



**MINUTES
GEORGETOWN
TOWN COUNCIL**

**TUESDAY,
February 16, 2010**

Mayor Lewis Lavandier
Deputy Mayor Wade Williams
Councillor Allan Gallant
Councillor Ronnie Gallant
Councillor Peggy King
Councillor Faye McQuillan
Councillor Craig Murphy
CAO Tonya Cameron



The regular monthly meeting of the Georgetown Town Council was held in the Council Chambers on 2/16/2010, at 7:00 p.m.

Council Attendance: Mayor Lewis Lavandier
Deputy Mayor Wade Williams
Councillor Allan Gallant
Councillor Ronnie Gallant
Councillor Peggy King
Councillor Faye McQuillan
Councillor Craig Murphy

1.0 Call to Order

Mayor Lewis Lavandier called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2.0 Approval of Agenda: 2/16/2010

Moved for approval by Councillor A. Gallant.

Seconded by Councillor W. Williams. Motion Carried.

2.1 Additions to Agenda

Nil

2.2 Conflict of Interest Provision

Part V1, Section 23 of the *PEI Municipalities Act*, which maintains that no member of Council shall derive any profit or financial advantage from his/her position as a member of Council and, where a member of Council has any pecuniary interest in or is affected by any matter before the Council, shall declare his/her interest therein and abstain from voting and discussion thereon.

2.3 Declaration – None Declared.

3.0 Business/Presentations from the Floor:

3.1 None

4.0 Minutes

Council Meeting: January 18, 2010 Regular Meeting and business thereof.

4.1 Adoption

Moved by Councillor P. King.

Seconded by Councillor C. Murphy. Motion Carried.

4.2 Business from Town Council Minutes

None.

5.0 Financial Statements (Unaudited)

5.1 General Account-to February 1, 2010

Moved for approval as presented by A. Gallant

Seconded by Councillor W. Williams. Motion Carried.

5.2 Sewer Corporation-to February 1, 2010

**Moved for approval as presented by A. Gallant,
Seconded by Councillor W. Williams. Motion Carried.**

- 6.0 Outstanding Expenditures (preliminary & supplementary list)
Moved for approval to pay as presented by Councillor A. Gallant, seconded
by Councillor R. Gallant. Motion Carried.**
- 7.0 List of Correspondence January 19, 2010 – February 16, 2010:**
- 7.1 Transportation & Public Works: re: PEI Provincial Survey Reference System; **No action required.****
 - 7.2 Canada Wildlife Service: invitation to comment on the proposed amendment to Schedule 1 of the Species at Risk Act and the List of Wildlife Species at risk.; **No action required.****
 - 7.3 EISI: re: Georgetown Municipal Water System upgrades; **No action required.****
 - 7.4 Honorable Carolyn Bertram: response to correspondence sent to the Health & Wellness office concerning the hours of operation at the KCMH; **No action required.****
 - 7.5 Canadian Breast Cancer Foundation: thank you for donation; **No action required.****
 - 7.6 Georgetown Healthy Living: highlights of Georgetown program; **No action required.****
 - 7.7 Water Management: water sample readings for Jan. 6, 2010; **No action required.****
 - 7.8 FCM Communiqué: FCM proposes municipal reconstruction response for Haiti to federal government; **No action required.****
 - 7.9 Minister of Fisheries & Ocean: response to correspondence sent concerning relocation of the Charlottetown Canadian Coast Guard; **No action required.****
 - 7.10 Lynn MacInnis-Georgetown Healthy Living: Thank you for assistance over the duration of her program; **No action required.****
 - 7.11 PEI Senior's Federation: re: petition request that IRAC hold a public meeting to review the 2010 Rate Change Application; **No action required.****
 - 7.12 Clinton Chiasson: request for permission to cap sewer at Property # 171389; **Correspondence to be sent to Clinton Chaisson granting permission to the property owner to cap sewer; (sewer invoice remains constant for frontage even while capped). Tonya to have a discussion with Mr. Chaisson and advise that we will need to check into the dimensions of the lot in question before advising that it can be rebuilt on. (Dimensions of the lot in question may not be suitable for a newly constructed home.) As well, this is an area that has a water problem (low lying, etc.). This will have to be looked into further.****

8.0 Committee Reports

8.1 **Finance, Government Relations -Mayor Lewis Lavandier, Chair:**

Mayor Lavandier gave the following written report:

I have been in contact with Councillor Peter Doucette from Montague and we are going to have another Three Rivers Meeting on March 2nd. The meeting will be held in Montague at the Active Communities Board Room, we will be continuing our discussion on the creation of a strategy for tourism destination planning, for the Three Rivers Region. I would ask the planning committee members to consider joining me on March 2nd as we should have a strong voice on how to promote Georgetown going forward.

I have received a letter from Minister Gail Shea from Fisheries & Oceans, thanking us for the correspondence regarding the relocation of the Coast Guard Base, and also for giving her a site tour of the Georgetown Wharf and facility.

Minister Shea has assured me that no decision has been made to move out of Charlottetown yet, and a decision will only be made after consideration of the best interests of all stakeholders.

Respectfully Submitted,
Mayor Lewis Lavandier

- **Moved for adoption as read by Councillor P. King, seconded by Councillor A. Gallant. Motion Carried.**

8.2 **Public Works, Property, Main Street Programs, Sewer & Water Utilities-Councillor Williams & Community Heritage and Beautification, Committee Chair:**

Councillor Wade Williams gave the following written reports:

Public Works, Property, Main Street Programs, Sewer & Water

Water St. "Streetscape": Advised Council of reduced amount of funding (as per excel sheet) that may be available if approved, with respect to proposed agreement with ACOA re: Water Street (streetscape items). All monies will have to be spent by March 31, 2010. Project will include 5 light bases, 8 lights, benches, etc.

General discussion of Council with respect to an area to store items that cannot be installed until the Spring.

Respectfully Submitted,
Councillor Wade Williams

- **Moved for adoption as read by Councillor P. King, seconded by Councillor C. Murphy. Motion Carried.**

8.3 *Friends of Georgetown School, King's Playhouse Theatre & Three Rivers Sportsplex: Councillor King, Committee Chair:*

Councillor King gave the following written reports:

Friends of Georgetown School Committee

I attended the monthly parent/council meeting on February 2, 2010. The parent/council is now focusing on some major fundraising ideas to raise their share of the money that is required to get the funding for the new playground equipment for the school. A school cookbook is the main project they are focusing on for now. The school hosted their winter carnival and it was a great success. This week is teacher appreciation week and the parents group will be providing the teachers and staff with treats all this week.

General discussion of Council regarding the fantastic job the teachers are doing by generating excitement with the students with respect to the Olympic Games. Each class has been designated with a different country and the children are really getting involved with following how many medals their "country" is winning.

Three Rivers Sportsplex

Attended board meeting on February 9, 2010. The board is gearing up to host the Jimmy Carroll Memorial Tournament from February 21st to February 27th. This is a 14-16 team tournament and generates revenue from the bar and canteen sales. There are also a couple of big tournaments planned for the month of March. Lowther was down and repaired the generator that broke down due to a power outage in the Town. Everything is up and running at this time.

King's Playhouse Monthly Report

I attended the first production of the Kings Playhouse Theatre School directed by Dawn Sadoway. This event featured two plays "The Trial of Goldilocks" and "Once Upon A Shoe". This group of children who are representatives from all over Kings County area did a great job. The newly renovated seats made the theatre look classic and state of the art. It is so good to see our theater being used to benefit our children. Hats off to Dawn for a job well done. Dawn has many more productions coming up for this group in their future. What a great way to spend Islander Day!

I would like to request on behalf of the King's Playhouse Theatre approval from Town Council to grant an increase in their line of credit up to \$80,000 to assist with booking acts for their upcoming season.

- **Moved by Councillor A. Gallant to allow the King's Playhouse Theatre to increase their line of credit borrowing limit to a maximum of \$80,000, seconded by Councillor F. McQuillan. Motion Carried.**

Respectfully Submitted,
Councillor Peggy King

- **Moved for adoption as read by Councillor A. Gallant, seconded by Councillor C. Murphy. Motion Carried.**

8.4 *Community & Media Relations & Seniors Affairs: Councillor McQuillan, Committee Chair:*

Councillor McQuillan gave the following written reports:

Seniors

Play rehearsal is going well. We continue to meet every Wednesday evening. The seniors are getting very excited. We had some new faces last week. Brian Pound and his wife Sherry joined us along with Melvin Ford. It was great to have them join us. Remember, each of you is welcome. The play is scheduled for March 27, 2010 and all of the children of Georgetown School will be involved with the play.

Upcoming Events

The next event will be the Celebrity Dinner. Tonya and I are working on this. We are thinking the 3rd week of March. The letters will be sent out in the next couple of weeks.

Respectfully submitted,
Councillor Faye McQuillan.

- **Moved for adoption as read by Councillor W. Williams, seconded by Councillor R. Gallant. Motion Carried.**

8.5 *Civic Centre & Georgetown Volunteer Fire Department, Councillor Ronnie Gallant, Committee Chair: Councillor Ronnie Gallant gave the following written reports:*

Civic Centre

The Civic Centre will have major repairs done this year. A new roof, new furnace and work to the outside of the building.

Fire Department

The fire department is very busy with training and fire calls. We have one hydrant which is broken and will be fixed in the near future.

Respectfully submitted by
Councillor Ronnie Gallant.

Fire Chief's Report for January & February 2010, prepared by Fire Chief Mark Gotell, read and submitted by Councillor R. Gallant:

| Fire Calls | EMS Calls | MVA Calls | Forestry Calls | Training | Meetings |
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January has seen some restructuring within the Fire Department with the formation of new companies, Engine Company, Hose & Ladder Company, Fire Attack & Rescue Company, and Fire Ground Support Company. With these new companies I also appointed Lieutenants to work along with the Company Captains. I have created a job description /responsibility sheet for each company, the idea is to get more Firefighters involved in the day to day operations and to give each company more responsibility and to make the fire ground safer and more efficient.

In January the new training committee has started their in house training program that seen them focus on all trucks and equipment aboard each apparatus; this was spread out over 5 different days to try and accommodate peoples schedule. February we are concentrating on Motor Vehicle Accidents and Extrication.

The training committee has put in many extra hours meeting and discussing their training plans, this is above and beyond the actual training night.

The Department has been purchasing some new equipment over the last two months as well as replacing boots, gloves and balaclavas that have reach their life span. We are also looking at replacing our fire helmets. All this is funded by our monthly "Grab a Grand Draw".

I would like to put forth the name of Ray Martell for council's approval to join the fire department; Ray's name was accepted at January's Fire Meeting and will bring our numbers back up to 25 Firefighters.

Yours in Fire Safety
 Mark G. Gotell, Fire Chief

- **Moved by Councillor A. Gallant to accept Ray Martell to the Fire Dept., seconded by Councillor C. Murphy. Motion Carried.**
- **Moved for adoption as read by Councillor A. Gallant, seconded by Councillor F. McQuillan. Motion Carried.**

8.6 *Planning and Community Development & Youth and Recreation: Councillor Craig Murphy, Committee Chair.* Councillor Murphy gave the following written reports:

Nothing new to report at this time, with the exception of baseball planning, and also am in talks with a family looking at purchasing a property in the Town.

Respectfully submitted,
Councillor Craig Murphy

- **Moved for adoption as read by Councillor P. King, seconded by Councillor F. McQuillan. Motion Carried.**

8.7 *Finance & Georgetown and Area Development Corporation: Councillor Allan Gallant, Committee Chair*

Councillor A. Gallant gave the following written reports:

Finance Committee – We had two budget request meetings open to the general public with great success. We had several budget requests including the King’s Playhouse, Library, Fire Dept., Three Rivers Sportsplex, a gentleman attended with some ideas on how to increase our revenues, a request for additional sidewalk near the Housing Authority Properties, as well as a presentation from the School.

The Library is only requesting some minor changes / updates including repairs to the lighting, book drop, \$100 donation to purchase supplies for crafts for the youth. General agreement of Council to look at doing some of these small items as soon as possible.

GADC – we are getting rid of the GADC phone line at the Town Office. The GADC will be looking for a strong letter of support from the Town advising that the GADC funding partners advising that their retail outlet shops.

- **Moved by Councillor A. Gallant to send a letter to the GADC funding partners advising that the Town supports that the retail outlet project is a priority of the Town, seconded by Councillor F. McQuillan. Motion Carried.**

General discussion with respect to the phone bill re; yellow/white page advertising and possible reductions for same.

Respectfully submitted,
Councillor Allan Gallant

- **Moved by Councillor A. Gallant that his report be adopted as read, seconded by F. McQuillan. Motion carried.**

8.8 Administrator's Report: Tonya Cameron, Chief Administrative Officer:

Tonya Cameron, CAO gave the following report:

Chief Administrative Officer's Report for February 16, 2010

Nothing new to report. The past month has consisted of regular day to day operations, year end entries and budget preparations.

The year end entries have been submitted to MacPherson Roche Smith and we are awaiting their review and audit of same.

Respectfully Submitted,
Tonya Cameron, CAO

9.0 New Business:

- **Moved by Councillor A. Gallant that all Council submit their budget requests by the end of February to the Finance Committee, seconded by Councillor W. Williams. Motion Carried.**
- **Moved by Councillor W. Williams to nominate Allan Gallant to the Board of the Federation of Prince Edward Island Municipalities (FPEIM) as a representative for Towns/Cities of Kings County, seconded by Councillor P. King. Motion Carried.**

10.0 Adjournment

Moved: by Councillor A. Gallant.

Second: by Councillor F. McQuillan. Motion Carried.

Minutes recorded and submitted by:
Tonya Cameron, CAO

Approved, March 15, 2010

Lewis Lavandier, Mayor

Tonya Cameron, CAO