

MARINE DRIVE, VALLEY AND CANAL
COMMUNITY COUNCIL
MINUTES
MARCH 22, 2000

PRESENT: Councillor Gordon R. Snow, Chair
Councillor Steve Streach
Councillor Keith Colwell

STAFF: Mr. Kulvinder Dhillon, Director, Engineering and Transportation
Services
Ms. Julia Horncastle, Assistant Municipal Clerk

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1. INVOCATION

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. with an invocation.

Councillor Snow recognized Mr. Cyril Randall, former Halifax County Councillor, who was present in the audience.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - JANUARY 27 AND FEBRUARY 29, 2000

MOVED by Councillors Colwell and Streach that the minutes of the January 27, 2000 regular session and the February 29, 2000 special session be approved, as circulated. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

3. APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS AND APPROVAL OF ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS

Additions

12.1 Paving East Chezzetcook Road - Councillor Colwell

MOVED by Councillors Streach and Colwell that the Order of Business, as amended, be approved. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

4. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES - NONE

5. MOTIONS OF RECONSIDERATION - NONE

6. MOTIONS OF RESCISSION - NONE

7. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS

7.1 Ratifications

7.1.1 Tidewater Quarry Operations

MOVED by Councillors Streach and Colwell that Community Council support a request that no approval for the expansion of the Tidewater Quarry operations be given by the Provincial government until a full environmental assessment, which includes an impact study and public hearings, is undertaken. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

7.1.2 Railway Crossing - Wellington

MOVED by Councillors Colwell and Streach that CN be requested to provide a second access over the railroad tracks on Church Street, Wellington. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

7.1.3 Study for Lights - Carroll's Corner

Councillor Snow advised this item was being actioned.

7.1.4 Milford Sign Location

Councillor Snow advised this situation had been rectified.

7.1.5 Halifax County Sign to be Replaced with HRM Sign

MOVED by Councillors Streach and Colwell that Community Council request the Halifax County sign by Indian Bridge, District 2 and in Gay's River, District 1, be replaced with "Welcome to Halifax Regional Municipality" signs. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

8. PUBLIC HEARINGS - NONE

9. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS

9.1 Petitions - none

10. REPORTS

10.1 MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

10.1.1 Councillor Snow - Water Study for Dutch Settlement

MOVED by Councillors Colwell and Streach that a water study be undertaken for the community of Dutch Settlement, District 2. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

11. MOTIONS - NONE

12. ADDED ITEMS

12.1 Paving, East Chezzetcook Road - Councillor Colwell

MOVED by Councillors Colwell and Streach that the Department of Transportation and Public Works be requested to advise to the status of the paving of the East Chezzetcook Road, District 3. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

13. NOTICES OF MOTION - NONE

14. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Councillor Snow introduced Mr. Kulvinder Dhillon, Director, Engineering and Transportation Services, for the Halifax Regional Municipality and Mr. David VanSlyke, Area Manager Halifax East, Mr. Newton Killen, Operations Supervisor Chezzetcook and Mr. Steve Krichew, Operations Supervisor Halifax East from the Provincial Department of Transportation and Public Works.

Members of the public were given an opportunity to pose questions and advise of concerns regarding roads and services in the area.

The following points were raised during discussion:

- Residents do not feel an adequate snow clearing job is done on the #107 Highway from Exit 20 east.
- The salt and sand spreaders are not turning on their spreaders resulting in the salt and sand being dumped in the centre of the roadways.
- If possible, an alternative to sand be examined as it does not embed in the roadway and either blows off or runs off.
- Why do subdivisions on opposite sides of the road have a different level of service.
- Would it be possible to widen the shoulders of the roads as they are very narrow
- Reclamation of gravel from the ditches needs to be undertaken
- Ditches need to be examined and the roots of trees that were cut off by the passage of a snowplow need to be removed as they are sharp and pointed and could pose a danger if someone should fall.
- The lack of response and follow up to concerns expressed by a resident calling the depot need to be addressed.
- Signs have been knocked over or fallen and need to be replaced for emergency vehicle reference purposes.
- Sand in the sand boxes in subdivisions are frozen and cannot be used.
- The ditches are full of newspaper flyers.

In response to questions and concerns the following responses were given:

- DOT staff will investigate the calls that were not responded to.
- Snow clearing is done by two separate trucks on Highway #107 and may not pass the area at the same time resulting in one section seeming to have better service than the other. It was noted that the surface on the road from Exit 20 east is rutted and as a result the salt does not melt and runoff towards the edges as it does on the first section.
- Subdivisions on opposite sides of a road may have a different level of service as the Department of Transportation and HRM may exchange a road of equal length for snow clearing purposes during the winter months. If a road in a subdivision is owned by both HRM and DOT then, to make snow clearing and winter maintenance consistent, HRM and DOT exchange portions of streets for snow clearing purposes.
- Signs that have been knocked down will be put back up as soon as possible.
- Sand boxes will be checked.
- The ditches are reclaimed in both the spring and fall at which time the gravel is reclaimed and the shoulders of the roadways built up.
- The concerns with regards to the broken off trees will be investigated and locations noted to be addressed during the spring ditching.

As a result of discussions the following motion was placed:

MOVED by Councillors Colwell and Streach that HRM staff be requested to provide a staff report identifying those roads that HRM and DOT exchange for winter maintenance purposes. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

15. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 26, 2000 at 7:00 p.m.

16. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Councillors Colwell and Streach that the meeting be adjourned at 8:50 p.m. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

**Julia Horncastle
Assistant Municipal Clerk**