

**APPROVED MINUTES FROM REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
HELD JANUARY 9, 2006**

The regular Council meeting was held January 9, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. with Mayor Murphy presiding and Councillors Cahill, Gillis, Jeffery, Adams and Curtis present also Marvin Riley, Josh Meggison, Raymond Bernard, Paul Cotton, Ray Millman, Carol Costain and her dog, Shanna Adams, Destiny Graham, Pat Bates, Cst. Theriault, Eric McCarthy - Journal and Jonathan Riley - Graphic.

Mayor Murphy told Carol Costain that the dog could not stay for the meeting.

The motion was made by Councillor Gillis, seconded by Councillor Cahill and carried for the approval of the agenda.

The motion was made by Councillor Adams, seconded by Councillor Gillis and carried for the approval of the minutes.

CORRESPONDENCE

The motion was made by Councillor Cahill, seconded by Councillor Adams and carried to purchase an ad from the West Prince Graphic for \$37.75 for minor hockey.

The motion was made by Councillor Gillis, seconded by Councillor Cahill and carried to re-tender for tests at the lagoon as required by the government.

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

BUSINESS LICENSES AND/OR BUILDING PERMITS

The motion was made by Councillor Cahill, seconded by Councillor Jeffery and carried to approve a building permit application from Raymond Bernard for a storage building 24' X 24'.

A building permit application was received from Grant Butler to build a four unit apartment. Council agreed to start the rezoning process.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councillor Curtis reported for streets and said he has heard positive comments on snow clearing. Council discussed cars parking on the streets and decided that the contractor would call the tow company to have the vehicle towed.

Councillor Oliver was absent but the recreation reported was circulated.

Councillor Adams reported for fire and police. Fires during the month included 1 medical, 2 MVA's, a flue fire and a power line problem. Five new members were signed up. The RCMP report showed 27 complaints. The dog issue in town was discussed. Carol Adams stated that since 1979 she has had 600-700 animals come to her property and she wants the Humane Society to come to town and pick them up. Pat Bates said she has the same problem on Elder Street. Mayor Murphy said it is hard to enforce the by-laws, the maintenance man is not trained to pick up dogs and we do not have the facilities. He also said that under the Municipalities Act review he has recommended that the RCMP enforce the dog act the same as they do in Newfoundland. Mayor Murphy read a section of the dog by-law that states "any person in possession of any dog or who permits a dog to remain about his house or premises shall be deemed to be the owner of such dog." Council agreed to send a letter to the government to request that the contract they have with the Humane Society cover the entire province.

Councillor Jeffery had nothing to report for development.

Councillor Gillis reported for environment.

The motion was made by Councillor Gillis, seconded by Councillor Jeffery and carried to hire Delcom to do the water study at a cost of \$3,900.00 plus taxes.

Councillor Cahill reported for finance. The balances were as follows -

General Account	129,454.34
Sewer Account	4,345.99
Sewer T-Bill	509.65
Sinking Fund T-Bill	5,324.00.

NEW BUSINESS

The motion was made by Councillor Cahill, seconded by Councillor Adams and carried to pay bills in the amount of \$52,626.17.

The motion was made by Councillor Adams, seconded by Councillor Cahill and carried to pay Mayor Murphy \$75.00 for attending a conference in NB.

The motion was made by Councillor Jeffery, seconded by Councillor Gillis and carried that the storm policy be if the Access PEI office is closed the town offices will be closed.

Storm watch should be notified.

The request for a street light on Prince William Street will be left as agreed last month.

Prices were submitted from four contractors for a hot water furnace with old radiators to be supplied by the town. Councillor Cahill will get more information on the quotes for the next meeting.

Council will think about plans for the new deal funding.

Council decided to wait until spring for a sign for the town hall.

PUBLIC INPUT

Ray Millman asked that the snow be lowered from the top of the curb at the end of this street because of visibility. He also asked when did you need to get a building permit.

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

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

The motion was made by Councillor Cahill, seconded by Councillor Gillis and carried that we borrow the funds from Scotiabank to purchase Alberton Development Co. Ltd. land in the amount of 19.48 acres.

The motion was made by Councillor Adams, seconded by Councillor Cahill and carried to approve a building permit for a 10' X 12' storage building at the ballfield.

The motion was made by Councillor Cahill, seconded by Councillor Jeffery and carried that the recreation department hire two workers under connecting Youth to Communities.

The program will pay the wages with the exception of employer costs.

The motion was made by Councillor Gillis, seconded by Councillor Cahill and carried to pay mileage and meals for Susan and Krystyna to go shopping for blinds and furniture for the town hall.

The motion was made by Councillor Jeffery to adjourn the meeting.

