



VILLAGE COMMISSIONERS OF GREENWOOD (VOG)

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING: MINUTES

June 14th, 2023 @ 9:00 am

1. CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Bank called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM
2. INTRODUCTION OF HEAD OF THE TABLE AND INVITED SPEAKERS

Chairman Brian Banks introduced all members of the Commission Robert Sealby (Vice-Chair) Darrell Spinney, Dale Harty and Bob Baker, the Clerk-Treasurer and Public Works staff as well as the following guest.

- Col. Davis, 14 wing Commander.
 - Sgt. Joudrey, RCMP Kingston Detachment
 - Councillor Martha Armstrong, County of Kings
 - Don Hyslop – Physicians Recruitment and Retention Committee
 - Lawerence Lake, Auditor, Morse Brewster Lake
3. MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING: The Minutes of the AMG held June 15, 2022, were read out loud by Clerk-Treasurer Kerry Graham. With there being no errors or omissions noted from those present, Chairman Banks declared the minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the village of Greenwood dated June 15, 2022, approved.
 4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES: Chairman Banks called for any business arising from the Minutes of June 15, 2022, but none came up.
 5. COL. DAVIS, 14 WING COMMANDER - Operation Reconstitution is essentially aimed at addressing recruitment challenges, particularly in staffing various trades and occupations on the base, which has proven to be quite challenging. As we near the annual posting season, we are witnessing a slight increase in personnel. Looking ahead at Greenwood's future, I envision a significant opportunity in the next five to ten years. We anticipate operating five new fleets of aircraft, including a new fighter fleet recently announced by Canada, which will mark a substantial development for us.

The Hercules that supports search and rescue operations should be replaced within the next four or five years. The Koran helicopter that does search and rescue operations is getting a midlife upgrade.

6. SGT. JOUDREY - In King's district last year, we had 13,098 recorded incidents. Five individuals either contacted us or were proactively engaged, leading to various interactions with the public. In Greenwood, residents have encountered a wide range of incidents, including 911 calls, property crimes, crimes against individuals, municipal issues, and missing persons cases. Notably, Greenwood receives a significant number of missing persons reports due to recurring calls for the same individuals. In April or May of 2023, a local drug trafficking investigation was carried out through a collaborative effort with Southwest Nova Scotia. This recent operation led to the charging of 2929 individuals with 113 drug-related offenses. Additionally, drugs valued at \$61,000 were seized, and stolen property worth \$3,000 was recovered. Let's focus on the positive outcomes in these industries.
7. DON HYSLOP - In April 2021, the Mid Valley Region Physician Recruitment and Retention Committee was established in response to the urgent need for physicians in the area. At one point, 30% of the population in the region did not have a family doctor, which was quite concerning. Currently, five new family physicians are joining, three of whom are already practicing alongside two others at a new clinic. Another physician will commence at the Kingston clinic in September pending the success of their assessment program from last year. My vice chair, Crowell, and I attended the Dalhousie Family Medicine Weekend in Saint Helens, New Brunswick, where we engaged with 62 family residents. It is a matter of pride for me that we are the sole volunteer committee in the province, with no paid positions.
8. COUNCILLOR MARTHA ARMSTRONG - I represent three districts in my region. Recently, the county has revised their boundaries, and the proposal has been approved by the ARB. In the upcoming election, Kingston and Greenwood villages will be consolidated into one district, District Four. This change will not affect the PMQs or District Five. Despite the pending adjustments, we continue to collaborate with the Department of National Defense to secure the release of the property formerly used for the new PMQs. Progress has been stagnant, except for the county's completion of the planning process and rezoning the property to an R5 designation. Once the land is released, the planning documents will be implemented, preparing the property for immediate development.
9. CHAIRMEN BANKS REPORT – Today, I am pleased to provide an update on the activities of Greenwood Village during the fiscal year from 2022 to 2023. Here are the highlights: The village is in a strong fiscal position, with the commissioners maintaining a regular monthly meeting schedule and convening special meetings as needed. With the reopening, the commission had resumed the search for a Clerk Treasurer and welcomed Kerry Graham as the new clerk-treasurer. A casual support staff member has been hired to assist the public works team. The YMCA is the main tenant in the building, and renovations are underway to make the upstairs washrooms accessible and upgrade lighting. Funds have been allocated to install a sidewalk in partnership with the county of Kings. A \$500,000 grant has been secured to enhance the soccer field lighting and develop a gathering place along the

proposed trail area. Reconfiguring the playgrounds is a significant challenge due to changes in regulations, leading to the removal of equipment. Upcoming events include a celebration on July 1 with music, children's activities, food, and fireworks (if permitted), followed by RibFest on July 28, 29, and 30. Appreciation is extended to Village commissioners for their involvement in various committees. Public works employees Matt Morse, Jamie Ogilvie and Jeff Graham for their dedicated work. Clerk treasurer, Kerry Graham for her dedication and essential contributions. Fellow Commissioners for their commitment to providing excellent governance for the village.

10. AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENT (for March 31, 2022) – Lawrence Lake presented the financial statements. There were no questions.
11. VILLAGE OF GREENWOOD 2023 – 2024 OPERATING AND CAPITAL BUDGET – Clerk-Treasurer Kerry Graham presented the 2023 – 2024 Operating and Capital Budget
12. GREENWOOD ACCESSIBILITY PLAN - For example, accessibility washrooms, looking at upgrading the chairlift within the building, etc.
13. CHAIRMAN BANKS CALLED FOR ANY QUESTION FROM THE FLOOR – Chairman Banks called for any questions from the floor and no questions were asked.
14. MOTION TO ADJOURN – Colonel Jeff Davis made the motion that we adjourn the meeting at 8:16 pm



Brian Banks - Chairman



Kerry Graham Clerk-Treasurer