



The regular monthly meeting of the Georgetown Town Council was held in the Council Chambers on 12/19/2011, at 7:00 p.m.

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

Regrets: Councillor Allan Gallant

MINUTES GEORGETOWN TOWN COUNCIL

Monday,
December 19, 2011

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

1. Call to Order

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

2. Approval of Agenda: 12/19/2011

Moved for approval by Councillor W. Williams.

Seconded by Councillor M. Gallant. 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.

3. Business/Presentations from the Floor:

3.1 Mayor Lavandier presentation to former Mayor Michael Gallant and Former Mayor Mark Gotell.

3.2 Mayor Lavandier recognized gallery attendant Mrs. Maxine MacLellan, who gave a presentation:

- Family Violence Prevention Services – this year they are hoping to include the Town of Georgetown during Family Violence Prevention Week February 12 – 18, 2012. Requesting for us to host a walk of silence, which has also been confirmed in Souris, Montague and Charlottetown. RCMP usually heads and follows the walk. Businesses are invited to participate in their windows, as well as inviting the



schools and any other groups that may want to participate in the walk. A public presentation may be provided if we are interested in participating in this resource.

- **General agreement of Council to participate.**

3.1.

4. Minutes

Council Meeting: November 21, 2011 Regular Meeting and business thereof:

4.1. Adoption of November 21, 2011 Regular Meeting

- **Moved for adoption by Councillor M. Gallant.
Seconded by Councillor F. McQuillan. Motion Carried.**

4.2. Business from Town Council Minutes.

- **None**

5. Financial Statements (Unaudited)

5.1. General Operating Account-to December 1, 2011

- **Moved for approval as presented by Councillor M. Gallant,
Seconded by Councillor F. McQuillan. Motion Carried.**

5.2. Sewer Corporation-to December 1, 2011

- **Moved for approval as presented by Councillor M. Gallant,
Seconded by Councillor F. McQuillan. Motion Carried.**

6. Outstanding Expenditures (preliminary & supplementary list)

- **Moved by Councillor M. Gallant for approval to pay all outstanding expenditures as presented and as funds become available, seconded by Councillor F. McQuillan. Motion Carried.**

7. List of Correspondence from November 22 – December 19, 2011:

7.1. Health PEI: Re: Invitation to open house for new digital x-ray machine; **No action required.**

7.2. Finance and Municipal Affairs: Re: Amendments to the Planning Act, Province Wide Minimum Development Standards Regulations;

- **Moved by Councillor Michael Gallant to hire Phil Wood and pay for any necessary resources, i.e. advertising, etc. in regards to updates to our Official Plan and Bylaws, seconded by Councillor Craig Murphy. Motion Carried.**

8. Committee Reports

8.1. **Finance, Government Relations -Mayor Lewis Lavandier, Chair:** Mayor Lavandier submitted the following written report:
Monthly Report December 19th, 2011

I attended the Georgetown Lions Club Seniors Dinner again this year and would like to thank the Georgetown Lions Club for providing a very nice Christmas Dinner for our seniors.

The appreciation day for the community of Evangeline went very well; we made a presentation of a plaque to Cedric Gallant, Manager of the Evangeline Rink and the Three Rivers Sportsplex Board, as well as the parents of the Georgetown hockey team provided pot luck for the parents and players from Evangeline. It was very much appreciated.

Request for leave of absence from Councillor Allan Gallant.

*Respectfully Submitted,
Lewis Lavandier, Mayor*

Mayor Lavandier thanked and commended Council for doing so well with their budgets and spoke of 2012 100th Anniversary plans, as well as possibly a small addition to the skatepark for next year.

Motion(s) from Report:

- **Moved by Councillor M. Gallant to grant Councillor Allan Gallant a three month leave of absence from his duties on Council, to be re-examined in March 2012 of his circumstances at that time, seconded by Councillor W. Williams. Motion Carried.**
- **Moved by Councillor M. Gallant to adopt Mayor L. Lavandier's report as given, seconded by Councillor F. McQuillan. Motion Carried.**

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

Councillor Wade Williams submitted the following written reports:

Public Works Properties and Utilities: Stormwater work is 90% completed at the corner of Victoria and Richmond Street. A small holdback is in place for spring landscaping.

I would like to wish Council, Staff and David a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

*Respectfully Submitted,
Wade Williams, Councillor*

Mayor Lavandier thanked Councillor Williams for all the hard work and extra hours that he put in throughout the year.

Motion(s) from Report: None

- **Moved by Councillor W. William's to accept his own report as read, seconded by Councillor M. Gallant. Motion Carried.**

8.3. Community & Media Relations and Seniors Affairs: Councillor McQuillan, Committee Chair: Councillor McQuillan submitted the following written report: Councillor's Report December 19th, 2011

Seniors: Seniors had their annual Christmas potluck. It was a huge success. Santa came to visit with a little treat for all. Bring Your Grandchildren to Seniors was held on Wed. Dec. 14. There were 20 grandchildren present. Lots of fun and games with a visit from Santa to end the evening. The children really enjoy this.

Special Events: Summer Days – We are planning to meet again in January to go over some events for the early part of the year. Still waiting on word for grant.

Santa Clause Parade: The Santa Clause Parade and Tree lightening went over well. A Fairly good crowd was in attendance. Thank you to the Mayor and Councillors who participated in the parade. It was a very cold evening but everyone seemed to enjoy the events.

At this time I would like to wish Mayor and Council and their families a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

*Respectfully submitted,
Faye McQuillan, Councillor*

Mayor Lavandier thanked Councillor F. McQuillan and her committee for all of their hard work throughout the year and continued involvement with the 100th Anniversary Celebration grant and upcoming activities.

Motion(s) from report: **None**

- **Moved by Councillor C. Murphy to adopt Councillor F. McQuillan's report as read, seconded by Councillor W. Williams. Motion Carried.**

8.4. Civic Centre & Georgetown Volunteer Fire Department, Committee Chair Councillor Ronnie Gallant: Councillor Ronnie Gallant gave the following reports:

Fire Chief's report submitted by Fire Chief Mark Gotell, presented by Mark Gotell, Fire Chief as follows:



Fire Chief's Report from November 20th – December 18th

Fire Calls	EMS Calls	MVA Calls	Forestry Calls	Training	Meetings
1	2	0	0	0	1

I would like to thank those members of council who took the time after last month's Council Meeting to visit the Fire Hall and see a demo of the, I am responding system, so far the system was used twice and the members are calling in.

As we are coming to the end of yet another year I would like to see remaining funds of approximately \$900 from account 5340 and \$2,000 from account 5345 be transferred to account 5350 as this will help offset the cost of the new I am Responding System. Also please forward to the Fire Department \$3,360 from account 5360 and \$1,800 from account 5360B for this year's Honorariums.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish Mayor Lavandier, members of Town Council and staff of the Town of Georgetown a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year!

Mark G. Gotell, Fire Chief

Councillor Ronnie Gallant presented the following written Councillor's report:

**Councillor's Report –
Fire Department and Civic Center for December 2011:**

Fire Department: The Fire Department is still looking for new members. The fire department will be electing a fire Chief and new Officers when they hold their

election. On behalf of the Town I would like to wish everyone in the fire department a very Merry Christmas and Best Wishes in the New Year.

Civic Center: The Civic Center will be busy with some upgrades. Some painting will be done. The Civic Center would like to welcome M.L.A. Stephen Myers to our Town. I would like to wish the Town workers, Mayor and Councillors a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

*Respectfully submitted by
Ronald Gallant, Councillor*

Mayor Lavandier thanked Councillor Ronnie Gallant for all his work on the Civic Center, his volunteer work which was over and above the call of duty on the volunteer committees and his work with fire department this year.

Motion(s) from Report:

- **Moved by Councillor M. Gallant that remaining funds of approximately \$900 from account 5340 and \$2,000 from account 5345 be transferred to account 5350, and be it further resolved that funds in the amount of \$3,360 from account 5360 and \$1,800 from account 5360B be released for this year's Honorariums as per budget, seconded by Councillor W. Williams. Motion Carried.**
- **Moved by Councillor M. Gallant to adopt Councillor R. Gallant's reports as presented, seconded by Councillor W. Williams. Motion Carried.**

8.5. *Planning & Community Development, Friends of Georgetown School Parent Group and King's Playhouse, Councillor Michael Gallant Committee*

Chair: *Councillor M. Gallant submitted the following written reports:*

REPORT FOR DECEMBER 2011

PLANNING, PLAYHOUSE AND SCHOOL

Planning: I received an enquiry from and interested individual concerning the Town's Residential Development Programme. Just waiting for him to send the necessary details for Council to begin the process of considering, reviewing and adopting preliminary plans.

Playhouse: The facility has had a relatively busy month with bookings from various groups for their seasonal parties, along with concerts and community events. The Annual General Meeting for the Playhouse is tentatively scheduled for sometime in January of 2012.

School: The Christmas Crafts fair went well. I apologize for the error in the date for the event in my November report. The School had its Christmas Concert at the Playhouse on December 18.

I would like to extend to you Your Worship, my Council colleagues, the Staff of the Town Of Georgetown, The Board of Directors of the Kings Playhouse, the students and teachers of Georgetown Elementary, David our intrepid reporter and indeed all citizens of the Town my personal best wishes for a very merry and blessed Christmas Season and the very best of good health and prosperity in 2012.

*Respectfully submitted,
Michael Gallant, Councillor*

Motion(s) from report: *None*

- **Moved by Councillor M. Gallant to adopt his own report as presented, seconded by Councillor F. McQuillan. Motion Carried.**

Mayor Lavandier thanked Councillor Gallant for all of the fine work that he performed this year.

8.6. Three Rivers Sportsplex and Youth & Recreation: Councillor Craig Murphy, Committee Chair. *Councillor Murphy submitted the following written reports:*

Youth & Recreation (December 2011): Nothing new to report.

Three Rivers Sportsplex (December 2011): Evangeline Day was a huge success. We hosted the Evangeline Bantam AA hockey team on December 4th. It was the first time that we have ever actually had a team from Evangeline play in Georgetown. We started off the game with a presentation from our Mayor of a plaque to recognize the generosity that the Evangeline area showed with them donating \$5,000 of their \$25,000 winnings from the Kraft Celebration Tour Contest last year. Cedric Gallant was present to accept the plaque and said a few words to thank the Town and Sportsplex. There were many compliments on the Hospitality Room that was arranged upstairs for after the game, with the seafood chowder being the highlight of many. I would like to express my gratitude to all of the people who contributed to the supply of food and the quality of service that was made available. Also as an update, I was informed and sent a picture of the plaque that is now installed in the entrance to the new Evangeline Arena that hosted its official opening the following week after the plaque was installed.

The new parking lots lights have been installed at the rink and are working excellent to make the area where the steps are much safer. I was there when Maritime Electric were installing the new lights and I noticed there was an existing street light across the street. So I asked them to remove that one as it would have been too close to the new one to be of any use. This means that we will only end up having to pay for one additional light.

The new furnace and oil tank for the upstairs has been installed and is running smoothly and much more efficiently.

The main furnace for the rink is still a concern. There is only one furnace trying to do the job of two. As I have previously reported, one of the furnaces had to be decommissioned due to safety concerns. Although it is keeping up for the time being, the cold months are yet to come. So, at this time I would suggest if there is any surplus money from the current year's budget I would like to allow for the installation of a new furnace for the main building. This will ensure there will be no downtime in the cold months if the existing furnace quits and it will also allow for a significant fuel savings with one furnace doing the job of the previous two.

*Respectfully submitted,
Craig Murphy, Councillor*

Mayor Lavandier thanked Councillor Murphy for all the outstanding work he performed throughout the year and all of the extra hours and duties that he performed to help keep the rink open.

Motion(s) from report:

- **Moved by Councillor Michael Gallant to appropriate any surplus of 2011 budgeted funds for replacing new furnace equipment as needed, seconded by Councillor W. Williams. Motion Carried.**
- **Moved by Councillor M. Gallant to adopt Councillor C. Murphy's report as read, seconded by Councillor F. McQuillan. Motion Carried.**

8.7. Finance and Georgetown & Area Development Corporation: Councillor Allan Gallant, Committee Chair
Councillor A. Gallant sent his regrets.

Motions from the Report:

None.

Everyone wished Councillor A. Gallant the best of luck and wishes him a very Merry Holiday. Mayor Lavandier made remarks of thanks for all of the wonderful work that Councillor Gallant performed throughout the year.

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

Tonya Cameron, CAO gave the following report:

I wish to extend sincerest thanks and appreciation on behalf of myself and staff to Town Council for our generous Christmas bonuses, and wish each of you a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

There is a little money left over in our supply budget and I am requesting a motion to allow me to order two to three chairs with same.

I wish to update Council regarding the need for a new contract for animal control and am seeking a motion of Council to enter into a new agreement for same.

Advertising: I would like to propose to Council to enter into a contract with ImageWorks, same price as last year for advertising in 2012 in the Island Handbook.

Regional Properties / Anna Patton request. – *General discussion*

Office Space: Very pleased to announce that our MLA, Steven Myers has taken up residence within our Civic Center every Monday between 8:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. He has advised that announcements will be made shortly in the newspapers.

*Respectfully Submitted,
Tonya Cameron, C.A.O.*

Motion(s) from Report:

- **Moved by Councillor M. Gallant to enter into an advertising agreement with Imageworks for 2012 PEI Handbook and maps at the same price as paid for advertising in 2011, seconded by Councillor R. Gallant. Motion Carried.**
- **Moved by Councillor M. Gallant to give CAO authority to purchase up to 3 office chairs with the funds remaining in the office supply/equipment budget, seconded by Councillor F. McQuillan. Motion Carried.**
- **Moved by Councillor M. Gallant to authorize our Chief Administrative Officer to enter into an agreement with Mark Oliver for proposed animal control contract, seconded by Councillor F. McQuillan. Motion Carried.**

- **Moved by Councillor M. Gallant to adopt CAO's report as presented, seconded by Councillor R. Gallant. Motion Carried.**

Mayor Lavandier thanked Administrator and Lisa for all their hard work over the year.

9. New Business:

9.1. General discussion regarding Irving Shipbuilding jobs in the Town.

- **Moved by Councillor M. Gallant that if there is some surplus dollars at the end of this fiscal year's budget, that a portion of that be appropriated to assist in the demolition and clean up costs for next spring of the former Boudreau property, seconded by Councillor Wade Williams. Motion Carried.**

10. Adjournment:

- **Moved: by Councillor M. Gallant that the meeting be adjourned as there is no further business, Seconded: by Councillor F. McQuillan. Motion Carried.**

Minutes recorded and submitted by:
Tonya Cameron, C.A.O.
January 16, 2012

Lewis Lavandier, Mayor

Tonya Cameron, C.A.O.