

VILLAGE OF GREENWOOD ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

June 15, 2022 @ 6:00 pm
904 Central Avenue, Greenwood

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Village of Greenwood Chair Brian Banks.
2. INTRODUCTION OF HEAD TABLE AND INVITED SPEAKERS

Commissioner Banks introduced all members of the Commission, the Clerk Treasurer and Public Works employee Matt Morse as well as the following guests:

Peter Muttart, Mayor, County of Kings
Tim Harding, District 5 Councillor, County of Kings
Martha Armstrong, District 4 Councillor, County of Kings
Sgt Harold Prime, RCMP Representative
Lawrence Lake, Auditor, Morse Brewster Lake
Chris Palmer, MLA, Kings West
3. MINUTES of ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING: The Minutes of the AGM held July 12, 2021 were circulated to attendees. There being no errors or omissions noted from those present, Commissioner Banks declared the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Village of Greenwood dated July 12, 2021, to be adopted as circulated.
4. BUSINESS ARISING from the MINUTES: Commissioner Banks called for any business arising from the Minutes of July 12, 2021. There was none.
5. ELECTION OF COMMISSIONERS: Clerk-Treasurer Lynn Moar
The Clerk-Treasurer presented her report on the election of Village Commissioners for the current year. Nomination day was May 28, 2022. There were two spots open for election to three-year terms. Commissioners Banks and Sealby both re-offered for those spots. There were no further nominations. The Clerk-Treasurer acclaimed Commissioners Banks and Sealby to be elected to the Village of Greenwood Commission for the period ending June 2025.
6. MAYOR PETER MUTTART introduced himself and brought greetings from the County. He noted that the County has reached out to the federal Department of National Defence regarding possible housing opportunities in the Village on land no longer in use by DND but which is fully serviced.

Resident Priscilla Parsons asked to speak and noted that the Base Commander has announced 20 new base housing units to be built in the Village

Mayor Muttart noted that there is room in the County for a possible 2,000+ housing units on vacant land in the next 1-2 years. He noted that all Villages will need to examine their infrastructure in view of the population increases anticipated.

7. TIM HARDING, Councillor District 5, Municipality of the County of Kings updated the meeting on the extension of the sewer system on Rocknotch Road. Requests for Proposals will be posted soon by the County, and it is hoped that construction will start in 2022-23. The County will continue to work with the Village as this project which includes a new sidewalk on Rocknotch, progresses.

The County is working on an assessment of the pedestrian bridge over Fales River which is situated within the village but owned by the County.

8. Councillor ARMSTRONG introduced herself and said she was available for any questions.
9. CHRIS PALMER, MLA Kings West, spoke to the gathering regarding provincial priorities including the state of roads and the bridges in the Village; affordable housing; staffing problems at Soldiers Memorial Hospital and the primary care physician wait list. He then presented Commissioner Bob Baker with a certificate of appreciation for his service to the Village following Commissioner Bakers recent 85th birthday.
10. KINGS RCMP REPORT: Sgt Harold Prime introduced himself as the new Supervisor at the Kingston Detachment. He reported that a new Corporal will be coming in from Labrador and the detachment will then be at full staff. He talked about several policing events over the past few months and went over some of the concerns that may pop up as we move into summer.

Resident Priscilla Parsons questioned Sgt Prime regarding the containing problems caused by ATVs and dirt bikes on the subdivision streets in the Village. He noted that they are trying to spend more time on the trails and that incidents must be reported. "We welcome the phone calls if you have a problem rider in your subdivision," he said. "We will try to do better."

Resident Chesley Chaulk told the Sgt that there are "never" any police on Argus Drive and that ATVs run up and down there constantly.

11. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: Commissioner Brian Banks delivered his report of Village Commission activities for the year. The report is attached hereto.
12. AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENT at MARCH 31, 2022: Auditor Lawrence Lake presented the financial statements. There were no questions.
13. VILLAGE OF GREENWOOD 2022-2023 OPERATING & CAPITAL BUDGET: Commissioner Sealby presented the 2022-2023 Operating and Capital Budgets. There were no questions.

14. JOINT ACCESSIBILITY PLAN: Commissioner Robert Sealby explained how the Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee came to be and summed up its work to date. He went over the document "Our Joint Accessibility Plan" from the Municipality of the County of Kings, and the Villages of Aylesford, Canning, Cornwallis Square, Greenwood, Kingston, New Minas and Port Williams and noted what work will be done next.
15. DOCTOR RECRUITMENT: Commissioner Harty gave an overview of the Physicians Recruitment and Retention Committee on which he is the Village's representative. He explained how the committee was formed, who is a part of it and all that has been done in the area for the past year. He noted that it is the only fully volunteer staffed committee for the recruitment of physicians in Nova Scotia.
16. Commissioner Banks called for any questions from the floor.

Resident Priscilla Parsons asked when the sidewalk on Central Avenue from the lights at Pathfinder Way to MacDonalds will be upgraded. She noted it is deteriorating and someone could be hurt.

Commissioner Banks said it would be put on the list for consideration by the Commission.

17. MOTION TO ADJOURN: There being no other business to be brought before the meeting, Commissioner Banks called for a motion to adjourn. Motion to adjourn made by Joanne Sealby at 7:06 pm.



Brian Banks – Chairman



Kerry Graham- Clerk Treasurer