

**Regular Monthly Meeting
Video Conference
Wednesday, September 9, 2020 – 7:00 pm**

Attendance: Bill Nauss, Commission Chair; Nancy Hatch, Commission Vice Chair; Jo-Ann Grant, Commissioner; Martin Hiltz, Commissioner; Dennis Egyedy, Clerk Treasurer; Maxine Veinot, Recording Secretary; Everett Hiltz, Fire Chief; Michael Heisler, Commissioner, joined meeting at 8:06

Public Gallery: One community member

1.0 Call to Order

Chairman Nauss called the September 9, 2020, regular monthly meeting, via Zoom video conference, of the Village of Chester Commission to order at 7:04 pm.

2.0 Public Forum

Ben Pearre – Lido Pool Lights

Mr. Pearre is a late-night kayaker near the Lido pool and the pool security lights make it difficult for him to navigate in the area. He stated that he experiences a loss of night vision due to the glare off the water from the lights. Ben requested the lights be shielded or turned down to make it safer for night boaters.

Chairman Nauss stated that the lights were installed to prevent vandalism in the area, and they will not be removed; however, we will investigate changing the angle of the lights.

3.0 Review/Approval of Agenda/Additions to Agenda

There were two additions to the agenda as follows:

6 (b) – Accessibility Ramp – Commissioner Grant

8 (b) – Celebrations Funding – Commissioner Hatch

MOTION #20-248: Commissioner Grant moved; Commissioner Hatch seconded:

The approval of the agenda as amended with the additions of 6 (b) and 8 (b).

Unanimously Carried

4.0 Review/Approval of Minutes

a) Regular Monthly Meeting: Wednesday, August 12, 2020

MOTION #20-249: Commissioner Hatch moved; Commissioner Heisler seconded:

The approval of the Minutes of August 12, 2020 Regular Monthly meeting as presented.

Unanimously Carried

5.0 Business Arising

There was no business arising.

6.0 Correspondence

a) Notice of Public Hearing – GN Plastics Company

The commission was informed by MODC that there is a Public Hearing on September 10th, 2020 at 8:45 a.m. concerning an addition to GN Plastics facility at 315 Old Trunk 3.

b) Accessibility Ramp – B. Mulrooney

Mrs. Mulrooney expressed concern on the proposed location of an accessibility ramp at the Lido pool. She noted the steep incline of the area and the inability to control parking. Mulrooney suggests the ramp be located from the bridge area for various reasons.

Clerk/Treasurer Egyedy informed the commission that the project will be approved in the new year budget and no construction of a ramp will be started this year. Secondly, at the August 12th meeting he was to follow-up on design and costing. All options will be presented to the commission at a future meeting.

7.0 Reports

a) Clerk Treasurer

Clerk Treasurer Egyedy reported that the Lido pool is now closed, and all patrons were pleased with the pool being open during the pandemic. The Lido Pool Reserve matures on September 23rd, 2020 and Egyedy recommended placing funds into a cashable GIC. Land and Sea has indicated that they would like to start the dock replacement immediately.

MOTION #20-250 : Commissioner Grant moved; Commissioner Hiltz seconded:

The approval of the maturing Lido Pool Reserve investment of \$30,388.06 be reinvested into a cashable fund on September 23rd, 2020.

Unanimously Carried

MOTION #20-251 : Commissioner Grant moved; Commissioner Hiltz seconded:

The approval of the Clerk Treasurer's report as presented.

Unanimously Carried

b) Financial Statement/Bank Transactions – August 2020

Clerk Treasurer Egyedy reviewed the financial statements, cheque log and bank transactions for August 2020. There were no questions or concerns.

MOTION #20-252 : Commissioner Hatch moved; Commissioner Heisler seconded:

The approval of the Financial Statement and Cheque Log for August 2020 as presented.

Unanimously Carried

c) Fire Chief

Chief Hiltz reported 12 emergency dispatches: one structure fire, three investigations, four alarms, one tree on power lines, and three illegal burns. Chief Hiltz reported that Scotia Fleet Services has completed the annual mechanical service on all the large apparatus. Hiltz invited the commission to Lunenburg & District Fire Department for a demonstration on thermal imaging capable drone on September 15, 2020.

The commission was informed that the Chester Volunteer Fire Department was called out to the forest fire in Chester Basin by the Department of Natural Resources. DNR has reimbursed CVFD for manpower and equipment at a cost of \$7,266.15. Hiltz would like to purchase several items for the fire department with the funds.

Clerk/Treasurer Egyedy informed the commission that the funds must be deposited into the village account and Chief Hiltz would require approval from the commission for the expenditure. Egyedy suggested that the Chief prepare a "Request for Decision" to identify the items to be purchased at the next regular meeting.

MOTION #20-253 : Commissioner Grant moved; Commissioner Hiltz seconded:

To approve the Fire Chief's verbal report.

Unanimously Carried

8.0 New/Other Business

a) Request for Decision – APM and Elections

Clerk/Treasurer Egyedy presented the commission with a Request for Decision to hold the Annual Public Meeting and Village Election of one commissioner. According to Minister Directive 20-011, villages are permitted to hold elector meetings and elections on the condition that the Health Protection Order is followed. Egyedy Presented the commission with proposed dates for the APM and Elections.

Egyedy identified additional costing for hall rental, staffing, and incidentals during both events. Lastly, due to the Public Meeting date, the Regular Commission meeting date would need to be moved.

MOTION #20-254: Commissioner Hatch moved; Commissioner Heisler seconded:

To approve the following meeting dates and times:

- Nomination Day, Wednesday, September 30th, 2020 – 9:00 am to 5:00 pm
- Annual Public Meeting, Wednesday, October 7th, 2020 – 7:00 pm
- Advance Election Poll, Saturday, October 10th, 2020 – 11:00 am to 7:00 pm
- Election Day Poll, Tuesday, October 13th, 2020 – 9:00 am to 7:00 pm

Unanimously Carried

MOTION #20-255 : Commissioner Heisler moved; Commissioner Hiltz seconded:

To approve the rescheduling of the October 14th, regular meeting to October 21st, 2020 due to elections being conducted on October 13th, 2020.

Unanimously Carried

b) Celebrations Funding

Commissioner Hatch presented a request from the Heritage Society to utilize celebration funds for Christmas events this year. Due to COVID 19, the Canada Day events were cancelled to a later date or event. After some discussion, the commission agreed to consider any request for funding of other events pending receiving an indication of cost for each event.

**9.0 In Camera – MGA section 408(2)(c)
Personnel Matters**

MOTION #20-256 : Commissioner Grant moved; Commissioner Heisler seconded:
To go “In Camera” at 7:50 pm.

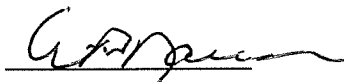
MOTION #20-257 : Commissioner Hatch moved; Commissioner Grant seconded:
To go “Out of In Camera” at 8:08 pm.

10.0 Adjournment

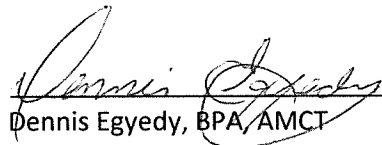
Next Meeting – Annual Public Meeting (APM) October 7, 2020, 7 pm.

Next Regular Monthly Meeting - October 21, 2020 – 7:00 pm.

Commissioner Heisler adjourned the September 9, 2020 meeting at 8:10 pm.



Bill Nauss
Commission Chair



Dennis Egyedy, BPA, AMCT
Clerk Treasurer