

**APPROVED MINUTES FROM REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
HELD JUNE 13, 2011**

The regular council meeting was held Monday, June 13, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. with Mayor Murphy presiding and Councillors Cahill, Pottier, Curtis, Gallant and Campbell present also Francis Ready, Kenny Ramsay, Cst. MacFarlane, Eric McCarthy – Journal and staff Susan Wallace-Flynn.

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

The motion was made by Councillor Curtis, seconded by Councillor Gallant and carried for the approval of the minutes of the regular council meeting held May 9, 2011 and special council meeting held May 12, 2011.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Councillor Curtis mentioned that the cold patches were not put in the potholes.

CORRESPONDENCE

A letter was received from the Federation of PEI Municipalities looking for a municipality to volunteer to host the 2011 Federation of PEI Municipalities semi-annual meeting being held Saturday, October 29, 2011. Councillor Campbell volunteered to check the size of the Holland College room to see if it would be suitable.

BUSINESS LICENSES AND/OR BUILDING PERMITS

Nil

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Recreation Report

Councillor Gallant reported that Matthew Ramsay started floor hockey on Thursday evenings. Councillor Gallant reported that only 24 have signed up for softball and soccer, with not enough registered for either at this point. Kim Ellsworth is managing the girls' softball team and Matthew Ramsay will schedule certified umpires at a cost of \$30.00 per game. Councillor Gallant reported that the Canada Day celebrations would be held from 1-4 p.m. with entertainment provided by Roy and Ray Arsenault.

Environment Report

Councillor Campbell reported that the maintenance workers cut the grass at the large area around the lagoon and Ron's Plumbing cut the area close to the lagoon. He also commended the Fire Department on a terrific show. Councillor Campbell said he is also pleased to see the Co-op Home Hardware building project started.

Police Report

Councillor Curtis stated the hours of policing in Alberton have dropped again. Cst. MacFarlane said that they normally have ten constables, but only have seven now due to transfers and one member on extended sick leave. He said it will drop to six and hopes the positions are filled by September. He also said the withdrawal from the contract will mean one position will not be filled. Councillor Curtis also mentioned that our police contract does not end until September. Councillor Curtis reported that he went to a meeting on ATV misuse in O'Leary but it mainly dealt with them on trails, not streets or highways.

The motion was made by Councillor Curtis, seconded by Councillor Cahill and carried for the adoption of the police report.

Tourism & Property Report

Councillor Pottier attended the annual meeting for West Prince Tourism Association on May 30th and spoke and took maps and brochures to distribute. Western PEI Tourism is now under the North Cape Coastal Partnership Tourism Destination Area and they will send out the invoicing.

Finance & Streets Report

Councillor Cahill reported he wants to see patching done on town streets by the town maintenance department.

The motion was made by Councillor Cahill, seconded by Councillor Campbell and carried to pay bills in the amount of \$23,459.44.

The balances were as follows –

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| Gas Tax | \$115,705.54 |
| General- | \$297,471.60 |
| Sewer- | \$8,351.79 |
| Fire- | \$15,969.09 |
| Fire- | \$7,199.26 |

The motion was made by Councillor Cahill, seconded by Councillor Curtis and carried to lock the fire loan for one year at three percent.

The loan is with RBC and there is just one year remaining.

Fire Report

In the absence of Councillor Gillis, Fire Chief Kenny Ramsay read the fire report. There were three motor vehicle collisions and seven medical calls for a total of ten calls this month. John Ellsworth has resigned as Deputy Chief and fire fighter.

NEW BUSINESS

The resolution was made by Councillor Cahill, seconded by Councillor Campbell and carried that the town tendering policy be amended that at the discretion of council it is not necessary to tender if a comparable exchange is negotiated.

There was discussion on increasing the fees for business licenses and property development applications. FPEIM will be contacted to do a poll of what other municipalities are charging.

Councillor Pottier stated that she visited Albert Crown Pub & Eatery and AADC wrote to them to encourage them to be wheel chair accessible. She said she would like to see any new public facility or older building being retrofitted to be wheel chair accessible.

PUBLIC INPUT

Nil

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

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Councillor Gillis arrived at the meeting at 9:30 pm.

The motion was made by Councillor Cahill, seconded by Councillor Pottier and carried to hire Genivar as engineer for the gas tax subdivision project and to also spend the two installments of gas tax that are to be received this year.

The tender from Genivar was the only tender that was received.

The motion was made by Councillor Campbell, seconded by Councillor Cahill and carried to accept the Planning Board recommendations and to follow the process to amend the by-laws including page 38, 9.3 Special Permit Uses Commercial space in a dwelling units building, Page 40 Amend #4 the maximum lot coverage shall be

**one-half (50%), Page 48 Section 14 Permitted Uses (8) Municipal Buildings Page 20
Accessory Structures (5) In other zones the size shall be at the discretion of council.**

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