



The regular monthly meeting of the Georgetown Town Council was held in the Council Chambers on 1/21/2013, at 7:00 p.m.

Council Attendance: Mayor Lewis Lavandier  
Deputy Mayor Wade Williams  
Councillor Michael Gallant  
Councillor Ronnie Gallant  
Councillor Faye McQuillan  
Councillor Mark Stephen

Absence: Councillor Allan Gallant, (on L.O.A.)

Gallery Attendants: Nicole Feviancek, the Eastern Graphic

## MINUTES GEORGETOWN TOWN COUNCIL

Monday  
January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2013

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

### 1. Call to Order

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

### 2. Approval of Agenda: 1/21/2013

Moved for approval by Councillor M. Gallant.  
Seconded by Councillor F. McQuillan. 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. None.

### 3. Business/Presentations from the Floor:

3.1. None.

### 4. Minutes

Council Meeting: December 17<sup>th</sup>, 2012 Regular Monthly Meeting and January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2013 Special Meeting and business thereof:

4.1. Adoption of: December 17<sup>th</sup>, 2012 Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes and Business thereof.

• Moved for adoption by Councillor M. Gallant  
Seconded by Councillor M. Stephen. Motion Carried.

4.2. Adoption of January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2013 Special Meeting and Business thereof.



- **Moved for adoption by Councillor M. Gallant  
Seconded by Councillor M. Stephen. Motion Carried.**
- 5. Financial Statements (Unaudited)**
- 5.1. General Operating Account-to December 31, 2012
- **Moved for approval as presented by Councillor M. Gallant,  
Seconded by Councillor W. Williams. Motion Carried.**
- 5.2. Sewer Corporation-to December 31, 2012
- **Moved for approval as presented by Councillor M. Gallant,  
Seconded by Councillor W. Williams. 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 M. Stephen. Motion Carried.**
- 7. List of Correspondence from December 18, 2012 – January 21, 2013:**
- 7.1. Federal Minister of Transport, Infrastructure and Communities and Minister of the Economic Development Agency of Canada for the Regions of Quebec: Re: Thank you for correspondence concerning the development of the next long-term plan for public infrastructure; **No action required.**
- 7.2. FCM President: Re: Thank you for supporting the FCM's Target 2014 campaign; **No action required.**
- 7.3. Georgetown Elementary School: Re: Thank you for donation to Christmas Fair; **No action required.**
- 7.4. PEI Senior's Secretariat: Re: Application information for age friendly community funding; **General discussion of Council. General agreement of Council to have Councillor F. McQuillan look into a little further and check into possible funding.**
- 7.5. Farmers Helping Farmers: Re: Thank you for contribution to Mosquito Bed in memory of Gilbert Clements; **No action required.**
- 7.6. Janice Martell: Re: Complimenting Town website; **No action required.**
- 7.7. Ron Annear-Kings County Bantam AAA: Re: Request for sponsorship for 2013 Irving Oil Challenge Cup Atlantic Bantam AAA Championship;
- **Moved by Councillor M. Gallant to sponsor in the amount of \$125 (the business card size) for the 2013 Challenge Cup tournament program, seconded by Councillor W. Williams. Motion Carried.**
- 7.8. Canada-PEI Infrastructure Secretariat: Re: Reminder concerning Outcomes Measurable information on completed Gas Tax projects for 2012/2013; **No action required.**

- 7.9. Annabelle Crane: Re: Decision to step aside as Citizen of the Year sponsor; Action Required;  
**General agreement of Council to send to Mrs. Crane a letter of sincere appreciation for these past twenty-two years, it has been an honour to give out this award in honour of your son.**
- 7.10. Canadian Heritage: Re: Reminder of National Flag Day; **No action required.**
- 7.11. PEI chapter of Financial Management Institute: Re: Information concerning upcoming meeting on Personal Sustainability - A Question of Balance; **No action required.**
- 7.12. Melissa Gray: Re: Letter of resignation for Board of Directors at King's Playhouse;
- **Moved by Councillor M. Gallant, seconded by Councillor F. McQuillan that we accept M. Gray's letter of resignation with regret. Motion Carried.**
- 7.13. Wendy Verhoek-Oftedahl: Re: Approval for application for Family Violence Prevention Grant; **No action required.**
- 7.14. Stella Jamieson/EPEICC: Re: Invitation to Annual St. Patty's Day Blarney Stone Funspiel; **No action required.**
- 7.15. Music PEI: Re: Invitation to Music PEI's opening reception for Metro Credit Union Music PEI Week 2013; **No action required.**
- 7.16. CUPE: Re: Invitation to Town Hall meetings; **No action required.**
- 7.17. Islands East: Re: The Bilingual Advantage-Invitation to Attend Symposium; **No action required.**
- 7.18. Lena Canning: Re: Website; **No Action Required.**

## 8. Committee Reports

- 8.1. **Finance, Government Relations - Mayor Lewis Lavandier, Chair**: Mayor Lavandier submitted the following written report:  
 January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2013

I attended the Norseman tournament opening on Thursday, January 17 at the Wellness Centre in Montague. It is great that we are able to co-host this community event year after year.

I want to thank Councillor Michael Gallant for attending the Semi-Annual FPEIM meeting on behalf of the Town.

Administrator Tonya Cameron and I will be meeting with Gail Shea and other community leaders concerning gas tax and infrastructure funding on Tuesday January 22, 2013.

I met with our new librarian Susan Walsh. She requested that a new sign be posted close to the road identifying the library.

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Lewis Lavandier, Mayor*

Motion(s) from Report:

- **Moved by Councillor M. Gallant to adopt Mayor L. Lavandier's report as presented, 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 report:  
January 2013

Community Heritage and Beautification: Tim Mair has been working on a few things for us in the gardens. I will have more to report in the upcoming months.

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Wade Williams, Councillor*

Motion(s) from Report:

**General discussion regarding snow removal. We got off to a rocky start, but everything seems to be good now that the ground is finally frozen and all the snow has been getting winged back.**

- **Moved by Councillor M. Stephen to adopt Councillor W. Williams' report as presented, 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 –January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2013

Seniors: The LEAP program began on January 2nd 2013. The seniors are working on glass artwork with Sharon Forsyth as their instructor. We had 34 starting the class, but a few of them decided it wasn't for them. We are now down to 24. Those who stayed seem to be enjoying it a lot. Unfortunately you need to have strong hands to cut the glass.

Special Events/Centennial Celebrations/Summer Days: We have a Special events meeting on Thursday night at 6 pm. Kelly Grey has been working on the float for this year and she wants to show us what she has so far.

Walk in Silence: We are doing our Walk in Silence in support of Family Violence Prevention again this year. This is in support of Family Violence Prevention. I met with Maxine MacLennan last week to pick a day and get the ball rolling on this. Letters have been sent to local MLA's , MP Laurence MacAullay, Premier Ghiz and His Honourable Frank Lewis to attend our walk.

The Walk in Silence is to be held on Feb. 11 at 12 noon. We will be leaving from the school, same as last year. I hope the Mayor and Council will be able to attend.

I would like to get Councillor Gallant to ask the Fire Department if they can lead the parade again this year.

Funding/Applications: Applications are completed and sent.

At this time I would like to say a huge thank you to Sue and her husband Duane for all their help over the past year. I greatly appreciate it.

I would like to get approval for \$100 donation to Bowl for Kids. We do this every year at this time.

*Respectively Submitted,  
Faye McQuillan, Councillor*

Motion(s) from report:

- **Moved by Councillor F. McQuillan that the Town donates \$100 to bowl for kids, seconded by Councillor W. Williams. Motion Carried.**
- **Moved by Councillor M. Gallant to adopt Councillor F. McQuillan's report as presented, seconded by Councillor M. Stephen. Motion Carried.**

8.4. ***Three Rivers Sportsplex & Georgetown Volunteer Fire Department, Committee Chair Councillor Ronnie Gallant:*** *Councillor Ronnie Gallant gave the following written reports:*

*Fire Dept. Report from Fire Chief, submitted on behalf of Mark Gotell, Fire Chief, read aloud by Councillor R. Gallant:*



### Fire Chief's Report From Dec. 12<sup>th</sup>, 2012 – January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2013

<b>Fire Calls</b>	<b>EMS Calls</b>	<b>MVA Calls</b>	<b>Forestry Calls</b>	<b>Training</b>	<b>Meetings</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

As we recently held our Annual Holiday Gathering on Dec 28th; at this gathering I was pleased to present Captain Mark Stephen with Best Attendance Award for 2012 with an 89% average. I also made a presentation of a new award this year "Firefighter of the Year Award" the award is chosen by secret ballot by the general membership and was presented to Captain Aarron Blackett.

I would like to thank the Town of Georgetown for my Award that I received that night; I was shocked and honored to receive such a prestigious award and never in my mind ever thought that I would receive the Queens Diamond Jubilee Medal it is certainly one of my highlights of my 24 years of service and I can assure the Town that I will wear the medal proudly on my Dress Uniform. Thanks again for nominating me!

We currently have 3 people taking the Level 1 Firefighter Training this course runs two nights a week for 10 weeks and then consists of 4 full days at the Fire School, a big commitment on their part. One Firefighter is completing his Medical First Responders this weekend in Souris.

We have recently purchased about \$1,700 in new Medical Equipment consisting of a new Blood Pressure and Oximeter Unit, adult & child Epipens for allergic reactions and other medical supplies that will help us improve our services to residents, this equipment was purchased though our monthly fundraising draw.

I was pleased to find out on Thursday that we have been approved for the Island Community Fund this will help us improve some of our gear, communications and safety of our Firefighters.

Mark G. Gotell,  
Fire Chief

## We Make House Calls!

**Councillor's Report – Civic Center, Fire Department and Sportsplex for January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2013, Councillor R. Gallant submitted the following written report:**

Civic Center: There has been some electrical plugs installed at the library. The library wants to have some work done. We had a meeting with the Mayor and the Librarian to see what was needed.

Fire Department: The fire department was approved for the (ICF) Island Community Fund Grant. The department will now be getting the new equipment.

Sportsplex: The grants for the Sportsplex were approved for the chiller, condenser and furnace upgrades. The Sportsplex started late but is now very busy with tournaments. The new ice system is working well so I hope everyone will use the rink in the future. We have one of the best ice surfaces on PEI. I would like to thank Manfred O'Hlandt, Manager and Philip Fraser, Ice Maker for the exceptional job they are doing, we have received a lot of compliments from all over the island with respect to our ice surfaces.

*Respectfully submitted by  
Ronald Gallant, Councillor*

Motion(s) from Report:

*General agreement to send a letter to Aaron Blackett for his outstanding service with the fire dept. this year, and congratulations to Mark Stephen.*

- **Moved by Councillor M. Gallant to adopt Councillor Ronnie Gallant's reports 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 written reports:***

REPORT FOR JANUARY 2013  
PLANNING AND SCHOOL

PLANNING: One building permit issued to Keith Peardon for the installation of a new deck.



Amendments to the Official Plan were done on January 3, 2013. This will bring the Plan in conformity with the Towns Development Bylaw due to rezoning of the Morrison property from R1 to MU last year.

On January 12th I attended the semi-annual meeting of the FPEIM in South Rustico. Items included the following:

a. Minister Wes Sheridan stressed the need for more mutual cooperation and collaboration especially in areas where communities can realize monetary savings such as purchases. As of yet no final commitment on the amount of the Municipal grants this year as final details have not been finalized. The new Municipalities Act is still a work in progress and hopefully will be finished soon.

b. Policing...there are approximately 258 police officers on PEI including RCMP, municipal police and Campus police. PEI has approximately 167 police officers per 100000 people as compared to the national rate of 201 per 100000. The Police Act of 2010 gave clearer signs of procedures and duties and jurisdiction along with the establishment of a Police Commissioner for PEI....Gerard Mitchell.

c. Marilyn Murphy gave an overview of the Community Infrastructure Improvement Fund. This fund has flexibility to help municipalities in many areas such upgrades for facilities, expansions to municipal buildings etc. The Federal component in conjunction with gas tax cannot be more than 50%.

d. Federal Job Cuts....with the reduction of Federal Jobs announced by the Federal Government the national average in reductions is 4.8% on PEI the proportion is over double that rate. It seems Atlantic Canada is taking the brunt of the reductions... On PEI it will mean anywhere from 576-696 direct and indirect jobs will be caused by this reduction causing a loss of 1.2% loss in the Provincial GDP.

*Respectfully submitted,  
Michael Gallant, Councillor*

Motion(s) from report:

*General discussion regarding Harmonized Sales Tax.*

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



**8.6. Youth & Recreation and King's Playhouse: Councillor Mark Stephen, Committee Chair;**

King's Playhouse: They have reviewed the new agreement between the Town and the Playhouse, Randall will be informing the Town via correspondence that they would prefer not to have Carol Fletcher on as a signing authority as per her wishes. Changes may include having the Chairman and two board members as signing authorities. Julie Haddow's employment has been extended until the end of March 2013. The ceilidhs are starting to pick up; they have some new entertainers coming. George Canyon tickets are selling well. I have advised that we have decided to hold off on the roof repairs until Spring, they are in full agreement of this. There are doors that lead to the patio, plus the main emergency exit door that are leaking. I have looked at them myself and confirmed that the snow is really blowing in here.

Youth & Recreation: Nothing new to report.

Motions from report:

*General discussion regarding final payments of budgeted funds.*

- **Moved by Councillor M. Gallant to adopt Councillor M. Stephen's report as presented, seconded by Councillor F. McQuillan. Motion Carried.**

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

*Councillor A. Gallant on a leave of absence.*

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

Tonya Cameron, CAO gave the following report:

Sue Yoshikawa, Centennial Event Co-coordinator: Sue Yoshikawa completed her contract with the town on January 4, 2013. Sue will be missed.

So glad to see that last week both funding grants for the ICF Community Fund for the Fire Dept. and the ACOA funding for the Three Rivers Sportsplex have been granted.

I will be attending an HST seminar for municipalities on Friday, January 25<sup>th</sup>, at 2:00 p.m. in Charlottetown. I will forward my notes to all Council afterwards.

We have fallen behind schedule with our 2011 Sewer Utility Corporation GST refund, I am awaiting further instructions from CRA with respect to setting up the new business number.

Next week Lisa and I will be attending a CPR course with Manfred O'Hlandt and Julie Haddow.

The desks look fantastic, great job to Fire Chief Mark Gotell on the height adjustments!

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

Motion(s) from Report:

*Mayor Lavandier welcomed Tonya back from holidays on behalf of Council and himself.*

*General discussion regarding the sewer corporation utility billing software.  
General discussion regarding insurance coverage with oil tanks and / or spills.  
CAO to investigate further.*

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

**9. New Business:**

9.1. *General discussion regarding budgets.* Mayor Lavandier requested that all Councillor's budgets be submitted at or before the February 19<sup>th</sup>, 2013 Town Council Meeting.

9.2. Mayor Lavandier reported that we submitted a letter on behalf of the library and school to look at hours being changed at the library to have some hours open during school hours. More library signage may be needed and was requested.

**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.  
February 19<sup>th</sup>, 2013

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Lewis Lavandier, Mayor

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Tonya Cameron, C.A.O.