



APPROVED MINUTES FROM REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING HELD APRIL 13, 2015

The regular council meeting was held Monday, April 13, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. with Mayor Murphy presiding and Councillors Duggan, Curtis, Bernard and Tremblay present also Frances Ready, Jim Smith, Tom Murphy, Chris LeClair, Claudia Gallant, Cpl. Lundrigan, Cindy Chant, West Prince Graphic and staff Susan Wallace-Flynn. Councillor Williams was absent due to work.

Mayor Murphy called the meeting to order.

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

DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Nil

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Nil

Councillor Cahill arrived at the meeting.

PRESENTATIONS OR DELEGATIONS TO COUNCIL

Grace Dawson, with Public Library Service reported on Alberton Library for 2014 on behalf of librarian Kelly Gillis, who is on leave from Alberton Library. Statistics for January to December 31, 2014 included; 1,643 people have Alberton Library cards, 91 programs were offered and attended by 468 children and adults, 222 computer bookings, and 13,709 books, DVD's, CDs and magazines were checked out. Grace Dawson thanked council for supporting the library.

CORRESPONDENCE

A letter was received from the PEI Firefighters Association regarding a new radio system to talk to Island EMS for Medical First Responders calls and the RCMP. Two radios will be provided to each fire department. The Association feels that since this system is mainly used to assist IEMD and MFR calls that it is a Provincial responsibility that the fire service voluntarily participates in and there should be no charge for monthly air time and that a radio for radio swap be done to ensure the level of public safety currently provided is maintained.

A letter was received from EMO regarding a training session on May 20, 2015.

The motion was made by Councillor Cahill, seconded by Councillor Duggan and carried to apply for a student under Jobs for Youth.

A report was received from Krystyna Pottier, representative of the West Prince RICH committee and the Conference she attended on March 31, 2015.

A report was received from Nancy Hamill, Navigator West Prince on the West Prince RICH committee meeting.

A letter was received from ERC Concepts stating that the Phillips residence had received an exemption for the provincial portion of the property taxes for the last 3 years as a 3 year agreement and have applied this year but have not received confirmation yet.

BUSINESS LICENSES AND/OR PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS

A request was received from PID number 31633-000 on Dufferin Street for an extension to a storage building 16 feet by 24 feet.

The motion was made by Councillor Duggan, seconded by Councillor Bernard and carried to approve PID number 31633-000 for an extension to a storage building 16 feet by 24 feet.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Councillor Duggan read the attached report.

STREETS, SIDEWALKS & STREET LIGHTS

Councillor Tremblay read the attached report.

RECREATION AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Councillor Bernard read the attached report.

FIRE AND POLICE

Councillor Curtis read the Police report. There were 166 policing hours and 8 calls for service including 1 mischief, 1 disturbance, 1 child welfare check, 1 harassing phone call/text, a 911 call, 1 fire, 1 false alarm and assistance at Elementary School after the storms; also 17 Criminal record checks.

Councillor Curtis read the Fire report (see attached). Councillor Curtis reported that Alberton Fire District has signed the contract for fire service for 2015 and made the payment for the first quarter, Montrose-Greenmount have signed the contract and will make a payment this week and the Community of Northport has not signed the contract or made payment but will this week.

FINANCE

Councillor Cahill reported for finance.

The motion was made by Councillor Cahill, seconded by Councillor Duggan and carried to pay the bills in the amount of \$57,898.24.

The motion was made by Councillor Cahill, seconded by Councillor Duggan and carried to pay up to \$39,620.00 from the town budget to Jacques Cartier Memorial Arena Inc. for their portion for the Island Community Fund project and other funding partners for renovations to the arena when approved and work completed.

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

Mayor Murphy thanked Councillor Williams on her work and speech for the appreciation night for Franklyn and Romey Fraser.

A letter was received from Pam, Ronnie and Julia Richards to sponsor the 2015 U14 Girls Provincial Softball team on which Julia was selected to play. A sponsor of \$250.00 will get the town logo on the U14's banner.

The motion was made by Councillor Tremblay, seconded by Councillor Duggan and carried to sponsor the 2015 U14 Girls Provincial Softball team in the amount of \$250.00.

The motion was made by Councillor Cahill, seconded by Councillor Tremblay and carried to get WSP to spend the balance of the last round of gas tax on the subdivision.

The motion was made by Councillor Duggan, seconded by Councillor Cahill and carried to get a price and install a permanent plug in the pipe at the lift station.

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

Councillor Williams arrived at the meeting.

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

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

The motion was made by Councillor Cahill, seconded by Councillor Curtis and carried to hire Amanda Jendrick as recreation and events planner and under a Skills PEI Program if possible.

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

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REPORT
APRIL 13, 2015**

I met with Steve Reaman, Business Development officer with Innovation PEI. We discussed possible developments and what would be involved in constructing a business park.

I attended a Forum on 50+ Entrepreneur put on by CBDC.

I met with a business owner of Main Street who would like to talk with council about possibly working to encourage business into town.

STREET REPORT

It was a tough winter and I have learned a great deal on the operations of snow removal. I found Matthews Service was very good, maintenance man did well, now I am hoping for a slow melt and am glad to report going well so far. There are places I would like to be watched for collection of water.

So far so good
Thank you Rosetta Tremblay

Recreation Report for March 2015

Hockey finished up for the season. Another Great year for hockey. On behalf of the town citizens, council and the Mayor of Alberton we presented the Regals with a plaque and a banner for helping celebrate the 100yrs Regals name. On Feb 21st the Western Regals won 7-2 and were Island Champs for the 2nd year in a row.

Curling was offered for ages 5 and up on March 16th March Break from 1-2:30 this event was free of charge. This event was put on by Go West Prince.

At Trout River a fun day for Physical Activity was offered by Go West Prince on March 18th from 10-2:00 on March Break. This fun day was offered free of charge and for ages 5 and up.

Learn to Run 10K will be offered on Wednesday April 15th at 6:30 this will be offered by Go West Prince and Ron Flynn will be leading the program.

Try Lacrosse will be offered by Go West Prince on April 10th for ages 7-12 from 6:00-7:00 and ages 13-18 from 7:00-8:00 this program is offered free of charge.

Alberton Fire Department

Monthly Report March 8 /15-April 11/15

There were 9 calls for service

5 Medical First Responder

1 Motor vehicle fire

1 mutual aid to Tignish

1 Residential fire alarm

1 Structure fire turned out to be an overheated furnace

Kelly Willams, Stephen LeClair, Josh Harris and Tom Murphy have passed their Level 2 firefighter exam and will be doing their field training in October.

Our monthly training April was water rescue at Kildare Bridge and was well attended by our firefighters.

Tom Murphy