

MINUTES
GEORGETOWN TOWN COUNCIL
1/15/2007

The first monthly meeting of the Georgetown Town Council for the year 2007 was held in the Council Chambers on 1/15/2007, at 7:00 p.m.

Council Attendance: Mayor Peter Llewellyn
Deputy Mayor Lewis Lavandier
Councillor Peggy King
Councillor Faye McQuillan
Councillor Craig Murphy
Councillor Barry O'Brien
Councillor Wade Williams

Agenda: Monday, January 15, 2007

Moved for approval: Councillor Williams
Second: Councillor O'Brien. Motion Carried.

Presentation from Floor: Fire Chief Allan Gallant read and submitted a report for the Fire Department. In addition to the report given, Fire Chief Gallant advised that he would like to have the entrance system to the Fire Department upgraded this year. In response to questions Fire Chief Gallant advised that the Department volunteer members were covered under the Town's liability and also through WCB through the PEI Fire Departments coverage. Mayor Llewellyn thanked Fire Chief for attending the meeting and updating Council on what the Fire Department has been doing for the Town. Mayor Llewellyn advised that this Council wishes to have open communication with the Department and encourage opportunities to have the media reporting on the work and support of the Fire Department for the residents of the Town and Royalty.

Appointments 2007 Standing Committees:

**GEORGETOWN TOWN COUNCIL STANDING COMMITTEES
January 1, 2007**

MAYOR-PETER LLEWELLYN
DEPUTY MAYOR-LEWIS LAVANDIER
ADMINISTRATOR-PATSY GOTELL

**MAYOR LLEWELLYN IS EX-OFFICIO ON ALL COMMITTEES,
BOARDS OF MANAGMENT AND DEPARTMENTS**

DEPARTMENT	CHAIRPERSON	MEMBERS
Finance, Government Relations	Peter Llewellyn	F. McQuillan C. Murphy L. Lavandier
Public Works, Property, Main Street Program & Utilities	Wade Williams	C. Murphy B. O'Brien
Community & Media Relations	Faye McQuillan	P. King B. O'Brien
Three Rivers Sportsplex	Peggy King	Board of Management
Fire Department	Barry O'Brien	Volunteer Department
Kings Playhouse	Faye McQuillan	Board of Management
Community Development	Lewis Lavandier Craig Murphy	Board to be placed.
Community Heritage and Beautification	Wade Williams	Board to be placed.
GADC Representatives	Craig Murphy Lewis Lavandier	

Mayor Peter Llewellyn 652-2746	Deputy Mayor Lewis Lavandier 652-2597
Councillor Peggy King 652-2260	Councillor Faye McQuillan 652-2061
Councillor Barry O'Brien 652-2666	Councillor Craig Murphy 652-2769
Councillor Wade Williams 652-2201	

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

2007 Signing Authorities for Banking:

Mayor Llewellyn, Deputy Mayor Lavandier, Patsy Gotell, Administrator

Moved for approval: Councillor McQuillan
Second: Councillor O'Brien. Motion Carried

Minutes: December 11, 2007

Moved for adoption: Councillor Williams
Second: Councillor O'Brien. Motion Carried.

Business from Minutes: Nil

Financial Statement:

Moved for approval as presented: Councillor McQuillan
Second: Councillor O'Brien. Motion Carried.

Outstanding Expenditures:

Moved for approval as presented: Councillor Williams
Second: Councillor O'Brien. Motion Carried.

List of Correspondence Addressed and Business from:

1. RCMP: Correspondence from Staff Sergeant Major LJM Kavanagh submitting "L" Division 2005-2006 Year in Review Report. Copy filed in Admin Office for those interested.
2. Community and Cultural Affairs: Correspondence from Minister Elmer MacFadyen advising that he would like to draw Council's attention to the legislative requirements under section 21 and 22 indicating that a council may by resolution, meet as a committee of the whole. It is important to note that legislation also indicates that a committee may only make recommendations. Decisions, by contrast, are made by council and these decisions must be made at a council meeting which shall be open to the public.
3. IRAC: Correspondence to Administrator with notice that the Commission is beginning a process of reviewing the accounting and business management practices of municipal public utilities. Further contact will be made to schedule a meeting.

4. Earl Powers: Correspondence from Earl Powers requesting to purchase standing wood on Town property to cut for firewood. Council discussed this request.
 - **Moved by Councillor Lavandier, seconded by Councillor King that approval be granted for this year and that Councillor Williams, (Councillor responsible for Property) to evaluate the property and report back to Council.**
5. PEI Council of the Arts: Notice of public consultations on issues relevant to the arts community. Meeting scheduled for January 19. Councillor McQuillan will make contact and report back to Council.
6. Winteractive 2007: Email giving information regarding campaign to promote National Winteractive initiatives and invitation to participate. Councillor O'Brien suggested snow sculptures and other winter activities with pictures taken and submit.
7. Island East: Email with information and invitation to the Town to participate in regional Tourism forums. Councillor McQuillan agreed to attend the meeting and put forward invitation that the Town would be open to hosting meetings in Georgetown.
8. United Way: Notice of annual campaign and invitation to support. Deferred for recommendation of the Finance Committee. Suggested that the Playhouse be offered as facility to host fundraising event.
9. Kids Help Phone: Information letter and request for support. Deferred for recommendation of the Finance Committee. Suggested that the Playhouse be offered as facility to host fundraising event.
10. ADI: Copy of quote for signing costs for Lagoon Infrastructure Project to be established as per agreement. Informational purposes only.
11. Island East: Notice of Island East Public Meeting – January 17, 2007 in Murray Harbour.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance, Government Relations:

Mayor Peter Llewellyn reported: Mayor Llewellyn advised that he had nothing new to report regarding Finance and Government relations at this time.

Public Works, Property, Main Street Programs & Utilities:

Councillor Wade Williams reported:

Main Street Program:

- ◆ Downtown revitalization meeting scheduled for 9 a.m. - Tuesday, January 16th at the Civic Centre with various government reps to discuss Council's future development plans for Water Street upgrades. Council will have to decide on the direction if they want to proceed.

Public Works:

- ◆ Entrance sign on Kent Street will require an overhaul. Fraser Electric will hopefully have this done shortly.
- ◆ Dutch Elm stump on Water Street, plan to have a wood carver look at in a few weeks and give an estimate on the cost.
- ◆ Snow and Ice Control has had a few wrinkles, hopefully the correct measures will improve response times. Now when the government plows are called, Kings County Construction will go out at the same time. Designated streets' service will have to be addressed concerning Kent Street not being salted and curbing taking a beating and an overall cleaning up could be better.
- ◆ Upgrades to the town tractor should be part of the Town's operating budget for future improvements. The trade in value is looking pretty good at the moment. We could look at leasing to own as an option. Last year there were significant repair costs.
- ◆ Public Works would like to start a sidewalk and beautification program as part of the town operating budget. Plan to try to do some small section as time and money allow.

Water and Sewer Utilities:

Proposed public utilities meeting planned for Wednesday, January 17. Time is yet to be confirmed.

Respectfully Submitted,
Councillor Wade Williams

Community and Media Relations:

Councillor Faye McQuillan reported:

Committee working together to promote the Town in a positive way. Suggested that with many interesting and positive initiatives proposed for the future that a 2007 Community Good News Bulletin Board be placed in the Council Chambers.

Canada Day: Application for funding received and will be completed as soon as possible with deadline being February 28.

Respectfully Submitted,
Councillor Faye McQuillan

Three Rivers Sportsplex:

Councillor Peggy King reported:

Even though ice rentals are down the Sportsplex is having a positive year with many tournaments planned over the next few months. The Pee Wee Provincial AAA Playdowns have been booked.

There has been significant savings in the electric costs due to a new blanket covering being used on the ice surface when not in use.

John Duncan a member of Georgetown Minor Hockey has been selected as a winner in a contest regarding Minor Hockey. A celebration party was held and pizza purchased by the Recreation Association for the members. The Graphic will be doing an article on John and publishing his winning entry letter. Council agreed that a certificate/award of merit be presented to John.

Sportsplex Board of Directors requested a break down on the Town's subsidy/grant for the Sportsplex for 2006. Administrator agreed to print general ledger for 2006 and 2005 for comparison purposes.

Sportsplex Agreement: Council and Board to meet and review proposed agreement and address any changes that may be needed. After review and approval of Town's solicitor the agreement to be ratified by Council.

Update to Staff: Lisa MacKenzie – Canteen Manager and Judy MacConnell- Bar Zamboni: Necessary repairs completed.

Board of Directors:

- **Moved by Councillor O'Brien, seconded by Councillor Williams that effective January 1, 2007 the Three Rivers Sportsplex Board of Directors be approved as follows: Denise Clory, Cindy MacLean, Brenda Yorston, Bill Worsjiek, Jim MacConnell, Ron Babineau, Peggy King. (Lisa MacKenzie on LOA) Carried.**

Upcoming Minor Hockey Tournament: Minor Hockey parents will be hosting a fundraising tournament with Ocean 100 radio personalities. This is expected to be a fun night for all with many areas of entertainment to participate in.

Respectfully Submitted,
Councillor Peggy King

Fire Department

Councillor Barry O'Brien reported:

Councillor O'Brien advised that he had nothing additional to add to Fire Chief's report. Mayor Llewellyn advised that he would be attending the next meeting of the Fire Department.

King's Playhouse Report:

Councillor McQuillan reported:

Working towards formation of a new Board of Management. At this time Brian and Cheryl Pound, Arlene and Don Taylor, Rosemary Batchilder all expressed interest and these people offered their assistance in various capacities. Additional meetings will be held over the next few weeks when members in place the agreement will be ratified by Council.

Respectfully Submitted,
Councillor Faye McQuillan

Community Planning & Development Report:

Councillor Lavandier reported:

Planning: Mayor Llewellyn and interested members of Council are welcome to attend the Streetscape and Downtown Revitalization Plan meeting on January 16th, as set up by Amy Swallow and Peggy Arsenault, ACOA and other government representatives to discuss how the Town should proceed with these projects.

Development: Mark Lowe, President of Agritech Ethanol Corporation was sent an email informing him that in the future he will be dealing with the Planning and Development Committee whenever he wishes to set up a public meeting or discuss any new developments concerning the proposed ethanol plant, as it seems that he was waiting for the new Council to be in place before proceeding further with the project.

GADC: Attended monthly meeting January 8th. Confident that we will be able to work with the GADC to further develop Waterfront Project as well as any further projects that they may be involved in.

Community Development Board: Consideration being given on individuals that may be interested in working on this Board.

Respectfully Submitted,
Councillor Lewis Lavandier

Community Heritage and Beautification: Frank Stevens has agreed to come on board this committee. Additional individuals will be consulted to join the committee over time. Plans to address tree planting, Heritage Walking Tour, Beautification, Streetscape.

Georgetown and Area Development Corporation:

Councillor Craig Murphy reported:

Attended GADC monthly meeting January 8th. Currently planning to proceed on property development on Water Street, pending acquisition of property. Also review and renewal of Engine # 6 Cafe to be addressed.

Respectfully Submitted,
Councillor Craig Murphy

Administrator's Report:

Patsy Gotell, Administrator briefed Council members regarding:

- ◆ Gas Tax Funding Allocations.
- ◆ Plans to have application to Capacity Building Fund for personnel resource for assistance in the Admin Office completed for approval at February meeting.
- ◆ Year End Audit and preparation of Financial Statements will proceed once a date is confirmed with audit firm, MacPherson, Roche, Smith and Associates.
- ◆ Five Year Capital Gas Plan should be ready for resolution of approval once ACOA commits to the Streetscape and Downtown Plan.

New Business:

Off Shore Clam License: Mayor Llewellyn advised that a letter is being prepared to submit to Fisheries Minister Loyala Hearn requesting consideration to compensate the Town for lost fishing quotas by approving a provisional surf clam quota. This quota would be similar to the Grand Bank license and developed and produced in our community.

Meeting with Dennis King: Mayor Llewellyn advised that Dennis is very interested in meeting with Council. Time and date to be confirmed.

Rails to Trails: Mayor Llewellyn advised that he plans to meet with Leo Gill, Rails to Trails to discuss acquisition of property adjacent to Trails on West Street Beach. This property would be utilized in the proposed development of sandy beach area.

School Project: Mayor Llewellyn advised that he has scheduled a meeting with Staff to discuss working with them to make Georgetown School number one in PEI.

Library Project: Mayor Llewellyn advised that he is working with the Town's librarian preparing a proposal to Gates Foundation requesting their assistance in offering youth training for such areas as software, animation, and robotics; possibly by video conferencing.

Red Cross Relay: Mayor Llewellyn advised that he was contacted by the Red Cross Relay group requesting permission to have relay stop in Georgetown through the trail area. General agreement of Council that approval be granted and that some type of welcome or refreshment event be offered. Also through

this contact there was interest expressed in putting Georgetown on the route for Bike Tours.

Wilson's Gas: Mayor Llewellyn reported that he had requested Wilson's gas to forward informational costs associated with having a gas station established in the Town.

Breedon Property: Mayor Llewellyn advised Council members that the Town of Georgetown has been named as a benefactor in the Estate of Virginia Breedon, (bequeathed proceeds of the house and 18 acres of land). Town's solicitor, Tom Matheson is representing the Town on this matter.

Proposed meeting with Minister MacFadyen and Michael Currie: Mayor Llewellyn advised that he will notify Council members of the time and date of meeting(s) once approved.

Seniors Video: Mayor Llewellyn advised that he is working towards Senior's Historical Events- video sessions. The Georgetown Inn has offered to host the sessions. East Link will be contacted to see if they would be interested in taping also.

Adjournment: As there was no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Minutes submitted by:
P. Gotell, Administrator