



APPROVED MINUTES FROM REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

HELD AUGUST 10, 2015

The regular council meeting was held Monday, August 10, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. with Mayor Murphy presiding and Councillors Williams, Duggan, Curtis, Bernard and Tremblay present also Eric McCarthy - Journal, Shane Gillis, Andrew Stawinoga, Margaret Stawinoga, Glenys Bell Isles, Krystyna Pottier, Frances Ready, Matthew Adams, Elaine Gaudet, Derek Sabine, Jordon Churchill, Lorraine Warren, Judy DesRoches, Dianne Veldhoen, Rosalyn Williams, Kimberley Williams, Allan Graham, John Smith, Joy Barbour, Maxine Barbour and staff Susan Wallace-Flynn.

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

DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Councillor Bernard declared a conflict of interest for agenda item number 6 with regards to the donation of \$50.00 to coaches when equipment is returned.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The motion was made by Councillor Bernard, seconded by Councillor Duggan and carried for the approval of the minutes from the regular council meeting held June 8, 2015 and two special meeting June 23, 2015 and July 7, 2015.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

A question was asked about an update on the Rails to Trails signage and there has not been any further information.

PRESENTATIONS OR DELEGATIONS TO COUNCIL

Derek Sabine presented council with a petition with 195 names as well as a letter from the Hope Centre Clubhouse to support keeping the library at its present location.

CORRESPONDENCE

A letter was received from Dr. Katherine Burleigh to say that she and Doctor Grimes would be hosting the Family Medicine Residents in West Prince on Wednesday, August 26th for a full day education event.

BUSINESS LICENSES AND /OR PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS

A business license application was received from Black Rose Tattoo to be located at Iron Haven Gym.

The motion was made by Councillor Duggan, seconded by Councillor Tremblay and carried to approve a business license application for Black Rose Tattoo.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FIRE AND POLICE

Councillor Curtis read the attached fire report. Councillor Curtis read the police report for July. There were 15 calls for service with 168 hours dedicated to Alberton. The following is a breakdown of the calls for service: Alarms - 3, Highway Traffic related - 1, Off Highway Vehicle Act - 1, Thefts - 2, Sexual Assault – 1, Fires - 1, Police Assistance - 2, Drug related - 1, Check stops - 3, Criminal Records processed – 6. Three check stops were conducted this month, a large number of vehicle were checked and the following is a breakdown of summary offence tickets issued this month: Highway Traffic Act – 4, Liquor Control Act – 1, Off Highway Vehicle Act - 1, Written Warnings - 2.

ENVIRONMENT AND SEWER UTILITY

Councillor Williams said there was not a lot to report and passed in research from the last few months at the last meeting.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Councillor Duggan said there was nothing new in economic development other than the business license that was just approved.

STREETS, SIDEWALKS & STREET LIGHTS

Councillor Tremblay said that the street paving and patching has been completed.

RECREATION AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Councillor Bernard read the attached report.

The motion was made by Councillor Bernard, seconded by Councillor Duggan and carried to cover the cost of Alberton Day events and traffic cones in the amount of \$1,000.00.

NEW BUSINESS

The motion was made by Councillor Bernard, seconded by Councillor Tremblay and carried to increase the insurance for CGL and auto to \$5,000,000.00 and \$2,000,000.00 on D and O.

Councillor Williams left due to a conflict of interest on the next item.

Two tenders were received for the 1987 International Fire Truck as is.

1. Wilkie Farms Ltd - \$2,500.00
2. Preston Murphy - \$3,000.00

The motion was made by Councillor Tremblay, seconded by Councillor Bernard and carried to sell the International Fire Truck “As Is” to Preston Murphy for \$3,000.00.

Councillor Williams returned to the meeting. Snow removal on Main Street and the parking lot was put on hold until the next meeting.

Mayor Murphy made the following statement regarding the library. “It is incumbent upon me as Mayor of the town to bring this forward following a public meeting with regards to the library. **It is very**

unfortunate that the library committee had not accepted the offer to locate at Holland College at the planning stage of the college when it was being constructed.

From last month's meeting the response from council was to maintain and upgrade the Stone Station due to the failure of Alberton Historical Foundation to sign the lease as presented to them several years ago. I would like to bring forward the following suggestion that the town of Alberton assist to set up an elected group as the library board. The bylaws of the Alberton Library Limited state –

12 - Board of Directors: The Executive of the Corporation shall consist of ten members of good standing, who shall be elected by ballot or unanimous vote of the members of the Corporation at the annual meeting or such other meeting as may be duly called for the purpose. The Executive shall be known as the Council.

13 - The term of Office of Directors shall be for three years, or such shorter period as may be determined by the members of the Corporation.

13. (b) Three members of the Council shall retire from the Council each year, and three new members shall be elected in their stead.

#6 - The annual meeting of the Corporation shall be held at the Alberton Library in Alberton on the 4th day of November in each year, at the hour of (7) o'clock, P.M., or at such other time and place in Alberton as may be determined by the Directors.

9 - A Quorum at any meeting of members shall consist of ten members, present in person or by proxy.

According to the bylaws it seems that three years is the most any director can serve so it seems the library board is now defunct.

The suggestion I am putting forward is that we have the library move into the Stone Station and contrary to what was stated in the information handed out at the public meeting regarding the library the Station has 1,007 square feet and a full basement that is dry and can be renovated. We could ask for assistance from the government for renovations and look into putting in a more efficient heating system.

The Stone Station has more than adequate parking is wheel chair accessible and can be renovated to suit the needs of the library. It has been well documented in the media that the people in Alberton and area want to keep the library open.

Therefore my suggestion would be to fully utilize the Stone Station with renovations and make it a library to be proud of to take us into the future.

I would entertain a motion from the floor to contact the government to offer to have the Stone Station converted into the library as soon as possible.”

The motion was made by Councillor Tremblay, seconded by Councillor Williams and carried to contact the government regarding moving the library to the Stone Station.

Councillors Williams, Duggan, Bernard and Tremblay voted yes and Councillor Curtis voted no.

Tenders were received for updates to Veteran's Memorial Ball Field funded partly by an ACOA grant.

Tenders for Building Materials for Counter at Canteen

SUPPLIER'S NAME	BID AMOUNT
O'Leary Building Centre	\$574.73 Tax included
Alberton Home Hardware	\$532.71 Tax included
Kent	\$453.23 Tax included

The motion was made by Councillor Duggan, seconded by Councillor Williams and carried to purchase the material for the counter at the canteen from Kent at a cost of \$453.23.

Councillors Curtis, Bernard, Williams and Duggan voted yes and Councillor Tremblay voted no.

Tenders for Scoreboards

Scoreboards Plus Inc.	\$7,178.63 Tax not included
Scoreboards.com	\$6,325.54 US Dollars Tax included
Centaur Products Inc.	\$6,495.00 Tax not included

The motion was made by Councillor Duggan, seconded by Councillor Bernard and carried to purchase the scoreboard from Centaur Products Inc. at a cost of \$6,495.00.

Tenders for Street Signs

Blain Buchanan	\$5,700.00
Government Sign Shop	\$2,850.00

The motion was made by Councillor Tremblay, seconded by Williams and carried to purchase the street signs from the government sign shop at a cost of \$2,850.00.

Tenders for Street Posts

Absolute Sign Solutions	\$4,957.14
Government	\$3,135.00

The motion was made by Councillor Duggan, seconded by Councillor Bernard and carried to purchase the street posts from the government at a cost of \$3,135.00.

Tender for Pitching Machine

Source for Sports	\$3,933.00 HST included Subject to US rate on date of order
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The motion was made by Councillor Bernard and seconded by Councillor Tremblay and carried to purchase the pitching machine from Source for Sports.

Tenders for Bleachers

Gymnasium & Health Equipment Ltd	\$12,340.00 plus tax
Highland Products Group LLC	\$24,451.14 plus tax
Centaur Products Inc.	\$13,635.02 tax included

The motion was made by Councillor Duggan, seconded by Councillor Bernard and carried to buy the bleachers from Centaur Products Inc. for \$13,635.02.

Tenders for Electrical

Gaudet's Electrical Services Ltd.	\$4,314.90
Gerald Milligan	\$2,737.00

The motion was made by Councillor Duggan, seconded by Councillor Tremblay and carried to hire Gerald Milligan for the electrical work at a cost of \$2,737.00.

Tenders for Batting Cage

Eastern Fence	\$5,000.00
Source for Sports	\$2,650.00 Plus tax Subject to US rate on date of order

The motion was made by Councillor Williams, seconded Councillor Bernard and carried for the Mayor and the Administrator to accept the tenders with the lowest prices for plumbing, fence, the batting cage and parking lot due to time constraints.

Councillor Bernard left due to a conflict of interest on the next item.

The motion was made by Councillor Tremblay, seconded by Councillor Duggan and carried to donate \$50.00 to the coaches when the equipment is returned.

Councillor Bernard returned to the meeting.

Mayor Murphy requested a five minute recess.

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

Councillor Curtis left the meeting.

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

The motion was made by Councillor Duggan, seconded by Councillor Tremblay and carried to pay bills in the amount of \$140,397.32.

Financial statements were distributed.

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

Alberton Fire Department
Fire Report
June 8 to July 13, 2015

13 calls for service

- 1 motor vehicle collision
- 1 mutual aid call
- 1 propane explosion
- 1 false alarm
- 2 stove calls
- 7 medical calls

An offer of \$2,500.00 was received for our old tanker.

Firefighters were concerned about the civic numbers on Poplar Street.

Recreation Report – August 5th, 2015

The Go! PEI “Walk-A-Lot” challenge which began in May of 2015 finished July 9th with final tracking logs due by July 14th. In the community of Alberton we had six participants that submitted their tracking logs regularly. Some participants also took part in public walking opportunities through the Alberton Walking Club. Participants received a free water bottle from Go! PEI and were entered into weekly draws for prizes. Community members that participated were positive about the challenge.

Our recreation office was asked to participate in the Seaside Volleyball Camp which took place at Westisle Composite High School the week of July 6th. A short half hour session was prepared and delivered to two groups of 18 teenage participants. The session involved a number of team building and leadership exercises.

Summer student, Taylor Wallace, began working in the recreation department at the end of June and will complete his work term on August 21st. Taylor has been busy lining the sports fields for games, acting as referee for Alberton’s soccer games and scheduling games and other activities for our weekly day camp program. Taylor also helped with Canada Day and will assist with Alberton Day festivities.

Alberton summer sports have been very successful. In the month of July, Alberton Softball teams played 11 away games and 16 home games. Alberton soccer teams played 8 away games and 8 home games. Alberton’s U-14 girls softball team applied to host provincials with Softball PEI and were successful in their application! Alberton will host the U-14 provincials on September 5th and 6th!

Canada Day celebrations in Alberton were successful. Upwards of 160 people attended the Canada Day fishing derby, flag raising and entertainment. MLA Pat Murphy was present for the flag raising and to cut the Canada Day cake. Volunteers helped to hand out Canada Day flags, pins and temporary tattoos. The band “45 Knots” played music and there were games and face-painting for the children. The Final Report for Canada Day has already been submitted to the Heritage Office.

After much recruiting of participants and a search for building space, a day camp program was started in Alberton on July 28th. The camp will run on 5 other occasions in the month of August. The camp had 7 participants during the first day who played games, made a craft and made Rice Krispy Squares. The camp ran from 8:30am to 4:30pm with 2 snacks and a lunch.

The West Prince Arts Council has set up a display of works by local artists June Ellis and Nan Ferrier at the Northport Pier Inn just outside of Alberton. Any sales are to be recorded by staff at the inn and relayed to the Town of Alberton and the West Prince Arts Council.

Alberton Day will fall on Friday, August 14th. Road closures have been confirmed with the Department of Transportation and the RCMP and Fire Department have also been informed. Main Street will be closed on August 14th from 5:30pm to 9:00pm. The closure will run between the intersections of Church and Poplar Streets. The street will be closed again from 1:00pm to 4:00pm the following day, August 15th for Multi-Cultural Day. Clohossey farms will provide a wagon which will be used as a stage for musical performers, Jamie Matthews and Corey Gallant. Jamie Matthews and Corey Gallant have agreed to perform at a rate of 500\$ from 5:30 to 9:00 with their personal sound equipment. Other confirmed events being advertised and organized for the day include an Amazing Race Alberton challenge, a Bicycle Rodeo, a 5km fun run/walk, and a chocolate bar bingo. H&R Block, CIBC, and the Medicine Shop have donated prizes for the Amazing Race Alberton challenge and the fun run/walk. The recreation department will need to purchase more safety cones for use at the bicycle rodeo which will also be of use at future sporting events.

The Town of Alberton participated in the Alberton Exhibition Parade, advertising Alberton Day. The town truck was cleaned and decorated for the event. A poster advertising Alberton Day was also posted at the Exhibition Grounds. Minor Softball teams in Alberton also participated in the Alberton Exhibition Parade and won a prize for best youth organization float.