received a complaint from a lady who is having trouble with dogs in her area. When she called the Village Office she was told to contact the SPCA. She could not understand why to contact the SPCA? I think when we tell people we should point out that it is the NB SPCA who are covering our Animal Control.

Fero - Our big fall clean up took place last week. I hope that Miller will do as good of a job next year as Fero has this year. I was very, very pleased with the job they did.

Connie Colpitts - I also was very pleased with the letter from Connie Colpitts. They did a very good job in Highland Park. As Connie Colpitts states, it is a gem and I feel we should do more in that park as it is not used enough.

Councillor Kitchen

Connie Colpitts - I too would like to acknowledge the nice letter received from Connie Colpitts.

Shall Gas Information Meeting - I attended the shale gas meeting today and found it very informative. It is good to be objective about the situation and not paint it in one picture or the other. Looking forward to the Province looking after our best interest all around, financially and with the well being of our people.

Councillor Lamb

Ruth Jackson/Connie Colpitts - I also appreciated the letters received from both Ruth Jackson and Connie Colpitts.

New 7 Wonders of Nature - I was quite pleased to see the tour guides in St. John recently were using the opportunity to urge Americans to support the Bay of Fundy. There are two areas on the list in North America. One is the Bay of Fundy and one the Grand Canyon. The tour guides were issuing the challenge to vote for the Canadians and the Canadians will vote for the Americans.

Shale Gas Meetings - November 21st I attended a Shale Gas meeting in Memramcook. The basics of what I got from Mr. Tillman's presentation was to be careful. I was pleased today to hear a lot of good information.

Disability Workshop - November 21st in the afternoon I attended a session on Disability. It was a very long workshop.

Mayor Keating also was very pleased to receive the letters from Ruth Jackson and Connie Colpitts. Just wondering if we should respond to Connie Colpitt's letter. We too would like to see the nesting boxes continue.

CLERK'S REPORT

Petz Agreement - Council received a copy of the agreement, which has been sent to our Solicitor for his review and recommendation.

News Release - Council received a copy of the News Release about a Natural Gas web cast if anyone is interested in attending.

Kelsey McNeil - I spoke to Kelsey's mother to see about sending her the donation and she has injured herself and will not be attending. She will be attending the Nationals next year, so they will be looking for support at that time.

Office Closure - Just a reminder that the office will be closed on Wednesday. We will be attending the Right to Privacy Workshop in Riverview.

Library Board Meeting - Attended the Library Board Meeting Wednesday night and our Librarian is retiring the end of the year. On December 7th we are holding our Season's Greetings from 6-8pm. We will be celebrating her retirement at that time.

Letter from Stacey Fagan - Received a complaint from Stacey Fagan regarding the speeding on Main Street. Council agreed to forward the letter to the RCMP.

ADJOURN

It was moved by Councillor Kitchen and seconded by Councillor Ayles to '*Adjourn the meeting.*' (9:35 P.M.)