

VILLAGE OF MINTO  
MINUTES

The Regular Meeting of the Minto Village Council was held in the Council Room at 7:00 PM on November 9, 2010 with Mayor Barnett presiding.

COUNCILLORS PRESENT: Jane Wasson  
Dwain Barton

PRESS: Sandra Hennessey, Daily Gleaner and Brenda Despres, Grand Lake Mirror

PUBLIC: Paul Richard, Mary Lambropoulos, and Myles Dufour.

MOTION: Moved by Councillor Barton and seconded by Councillor Wasson that the minutes of special meetings of October 19<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, 26, November 9<sup>th</sup>, and the regular council meeting of October 12, 2010 be approved as circulated.

Motion Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE READ

RCMP: Cpl. Desrosiers attended the meeting. During the month of October, members of the Minto and Chipman detachments responded to 152 calls for service. Of those, 67 were within the Village limits. Cpl. Desrosiers advised that the holding cells in the Minto Detachment are being refurbished to order to utilize them.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

COUNCILLOR WASSON:

CIVIC RELATIONS: Meetings and functions attended: Minto/Chipman Growth Committee meeting. The November meeting is scheduled to be held at the NBCC location. There was a joint meeting with Chipman Council October 25<sup>th</sup>. The Finn report was reviewed and Eugene McGinley was thanked for diligently serving both communities for the past several years. Attended the business awards dinner hosted by Enterprise Central. There were no awards given to businesses from this area but those that did receive awards certainly represented entrepreneurship. They were, Hart Island River Valley RV Resort, Jardine Auctioneers & the Panel Shop. Toured the Junior B haunted house and it was very well done. They raised about \$1100. Attended 4 special meetings. One of these was to review a business proposal but it appears the village does not have the infrastructure to support this business.

DEVELOPMENT PERMITS: There were 2 building permits issued for a total value of \$61,400. The Development Officer has given Council a list of derelict properties within village limits.

MINLAK: During October Minlak recycled 5160 kgs of material.

PAC: There was a PAC meeting to look at the rezoning of a property just off Pleasant Drive. Also one member of PAC, Peter Dufour has submitted his resignation. This position will be filled in the new year.

THE ANNUAL MEMORIAL SERVICE will be held at Minto Funeral Home on December 1<sup>st</sup>.

SANTA CLAUS PARADE AND TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY will be held on November 26<sup>th</sup>, 2010. The parade will begin at 6:00 pm; the tree lighting will be at 7:30pm.

## COUNCILLOR BARTON

CIVIC RELATIONS: Meetings and functions attended: Attended safety training with joint health and safety committee in Fredericton, Fred Fulton tribute, meeting with Chipman Council – we said farewell and paid our respects to Eugene McGinley, and did monthly inspections and attended our monthly inspection meeting.

RECREATION: Councillor Barton wanted to congratulate the boys & girls soccer teams on a great season, although they did not win Provincial titles they did make it to the final 4 which is quite an accomplishment. Grand Lake Minor Hockey, Ringette and Figure Skating are all up and running. The Grand Lake Moose are still looking for their first league win – they lost four games by 1 goal – very competitive and entertaining.

I have been in contact with pro-wrestling and hope to have some matches next spring and summer.

SANTA CLAUS PARADE: The Village of Minto will be holding a Santa Claus Parade on November 26<sup>th</sup> @ 6:00 PM. To enter a float or for more information contact Crystal Boudreau (327-1122) or Cindy Richardson (327-6861). The tree lighting ceremony will be the same night following the parade at about 7:30 PM.

LIBRARY REPORT: During Canadian Library month celebrated in October, the Minto Public Library staff were pleased to learn that the library won the 2010 NBPLS Library Innovation Award for the York Region. This library was recognized for planning, promoting and successfully conducting a 3-Book Adult Reading Challenge. This challenge was launched at the Spring Fling event held at the Queens North Community Health Centre. This event challenged residents to read three books in six weeks. Twenty-three individuals registered for the challenge, reading a total of 86 books. The goal of this program was to promote an interest in reading, inspire those who are not regular readers to read, develop community partnerships, increase the profile of the library in the community and also link libraries as an important component to overall health. The award includes a \$250 prize to purchase new books.

Nicholas Guitard, author of Waterfalls of New Brunswick will be visiting the Minto Public Library on Wednesday, November 24<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30 pm. He will present a slide show presentation on the various waterfalls. This book contains lovely pictures along with a description of over fifty falls.

Classes from MEMS will visit the library once a week beginning on November 18<sup>th</sup>. The visit will expose students to the benefits and resources offered at their local library.

The Christmas Tea is scheduled for Tuesday, November 30<sup>th</sup> @ 1:30 PM. There will be refreshments, light lunch, games and holiday cheer.

The Children's Christmas party is set for Wednesday, December 1<sup>st</sup> @ 6:30 PM. There will be crafts, songs, games and a puppet show performance of *Santa Has a Cold*.

DOG REPORT: 4 calls for the month during the month of November, and traveled 450 kms.

#### MAYOR BARNETT:

CIVIC RELATIONS: Meetings and functions attended: Met with Federal Minister of Industry Tony Clements and the Hon. Keith Ashfield, attended UMNBC Conference, Grand Lake Intervention Program, Rogers Cable, Fredericton Region Solid Waste Commission, Fred Fulton Fundraiser, met with the kindergarten children, all special meeting of council, Eric Bolden NB Power, Cpl. Alain Desrosiers, and met with the Maintenance Manager.

MAINTENANCE: Flagged for curb work, changed zip track sign, checked on work orders, fixed lawns around curbs, cleaned drains, replaced sign at corner of Birch Street, dug for sidewalks, picked up port-a-potties, painted crosshatch lines on road, flagged for ditching crew, dug for retaining wall at Coakley Hill, cleaned up behind guardrail at Coakley Hill, backfilled playground equipment at Gilbert Park, serviced Olympia, picked up trees at Martom's, installed culvert at Bob Lynch's, installed ceiling tile at VAS, fixed potholes, took Olympia to arena, winterized ball field and Gilbert Park, opened up window in GED room, picked up lumber at Doaktown and Chipman, winterized roller, repaired computer tray at office, chipped bushes at Gilbert Park and Mrs. Dicarlos mothers, picked up garbage cans on Main Street, backfilled wall on Coakley Hill, Installed culvert on Hwy #10, took signs back to DOT, put signs and barricades away in trailer.

FREDERICTON REGIONAL SOLID WASTE COMMISSION will be increasing the tipping fees in 2011 by 5.00, in order to build a new cell to store the garbage in.

ARENA: The renovations on the bathrooms and roof are now complete. King Construction did a great job.

SPECIAL MEETING OF CHIPMAN AND MINTO COUNCIL was held at the Chipman Council Chambers on October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2010. A lengthy discussion on the Finn Report occurred pertaining to the benefits and it's not good for our small community. If the villages were combined to expand the boundaries, it would take in a lot of Government roads that has not been upgraded in several years. If the Government does go along with the recommendations in the Finn Report, we would hope that they would pay the cost for the upgrading of the streets and sewer.

Discussion on the third ambulance and how it was going. In 2012 Ambulance New Brunswick are building a separate building up to code to store ambulances. It was also agreed by both Councils that a meeting should be held with MLA Ross Wetmore on a few issues once the by-election is over with.

Eugene McGinley and wife Anne Marie were invited to the meeting so that both Councils could thank Eugene for the work he did for the Villages, and both Councils presented him with a gift as a thank you, also a gift was given to Anne Marie for keeping Eugene up on meetings and places he had to be for the Village.

Mayor Barnett wanted to remind people of the Remembrance Day Service that will take place at 11:00 am this Thursday.

#### OPEN TO THE FLOOR AT 7:22 PM.

Enquiry made on the new building at the Nursing Home. Mayor Barnett advised that this building is to house the new van.

Enquiry made on if anyone has taken over the canteen at the arena this season. They were advised that “yes” the canteen is being leased for this season.

Enquiry made on two dogs on Legion Street that seem to be quite vicious. Councillor Barton advised that he will be asking the Dog Constable to remove them from the Village.

Enquiry made if council is considering any future sewer expansions. Mayor Barnett advised that no plans are made for any further expansions at this time.

Enquiry made if council was aware that the light at the intersection of Pleasant Drive and Main is turned sideways. The clerk made a note of this to place a work order for Maintenance to take a look at this right away.

#### CHECK DISBURSEMENT LISTS:

MOTION: Moved by Councillor Wasson and seconded by Councillor Barton that the Sewer Fund Check disbursements for October in the sum of \$300,477.21 be approved as circulated.

Motion Carried.

MOTION: Moved by Councillor Wasson and seconded by Councillor Barton that the General Fund Check Disbursements for October in the sum of \$164,574.17 be approved as circulated.

Motion carried.

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

## NEW BUSINESS

TEAM NB / GO AHEAD SENIORS INC. / KIDS HELP PHONE REQUEST FOR DONATION: Council members agreed that only donations to local organizations should be made, therefore these requests will be declined.

REQUEST FOR COST RE-IMBURSEMENT ON SEWER JOB: This item was tabled until the next meeting due to the fact that this involves Deputy Mayor Richardson's portfolio.

PROCLAMATION ON BULLY FREE COMMUNITY: Mayor Barnett proclaimed December 17, 2010 to be Anti-Bullying Day.

TENDER FOR FIRE TRUCK REPAIRS – ADDITIONAL \$615.24 “NEW MOTION NEEDED”: This item was tabled until the next meeting due to the fact that the motion made during the special council meeting of May 25<sup>th</sup>, 2010 may need to be rescinded by Deputy Mayor Richardson who is not present.

SET DATE FOR PUBLIC HEARING – DECEMBER 14<sup>TH</sup>:  
PUBLIC HEARING has been tentatively set for December 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm to hear public written objections to amendments of Rural Plan #137.

MOTION: Moved by Councillor Wasson and seconded by Councillor Barton that a public hearing be set for December 14<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00 pm to hear written objections to the above.

Motion Carried.

MOTION: Moved by Councillor Barton that the meeting be adjourned at 7:45 PM.