

The regular monthly meeting of the Georgetown Town Council was held in the Council Chambers on 7/18/2011, at 7:25 p.m.

Council Attendance: Mayor Lewis Lavandier

Deputy Mayor Wade Williams

Councillor Allan Gallant Councillor Michael Gallant Councillor Ronnie Gallant Councillor Craig Murphy Councillor Faye McQuillan

MINUTES GEORGETOWN TOWN COUNCIL

Monday, July 18, 2011

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



1.0 Call to Order

Mayor Lewis Lavandier called the meeting to order at 7:25 p.m.

2.0 Approval of Agenda: 7/18/2011Moved 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.

3.0 Business/Presentations from the Floor:

• Brian Pound represented the Georgetown Historical Association Group Re: Holy Trinity Anglican Church and request for letters patent of Georgetown Historical Association Group and a budget in lieu of property tax; Reported the proposed board members and the groups' objective to stabilize the church and to come up with an economic sustainable use for it, perhaps a five year plan.

Mayor Lavandier thanked Mr. Pound for his presentation and expressed great appreciation on behalf of the Town for the Group taking on this project. CAO agreed to look into finding the original letters patent and making a call to corporations division to dig up

anything we can on the original letters patent for the Historical Society. Council generally agreed to give a tax break via a grant for the same amount of property taxes that may be charged next year – as currently there is no charge, to be reviewed and reassessed on a yearly basis by Council.

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4.0 Minutes

Council Meeting: June 20, 2011 Regular Meeting and business thereof:

- 4.1 Adoption of June 20, 2011 Regular Meeting
- Moved for adoption by Councillor W. Williams.
 Seconded by Councillor C. Murphy. Motion Carried.
- 4.2 Business from Town Council Minutes.
- None

5.0 Financial Statements (Unaudited)

- 5.1 General Operating Account-to June 30, 2011 Moved for approval as presented by Councillor A. Gallant Seconded by Councillor W. Williams. Motion Carried.
- 5.2 Sewer Corporation-to June 30, 2011 Moved for approval as presented by Councillor A. Gallant, Seconded by Councillor W. Williams. Motion Carried.

6.0 Outstanding Expenditures (preliminary & supplementary list)

 Moved by Councillor A. Gallant for approval to pay all outstanding expenditures as presented, seconded by Councillor C. Murphy. Motion Carried.

7.0 List of Correspondence from June 21 – July 18, 2011;

- **7.1** <u>EISI</u> re: notification outlining the level of fire protection that the Georgetown water system currently supplies; **No action required.**
- **7.2** <u>Georgetown Elementary School</u> re: Thank you card for support and donations to school; **No action required.**
- 7.3 <u>Lillian Stewart</u> re: Response to article in the Graphic concerning Citizen of the Year Dinner; **CAO** to write a response letter.
- **7.4** Office of Health & Wellness re: approval of grant for Georgetown Skate Park Project; **No action required.**
- **7.5** Office of Fisheries, Aquaculture & Rural Development re: acknowledgement of funding application for ball field upgrades; **No action required.**
- 7.6 Marie Wood re: response to article in the Graphic concerning Citizen of the Year Dinner; CAO already contacted resident via telephone. No further action required.

- 7.7 <u>Northumberland Fisheries Festival</u> re: invitation to participate in Northumberland Fisheries Parade; **Deferred to Councillor F. McQuillan and committee; and,**
- **7.8** Georgetown Historical Association re: request received on July 15th to be included in agenda for July 18th meeting. **No action required.**

8.0 Committee Reports

8.1 Finance, Government Relations -Mayor Lewis Lavandier, Chair: Mayor Lavandier submitted the following written report:

<u>Condolences</u>: My condolences go out to the Parker, MacNeill & Dollinger Families on the recent passing of Frank Parker, Samuel MacNeill, and Reverend Robert Dollinger.

<u>Correction</u>: On a recent story in the Eastern Graphic in regards to the number of tickets sold for the Citizen of the year dinner, I would like to clarify that the number of tickets sold for last year's dinner was 26 not 3 as stated in the article after our last council meeting. Also, that many of the Councillors including the Mayor did purchase their own tickets for the dinner and enjoyed it very much as a matter of fact.

I hope this will clear up any concerns regarding last year's dinner, the committee will have to make some changes if these dinners are to continue in the future as there are a few issues that will have to be addressed. I will leave this up to Councillor F. McQuillan and her committee to see what we are going to do here in the future.

<u>Congratulations</u>: I would like to congratulate Dorothy Ann MacDonald and Tim Mair on their recent victory of the mixed doubles division title in the International Dory Races in Gloucester, Massachusetts on June 18th 2011. Well done, we are proud of you both!

<u>Thanks</u>: I would like to thank Councillor Faye McQuillan and her committee for a job well done on our Canada Day celebrations this year; we received a lot of positive feedback on the opening of our new skate park as well as all the activities that took place in the Gardens.

Motion(s) from Report: None.

Respectfully Submitted, Lewis Lavandier, Mayor

- Moved by Councillor A. Gallant to adopt Mayor L. Lavandier's report as read, seconded by Councillor W. Williams. 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 report:

<u>Public Works Properties and Utilities:</u> Repairs to sewer replacement on Glenelg St. are on hold. Contractor thought it was going nowhere and may be no longer in service. Checked with Phil Chaisson and still waiting for appropriate action.

Ditching on Fitzroy St. opposite softball field completed.

Proposed paving for this year has been included with this report. Will be looking for quotes, this will determine what might actually be done.

2-3 weeks maintenance replacement will be taking place. Arrangements have been made.

Community Heritage and Beautification: 2 x 6 Heritage Panels have been made. Tim Mair will be framing them. Light bases have been installed where new pathway is marked off. Looking for quotes to wire/install new lights.

Replaced bridge at AA Macdonald Gardens closest to the King's Playhouse with an 18" culvert. Looking to pave pathway 2m x 40m for now. Future plans are to build lighted trellis 40m long, when money becomes secured. I have design and in the process of finding the cost. If everything works out, would be nice for 2012 celebrations.

Motion(s) from Report:

None.

Respectfully Submitted, Wade Williams, Councillor

 Moved by Councillor A. Gallant to adopt Councillor W. Williams' report as read, seconded by Councillor F. McQuillan. Motion Carried.

Mayor Lavandier thanked Councillor W. Williams for all the work he is doing trying to resolve water issues in the Town.

8.3 Community & Media Relations and Seniors Affairs: Councillor McQuillan, Committee Chair:

Councillor McQuillan submitted the following written report:

<u>Seniors</u>: Senior Program is going well. They are very excited about the upcoming summer days Parade and Strawberry Social. They are very involved with this. Looking into a boat cruise for them and another bus tour in August. They have a monthly meeting next Wednesday night and Tonya and Lisa are coming out to speak with them to help generate ideas on funding opportunities that can be applied for on their behalf.

<u>Special Events</u>: Summer days is all ready to go with just a few little things to tie up this week. Everything is looking good. Request to have Mayor and council participate in the parade.

<u>Canada Day</u>: Canada Day was a great success. We entered the Cardigan Parade again this year and we won again! This year we got Most Patriotic Float.

<u>Citizen of the Year</u>: Citizen of the Year is scheduled for July 18th at the Kings Playhouse at 6pm., which was earlier tonight. Everything went great!

Respectfully submitted, Faye McQuillan, Councillor

 Moved by Councillor M. Gallant to adopt Councillor F. McQuillan's report as read, seconded by Councillor A. Gallant. Motion Carried.

> Mayor Lavandier advised that Canada Day went well and having just come from the Citizen of the Year Dinner, that went well also, kudos to you and your committee for all of your efforts!.

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

Fire Department Report

(Report prepared by Fire Chief Mark Gotell, read and submitted by Councillor Ronnie Gallant)



Fire Chief's Report from June 28th – July 14th

Fire Calls	EMS Calls	MVA Calls	Forestry Calls	Training	Meetings
0	7	0	0	0	1

Yours in Fire Safety, Mark G. Gotell, Fire Chief

<u>Fire Department:</u> Councillor Ronnie Gallant submitted the following verbal report:

I was able to witness a fire call / first responders call. The first time I ever was a bystander. I can't give enough praise for them for their professionalism. They really know what they are doing. Our fire department is very well trained and I can't say enough about how top notch they handled the situation before the ambulance got there.

Civic Centre: none.

General discussion of Council regarding quotes for air conditioners.

Motion(s) from Report:

 Moved by Councillor R. Gallant to purchase two air conditioners for the Civic Center (civic center maintenance budget) up to \$1,000 for both units, seconded by Councillor W. Williams. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted by Ronald Gallant, Councillor

• Moved by Councillor A. Gallant to adopt Councillor R. Gallant's report as presented, seconded by Councillor F. McQuillan. 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 report:

REPORT FOR JULY 2011

PLANNING, PLAYHOUSE AND SCHOOL.

<u>Planning:</u> Two permits issued in the last month. Kudos to Richard & Stacey Toms as well as Clinton & Ruth Chiasson for two of the best put together applications for permits that I have seen come across my desk.

Playhouse: nothing new to report.

School: nothing new to report.

Motions from the Report:

None

Respectfully Submitted, Michael Gallant, Councillor

- Moved by Councillor M. Gallant to adopt his own report as read, seconded by Councillor A. Gallant. Motion Carried.
 - 8.6 Three Rivers Sportsplex and Youth & Recreation: Councillor Craig Murphy, Committee Chair. Councillor Murphy submitted the following verbal report:

Youth & Recreation (July 2011)

Our Grand Opening for our new Skate Park on July 1st was a huge success with many local kids attending and some kids from surrounding communities.

Thanks to Outer Limit Sports for the impressive demonstration they displayed for Skateboarders as well as BMX'ers.

Thanks as well to Tonya and Lisa for their persistence in contacting local media to throw together a great full page article in the Eastern Graphic.

We currently have a student at the Skatepark to supervise its usage.

I am awaiting a decision on a funding request to cost share the winter damage to the fence at the Clarence McSwain Memorial Ball Field.

Three Rivers Sportsplex (July 2011)

The annual Summer Days Dance will be held at the Three Rivers Sportsplex this Saturday night (July 23rd) featuring "Ceilidh In The City". The dance will take place from 9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. and tickets can be purchased at the door for \$10.

Respectfully submitted, Craig Murphy, Councillor

Motion(s) from report:

None

General discussion of Council regarding the Skatepark. Councillor Wade Williams, it is a wonderful addition to the Town and is getting great use. Mayor Lavandier thanked Councillor C. Murphy for all his efforts with the Skatepark, gone above and beyond on this project and for keeping it open longer by locking it up himself at night.

 Moved by Councillor C. Murphy to adopt his own report as presented, seconded by Councillor W. Williams. Motion Carried.

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

Councillor A. Gallant submitted the following written reports: July 18, 2011:

GADC: Attended the Monthly meeting July 4, 2011. Some of the shops opened July 1st. Chairperson Red Lavers is presently opening the washrooms at 8 a.m. and locking them at 9p.m. He is also cleaning them. (Some concern was expressed by members in regards to the skateboard kids using them). Got a quote from Cook Insurance for \$1,070.00 for the new Craft Shops, Chairman Lavers to get 2 more quotes.

Farmers Market charges \$10.00 per table. That money is given back to the Playhouse.

On Sunday July 24th there is a benefit concert for Special Olympics. GADC donated \$50.00 to cover ½ of the sound production charges.

<u>Finance:</u> Information in regards to East Isle Shipyard tax reduction attached for information purposes.

<u>FPEIM:</u> At the last meeting of the F.P.E.I.M. there was a motion put forward to allow the Town of Georgetown to host the 2012 Annual Meeting. This has been accepted.

Respectfully submitted, Allan Gallant, Councillor

Motions from the Report:

Moved by Councillor A. Gallant that the Town of Georgetown donates 50% of the cost of the sound charges for the Special Olympics' benefit concert that will be held next week at the King's Playhouse, being \$50, seconded by Councillor F. McQuillan. Motion Carried.

General discussion of Council regarding cleaning the washrooms at the new GADC retail outlets.

 Moved by Councillor A. Gallant to adopt his own report as presented, seconded by Councillor M. Gallant. Motion Carried.

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

Tonya Cameron, CAO gave the following report:

We welcome CAP Site new employee, he is working out very well and his name is Katlin Sheppard Carroll.

We welcome Recreation Dept. new employee for the Skatepark, he is doing really well and his name is Denver MacKenzie through the JFY program. I am very impressed with his friendly demeanor with the youth and his maturity.

My computer has been backed up but is on the fritz, progressively getting darker, we do have a budget to replace this, and I seek a motion from Council to do this.

Lisa MacKenzie and I attended a New Horizons for Seniors Seminar. We would really like to assist the seniors in getting some grant money for a new program for them and are very excited about meeting with them next week at their regular monthly meeting to share some new ideas and options. Our goal is to help them find a project that they will be very excited about applying for.

I will be applying for a grant for the CAP site again this year. I am open to suggestions if there is anything that you would like to see in there.

As it rained today, we put Denver MacKenzie to work in the CAP site with Katlin Sheppard. They placed phone calls to all the seniors in the white

pages in the Town to encourage them to come up to the CAP site for a computer camp of their choice.

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

Motion(s) from Report:

- Moved by Councillor M. Gallant to give authority to the CAO to purchase a new laptop for the cost of \$1,000.00, seconded by Councillor A. Gallant. Motion Carried.
- Moved by Councillor A. Gallant to adopt CAO's report as presented, seconded by Councillor M. Gallant. Motion Carried.

9.0 New Business:

- 9.1 Request for Blair Gotell Memorial.
- Moved by Councillor A. Gallant to donate \$100 to the Blair Gotell Memorial, seconded by Councillor M. Gallant. Motion Carried.

Mayor Lavandier gave a general update regarding the current status of the property transaction at 293 Kayes Road.

10.0 Adjournment

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

Minutes recorded and submitted by: Tonya Cameron, C.A.O. August 15, 2011
Lewis Lavandier, Mayor
Tonya Cameron, C.A.O.