



**Village of New Minas**  
Minutes of Regular Commission Meeting  
Monday July 11, 2022 @ 7:00 PM  
Lynn Spencer Hall, LMCC  
New Minas, Nova Scotia

**Commissioners Present:**

- Dave Chaulk, Chair
- James Redmond, Vice Chair
- Mary Munroe, Commissioner
- Quentin Hill, Commissioner

**Staff Present:**

- John Ansara, Interim Clerk Treasurer/CAO
- Laura Jacobs, Active Living Coordinator
- Erica Dominey, Minutes

**Others Present:**

- Debra Windle-Smith
- Jim Winsor, Councillor for District 8

**Call to Order:**

Chair Dave Chaulk called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm, welcoming those in attendance.

**Approval of the Agenda:**

THAT the Agenda for the July 11, 2022 regular Commission meeting be approved, as presented.

**M/James Redmond**

**S/Quentin Hill**

**Motion Carried**

**Approval of the Minutes from Prior Meeting:**

THAT the Minutes for the June 13, 2022 regular Commission meeting be approved, as presented.

**M/James Redmond**

**S/Quentin Hill**

**Motion Carried**

## **New Business:**

### 2021-2022 Audit

John Ansara provided the commission a final report of the 2020-2021 audit that had been approved by the Finance and Audit Committee.

THAT the 2021-2022 Audit be approved as presented

**M/Quentin Hill**

**S/James Redmond**

**Motion Carried**

### New Minas Village Election Report

John Ansara advised the Commission the Village had 3 Candidates for the Village Commission Election. Advanced Polls started on July 11<sup>th</sup> running until July 22<sup>nd</sup> with Election Day being July 23<sup>rd</sup>.

## **Business Arising from Minutes**

Treatment Plant Odor

John Ansara gave an update from Aaron Dondale, Manager of Public Works, Municipality of the County of Kings about the Sewage Treatment Plant.

## **Presentations:**

Laura Jacobs, Active Living Coordinator for the Village of New Minas gave a presentation on a Community Development Opportunity partnering with the Province of Nova Scotia to provide an Afterschool Program located at New Minas Elementary. Laura provided an overview of the afterschool program for New Minas Elementary and also an overview of the current afterschool program (Afterschool Adventure Club – ASAC) that runs out of the Louis Millett Community Complex. It was determined that there is a high community need for afterschool care in New Minas. It was advised that in order to properly support this program, the Village Commission would need to approve a full time Recreation Coordinator position that would also help support the Recreation Department as a whole.

THAT the Village Commission approve a full time Recreation Coordinator for a one year term position and that the Village Commission will re-evaluate the position in one years time.

**M/Quentin Hill**

**S/James Redmond**

**Motion Carried**

## **Committee Reports:**

- Beautification Committee – report included in package
- Clerk Treasurer/CAO – report included in package
- Finance – report included in package
- Finance & Audit Committee – no report (next meeting June 23)

- Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee – no report
- New Minas Water Commission – report included in package
- Operations – report included in package
- Recreation & Community Development – report included in package
- Recreation & Community Development Advisory Committee – no report
- Active Living Coordinator- report included in package
- Regional Sewer Committee – no report (next meeting June 16)

THAT the report for the Beautification Committee be accepted, as presented.

**M/Mary Munroe**

**S/James Redmond**

**Motion Carried**

THAT the following staff reports be accepted as presented:

- Clerk/Treasurer/CAO
- Director of Recreation & Community Development
- Finance Department
- Operations Manager
- Active Living Coordinator

**M/Quentin Hill**

**S/James Redmond**

**Motion Carried**

THAT the reports for New Minas Water Commission and the Regional Sewer Committee be accepted, as presented.

**M/James Redmond**

**S/Mary Munroe**

**Motion Carried**

**Correspondence:**

None

**Public Discussion Period:**

Jim Winsor, Councillor for District 8 advised the Village Commission on an update on a concern he had discussed previously at the Commission Meeting prior. Councillor Winsor objected to the idea that a levy be implemented on all development over 25,000 sqft in New Minas South. John Ansara drafted a letter to the Planning Committee and the Municipality of the County of Kings voicing the Commissions disagreement.

**Adjournment:**

**M/James Redmond**

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 8:05 pm.