

**REGULAR MEETING**  
**February 12, 2003**

The regular meeting of the Village of Baddeck was held on Wednesday, February 12, 2003, at the Public Works Building, 29 Hillcrest Drive, Baddeck, NS, beginning at 7:00 p.m.

*Present:*

Eddie Keeling, Chairperson  
Marilyn Morrison  
Brian Chandler  
Philip MacRae  
Ron McIntyre, Utility Operator  
Lisa MacKinnon, Clerk

*Regrets:*

Jess Kerr

*Invited:*

Shane Toms, Councillor, District 2  
Bruce Morrison, Councillor, District 3  
Constable Scott Williamson, RCMP, Baddeck Detachment

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Keeling called the meeting to order.

**SKATEBOARDING**

Constable Williamson stated that they are looking into establishing a skateboarding park in the area. They realize the Commissioners considered the idea before, but they wanted to meet and discuss what is required.

Two potential areas were considered: the *old tennis courts* and the area next to the Sewage Treatment Plant. The *old tennis courts* seems the most suitable since the kids are already using it as a skateboarding area.

It was decided that the Baddeck Community Club will be approached again about using the *old tennis courts* area for a recreation area.

**It was moved by Brian Chandler, seconded by Philip MacRae, that the Village solicitor be asked to look into property ownership and liability issues. Motion carried.**

**PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PAC)**

It was mentioned that the PAC met the past evening, and John Bain was asked to look into the Village's potential for UNESCO status.

## RCMP

Constable Williamson reported that the Baddeck detachment are considering investing in two mountain bikes for street patrol. He mentioned that the Village may be approached for funding.

There being no further questions, Mr. Morrison, Mr. Toms, and Constable Williamson left at this time.

## MAINTENANCE WORK REPORT

Ron McIntyre presented his work report for January 2003.

**It was moved by Philip MacRae, seconded by Marilyn Morrison, that the Work Report for January 2003 be approved as presented. Motion carried.**

There being no further questions, Mr. McIntyre left at this time.

## AGENDA

Chairman Keeling asked if anyone had any additions or deletions to the evening's agenda.

## MINUTES

**It was moved by Brian Chandler, seconded by Marilyn Morrison, that the minutes of January 8, 2003, be approved as presented. Motion carried.**

## BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

### George's Vacuum

Chairperson Keeling spoke to Tom Austin about the dumping of holding tank material into the system. It appears that waste would have to be dumped in a manhole, and the smell would be awful. Mr. Austin was asked to write a letter outlining his recommendations.

It was reported that Mr. Austin also stated that dumping boat waste in the new Sewage Treatment Plant (STP) would be okay, although the cost to the Village to treat the waste is unknown.

### Monthly Meetings

Concern was expressed that meeting once a month would not be adequate. It was decided that the Commissioners will try it out.

### Dream Home

It was reported that, in the past, if there is a sewer plug in a Village line, the Village is responsible. If the plug is on a private line, the owner is responsible.

There has been no response from Mr. Fownes concerning the letter sent in September 2002.

### **BILLS**

There was discussion about the auger on the snow blower.

**It was moved by Marilyn Morrison, seconded by Brian Chandler, that the bills be approved, as presented. Motion carried.**

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

1. An information package from Karen Malcolm concerning the Bras d'Or Lakes proposed non-discharge designation. The Commissioners were invited to attend the meeting in Baddeck on Feb. 18, 2003.

2. An invitation to the Rail Service Meeting on Feb. 14, 2003.

3. A letter from the Bras d'Or Yacht Club, dated Feb. 1, 2003, expressing interests of concern. Discussion followed concerning the floating dock proposed by the Baddeck Harbour Development Committee (BHDC). The annual general meeting of the BHDC is scheduled for Feb. 22, 2003.

4. A letter from the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board stating that the Board approves development of an alternative water supply provided that Infrastructure Funding is approved.

5. The Bras d'Or Stewardship Society newsletter.

6. Advertising for anniversary seals. It was questioned if certificates were going to be made.

7. Copies of the following were provided to the Commissioners:

- minutes by ABL for Dec. 12, 2002, meeting
- letter from Ed Carey, dated Jan. 17, 2003, concerning soil contamination
- revised quote for access ladders, dated Jan. 20, 2003
- minutes by C.J. MacLellan & Associates for Jan. 16, 2003, meeting
- memo from Ed Carey on equipment meeting held Jan. 23, 2003

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **Baddeck Area Business Tourism Association (BABTA)**

A task force outline from BABTA was reviewed. They are looking for funding from ECBC to assist in the Marketing Plan.

#### **Sewer By-Laws and Debenture Funding**

John Anderson is to be contacted for input concerning the debenture funding and sewer service

charges in the by-laws.

The Clerk is to write to the Municipal Finance Corporation concerning debenture funding.

**Baddeck Community Wharf**

A copy of the letter sent from the Wharf Steering Committee to the Yacht Club in May 2001, was sent to Peter Patterson.

Commissioner Chandler was briefed on the meeting with BABTA members held on Feb. 10, 2003.

Installation of water and power at the Wharf was discussed.

If the Village takes over ownership of the Wharf, the first thing to do would be to set up a management committee.

**NEXT MEETING**

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 12, 2003.

**ADJOURN**

There being no further business, **it was moved by Marilyn Morrison, seconded by Brian Chandler, that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.**

Lisa MacKinnon, Clerk