

MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
OF THE VILLAGE OF PORT WILLIAMS

THURSDAY, JUNE 6th, 2013

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Lewis Benedict, Craig Newcombe, Ernie Hovell, & Kim Cogswell

IN ATTENDANCE: Jim Morton, MLA Kings North; Mike Payne, Insp. Kings District RCMP; Loretta Kalkman, Bishop & Company Chartered Accountants Inc., Philip Porter, Chief of the Port Williams Fire Department; Emily Miller, Princess Port Williams 2013; Geneve Newcombe, Chief Financial Officer; 36 Citizens of Port Williams, Joe Keddy, Superintendent of Public Works and Darlene Robertson, Clerk

REGRETS: Emma Van Rooyen, Councillor District 2 & Doug Gates, Village Commissioner

The Annual General Meeting, which was held in the Port Williams Community Centre Multi-Purpose Room, was called to order by Village Chairperson, Lewis Benedict, at 7:30 pm. The Chair welcomed those in attendance and introduced the Village Commissioners, the Village staff and the Auditor, Loretta Kalkman from Bishop & Company Chartered Accountants Inc.

PRESENTATIONS:

- Emily Miller, Princess Port Williams 2013 expressed words of greetings and how wonderful it is to represent the Village of Port Williams.
- Jim Morton, MLA Kings North expressed words of greeting.
- Ernie Hovell, Commissioner spoke briefly about the importance of our Volunteers and how he looks forward to many more nominations in the year to come. The following nominees were presented with certificates and pins.
 - Eldon and Deanna Smith, nominated by the Community Centre Board of Trustees and supported by the Port Williams Recreation Committee
 - Debbie Isnor, nominated by the Port Williams & District Lions Club

This year **Eldon and Deanna Smith** nominated by the Community Centre Board of Trustees and supported by the Port Williams Recreation Committee, are the recipients of the Harold B. Legge Award. Mr. & Mrs. Smith also received the Provincial Volunteer Award at the 39th Annual Volunteer Awards Ceremony and luncheon in Halifax on April 15, 2013.

- Mike Payne, Insp. Kings District RCMP provided a hard copy of his power point presentation and spoke to 2012 Crime / Policing trends.

The Minutes of the Annual Meeting of June 7, 2012 were read aloud by Geneve Newcombe.

Kim Cogswell asked that the minutes be amended under the Financials section where Ernie Hovell made a motion where it reads "Whereas in 2006 the Village tax rate was increased by .08 cents..." be amended to read "whereas in 2006 the Village tax rate was increased by eight cents..."

Kim Cogswell motioned that the June 7, 2012 Annual General Meeting minutes with the recommended amendment be accepted. It was moved by Janet Newton and seconded by Wayne Blenkhorn that the minutes be accepted with the recommended amendment. **Motion Carried.**

FINANCIALS:

Loretta Kalkman of Bishop & Company presented the audited Financial Statements for the Year ending March 31st, 2013. It was noted that the Village Commission had reviewed these statements and accepted them as presented.

Budget:

Geneve Newcombe, Chief Financial Officer, provided the 2013-2014 budgets for the General Operating fund and the Water Utility.

REPORTS:

Board of Trustees: (Report attached)

Chairperson, Sylvia Jacquard reported on behalf of the Board of Trustees.

Recreation Committee: (Report attached)

Wayne Blenkhorn, Chairperson, reported on behalf of the Recreation Committee.

Port Williams Volunteer Fire Department: (Report attached)

Fire Chief, Philip Porter, reported on behalf of the Port Williams Volunteer Fire Department.

Public Works: (Report attached)

Joe Keddy, Superintendent of Public Works, presented the report on behalf of the Port Williams Public Works Department.

District Councilor's Report: (Report distributed)

Emma Van Rooyen was unable to attend the Port Williams Annual General Meeting however she provided a report for distribution.

Port Williams & District Lions Club: (Report attached)

Debbie Isnor reported on behalf of the Port Williams & District Lions Club. On behalf of the Port Williams & District Lions Club, Debbie presented Liz Johnson, president of the Port Williams

Women's Institute with a plaque in recognition of their 100th Anniversary and in addition made a donation to "Our community Our health" (Valley health revitalization campaign) on behalf of the Women's Institute. The Port Williams and District Lions Club made a five hundred donation to the Village of Port Williams for the new information board.

Port Williams Women's Institute: (Report attached)

Liz Johnson reported on behalf of the Port Williams Women's Institute.

Murdoch C. Smith Memorial Library: (Report attached)

Sylvia Jacquard reported on behalf of the Port Williams Library, also known as the Murdoch C. Smith Memorial Library.

Village Chairman's Report: (Report attached)

Lewis Benedict presented a report on behalf of the Port Williams Village Commission. On behalf of the Port Williams Village Commission, Lewis Benedict asked Liz Johnson to accept a carved wooden plaque of the Women's Institute crest in recognition of the Port Williams Women's Institute 100th anniversary.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES: None.

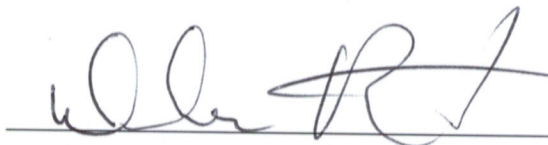
ELECTION OF COMMISSIONERS:

Lewis Benedict was nominated by Jeff Griffin and seconded by Bud Miller from the floor for election as a Commissioner for a term of three years. **Motion Carried**

There being no further business to come before the meeting it was moved by Wayne Blenkhorn that the meeting be adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 9:22 pm.



Lewis R. Benedict, Chairperson



Darlene Robertson, Clerk