

**MINUTES  
GEORGETOWN TOWN COUNCIL  
8/20/2007**

The regular monthly meeting of the Georgetown Town Council was held in the Council Chambers on Monday, August 20, 2007, at 7:00 p.m.

Council Attendance: Mayor Peter Llewellyn  
Deputy Mayor Lewis Lavandier  
Councillor Peggy King  
Councillor Faye McQuillan  
Councillor Wade Williams

Regrets: Councillor Barry O'Brien  
Councillor Craig Murphy

**Agenda:** Monday, August 20, 2007

Moved for approval: Councillor Lavandier  
Second: Councillor Williams. Motion Carried.

**Business from Floor or Other:** Mayor Llewellyn noted that Council members met with Leslie Malone, Energy Strategy Coordinator for the Environmental Coalition of PEI prior to Council meeting for her presentation regarding community solar heating. Further follow up expected with Ms. Malone when she forwards information for consideration for such a project.

**Fire Chief Allan Gallant:** Fire Chief presented his report as follows:

July 20/07	Responded to Smoke Alarm at the Seniors Complex
June 23/07	Meeting
July 25/07	Responded to 2 Vehicle Accidents
July 30/07	Responded to Fire Alarm at Rodd's Brudenell Resort
Aug 14/07	EMS Call to Seniors Complex

Fire Chief Gallant advised that in consideration of the recent vehicle accident in the Georgetown Royalty the Fire Department recommend the Town to request the Department of Highways to put up "Stop Warning Signs 500 Feet Ahead" at the intersections of North Royalty Road and Morrison Beach Road. Also signs indicating a "Blind Intersection". Fire Chief also advised that the Fire Department expressed interest in meeting with Council to discuss the Breedon Estate. Mayor Llewellyn agreed to arrange a meeting with the Fire Department executive members and Town Council at a mutually convenient time.

**Minutes of the last meeting:** July 16, 2007

Moved for adoption: Councillor McQuillan  
Second: Councillor Williams Motion Carried.

**Business from Minutes:** Nil**Financial Statements-General Account and Sewer Corporation:**

Moved for adoption: Councillor McQuillan

Second: Councillor King Motion Carried.

**Outstanding Expenditures:**

Moved for approval as presented: Councillor McQuillan

Second: Councillor Williams Motion Carried.

**Correspondence:**

1. Government of Canada/RCMP Kings District Commander, Larry Kavanaugh: Invitation to 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Peace Officers Memorial Service being held September 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Hillcrest United Church. Mayor Llewellyn confirmed that he will be attending.
2. Georgetown and Area Development Corporation: Invitation to Mayor and Council to the Official Opening of the Train Station Interpretive Centre being held on July 28, 2007. Council members advised that the event went over very well.
3. Communities In Bloom: Invitation to “Communities in Bloom” National Symposium on Parks & Grounds Awards Ceremonies” to be held in Moncton, September 19 to 22<sup>nd</sup>.
4. Elmira Railway Station: Invitation to Strawberry Social being held on July 29<sup>th</sup>.
5. EISI: Email from Bill Courtney, with attached copy of Addendum # 2 for the Georgetown Water System Upgrades Phase I. EISI will update Council as the project proceeds.
6. Amy Blanding: Press Release regarding Cape to Cape for Pole to Pole event to raise awareness and funds for youth leadership and the power of community support. Council agreed to follow this event as it reaches the region.
7. Cruise Manada: Schedule of “Ceilidh on the Water” for Council’s information.
8. Points East Coastal Drive: Invitation to the August 3rd news conference with Minister of Foreign Affairs and Minister of ACOA announcing a series of important tourism projects for PEI and Atlantic Canada.

9. Card of Thanks from Debbie Duncan – Georgetown Minor Hockey to Joe Clory and Town Crew for help during Bluenose Festival
10. Card of Thanks from Debbie Duncan – Georgetown Minor Hockey to Councillor Peggy King and Councillor Faye McQuillan for their help and support during the recent Bluenose Festival.
11. Environment, Energy & Forestry: Regular Water Quality Assessment, Sample # 203336 – lagoon dated July 4<sup>th</sup>, 2007.
12. Canadian Red Cross: Announcement of launch of a public consultation process to stimulate dialogue on the future roles and responsibilities of the society as an auxiliary to public authorities.
13. HMCS Charlottetown: “Run 4 Wishes” itinerary for the “Big Shoe Hover” to be held on Thurs. Aug. 9/07 2:00 p.m. Mayor Llewellyn reported that the event was a great success with a good turnout from the community.
14. HMCS Charlottetown: Press Release regarding “Run for Wishes”.
15. Arthritis Society: Information letter advising that September is Arthritis Awareness Month
16. Active Living Alliance: Invitation to participate 2009 Canada Games Activity Challenge. Council agreed that a meeting be set up with Mr. Don LeClair for an update on the campaign. There will be a creation of a series of challenges both between identified communities within PEI in Phase One and between communities in PEI and other provinces throughout Canada in Phase Two.
17. Environment, Energy & Forestry: Regular Water Quality Assessment, Sample # 205834 – lagoon dated July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2007.
18. PEI Crime Stoppers / Paul Stetson: Correspondence offering a “Thank you” for the opportunity to meet in July and advising that Crime Stoppers is very pleased to work with Georgetown Council and the residents of Georgetown to address criminal issues, such as drug dealing, that impacts all communities across the Island.
19. Community Development Bureau: Copy of Agreement between the Town and Province for the Georgetown Look Offs Project. The Town is still waiting for confirmation from the other funding partners.
20. Lombard Canada: Correspondence with a listing of recommendations to be completed at the Sportsplex as result of a visit from Andrew Steeves of

CGI. Councillor Peggy King will bring this information to the Three Rivers Sportsplex Board of Directors.

21. Canada/PEI Rural Infrastructure Secretariat: Correspondence from John Enman requesting that Council place priority on current applications on file.
- Moved by Councillor Williams and seconded by Councillor Lavandier that the Town of Georgetown prioritize project # 13339 Roadway Drainage Improvements at a cost of \$149,533.00 as priority number one and project # 13341 Shorefront Gabion Wall at a cost of \$261,682.00 as priority number two. Motion carried.
22. Town of Montague: Andrew Daggett, CAO: Correspondence advising that the Regional Area meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. in Souris. Mayor Llewellyn encouraged Council members to attend.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **Finance, Government Relations:**

Mayor Peter Llewellyn reported:

Doctor Update: Mayor Llewellyn advised that he will be contacting Doctor Toma on the status of her situation and will have up to date information for the next meeting.

### **Public Works, Property, Main Street Programs & Utilities:**

Councillor Wade Williams reported:

Culvert work on George Street has been completed. North St. and Grafton St. has been repaired also. Paving for these areas is to be done when the paver is in the area.

East Street is still on the to-do list for ditching and granular material by Transportation and Public Works. Still checking to see if Victoria St. will be done also (Water St. marked areas to be patched).

### **Community and Media Relations**

Councillor Faye McQuillan reported:

#### Summer Days:

Summer Days 2007 was a huge success. More and more people show up each year. The parade was great with over 50 entries. Already booked at least ten

parade entries for next year. Thank you to the committee and all the great volunteers.

Bluenose II:

What can I say about the Bluenose? It was awesome, 6048 people boarded the vessel in 19 hours. That is amazing!!!! Everything went well, even the weather cooperated. Thanks goes out to my committee and all the extra volunteers. The September issue of ***Atlantic Boating Magazine*** will have a story on the Bluenose visit to Georgetown. Keep your eyes open for it. A letter has been sent to request that the Bluenose visit us again next year and maybe another tall ship with it.

Seniors:

I am meeting this week with the new Seniors Club. We are going to have some card games and a small snack. I hope it will be on Thursday evening. Council members welcome to drop in.

Remembrance Day:

As the holiday falls on a Sunday this year perhaps we should have it on Saturday or the afternoon on Sunday. Any feedback on this is welcome. Council discussed this issue and agreed that the service should stay on the November 11<sup>th</sup> day.

Other: Councillor McQuillan advised that it has been brought to her attention that the Mayors Message on our website has not been changed. Could this possibly be changed as soon as possible?

**Three Rivers Sportsplex:**

Councillor Peggy King reported:

Eagles Nest Bar: Operations continue on Friday and Saturday nights. Bookings have been placed for 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary party and a 40th Birthday party. Saturday nights continue to be successful with DJ Seth.

Employee Interviews: Interviews are scheduled this week for the Manager and the Ice Maker positions.

Abbies: Board Chair Denise LaVie and Councillor Craig Murphy met with Jeff Squires of the Abbies to discuss some renovations that are necessary at the Sportsplex for the upcoming season. The Abbies have agreed to play seven games for the upcoming season at the Three Rivers Sportsplex. The GADC have agreed to loan the Sportsplex up to Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00); depending upon the final costs to complete the upgrades. The Town has agreed to secure the loan on behalf of the Sportsplex. The Board is very excited about the Abbies playing part of their season in Georgetown and hope to really promote this event with the sale games passes and huge crowds in the rink. This should

create lots of revenue through canteen sales and the Eagles Nest. The Board is in the process of receiving tenders from businesses on work to be done. Plans are to have the Sportsplex opened around October 1.

Board Members: The Board received a letter of resignation at the last meeting from Board member Cindy MacLean. This came with great regret from the Sportsplex Board as Cindy has been a member many years and put her heart and soul into working to keep the rink running. The Board stated to her they would accept her resignation but wanted her to know that she would be welcome back if she changed her mind. Board members Jim McConnell and Ron Babineau also stated their intent to submit resignations at the end of August. This will leave the Board with only three members and they are trying hard to recruit new members (fresh faces with some new ideas to keep this great facility up and running at full capacity)

Concert In the Park: Unfortunately due to weather conditions the concert was cancelled. Another date has been set up for September 1 at the rink and has been downsized to only one band.

Other: There will be a prize/money bingo fundraising event on Sunday August 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.

#### Recreation / Youth:

No report available Councillor Barry O'Brien sent regrets.

King's Playhouse: Councillor Murphy sent regrets but submitted the following report:

- Much needed funding has been granted to the Kings Playhouse from the government for infrastructure improvements that have been completed to date. As well there has been funding allowed for improvements to various areas of the theater such as sound repairs.
  - The Board recently welcomed a new member, this being Sharon Riley.
  - The new sign has been installed on the Kent Street side and has received many compliments.
  - Recent shows have done reasonably well and the Monday night Kitchen Parties seem to be catching on well and see an increase in attendance each week.
  - Plans are in motion for the hosting of George Canyon.
  - Brian Pound, Treasurer is out of Province at the moment - a financial statement will be provided when Brian is back.
- Moved by Councillor Wade Williams and seconded by Councillor Peggy King that the name of Sharon Riley be approved as a

member of the Kings Playhouse Board of Management. Motion Carried.

**Community Planning & Development:**

Councillor Lewis Lavandier reported:

West Street Beach, Waterfront Lookouts: Things are moving along very well with the West St. Beach & Lookout Projects. We are hoping to begin work in the early fall, this project will go a long way in helping enhance tourism to the area, not to mention making our waterfront a great spot for our citizens to enjoy some R & R in a beautiful setting.

Building Permits: We have issued permits to several residents to do renovations to the exterior of their homes; this is great as it can only make our town more appealing to visitors as well as possible future citizens.

Cruise Manada: Councillor Lavandier advised that for the first departure he met the Cruise guests at the landing and offered pins and brochures. They were very impressed and appreciative of the Town's efforts.

**Community Heritage and Beautification:**

Councillor Wade Williams reported:

Retaining wall to entrance sign and shrubs is completed. Plan to get a quote to install flood lights.

Met with Kirk Laird for a tree planting scheme for the Town. Presently waiting for this. Other communities or Towns have started to grow their own trees. Kirk has started this type of plan for UPEI. I think this could be something to explore, if a suitable location can be found I would like to start planting for the future.

**Georgetown and Area Development Corporation:** Councillor Murphy sent regrets and submitted the following report:

- The official opening of the Interpretive Center went well on July 28<sup>th</sup> with a good turn out. Many thanks to Gordon "Red" Lavers for organizing the event.
- The GADC contributed \$500 towards the ramp that was constructed for Cruise Manada. It has since become quite useful for the local boaters as well.
- The GADC was approached by Council on behalf of the Three Rivers Sportsplex for a substantial loan to be used for the renovations that are required to house the Charlottetown Junior "A" Abbies for their seven

home games in Georgetown for this year. This was unanimously accepted with the details to be determined in the near future.

- Recently, the marina has been declined provincial financial support at this time for the day marina, but there has been support awarded to the Town to proceed with the Look-Outs for this Fall.

### **Administrator's Report:**

Patsy Gotell, C.A.O. reported:

Water Street Upgrade: MRIF funding has been approved for Georgetown in the amount of \$839,500.00. Our application was for \$2,064,500.00. The difference is the amount of \$1,225,000.00 that they did not approve for the upgrade to cover transfer of electrical service from overhead to underground. Mayor Llewellyn will be contacting ACOA for a meeting.

### Smartkids:

Met with Bob Stranach, Melissa Batchilder, and Mayor Llewellyn on Thursday August 16<sup>th</sup>. We briefly reviewed points to submit in application process. Melissa will continue work on the application process.

### Habitat for Humanity:

Doreen and Charles Woods are still working towards consideration for approval. A list of volunteers has come forward to support them with their efforts.

### Georgetown Website:

Working on...requested Bill Wozniak to assist on this.

### Walking Tour Brochure:

Completed financial report for submission for final claim.

### Georgetown Royalty Signs:

Completed and installed, very many great comments received.

### Councillor's Office:

Renovation is now completed.

### Annual Meeting Association Municipal Administrators:

Georgetown is pleased to be hosting this event. Early indications show a very positive attendance.

## ***New Business***

### **Resolution for Increase to Bridge Financing:**

- Moved by Councillor Lavandier, seconded by Councillor King that the Town of Georgetown request the Bank of Nova Scotia to

increase our bridge financing loan from existing \$50,000.00 (Fifty Thousand Dollars) to \$75,000.00 (Seventy Five Thousand Dollars). Motion unanimously adopted.

**Resolution for Kings Playhouse Loan:**

- Moved by Councillor McQuillan, seconded by Councillor King that the Sewage Corporation advances a short term loan to the Kings Playhouse in the amount of \$5,000.00 (Five Thousand Dollars). Motion unanimously adopted.

**Resolution to Guarantee the Repayment of Loan from the Georgetown and Area Development Corporation to the Three Rivers Sportsplex in amount of \$30,000.00:**

- Moved by Councillor King, seconded by Councillor McQuillan that the Town of Georgetown grant approval for the Three Rivers Sportsplex to borrow up to the amount of \$30,000.00 (Thirty Thousand Dollars) for funds to use towards necessary repairs needed to upgrade the Sportsplex to meet the specifications for the Abbies. Repayment terms to be negotiated between the Sportsplex Board and GADC. Funds generated from Abbies Games projected to be sufficient to repay loan. The Town of Georgetown agrees that they will secure repayment if the Sportsplex is unable to generate the necessary revenue. Motion unanimously adopted.

**Adjournment:** Moved by Councillor King, seconded by Councillor McQuillan that the meeting be adjourned. Carried.

Minutes submitted by:  
P. Gotell, C.A.O.