

**APPROVED MINUTES FROM REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
HELD APRIL 13, 2009 AT 7:00 P.M.**

The regular council meeting was held April 13, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. with Mayor Morrell presiding and Councillors Curtis, Guillis, and Smith. Also in attendance was Constable Morre, Marvin Riley, Ray Millman, Kevin Porter, Kenny Ramsay, Cory Janes, Jennifer Perry and Susan Wallace-Flynn.

The motion was made by Councillor Gillis, seconded by Councillor Curtis and carried to approve the agenda with the addition of a letter to Northport for an official meeting and committee of the whole.

The motion was made by Councillor Curtis seconded by Councillor Gillis and carried to approve the minutes from the regular council meeting held March 9, 2009, March 23, 2009 and April 7, 2009.

CORRESPONDENCE

The motion was made by Councillor Gillis, seconded by Councillor Smith and carried to approve mileage and registration for anyone attending the federation of PEI annual meeting in Montague on April 27, 2009. Mayor Perry Morrell requested that the meeting be attended by Cory Janes, Jennifer Perry and Susan Wallace-Flynn.

A request was made for a meeting with the Minister of Health and finance to have the manor built sooner and will recommend bridge financing.

The motion was made by Councillor Gillis, seconded by Councillor Curtis and carried to file the correspondence.

BUSINESS LICENSES AND/OR BUILDING PERMITS

The motion was made by Councillor Gillis, seconded by Councillor Curtis and carried to approve consolidation of lots 698233 and 698241 for Community Inclusions.

Request for a building permit sized 66 feet by 40 feet at 520 square feet, 2 storey with 8 bedrooms.

The motion was made by Councillor Curtis, seconded by Councillor Gillis and carried to approve a request for a building permit. Building size is 66 feet by 40 feet at 520 square feet and 2 storeys with 8 bedrooms.

The motion was made by Councillor Gillis, seconded by Councillor Smith and carried to approve the request to rezone parcels 19315 and 19323 from R1 to R3 which was recommended by the Planning Board.

The motion was made by Councillor Gillis, seconded by Smith and carried to resend the motion regarding MacNeill on March 9, 2009.

The motion was made by Councillor Gillis, seconded by Councillor Curtis and carried to consolidate lots 19315 and 19323.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Constable Moore circulated the RCMP Report.

Environmental Councillor Jeffery was absent.

Fire report was circulated by Kenny Ramsay. Councillor Gillis requested that any new structures built in town have an extra copy of the construction floor plans given to the fire department.

NEW BUSINESS

The motion was made by Recreation Councillor Gillis, seconded by Councillor Smith and carried to pay the recreation bills totaling \$1,425.70.

The motion was made by Finance Councillor Curtis, seconded by Councillor Gillis and carried to pay bills totaling \$55,374.76.

The motion was made by Councillor Curtis, seconded by Councillor Gillis and carried to pay the fee for service of \$200.00 to Holland College.

The motion was made by Councillor Gillis, seconded by Councillor Curtis and carried to approve the Recreation Grant 2009 for \$20,000.00.

The motion was made by Councillor Gillis, seconded by Councillor Smith to send a letter to officially meet with the Community of Northport Council. Councillor Curtis requested that we wait to see the outcome of Judge Thompson's report. Vote was taken on motion; Councillor Gillis – yes, Councillor Smith – yes and Councillor Curtis – no. Motion carried.

PUBLIC INPUT

Ray Millman asked if there was any money left over in the budget for sidewalks. He stated that it would be nice to have a strip on Dufferin Street by George MacNeill's apartments. He said that it would look good in front of the apartments as Mr. MacNeill had put a lot of money into the town.

Marvin Riley asked what Council members are on the committee for streets. Mayor Morrell said none. Mayor Morrell said that requests would come back to full Council. He also added that Lenny and the Administrator oversee this as 'go to' people, but Council

runs it. Mr. Riley asked why the Mayor didn't appoint a street chair. The mayor asked if other communities do that.

Kenny Ramsay asked if there was a shuffle.

Mayor stated that the chairperson of a committee does not run the committee.

Ray Millman said that this shifted when this Mayor came into this office. He also stated that he could always call the chairman of the committee.

Mayor Morrell said that anyone can call any of the Councillors and they can bring it back to council and that he oversees staff to make sure it is done. He stated that it is micro-management to get involved in the day to day operation of the town.

Marvin Riley said that he is saying the other Councillors did not go by the Act.

Mayor Perry said that in the 1990's he did not meet with his committees, so 3 different people can make priorities with their different opinions. He asked if Mr. Riley wanted to stay back in the 50s or 60's or 2000's.

It was stated that the Fire Department brings things back to their members.

Mr. Riley asked if he were saying that the Councillors didn't want to go by the Act.

Mayor Morrell replied that the committees don't meet and that he can not (for example) run to Cory and tell him what to do. He stated that the Committees make recommendations and pass them onto Cory. Cory then does it and Susan oversees it.

Ray Millman stated that there was a lot of meeting recently, but that they weren't made public.

Marvin Riley asked if all the meetings are open to the public.

Kenny Ramsay asked if he could force someone to take a portfolio.

Marvin Riley asked what to the Council members get paid for. He said that if a problem involving environment was brought to a member, they could say it wasn't their committee.

Councillor Curtis stated that he has been to 6 meetings *IN 1 MONTH??*

Marvin Riley told Councillor Curtis that this was what he was getting paid for.

Ray Millman said that the town was good to give him his honorarium early and that was likely all he was worth.

Meeting was abruptly adjourned by Mayor Perry Morrell.

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

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

The motion was made by Councillor Gillis, seconded by Councillor Curtis, and carried to adjourn the meeting.