

Community of Kingston

Minutes of Regular Monthly meeting October 8, 2013

Present:

Alan Miller Chair
Julie Ireson
Joe Dolphin
Keith Boire
Dwight Thompson
Dianne Dowling Administrator

Regrets:

Tom Coady

CALL TO ORDER:

Meeting called to order at 7:20 by Chair Miller

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion: *"To approve the Agenda with noted additions" (M) Dianne Murphy (S) Dwight Thompson, Motion Carried.*

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

MOTION: *"To approve the minutes of the September meeting as circulated" (M) Dwight Thompson (S) Keith Boire, Motion carried.*

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES:

- 1. Confirmation that Megan Harris is working on the water sampling and Council requested to be copied on the results.*
- 2. Noted that Mr. Bradley and Brian Coady have not picked up their building permits for accessory buildings. The Administrator confirmed a letter had been sent to Mr. Bradley and she will also send one to Mr. Coady.*
- 3. Discussed the billing from the lawyer for the Horne Appeal and noted that it is still within the budgeted amount.*
- 4. Discussed the Community signage and noted there are some of the signs that are in really bad condition. It was decided that any signs that are in bad conditions should be removed. Noted the signs were purchased at two different times and the second round of signs were not as good a quality as the first.*
- 5. Councilor Dolphin asked about the construction materials that were stored on Mr. Horne's property and the Chair updated him on the status of this complaint.*
- 6. Councilor Dolphin was also updated on the status of Blake MacDonald's machinery shed permit.*

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Planning:

1. Circulated Keith Boire's request to consolidate two parcels.

Motion: *"To give preliminary approval to Keith Boires request to consolidate two large parcels and to dispense with the requirement to complete survey plans as both parcels are over 10 acres."*

(M) Dianne Murphy (S) Joe Dolphin, Motion carried – Councilor Boire abstained from voting on the motion.

2. Discussion on the rumor that there is shale pit being operated at A. Malone's property. It was decided to send Mr. Malone a letter requesting clarification and enclosing the relevant section of the Bylaws.

Approvals:

1. Application from Amber MacDonald for locating a mini-home on the Wynn Road. The Administrator advised that this file is complete and there are no issues.

FINANCE REPORT:

- Discussed the status of the budget and it was noted that the funds can now be released for the Emyvale Recreation Center.
- Discussed the request for extra funding from the APM Center and the Administrator is to invite Donna Butler to the January Council meeting to discuss this request.
- Discussed the 2014 budget and noted that a line could be added for replacement of the community signs and also, discussed creating a community reserve fund to be set aside for appeals

OTHER BUSINESS:

1. Planning guidelines (deferred until the next meeting)
2. Council Procedures to be discussed at the next meeting. The Administrator is to circulate again and let Councilors know that this will be discussed noting that if anyone has any issues they are to respond.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- Administrator mentioned the inquiry concerning the Kingswood Subdivision unapproved lots.
- Councilor Murphy clarified the discussion on potential funding for a bylaw officer that was discussed at *the September meeting*. *She noted that this was covered in section # 3 and it was declining funding for three years but the position would need to be full-time and at the time there was discussion about several communities sharing a bylaw officer.*
- *Discussion also followed on the allocation of property taxation considering the Community has now assumed the responsibility for planning from the Province but has not been compensated for this addition responsibility by a larger share of the property tax revenues being reallocated.*

Being no further business motion to adjourn at 8:40 pm moved by Councilor Boire.

Dianne Dowling