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REGULAR MEETING OF THE STANLEY VILLAGE COUNCIL

JANUARY 10, 1991

In Attendance: J. William Smith, Mayor
Earle MacNaughton, Councillor
Freda Hood, Councillor
Lowell Johnstone, Councillor
Lonna Pinnock, Clerk
Mr. Robert Simpson-MLA-York North
Constable John Billings - RCMP

ITEM

MINUTES

1 PRAYER FOR CIVIC AUTHORITIES

2 APPROVAL OF AGENDA
MOTION: F. Hood / L. Johnstone

3 PRESENCE OF MR. ROBERT SIMPSON - MLA - YORK NORTH

Two agendaed items were scheduled for Mr. Simpson to report on, and these were discussed. Regarding the Future Sewage Expansion, he referred to our letter of request which he took to Municipal Affairs, and reported that our rates were that much lower than other localities, that in order to be even considered for assistance, our rates would have to be raised substantially. Council reported that the present user fee of \$40.00 per quarter was to be locked in for twenty (20) years. Discussion took place, and suggestions were made that anticipated new users on Irishtown Road pay a higher fee, due to inflation, etc., and existing users' fee stay the same. Some areas in the province are now charging \$320.00 yearly user fee, compared with our \$180.00 yearly fee. It was agreed that our present user fees are not even sufficient to cover annual maintenance costs, let alone generate any surplus for future expansions. If and when Council decided to raise the rate of user fee, then Village should submit another Proposal Application, and it would be dealt with accordingly.

The second item was the Jet Stream Programme, one designed to provide full-time summer jobs for two university students, commencing in early May. Council felt that with the assistance of this Programme, the youth of the community could be provided with a Summer Recreation Program.

The deadline for application to this Programme is January 28, 1991, and Councillor Lowell Johnstone agreed to preparation of necessary forms for application to the Department of Labour.

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Mr. Simpson also announced plans to repave Route 107 from MacLaggan Bridge to Route 8 at Nashwaak Bridge. Council noted that this Project appears to omit a small stretch of Route 107 immediately west of MacLaggan Bridge. Council will petition the Minister of Transportation regarding this apparent oversight in hopes of realizing a more complete job, by way of a letter from Mayor Smith.

In regards to water drainage on Main Street, Mr. Simpson will arrange a meeting between Mayor William Smith, Transportation Minister, Sheldon Lee, and himself, in hopes of resolving this problem.

4 CONSTABLE JOHN BILLINGS - RCMP--briefly attended our meeting and reported on some cases in the area, including confirmation that three people involved in stealing gas have been caught. He also reported that seat-belt use in Stanley is the lowest in the province.

5 APPROVAL OF PRE-CIRCULATED MINUTES OF DECEMBER 13, 1990 MEETING

MOTION: F. HOOD / E. MACNAUGHTON

APPROVAL OF PRE-CIRCULATED MINUTES OF SPECIAL BUDGET MEETING OF NOVEMBER 22, 1990--

MOTION: L. JOHNSTONE / E. MACNAUGHTON -- MOTION DEFEATED

An addition to the minutes of the Special Budget Meeting of November 22, 1991 is to be made to include the mention of receipt of a letter from Upper Nashwaak Agrens Association requesting funds.

MOTION: L. JOHNSTONE / E. MACNAUGHTON

6 TENDERS - NEW FIRE HALL BUILDING--Mayor Smith reported that he had contacted Mac and cancelled the order of the suit, and that he had met with Firemen Tuesday Night to explain our funding situation. He distributed to Council approximate report of costs to Fire Department last year -- some \$24,000.00. Next year (1991), estimations are in the vicinity of \$46,000.00. Regarding the Attendance of Firemen to Fire Calls, he asked them to consider a blanket sum that would be given to the Fire Department, as, in some cases, as many as 12 firemen attended a call, making the costs enormous. Mayor Smith stated that Danny Bartlett, Fire Department Treasurer, is preparing an accountability of Funds Raised Report, and will make it public as soon as possible, as citizens are asking questions as to where the money is going.

Council decided that it is a must that Fire Department purchase nothing, other than gas and oil, without a Purchase Order from Council.

Mr. Mark Foreman submitted a report of expenses yet to be incurred for the Department. Mayor Smith reported that our Bank Balance at present is overdrawn by \$22,674.96, with \$67,154.93 still owed to Metalfab. When money is received from Municipal Capital Borrowing Board, it was anticipated that we would have an

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estimated surplus of \$7,745.00 on March 31, 1981. By including the two top priorities of Grading (\$1,500.00) and Paving (\$5,600.00), making a total of \$7,300.00, a balance remains of \$445.00, which is not enough to accommodate any of the other expenses yet to be incurred. After discussion, it was decided that Mayor Smith issue a letter to the Fire Department, giving a detailed report on all such financing, as is.

ACTION: B. SMITH

SPONSOR: B. SMITH

7 STANLEY GROUP COMMITTEE--Councillor MacNaughton only reported that they held their annual sale at Christmas.

ACTION: N/A

SPONSOR: B. SMITH

8 NASHWAAK VILLA BOARD--report received that the Finance Committee is trying to organize for funds for new Ambulance. A meeting re same is to be held on January 23, 1981 at 7:00 p.m., and Village representatives are invited to attend.

ACTION: N/A

SPONSOR: B. SMITH

9 NEW FISHERIES BUILDING--Clerk reported that Mr. Peter Forbes confirmed that the closing took place as planned.

ACTION: N/A

SPONSOR: B. SMITH

10 DRAINAGE MAINTENANCE--Mayor Smith reported that the Caution Signs have been ordered. Clerk requested to contact Peter Forbes re the composing of letters to be sent to the people concerned, which were first to be sent to Council for their observation, which has not been done as yet.

ACTION: CLERK

SPONSOR: B. SMITH

11 EMERGENCY RESPONSE NUMBERS--nothing to report at this time.

ACTION: N/A

SPONSOR: L. JOHNSTONE

12 PARKING - CORNISH CORNER--still no signs visible. Clerk requested to send a follow-up letter, look at her last response, and ask for a definition of "near future".

ACTION: CLERK

SPONSOR: L. JOHNSTONE

13 SNOW REMOVAL--Mayor Smith reported that he had spoken with Walter Dorcas, Transportation, and to Douglas MacDonald, of D & J Enterprises Limited, regarding the area by the Post Office and the Fire Hall. The area by the Post Office has been cleared, with a job well done, but complaints are that the sidewalks are terrible. Council agreed to send Douglas MacDonald a letter re same, suggesting to him that he obtain assistance from the Government first, as the ice build-up is so great.

ACTION: CLERK

SPONSOR: B. SMITH

14 STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL--Councillor Johnstone reported that he had sent a letter to Mr. Arnold Davidson, Stanley Agricultural Society. His response was that they will probably take over the project, but

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will advise us by letter as soon as possible.

ACTION: AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY SPONSOR: L. JOHNSTONE

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RECYCLING--Chipping of Christmas Trees is to be held Saturday Morning, January 12, 1991 at 9:00 A.M. The contractor is to be John Coughlan, and his costs will be \$35.00 per hour plus \$10.00 for gas; estimated time to be two (2) hours. Citizens are advised to bring bags or containers if they wish to save the chips.

MOTION: Councillor Johnstone moved that Council pay costs of having Christmas Trees chipped to a maximum of three (3) hours chipping time, \$115.00).

MOTION: L. JOHNSTONE/ F. HOOD

ACTION: N/A SPONSOR: B. SMITH

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LIBRARY--nothing further to report at this time, only that there is now a vacancy on Library Board, that of Mrs. Lacey.

ACTION: N/A SPONSOR: B. SMITH

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NO-PARKING SIGN - UNITED CHURCH--has never been installed as yet.

ACTION: B. SMITH SPONSOR: CLERK

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LETTER - COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM--Councillor Johnstone is quite keen regarding same, and is very interested in serving on an ongoing committee. Mayor Smith asked Councillor Johnstone if he was willing to do some background work and prepare a report of same for next Council Meeting, which Mr. Johnstone agreed to do.

ACTION: L. JOHNSTONE SPONSOR: B. SMITH

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REIMBURSEMENT FOR SERVICES - DEVELOPMENT OFFICER--Clerk requested to contact Peter Forbes re same, for an updated report of progress.

ACTION: CLERK SPONSOR: B. SMITH

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UPPER NASHWAAK AGRENA ASSOCIATION-- Clerk reported that favourable response was not received from our letter to U.N.A.A., explaining why we were not able to finance any more than \$5,000.00 per year for their funding. Some of the Agrena members seemed to be of a misunderstanding from Municipal Affairs re anticipated funding expected from Village, and are going to contact Mr. Terry Youngblood for more information.

ACTION: N/A SPONSOR: B. SMITH

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APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORT--approval received.

MOTION: E. MACNAUGHTON / L. JOHNSTONE

Acceptance with correction to distribution of costs to Sewage re cheque #4150, December 31/90, payable to J. William Smith.

ACTION: CLERK SPONSOR: B. SMITH

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LETTER - STANLEY HIGH SCHOOL--Request for donation to Yearbook for 1991-92.

MOTION: That we donate 1/2 Page, same as last year.

MOTION: F. HOOD / L. JOHNSTONE

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LETTER - JET STREAM PROGRAMME--

MOTION: It was moved that we make application under Jet Stream Programme for two (2) students to administer a Recreation Programme during the summer of 1991.

MOTION: L. JOHNSTONE / F. HOOD

ACTION: L. JOHNSTONE

SPONSOR: B. SMITH

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PRESS RELEASE--MLA, Robert Simpson, present at meeting; plans of repaving Route 107 from MacLaggan Bridge to Route 8 at Nashwaak Bridge; regarding future sewage expansion, our rates are far too low to qualify for assistance; Jet Stream Programme - will proceed with application; Meeting between Mr. Robert Simpson, Mayor J. William Smith and Transportation Minister, Mr. Sheldon Lee regarding the water drainage on Main Street; Village will prepare a proposal for a Community Improvement Program; reminder from RCMP that Stanley has a very poor percentage of Seat-Belt users.

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ADJOURNMENT--11:30 p.m.

MOTION: F. HOOD.

VILLAGE OF STANLEY
Wm. Smith.
Mayor
L. Johnstone
Clerk