



**APPROVED MINUTES FROM REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
HELD MONDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2014 AT 7:00 P.M.**

The regular council meeting was held Monday, November 17, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. with Mayor Murphy presiding and Councillors Curtis, Bernard, Tremblay, Williams and Duggan present also Krystyna Pottier, Tom Murphy, Chris LeClair, Ray Millman and staff Susan Wallace-Flynn.

Mayor Murphy welcomed the new councillors and said he was looking forward to working together to do the best job for the town.

**The motion was made by Councillor Duggan, seconded by Councillor Bernard and carried for the approval of the agenda.**

Councillor Duggan asked to be excused from the discussion on Winterfest due to a conflict of interest.

**The motion was made by Councillor Duggan, seconded by Councillor Bernard and carried for the approval of the minutes from the last regular council meeting held October 13, 2014.**

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

Nil

Councillor Cahill arrived at the meeting.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

A letter was received from Kids West to request a donation to sponsor a family for Christmas. Council made a donation last year instead of having a Christmas party.

**The motion was made by Councillor Cahill, seconded by Councillor Williams and carried to donate the same amount as last year to Kids West.**

Councillor Duggan left the room due to a conflict of interest on the next item. A letter was received to inquire if the town wanted to participate in Up West Winterfest February 6-8<sup>th</sup> and there would be no financial commitment required. Each town and community would put on community events under the umbrella of the Up West Winterfest. Connor Doucette from West Prince Graphic arrived at the meeting.

**The motion was made by Councillor Williams, seconded by Councillor Bernard and carried that we participate in Up West Winterfest.**

Councillor Duggan returned to the meeting. A letter was received from the North Cape Coastal Touring Guide to purchase an ad and the cost of ¼ page is \$495.00.

**The motion was made by Councillor Cahill, seconded by Councillor Duggan and carried to buy ¼ page ad for the North Cape Coastal Touring Guide.**

A letter of response was received from Minister Sherry regarding Westech that drinking water monitoring has been conducted annually on neighbouring properties to ensure that groundwater is not



adversely impacted. The letter stated that “with respect to obtaining a copy of the fumigant management plan, I would advise you to contact Westech Agriculture directly.” The letter also stated “As they have done in previous years, Westech Agriculture must arrange for a qualified water sampling technician to collect and analyze (at an accredited laboratory) one water sample from each home located adjacent to land treated with Terr-o-Gas 67. Water samples will be tested for both methyl bromide and chloropicrin.

Council discussed the issue and another letter will be sent to Minister Sherry with another request for the results of the water testing that has been done in the past.

A letter was received from Holland College for a donation for a bursary. This will be discussed at budget time with the stipulation that it be for a resident of the town.

A letter was received from Premier Ghiz regarding our request to give the municipality authority over the use of pesticides. The Province has since legislated for cosmetic pesticides and a by-law enforcement officer is required to enforce it.

**The motion was made by Councillor Cahill, seconded by Councillor Duggan and carried to pay registration, mileage and food costs for anyone attending the FPEIM semi-annual meeting on November 29<sup>th</sup> at Abrams Village.**

#### **BUSINESS LICENSES AND OR PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT PERMITS**

A property development application was received from G.E. MacNeill Construction for a four unit apartment on Stanley Lane.

**The motion was made by Councillor Duggan, seconded by Councillor Curtis and carried to approve the property development application for a 4 unit apartment on Stanley Lane.**

An additional street light request had previously been received for Emma Drive. The maintenance man measured and the pole that meets the requirements of the street light policy is number 178276.

**The motion was made by Councillor Duggan, seconded by Councillor Williams and carried to install a street light on Emma Drive at pole number 178276.**

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Mayor Murphy said that since the committees are not appointed yet there would only be a few reports.

##### **Finance**

Councillor Cahill reported for finance.

**The motion was made by Councillor Cahill, seconded by Councillor Duggan and carried to pay bills in the amount of \$22,378.40.**

Financial statements including balance sheets, income statements and trial balances were distributed for the general and sewer accounts.

##### **Police**

Councillor Duggan read the police report. There were 31 calls for service which included 2 disturbances, 2 Off Highway Vehicles, 4 Mental Health Act, 1 Break, Enter & Theft, 1 Suspended/Disqualified drivers, 3



Harassment/Threats, 2 Suspicious persons, 4 False alarms & misdial 911, 5 Collisions, 4 Mischief and 1 Theft.

### **Fire**

The fire chief read the fire report. There were 24 calls for service which included – 15 Medical First Responder, 1 Electrical fire, 1 Motor Vehicle Collision, 4 Halloween fires, 1 Vehicle fire, 1 Chimney fire, 1 Electrical Pole fire. The new tanker is at HF Stewart to have the tank installed. Josh Harris, John Ellsworth, Kelly Williams and Shannon Dumville have completed a course Level 1 firefighter instructor course. He also reported there are three new firefighters Logan Profit, Bradley Gallant and Brett Dumville.

### **Recreation Report**

Mayor Murphy read the recreation report. (See attached).

### **NEW BUSINESS**

**The motion was made by Councillor Duggan, seconded by Councillor Cahill and carried to hire the accountant if needed to assist with the Asset Management Plan.**

The five year Capital Investment Plan will be prepared at another meeting before the deadline of April 3, 2015.

**The motion was made by Councillor Duggan, seconded by Councillor Williams and carried that Krystyna Pottier be the representative on the liaison committee on Health care issues in West Prince and the Recruitment Integration Committee.**

### **PUBLIC INPUT**

Krystna Pottier said she lives not far from Westech and she contacted Scott Gamble, from Environment to find out where she can get her water tested for the chemicals used by Westech. She is still waiting to hear back on the details of a company in Fredericton.

Tom Murphy asked about the levee and said Natasha Dunn had it approved a couple months ago. Ray Millman asked about the committees. Mayor Murphy passed out the new committees. (See attached).

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

**The motion was made by Councillor Duggan, seconded by Councillor Bernard and carried to return from a committee of the whole.**

Councillors Williams, Cahill and Tremblay left the room due to a conflict of interest.

**The motion was made by Councillor Duggan, seconded by Councillor Curtis and carried that Bradley Gallant, Logan Profit and Brett Dumville be approved as members of the fire department.**

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



## Recreation Report - November 17, 2014

After School Activity Programs Continue: Kindergarten and Grade 1's Monday's 2:30-3:30 with 20 kids & Grade 2-3 Friday's 2:30-3:30 with 24 kids. Melanie Harper is volunteering with this program.

Volleyball with Lisa Leard ended on November 12, 2014.

Adult dodgeball was cancelled due to lack of participation will look for another program to run in its place.

Seniors Stretching program at Philips residence is very successful with 10-12 seniors participating each Tuesday.

Learn to Curl is running on Tuesday evenings at 7p at the Alberton Curling Club. We have 10 participants and 3 instructors.

Last week we started the Try Hockey program with great success of 20 kids who have never played hockey before and some who hadn't skated before. The program will run for 6 weeks on Wednesdays at 3:30. Alberton elementary students can stay after school for supervised activity and then walk over to the rink with leaders. A huge number of volunteers have turned out for this program, approximately 10. With many of them being high school hockey players, either western wild or regals players.

Thursday November 20th will be the Ladies Craft Night with Dara Rayner which has sold out with 15 participants that will be making their own wreaths. There has been a good response for craft nights and I will be looking into doing more in the future.

Hide and Go Seek Tag has been cancelled until the spring due to 3 weeks in a row of rain.

Seniors Chair Yoga has started at 10:30am on Thursdays in the Common Room at the seniors residence at the corner of Dufferin and Poplar. Very successful so far with 10 people every week and the seniors really enjoy it. Once I have my balls, bands, and balance program I will do that for 6 week following the end of the chair yoga but the seniors would like to see Mandel offer chair yoga for them again eventually.

The walking group has started at Alberton Elementary and will continue to run Mon-Friday 4-5pm. There has been light participation with around 4-5 people per day but I expect more once the weather gets worse and it is too slippery outside.

No School Friday Activities will take place November 7 & 21 in two time slots 9-10:30am and 10:30-12, This will take place at the bowling alley and the cost is \$5 per child. Grades K-6. Irma Tremblay volunteered for the first program on the 7th and we had 15 kids that all had a great time and we will have 17kids coming on the 21st.



November 28th is National Jersey Day in Canada and I have approached the Alberton Business Association to see if local businesses would like to take part and show their support for sport by wearing a jersey that day. Alberton Elementary will be taking part as well as numerous other schools in west prince.

The Alberton Business Association will also be discussing at their next meeting to see if there is a way that they can help support and get the word out there for the Try Sledge Hockey event mentioned below as it falls on the same weekend that the business association will be running their Christmas event.

Sports Day in Canada is November 29th and Parasport PEI will be coming to the Jacques Cartier Memorial Arena 9-10:45am for a Try Sledge Hockey event, where people will first be able to watch a quick demonstration on what sledge hockey is followed by the opportunity to get out on the ice and give sledge hockey a try! Sledge hockey is for people of all abilities, able bodies people as well persons with disabilities. Helmets are mandatory but if people do not have helmets they can contact the rec department and I will arrange to have a helmet for them. I will be working with the Western Region Sport and Recreation Council on Sports Day in Canada activities. There will also be a bubble soccer event happen on the night of Friday November 28th at Westisle Composite High School.

Youth activities during the Christmas event with the Business association are still up in the air but should be decided on next week.

November 25th I will be attending the Balls, Bands, and Balance training with Go PEI and after I receive my certification I will run the program following the completion of the chair yoga. I would like to see if there is money in the budget however to offer chair yoga with Mandel again this winter perhaps after I finish up a balls bands and balance program as the seniors really enjoy the program and it is very beneficial to them.



## COMMITTEES

### **FIRE AND POLICE**

**Rosetta Tremblay**

Allan Curtis

Connie Bernard

### **ROADS, SIDEWALKS, STREETLIGHTS, PARKING LOTS**

**Allan Curtis**

David Cahill

Blair Duggan

### **ENVIROMENT AND SEWER UTILITY**

**Blair Duggan**

David Cahill

Kelly Williams

### **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

**Mike Murphy**

All of Council

### **FINANCE**

**David Cahill**

Mayor Mike

Rosetta Tremblay

### **HERITAGE/TOWN EXPANSION**

**Kelly Williams**

Connie Bernard

Blair Duggan

### **RECREATION**

**Connie Bernard**

Kelly Williams

David Cahill

### **DEPUTY MAYOR**

**David Cahill**

**SUBJECT TO CHANGE**