

.The regular monthly meeting of the Village Commissioners of Cornwallis Square was held virtually as a Zoom Meeting on **TUESDAY, MAY. 25, 2021.**

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Chairman – Holleman  
Commissioners – Keith, Foote, Quartermain & Rood.  
Clerk – Bill Farrell  
**Fire Department** – Chief Johnstone, Firefighter Gates  
  
**Guests** –

**CALL TO ORDER:** The Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

**MINUTES: MOVED BY COMMISSIONERS QUARTERMAIN AND FOOTE  
THAT THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD ON  
MAR. 20, 2021, BE APPROVED AS CIRCULATED.  
MOTION CARRIED**

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES:**

- Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee – The Village Commission approved the 16 names put forward by Kings County to the Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee.
- Postpone Village Annual Meeting – It was agreed that the Village postpone our annual meeting until it is safe to do so and conditions improve.
- Village Tax Rate – The tax rate for this year is 12.5 cents for residential and 12.5 cents for commercial, the same as last year.

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:**

The Clerk presented the invoices for Apr. & May To be Paid \$87,953.65 and paid during the month \$5,226.83.

**MOVED BY COMMISSIONERS QUARTERMAIN & KEITH THAT THE  
INVOICES BE PAID AS PRESENTED AND TO RATIFY THOSE PAID DURING  
THE MONTH. MOTION CARRIED**

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

- Fire Department - April 2021 Incident Report
- Waterville, War Memorial – Bryce Johnstone has been taking care of the flags from the beginning. Flags don't last long and are in need of replacement. His recommendation is that the 3 flags be Canada, Nova Scotia & the Old Union Jack - the flag Canadians fought under during the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> World War. The Village Commission agreed that the aforementioned flags be flown and they be replaced with new ones when needed.
- Commercial Auto Policy – There are some changes coming. There may be some premium increases and possible increase to existing policy deductibles.
- 5 Year Capital Investment Plan – Kings County requested an update on our 5 year capital investment plan.

**CORRESPONDENCE; Continued**

- Letter from the Association of NS Villages. Municipal Affairs;
- Bill 50 – Code of Conduct. Require village commissions to adopt a code of conduct and appoint an independent body to review and investigate alleged breaches.
- Bill 98 – Virtual Meetings. If a village passes a by-law to allow it, villages may hold virtual commission meetings, increasing the accessibility for citizens to partake and view such meetings.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

- Draft Budget – A draft budget for 2021 – 2022 was passed out for review and suggested recommendations requested.
- Corry McGuire- Fire Department Report – a copy of his report was distributed. One item of interest was the ongoing issues with “I Am Responding”.
- Wi-Fi in building has a limited distance, will service the new water storage building out back. Equipment to boost the power to the building will cost about \$700.00. When building is complete we will run an underground wire to it.

**MOVED BY COMMISSIONERS KEITH & QUARTERMAIN THAT THE VILLAGE INSTALL THE BUSTER SYSTEM AND WIRING TO THE WATER STORAGE BUILDING MOTION CARRIED**

- A new Fridge for the bar will cost \$2,782.00 + HST. The old fridge can't be fixed. It will take 3 -4 weeks to get here.

**MOVED BY COMMISSIONERS FOOTE & QUARTERMAIN THAT THE VILLAGE PURCHASE A NEW FRIDGE FOR THE BAR. MOTION CARRIED**

- One of the fridges in the kitchen is being fixed. A second fridge is down with a thermostat problem.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT:**

- Equipment in the building will be serviced once a year.
  - The washing machine's auto soap dispenser to be fixed.
  - We are awaiting replacement parts for the Aerial Ladder Truck.
  - The Radio Back-Up system for our radios should be replaced. The system is old and could fail at any time.
- Pumper #12 has a double use as a Tanker and the Rescue has a double use.
- Truck #11 has a check valve foam leak.
  - Water Storage Building – Concrete work will be finished today. Lumber framing starts Monday. Asphalt work to do .

**ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business and **MOVED BY COMMISSIONER FOOTE**, meeting adjourn, at 8:30p.m.

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**Simon Holleman, Chairman**

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**William Farrell, Clerk**