

**CHEBUCTO COMMUNITY COUNCIL
November 3, 2008**

MINUTES

PRESENT: Councillor Mary Wile, Chair
Councillor Linda Mosher, Vice Chair
Deputy Mayor Stephen Adams
Councillor Russell Walker
Councillor Debbie Hum

STAFF: Ms. Shawnee Gregory, Legislative Assistant

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1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - October 6, 2008

MOVED by Councillor Hum, seconded by Councillor Walker, that the minutes of October 6, 2008, as presented, be approved. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

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

Additions:

9.3 Presentations:

- 9.3.1 Request to Name the Baseball Diamond at the Mainland Common the Harold Pelham Memorial Field - Mr. Paul Gallivan and Mr. Kevin Umlah
- 12.1 Off Leash Strategy - Hemlock Ravine Park - Residents Concerns - Councillor Hum
- 12.2 Access to Graves Oakley for Model Airplane Flying Club - Deputy Mayor Adams
- 12.3 Clothesline Across Municipal Property - Deputy Mayor Adams
- 12.4 CPTED Audit on W.D. Piercey Field - Councillor Walker

MOVED BY Councillor Walker, seconded by Councillor Mosher that the agenda be approved as amended. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

4. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES:

4.1 Status Sheet Items:

4.1.1 Tremont Park Alternate Main Entrance

Councillor Hum advised that there had been no progress on this issue. She indicated that she would like this item to remain on the status sheet.

4.1.2 Sherbrooke Stormwater Flooding Issues

Councillor Hum advised that she hoped to have a report in December. She indicated that she would like this item to remain on the status sheet.

4.1.3 Intersection of Herring Cove Road and Purcell's Cove Road

Councillor Mosher advised that there had been no progress on this issue. She indicated that she would like this item to remain on the status sheet.

5. MOTIONS OF RECONSIDERATION - NONE

6. MOTIONS OF RECISSION - NONE

7. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS - NONE

8. HEARINGS:

8.1 Public Hearings - None

8.2 Variance Appeal Hearings - None

9. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS AND PRESENTATIONS:

9.1 Correspondence: None

9.2 Petitions: None

9.3 Presentations :

9.3.1 Request to Name the Baseball Diamond at the Mainland Common the Harold Pelham Memorial Field - Mr. Paul Gallivan and Mr. Kevin Umlah

C A copy of the presentation was circulated.

C A document titled the 'Mainland Common Baseball Field Areas for Construction/Improvement' was circulated.

Mr. Paul Gallivan, Chair of the Harold Pelham Memorial Field Committee, thanked the Community Council for allowing him to make a presentation requesting that the Mainland Common Baseball Field be renamed the Harold Pelham Memorial Park at the Mainland Common. He stated that although he had never met Harold Pelham he had heard many unique stories about him as Mr. Gallivan's son was a member of the Pelham Baseball team and Mr. Gallivan often volunteered at his games. He advised that Mr. Pelham had sponsored that team as well as others at all levels of baseball for over 35 years; noting that people like that should be recognized for what they have done for the community. He indicated that Mr. Pelham had given children something to do to keep them out of trouble and had even quietly given financial assistance to players who did not want their teammates to know that they were having money troubles. He also often employed older players at his company, Pelham Electric. Mr. Gallivan advised that many people had stories of how Mr. Pelham had helped them through hard times. In closing, Mr. Gallivan stated that the tenth anniversary of Mr. Pelham's death would be a suitable time to name the field in his honour and he thanked the Community Council for their consideration.

Mr. Kevin Umlah, Halifax, advised the Community Council that he had been involved with organized baseball for his whole life having been the past president of the Nova Scotia Baseball League and having played on and against the Pelham Baseball teams. As someone who had known Mr. Pelham, Mr. Umlah wished to speak to his involvement in community baseball with his heart, soul and wallet. Mr. Umlah stated that Mr. Pelham was also generous with visiting teams from as far away as Cuba and Nicaragua. He advised that before Mr. Pelham had taken sick he had been very active and involved in the sport; even collecting gate fees at the field and during his illness he would follow every game even though he could not attend.

MOVED BY Councillor Mosher, seconded by Councillor Walker that the Chebucto Community Council request a staff report regarding the potential of renaming the Mainland Common Ball Field the Harold Pelham Memorial Field at the Mainland Common. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

Councillor Mosher requested that Mr. Gallivan's document titled the 'Mainland Common Baseball Field Areas for Construction/Improvement' be submitted to operations staff to be considered for the capital budget; noting that many recommendations were inexpensive fixes.

MOVED BY Councillor Mosher, seconded by Councillor Hum that the Chebucto Community Council request that staff consider the recommendations contained in the submitted 'Mainland Common Baseball Field Areas for Construction/Improvement' for the Capital Budget. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

10. REPORTS:

10.1 Councillor:

10.1.0 Melville Cove Look Off Sign - Purcell's Cove Road - Councillor Mosher

Councillor Mosher advised that she had previously worked with staff in order to have the Melville Cove Look Off sign lowered; noting that the strapping had not been removed and the sign now looked unattractive. She stated that residents had also complained that the sign, located at 76 Purcell's Cove Road, was blocking their view plane.

MOVED BY Councillor Mosher, seconded by Deputy Mayor Adams that the Chebucto Community Council request that the Melville Cove Look Off Sign on Purcell's Cove Road be moved. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

10.1.1 Infill Development in District 16 - Councillor Hum

Councillor Hum advised that she had already been in contact with Mr. Richard Harvey, Senior Planner, and Ms. Denise Schofield, Manager of Development Engineering, regarding this issue and that Mr. Harvey was currently reviewing properties to look at what potential opportunities there were for future infill development.

MOVED BY Councillor Hum, seconded by Councillor Walker that the Chebucto Community Council request an information report regarding infill development in the District 16 Rockingham area. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

10.1.2 Signs for Non Truck Routes on Mumford Road - Councillor Walker

Councillor Walker advised that a motion had been passed at the June 9, 2008 meeting of the Chebucto Community Council regarding this issue and requested that the Legislative Assistant follow up with legal staff as to the status of the request.

10.1.3 Use of Wood Stoves in Urban Areas - Councillor Walker

Councillor Walker requested a staff report regarding the use of wood stoves in urban areas; including what was specifically allowed as many residents were unaware.

10.2 Staff:

10.2.1 Councillor Appointments to Grant and Membership Selection Committees and the Halifax Watershed Advisory Board

C A memo dated October 24, 2008 was submitted.

MOVED BY Councillor Mosher, seconded by Deputy Mayor Adams that the Chebucto Community Council appoint Councillor Walker to the Grants Committee. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

MOVED BY Councillor Walker, seconded by Councillor Hum that the Chebucto Community Council appoint Councillor Mosher to the Membership Selection Committee. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

MOVED BY Councillor Hum, seconded by Councillor Mosher that the Chebucto Community Council defer appointment to the Halifax Watershed Advisory Board pending clarification from the Clerk's Office. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

11. MOTIONS - NONE

12. ADDED ITEMS

12.1 Off Leash Strategy - Hemlock Ravine Park - Residents Concerns - Councillor Hum

Councillor Hum advised that the off leash strategy had been in place for nearly a year. She requested that the strategy be reviewed in relation to Hemlock Ravine Park and that staff give consideration to making the park non off leash altogether as there had been some resident concerns.

MOVED BY Councillor Hum, seconded by Councillor Walker that the Chebucto Community Council request a report reviewing the Off Leash Strategy at Hemlock Ravine Park including but not limited to the following items: the number of complaints that have been submitted to staff or the call centre, the number of times By-Law enforcement or animal services have been at the site and any other feedback that staff has received. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

12.2 Access to Graves Oakley for Model Airplane Flying Club - Deputy Mayor Adams

C A Power Point presentation from the Halifax Electric Flyers Association was submitted.

Deputy Mayor Adams advised that the Halifax Electric Flyers Association would be willing to meet with staff as well as do a demonstration.

MOVED BY Deputy Mayor Adams, seconded by Councillor Mosher that the Chebucto Community Council request a report regarding the possibility of allowing the Halifax Electric Flyers Association access to Graves Oakley by:

1. Extending the road that goes to the ball field;
2. Granting access to an electrical source and shelter; and
3. Granting the ability to schedule use year round.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

12.3 Clothesline Across Municipal Property - Deputy Mayor Adams

Deputy Mayor Adams advised that the clothesline in question had been in place for 30 years and he inquired as to the rationale behind By-Law enforcement having it taken down at a time when energy conservation was being promoted.

MOVED BY Deputy Mayor Adams, seconded by Councillor Walker that the Chebucto Community Council request that the By-Law enforcement order regarding the clothesline violation - Tartan Avenue be temporarily stopped pending a report regarding the rationale behind the order. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

12.4 CPTED Audit on W.D. Piercey Field - Councillor Walker

Councillor Walker advised that a CPTED audit had been done on W.D. Piercey Field in August of 2008 and requested that the Legislative Assistant follow up as to when the results would be carried out.

13. NOTICES OF MOTION - NONE

14. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no one wishing to speak at this time.

15. NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting was scheduled for Monday, December 1, 2008.

16. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

Shawnee Gregory
Legislative Assistant