



APPROVED MINUTES FROM REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

HELD MONDAY, JUNE 13, 2016

The regular council meeting was held Monday, June 13, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. with Mayor Murphy presiding and Councillors Curtis, Bernard, Tremblay, Duggan, Williams and Cahill present also Frances Ready, Staff Sergeant Spenceley, Joanne Bernard, Jonathan Bernard, Alex Arthur, Christine Arthur, Karson LeClair, Wendy Peters, Nathaniel Peters, Taylor Sotomayor, Kim Beaton, Jayden Beaton, Leanne Meggison, Evan Meggison, Aiden Hudson, Melanie Harper, Jacob Hudson, Seamus Harper, Colbie Gallant, Lacey Gallant, Tanya Gordon, Brooke Gordon, Deanne Peters, Kegan Ramsay, Noah Bernard, Emanuel Bernard, Eric McCarthy – Journal Pioneer and staff Susan Wallace-Flynn.

Mayor Murphy called the meeting to order.

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

DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Councillor Bernard said she would be making a presentation under public input.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The motion was made by Councillor Williams, seconded by Councillor Cahill and carried for approval of the minutes from the special council meeting held March 29, 2016 and the regular council meeting held May 9, 2016.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Mayor Murphy said that the director of Loblaws will get back to us with a plan regarding the parking lot and suggested that the motion made at the last meeting be rescinded.

The motion was made by Councillor Williams, seconded by Councillor Duggan and carried to rescind the motion made at the May 9, 2016 council meeting to charge Loblaws a rental fee per square foot for the entrance and other areas.

PRESENTATIONS OR DELEGATIONS TO COUNCIL

Councillor Bernard left her council seat and to make a presentation (see attached).

Mayor Murphy asked Connie Bernard who her committee is and if insurance will cover all the time or just 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Connie Bernard said her committee was everyone in the public and others not there. Emmanuel Bernard asked if insurance covers the ball field all hours of the day.

Councillor Bernard left the room.

The motion was made by Councillor Tremblay, seconded by Councillor Duggan and carried to give the committee property at the ball field for the skate board park, to pay the insurance and to check into whether or not our insurance covers all hours of operation.

Councillor Bernard returned to the meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE

A letter was received from Minister Robert Mitchell to confirm a 1% increase in the equalization grant over last year.

A letter was received from Premier MacLauchlan, an acknowledgement of the letter to request extended hours for Alberton Liquor Store.

A request was received from Red Riding Sisters with a request for a donation for Kids West.

The motion was made by Councillor Bernard, seconded by Councillor Tremblay and defeated to give a donation of \$500.00 to Red Riding Sisters for Kids West.

Councillors Bernard and Tremblay voted yes, Councillors Curtis, Cahill, Williams and Duggan voted no and the motion was defeated.

The motion was made by Councillor Cahill, seconded by Curtis and carried to give \$100.00 to Red Riding Sisters for Kids West.

A letter was received from Western Hospital with a request to put one or two storage trucks along the former CN property across from Western Hospital for a period of time.

The motion was made by Councillor Duggan, seconded by Councillor Williams and carried to give permission to Western Hospital to put storage trucks on the former CN land.

A letter was received from George Mason, Director of Finance regarding an increase in the cost of RCMP service from \$121,860.00 to \$128,528.00.

A letter was received from the PEI Humane Society which will be followed up by a visit or call.

Mayor Murphy said there was a Senior Secretarial Grant with a deadline of July 15th and he suggested we apply for a sidewalk on Dufferin Street near the Phillips residence.

The motion was made by Councillor Bernard, seconded by Councillor Williams and carried to apply to the Senior Secretarial Grant for sidewalk on a section of Dufferin Street.

BUSINESS LICENSES AND/OR PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS

The motion was made by Councillor Cahill, seconded by Councillor Duggan and carried to approve the property development application for J.C Handyman for a new steel roof, new windows and siding.

A property development application was received from Western Hospital to construct a storage building 24 feet by 30 feet.

The motion was made by Councillor Cahill, seconded by Councillor Tremblay and carried to approve the property development application from Western Hospital pending approval from the Department of Environment regarding the stream and the Fire Marshal.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FIRE AND POLICE

Councillor Tremblay read the May fire report (see attached).

RMCP Staff Sergeant Spenceley read the police report with a total of 17 calls for service which included : 4-911 calls, 3-Theft Under \$5,00.00, 2-Mischief, 1-Assault, 1-Liquor Control Act Complaint, 1-Breach of Recognizance, 1-Traffic complaint, 1-Assist Provincial Agency, 1-False Alarm, 1-Dog Act Complaint and 1-Family Relations Act. Staff Sgt. Spenceley said they have their annual priorities of road safety, impaired driving, cell phone use, drug abuse, criminal intelligence and community safety.

Sergeant Darren Gill will be acting District Commander; Sergeant Spenceley has a new assignment.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Councillor Bernard read the economic development report (see attached).

ENVIRONMENT AND SEWER UTILITY

Councillor Curtis had nothing to report for environment. He said he attended a conference on 13 Ways to Kill a Community and will give the minutes of the conference to council.

CAO REPORT

The CAO gave her report which is attached.

The motion was made by Councillor Cahill, seconded by Councillor Williams and carried to give the government permission for an easement for Poplar, Argyle Streets and the lagoon property and to get free topsoil from the contractor for the lagoon and Dufferin Street lot or if we have to pay to get the topsoil stripped off the top first and then replace it.

FINANCE

Councillor Cahill reported for finance.

The motion was made by Councillor Cahill, seconded by Councillor Bernard and carried to pay the bills in amount of \$184,189.23.

Honorariums were distributed and also financial statements for the general and sewer accounts including balance sheets, comparative income statements and comparative trial balances. ‘

STREETS, SIDEWALKS & STREET LIGHTS

Councillor Williams is working on the paving and pothole list and the tender will be going out before next meeting.

The motion was made by Councillor Williams, seconded by Councillor Bernard and carried to apply to Clean Wastewater fund for the replacement of the sewer lift station and storm water upgrades to include ditching and culvert replacement on Dufferin, Argyle, Prince William and Elders Streets with the lift station replacement as priority 1 and storm water upgrades as priority number 2 with Pat Hughes the consultant and CBCL the consulting firm as required for the application.

LIBRARY SERVICES & PARKS

Duggan read library report (see attached).

RECREATION AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Mayor Murphy reported that the recreation report was distributed (see attached).

The motion was made by Councillor Cahill, seconded by Councillor Bernard and carried to run an ad in the Journal Pioneer for Canada Day for \$186.00.

The motion was made by Councillor Bernard, seconded by Councillor Tremblay and carried to get a portable toilet for Canada Day.

The motion was made by Councillor Bernard, seconded by Councillor Cahill and carried to install a porta potty at the ball field for \$390.00 + HST.

The motion was made by Councillor Bernard, seconded by Councillor Tremblay and carried to approve a budget of \$1,000.00 for Canada Day with \$700.00 from the Celebrate Canada fund.

The motion was made by Councillor Tremblay, seconded by Councillor Cahill and carried to tender for the audit.

The following is the results from the lawn mower tenders.

**Lawn Mower Tender
June 10, 2016 at 11:00 a.m.**

NAME	PRICE
Gaudet's Engine Repair	50" Zero turn 24.5 HP 45 days warranty \$4,786.86
Gaudet's Engine Repair	48" deck Commercial Grade 21 HP 3 year warranty/300 hours Frame guaranteed for life \$6,348.89
Gaudet's Engine Repair	54" deck 23 HP 3 year warranty/300 hours \$6,713.69
Green Diamond	48" Zero turn 25 HP 4 year/300 hour warranty \$5,187.00
Green Diamond	54" Zero turn 25 HP 4 year/300 hour warranty \$5,472.00

The motion was made by Councillor Tremblay, seconded by Councillor Duggan and carried to purchase a lawn mower from Green Diamond with 54" zero turn 25 HP for \$5,472.00.

The motion was made by Councillor Cahill, seconded by Councillor Tremblay and carried to approve mileage for Councillor Curtis to attend a conference on 13 Ways to Kill Your Community.

Council discussed posting rules for the skateboard park.

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

Skate Park Presentation by Connie Bernard

Good evening Mr. Mayor and Town Council,

I am speaking to you on behalf of a formed committee and myself Connie Bernard (not as a council member but as a citizen of the town). I have been approached by many kids, teens and parents to see if the town would put in a skate park in Alberton. I did my research to see if this was something that would be used in our community. I found out that many kids and teens are into scooting and skateboarding in the west prince area. Many kids and young adults drive to Summerside to the outdoor and indoor skate park because we do not have any place for them to go in Alberton or West Prince. My thoughts on this is when we as parents or young adults have to drive out of our community such as Summerside to go to a skate park. While we are in Summerside we tend to go shopping and out to eat while we are there. If we had a skate park in Alberton we would not have to make as many trips to Summerside and we would spend our money more in our town rather than in Summerside. By having a skate park in Alberton this would also attract more kids, kid's don't have their license to drive so their parents would have to drive them in and then they also would be visiting our stores and restaurants while in town.

Scooting and Skateboarding are becoming more and more popular in cities and towns. Souris, Montague, Charlottetown, Cornwall, Summerside and Miscouche all have skate parks. The town of Stratford is in the process of making a skate park. The town of Stratford has given \$150,000 to go towards a skate park and they are looking at fund raising the rest to make a total of \$350,000. I feel that there is a huge need for a skate park in west prince and why not put it right in the middle of west prince like Alberton.

Right now the kids that scooter and skateboard in our area are using the sidewalks, around stores and parking lots. Some places even put up signs no scooters or skateboards allowed. The kids have been asked to leave certain parking lots or to get off the sidewalks on

different occasions. Pretty soon they won't be able to use their scooters or skateboards in town. They need a place to go. These kids do this as a sport and they get lots of exercise doing it along with social interaction and making new friends.

I have been doing lots of research and talking to lots of people that will support me on this idea of fundraising for a skate park in Alberton. I have a committee formed and are willing to help me with the fundraising. All we are asking of the town is to give us an area to put the skate park on and to cover the cost of the insurance on a yearly basis. There is a recreational area that was used for a Skate Park before which is the correct size and is paved already, which we would have to resurface the paved area to make it smooth and suitable. This area is at the Alberton Memorial Ball field which is secluded and already zoned recreational. I also did my research to see how much it would cost for insurance each year and the cost of insurance would be roughly \$42 dollars a month which would equal out to be \$500 a year.

We plan to fundraise roughly \$40,000 dollars for the equipment which would be made out of concrete and its warranty is 25 years on their equipment. The park hours would be from 8am - 8pm the size of the skate park would be 40 by 60, the location we are hoping for which is already zoned recreational is the Alberton Memorial Ball Field, the insurance would cost \$500 a year, the layout of the park you can see on the attached paper, the equipment would be made out of concrete and all the equipment is CSA approved. The only expense to the town is the yearly insurance and we would fund raise the rest.

I did my research like I was asked to do and now I am presenting it to you. What our committee is asking from the town is to give us a piece of property preferable the area at the ball field to put our skate park on when we are done fundraising for it and that the town would cover the cost of the insurance. I am looking for your support and would really like for you to make a motion tonight to approve of a piece of property and to cover the cost of the insurance on a yearly basis for a skate park. This would be a great asset to the town at no cost except insurance.

Thank You on behalf of myself Connie Bernard and our Skate Park Committee

May Fire Report 2016

6 MFR, 2 Structure, 1 Brush Fire, 1 Alarm, 10 Total

The Department has been very busy with training and keeping up with NFPA (National Fire Protection Agency) equipment standards. The support from council has been great.

Chief, John Ellsworth

Economic Development Report for June 13th

For my monthly report in Economic Development I would like to announce that the town has purchased the Jeffery land located behind the Alberton Fire Hall. This land was purchased in hopes that new businesses would develop in our town. We now have land for some new opportunities for new business's to come to our town. I would also like to remind you of a few months ago the council approved a two year refund of the municipal portion of their property taxes to any new business that would be built in the town of Alberton. If planning on building a new business in the town of Alberton please be in contact with the town of Alberton and we would be more than happy to work with you.

CAO REPORT
May 10, 2016 TO June 13, 2016

Prepared financial statements, collected sewer revenue, made deposits and other day to day office duties. Assisted the arena and sent letters for fund raising for the Zamboni.

Got a plumber to get the ball field washrooms ready for the summer.

Made arrangements to have the batting cage installed at the ball field.

Made arrangements to have the score board installed at the ball field.

Assisted DOT with details for culvert replacement and the project started this morning. AJL has offered the town the fill left over from the lagoon pipe installation. **Do you want some fill at the lagoon and some on the new property just purchased?** The government also needs an easement over the property and for Poplar and Argyle Streets culvert replacement. **A motion is required to give permission.**

On May 25, 2016 I received a call from the owner of PID 30684 to request that Poplar Street be extended to allow her access to her lot which is land locked.

June 7, 2016 Ruth DeLong with Rails to Trails called to confirm that the Kiosk and way finding signs promised last year will be installed next week.

Started the July 1st sewer invoices and business licenses.

Talked to the director of Loblaw's and they will get back to us with a plan to start the discussion for the parking lot.

Alan Leard has donated an original copy of An Act of Incorporation of the Town of Alberton 1913 and a book of Insurance Plan of Alberton from the Underwriters' Survey Bureau Limited.

Alberton Public Library

Monthly Report

Reporting to: Councillor Blair Duggan

Period: Month of May 2016

Operations: No Issues. Thank you for the bike rack and chairs. Both have been put to good use.

Programs: A Children's Author from Ontario came for a reading; An exchange youth group from YMCA First Nations in Constance Lake, ON came for a visit and tour.

Planning: In partnership with Albertain Recreation Summer Staff:

Albertain Public Library

TD Summer Reading Club

Get Your Summer Read On! Launch Party

Saturday, June 25th at 11:00 am for Children of all ages.

Weekly Programs

Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. from July 6th - August 17th. For children ages 5 and under

Wednesdays at 2:00 a.m. from July 6th – August 17th. For children 6 to 9

Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. from July 7th – August 18th. For children 10-15

Fridays at 2:00 a.m. from July 8th – August 19th. For children of all ages.

Closing Celebrations

Friday, August 19th at 2:00 p.m. for children of all ages

Kelly Gillis, Branch Technician, Albertain Public Library

Recreation Report – June 13th, 2016

Seniors Activities at both the Seniors Building Complex and the Rev. W. J. Phillips residence will wrap up for the summer at the end of June and resume regularly in the fall. The Rev. W. J. Phillips residence will have a summer student and the common room at the building complex becomes stuffy during the summer months. Occasional exercises for the seniors will still be available during the summer depending upon the schedule in the Recreation Department and whether or not a summer student is available to assist with the programs and field maintenance. Wayne Corrigan will perform at the Seniors Building Complex on June 20th. 15 or more were present for Leo Arsenault's performance on May 30th and the seniors thoroughly enjoyed the music.

Learn to Run 5km and 10km programs with Go West Prince! In Albertain will conclude on June 18th with a final run at Hernewood Junior High. Both groups were well attended.

The After School Program will finish for grades 3-4 on Wednesday, June 8th and for Kindergarten to grade 2 on Tuesday, June 14th. 16 Children participated in the K-2 program and 28 children participated in the 3-4 program. Melissa Williams, Dylan Gallant, Laura Gillis, and Hailey Williams have all been very helpful as volunteers with the After School Program.

Both U-12 and U-16 Alberton Softball teams have already begun practices. There are 14 members on our U-12 girls team and 11 members on the U-16 team. Alberton also hopes to have a U-14 boys softball team. There are 9 boys registered to date. The registration deadline for the U-16 and U-14 teams has been extended to allow for more to sign up in those age groups. Alberton also continues to look for soccer players in the U-12 age group. Children have until June 30th to sign up for soccer. Rec. director, Amanda Jendrick, is currently lining the softball fields for Bloomfield and Alberton elementary games as well as Westisle High School games.

The Scotiabank Cup Softball Tournament is being hosted in O'Leary and Alberton the weekend of June 17th and 19th. U-12 girls division will play in Alberton at Memorial Field and volunteers plan to have the canteen open for the tournament. U-14 teams will play at Alberton Elementary School and the Home and School Association will offer BBQ at the school field as a fundraiser. Alberton Elementary School will not allow players into the school to use the bathroom as it is the weekend. Therefore, the recreation department is seeking approval from Town Council to install a porta potty at the school the weekend of the tournament which will cost \$95 + HST. Approval to install a porta potty at the school for the summer months is also needed. This will cost \$390.00 +HST, the same rate as the previous year. An electronic score board and batting cage have been installed at Veterans Memorial Field in preparation for the upcoming tournament. The recreation department is currently seeking volunteers to assist in lining the softball fields during the tournament and anyone who is interested in helping should contact Amanda.

Celebrations for Canada Day will take place at the Town Pond on July 1st. Joey Doucette will provide musical entertainment and bring his own sound equipment at the rate of 250\$. Electricity has been made available in the gazebo and the Canada Day Cake ordered. Amanda will host the annual fishing derby with prizes for largest fish caught, largest number of fish and first catch of the day. Robert Morrissey and Pat Murphy have both been formally invited to the event. Megan Handrahan will sing O'Canada and assist with face painting during the event. The recreation department is also requesting a portable toilet at the Town Pond for Canada Day at the rate of \$95 + HST. Ads for Canada Day Celebrations in the West Prince Graphic and/or the Journal Pioneer would run the week of June 27th. A mock up of our Journal Pioneer Ad is attached and is quoted at \$186.00. Ad prices for the West Prince Graphic are also attached. The rec. department is seeking approval of a \$1000 budget for Canada Day. \$700 of the Canada Day budget will be funded through the Celebrate Canada grant.

As well as summer sports, the Town of Alberton will provide a Multi Sport Program on Monday Mornings and an Art Camp for children on Tuesday Afternoons starting on July 3rd and 4th. Both programs are already full with 22 children signed up for the Multi Sport Program and 12 children signed up for the Art Camp.