

**APPROVED MINUTES FROM REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AUGUST 14, 2006 AT 7:00 P.M.**

The regular Council meeting was held Monday, August 14, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. with Mayor Murphy presiding and Councillors Gillis, Jeffery, Oliver, Curtis and Adams present also Robert Henderson, Allan Graham, David Smith, Margaret Weeks, Phillips Weeks, Paula Foley, Wayne Shea, Marvin Riley, Gerald O'Meara, Ray Millman, Allan Shaw, Gerald Adams, Paul Cotton, Ronald Bernard, Joy Barbour, Karen Murphy, Eileen Bernard, Connie Bernard, Florence Graham, Keith Graham, Kevin Rochford, Betty Hardy, Donna Hardy-Rochford, Robert Leard, Jason Leard, Ivan O'Meara, Eric McCarthy – Journal and David MacDonald – Graphic.

Mayor Murphy called the meeting to order.

The motion was made by Councillor Jeffery, seconded by Councillor Gillis and carried for the approval of the agenda with the addition of committee of the whole.

The motion was made by Councillor Gillis, seconded by Councillor Oliver and carried that instead of a special Council meeting on July 17th that it was an emergency council meeting.

The motion was made by Councillor Gillis, seconded by Councillor Adams and carried to approve the minutes from June 12th, June 14th, July 17th and July 24th.

CORRESPONDENCE

The motion was made by Councillor Jeffery, seconded by Councillor Gillis and carried to release \$2,500.00 to Alberton and Area Development Corporation.
Councillor Curtis voted no.

A letter was received from Faye Atkinson-Cudmore to support a proposal to extend Poplar Street access road.

A letter was received from Perry Morrell expressing his concern that council is competing with him and the eight lots he has for sale and using his tax dollars to do it.

The motion was made by Councillor Jeffery, seconded by Councillor Oliver and carried to file the correspondence.

BUSINESS LICENSES AND /OR BUILDING PERMITS

A building permit application was received for a ten-unit apartment building off Lorne Street.

The motion was made by Councillor Jeffery, seconded by Councillor Adams and carried to take the request for the waterfront apartment through the rezoning process if it meets all the requirements.

The motion was made by Councillor Gillis, seconded by Councillor Jeffery and carried that a building permit application from Mansfield Butler to build a garage attached to the house be approved pending it meets all the requirements.

A building permit application was received from Donald and Eileen Bernard for a mini home to be located on Argyle Street. Allan Shaw asked to speak and presented a proposal from the landowners on Argyle Street including Donnie and Eileen Bernard, Gerald Adams, Darcy O'Meara and Ronald Bernard. Allan Shaw said they had two requests that the wood be removed from the street and upon removal have the street surveyed to determine the elevations for sewer. He said he could have the wood cut and removed within 24 - 48 hours without any cost to the town. He said the town would benefit from this plan with a building permit application already in and three other landowners present with aspirations to develop their properties. He also said that this fits the gas tax initiative.

The motion was made by Councillor Jeffery, seconded by Councillor Gillis and carried to clear Argyle Street 1,200 feet to Princess Street and do the necessary survey work for elevations for sewer.

Council agreed to apply to have it funded by the gas tax.

Mayor Murphy said that a request was received from Gerald O'Meara to give the town 139 feet of his property for a right-of-way to extend Poplar Street in exchange for 1,200 feet to his property. Several of the residents spoke for and against both Poplar Street and Prince William Street being extended.

At the request of those present Mayor Murphy said the town would seek the advice of a planner and a public meeting will be held on the proposed subdivision and access before anything is done.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councillor Oliver read the recreation report.

Councillor Curtis reported for streets. The sidewalk in front of Alberton Business Centre is completed and the sidewalk on the side was also fixed.

Councillor Adams reported for fire and police. The fire department responded to 10 calls in August and 15 calls in July. The chassis for the fire truck will be in the end of August.

Councillor Jeffery had nothing to report for development.

Councillor Gillis reported for environment. The maintenance man had the sewer lines flushed. Councillor Gillis has received several complaints about people burning garbage in barrels.

Councillor Oliver reported for finance in the absence of Councillor Cahill. The balances were as follows –

General Account	41,656.50
Sewer Account	13,716.17
Sewer T-Bill	511.95
Sinking Fund T-Bill	387.18

The motion was made by Councillor Oliver, seconded by Councillor Gillis and carried to pay bills in the amount of \$96,809.43.

NEW BUSINESS

The capital investment plan for gas tax will be spent on opening Argyle Street as previously discussed.

PUBLIC INPUT

Ray Millman asked if we own the roads on the atlas or not, that need to be cut out. He said we don't want it to be like the French Lane.

Allan Graham said it is a shame we don't cut a path as far as the French Lane to claim the road and even use it as a trail. He said the French Lane is nice now and in good shape.

The motion was made by Councillor Adams, seconded by Councillor Gillis and carried to go to a committee of the whole.

The motion was made by Councillor Adams, seconded by Councillor Jeffery and carried to return from a committee of the whole.

The motion was made by Councillor Jeffery, seconded by Councillor Curtis and carried to give the maintenance man a \$2.00 per hour raise.

The motion was made by Councillor Gillis, seconded by Councillor Jeffery and carried to pay the \$250.00 renewal fee for Leonard O'Meara for a sewage disposal system and wastewater treatment license.

The motion was made by Councillor Adams that the meeting be adjourned.