

Community of Kingston
Regular Monthly Council Meeting
At Emyvale Recreation Center
Jan 12th , 2016

Present:

Alan Miller, Chair (Arrived late)
Tom Coady
Julie Ireson
Joe Dolphin
Dwight Thompson
Keith Boire
Jan Holmes

Also Present

Dianne Dowling, Administrator
Representatives from the Emyvale Recreation Center

CALL TO ORDER:

Meeting called to order by Acting Chair Joe Dolphin at 7:00 PM.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

MOTION:

"To approve the Agenda as circulated" (M) Dwight Thompson (S) Keith Boire, Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

MOTION:

"To approve the minutes of the November 10th Council meeting, with noted corrections." (M) Jan Holmes (S) Tom Coady, Motion Carried.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES:

1. Discussion on Insulation warehouse deferred to next meeting.
2. Councilor Thompson reported on his research on the high speed internet. He noted that Eastlink has a contract to run new lines for the schools and he had spoken to a representative (Tom Dumphy). The request was for a map of the Community so as to establish cost. Councilor Thompson went on to say that he also call ROUTE TWO and that company will be rolling out additional servicing.
3. Discussed the two buildings being constructed without permits and the Administrator advised she had sent two letters regular mail to the property owners. One letter came back unclaimed and the second letter was not returned and the owners did not contact her with an application. Council requested that letters be

sent out a second time and this time they are to be registered mail. If there is no response to these letters then further action will be discussed at the next meeting.

4. Update from the Chair concerning contacting Mr. Pollard – to be deferred to next meeting.

At this point in the Meeting Chair Miller arrived and assumed the Chair (7:45 PM)

5. Discussed property on the Peters Road PID # 529040. Councilor Ireson noted that she had spoken to the previous owners of this property the Horsfield's and she had also located an excerpt from the Legislative Assembly, when the problems with this property was discussed, on April 10, 1997. (Link will be sent to Council) The history of this property was summarized by Ms. Horsfield to Councilor Ireson and it is as follows:

- The property was owned by company drilling for oil/gas, however no oil was found and the property was put up for tax sale.
- It was sold by the Province under the property tax legislation.
- This purchaser sold the property to the Horsfield's who intended to construct a home on the property, however when the contractor was digging the foundation they encountered a strong smell of oil. (A building and septic permit for this development was issued by the Province.)
- Don Jardine (who worked for the Province at the time) assisted the Horsfield's in dealing with this issue and the property was removed from the Horsfield's ownership.
- The estimate for clean-up was one million dollars.
- The current owner of this property is listed as SoQuid from Quebec.
- There is no indication that the oil was cleaned up.

After much discussion Councilor Thompson volunteered to request this file from the Province (if it still exists), which will entail an application under Freedom of Information legislation.

COMMUNITY PLANNING:

FINANCE: Report circulated – Budget Committee will be meeting in the future a date will be circulated.

OTHER BUSINESS:

1. Infrastructure Project (will be discussed during Budget preparations)
2. Discussion on Amalgamation: the Administrator circulated a report containing Statistic information on surrounding Municipalities. The Chair noted that he had read that the Province has a number in mind for Municipalities who wish to merge and he didn't feel that the report met that target. The Council discussed their opinions as to this issue and it was the consensus that more investigation is required.
3. Emyvale Recreation Center: Noted that the Emyvale Center Board plan to submit an application for funding for the 150th celebration and requested the support of Council.

CORRESPONDENCE: Some Xmas cards were opened by the Chair and circulated.

Next regular meetings will be February 9th, March 8th and the AGM is tentatively scheduled for March 22nd with a storm date on the 29th.

Being no further business motion passed to adjourn at 8:50 PM (M) Dwight Thompson (S) Keith Boire, Motion carried.

Submitted,

Dianne Dowling, Administrator