

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Cunningham called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

ATTENDANCE:

Mayor Eric Cunningham	Deputy Mayor Steve Gillies
Councillor Arie Ruitenberg	Councillor Ben Whalen
Councillor Pat Pearson	
Works Supervisor Rod Holland	Clerk Treasurer Don Smith
Assistant Clerk Treasurer Robby Obermeier	

CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

There were no declarations of Conflict of Interest.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Mayor Cunningham called for a motion to approve the agenda.

M/S/C (Pearson/Ruitenberg)	Motion to approve the agenda for the November 16, 2010 Regular Meeting of Council.
-----------------------------------	---

DELEGATIONS:

RCMP – Monthly Report

Corporal Milner presented the October report containing 14 incidents compared to 6 for the same period last year. He also pointed out the force conducted an Operation Checkstop during the month and checked 300 vehicles for infractions. He introduced Inspector John Warr who thanked Council for the opportunity to speak with them and provided a brief background on his recent postings. He commented on the Restorative Justice Program and spoke on one particular success story. He recognized Cst. Derrick Danells and Community Programs Officer Tanya Warren for their efforts with respect to Restorative Justice. Mayor Cunningham asked if anything had been finalized regarding the use of the Village Hall as an alternate site in the event of activating the RCMP Business Continuity Plan. The Inspector said he would look into the matter and respond.

Janice Beardsley – Request for Financial Information

Ms. Beardsley informed Council she had submitted a request for details on the costs of the new Works Garage on Cogle Road. She asked when she could expect the requested details. Mayor Cunningham replied that he was of the understanding a response had been sent to her. She said that was true but the response was incomplete and she wanted to know when she could expect the balance of the information. Works Supervisor Rod Holland said some of the information that was requested is not yet known and even estimates have not yet been approved for purposes of budgeting at this point. She said the total cost of the Works Garage must have been determined by now even if only projected costs and therefore why has she not been provided those figures. The Mayor said he would look into the matter and provide whatever information was available by the end of the week.

Mike Stevens – Flooding Concerns

Mr. Stevens read a prepared statement concerning the recent flooding incident and the associated trauma experienced by the residents living in his area of the Village. He provided a copy of his statement attached to a petition containing the names of 32 residents representing 21 homes on Meadow Crescent and Cunningham Avenue. He commended the Works Supervisor for his efforts in providing pumps and hoses to assist homeowners in need and recognized the presence of the Mayor during the flooding event. Mr. Stevens asked about any available financial assistance that could be provided at the Federal, Provincial or Municipal level. The Mayor said he spoke to the local MLA last week and encouraged the residents to contact his office regarding the matter. Mr. Stevens said the Village should be taking the lead in finding financial assistance and not the residents. Mayor Cunningham said he would arrange for a meeting with the MLA where Council and the residents could discuss the issues and identify opportunities. It became clear that a meeting to review and capture details of the flooding event and identify areas for improvement would be valuable. Two notable areas for improvement were public education regarding flooding incidents and enhanced communications. The Mayor said he would advise the residents when a meeting could be arranged.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

M/S/C (Gillies/Ruitenberg)

Motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council on Tuesday, October 19, 2010.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

2011 Operating Budgets

The first round of deliberations is complete and the Village is waiting for significant budget input from other sources including the Province and the Town of Sussex.

Citizen Concern – Buchanan Drive

Letters have been sent to the two property owners in question and messages have been left for the owners. The Works Supervisor will follow-up on the matter for resolution.

REPORTS – COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL:

Administration and Finance

There was no Committee meeting however, a motion was made to pay monthly bills.

M/S/C (Pearson/Ruitenberg) Motion to approve the October bills for payment:

General \$ 101,316.93 Water/Sewer \$ 19,402.65 Penobsquis \$ 562.58

Works, Water and Sewer

Deputy Mayor Gillies presented the Committee report to Council. He spoke on the Committee's discussions around the recent flooding incident including the repairs needed on Leonard Drive, the need for more sump pumps and fixtures and financial assistance for those impacted by the flooding. Council will consider the need for additional pumps and fixtures in the 2011 budget. He touched on a number of other matters discussed including the wells, outdoor rink, an energy audit and the status of the Penobsquis Water System. He noted the unsightly premises cleanup work at 1072 Main Street has been completed.

Accept Committee Reports

M/S/C (Whalen/Ruitenberg) Motion to accept the monthly report from the Works, Water and Sewer Committee.

REPORTS – OTHER:

Kings County Region Solid Waste Commission

Councillor Whalen said the 2011 budget exercise is underway and information concerning the costs to the Village for solid waste disposal will follow those budget deliberations. He noted the transfer station recently hosted a Free Day and a Household Hazardous Waste / E Waste Day with much success.

Royal District Planning Commission

Councillor Ruitenberg said there was no meeting yet this month but did report on the status of an Aquifer Vulnerability Project including the awarding of a contract to ADI.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Department of Health – On-site Septic Assessments

Notification was received from the Department of Health that the Department no longer has authority to assess sub-division plans for on-site septic systems. This is not applicable to sub-division plans within the Village as the current Rural Plan requires all sub-division lots to be connected to municipal services.

Dairy Town Classic - Sponsorship

A request was received from the organizers of the 2011 Dairytown Classic Basketball Tournament for sponsorship of the tournament by purchasing an ad in the program.

M/S/C (Gillies/Whalen)

Motion to purchase a quarter-page advertisement in the 2011 Dairy Town Classic Basketball Program at a cost of \$90.00.

Team New Brunswick – Sponsorship

A request was received from Team New Brunswick seeking sponsorship of Team NB at the 2011 Canadian Winter Games in Halifax.

M/S/C (Gillies/Whalen)

Motion to sponsor the 2011 Team NB Canada Winter Games Team by contributing \$250.00 and becoming an Honorary Team Member.

2011 Relay For Life – Team Sponsorship

Village Council will enter a team in the 2011 Relay For Life. Councillor Pearson will be Team Captain.

BY-LAWS:

There were no bylaws before Council.

NEW BUSINESS:

RDPC Budget Presentation

The Clerk Treasurer said he is waiting to hear back from the RDPC Director regarding a date where RDPC will present their 2011 operating budget to Village Council.

DOT Highway Usage Permit

One of the requirements associated with the Building Canada Fund Post Road Project is the acquisition of a Highway Usage Permit from the Department of Transportation. The permit agreement is ready for execution and there is a requirement for payment of fees and a security deposit when the agreement is forwarded to the Department.

M/S/C (Gillies/Whalen)

Motion the Village of Sussex Corner authorize the execution of a DOT Highway Usage Permit and the related payment of a security deposit of \$10,000.00 and associated usage fees of \$456.25.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, Mayor Cunningham called for a motion to adjourn.

M/C (Ruitenberg)

Motion to adjourn the Council Meeting.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 8:00 p.m.

Clerk / Treasurer

Mayor