

**Meeting minutes
Rural Municipality of Wellington
May 28, 2018**

In attendance

Alcide Bernard, Mayor
Marcia Enman, Deputy Mayor
Jamie Cormier
Pierre Bernard
Irene McCaull
Raymond Arsenault
Michel Gagnon
Giselle Bernard, Administrator

1. Call meeting to Order

Deputy mayor called the meeting to order at 7 :05 p.m.

2. Wellington Fire Department Report

Both the president Desmond Arsenault and Fire Chief James Ryan from the Wellington Fire department were on site to give their report. They shared the following information;

- They had 5 medical calls
- The Evangeline ATV Club is adding the final touches to the rescue trailer that they had built with the support of local businesses. Once it is completed, the Fire department will plan a mock accident with other rescue agencies to test the new equipment
- The firefighters continues to update their training requirements
- The fire department partnered during an AED information session
- The land next to the fire hall was bought by the rural municipality
- The fire department will assist with the barbecue during the Canada Day celebrations in the park
- The fire department requested an increase in the mileage rate from .40 to .45 for the firemen during their trips to the fire school. Their equipment has a bad smell from the fires at the fire school. Council will discuss and come back with a decision
- The fire department will be able to use the summer students to complete some small jobs around the fire hall this summer

3. Approval of Agenda

It was moved and seconded that the agenda be accepted with Gardens days added to 10.2

Motion carried (2018-37)

4. Approval of meeting minutes - April 16, 2018

It was moved and seconded to approve the meeting minutes of April 16th 2018

Motion carried (2018-38)

5. Follow-ups from meeting minutes

a. Provincial Office of Immigration meeting – Agreement

The application was sent and we have not received any interest this far.

b. Gas Tax Projects

i) Lift station replacement

Three members of council met and reviewed the three proposals. The proposal was very close in services provided. The final decision came down to price.

It was moved and seconded to hire CBLC as the engineers for the new lift station

Motion carried (2018-39)

ii) Sewer extensions

Council is still waiting for WSP to provide the final plans and the budget. Once the information is received the project will move forward.

iii) Mill Road storm sewers

Council received a letter that the application for the storm sewage project for Mill Road was denied at this time but if the funds were available in the September budget the project would be considered

c. Proceedings of Council Bylaw 2018-04

Council reviewed the Proceedings of council bylaws

It was moved and seconded to approve the second reading of the Proceedings of council by-law 2018-04 with the following changes; 6.3 the following Monday, 7.2 and/or Facebook, removed 7.8 ©

Motion carried (2018-40)

It was moved and seconded to adopt the Proceedings of council By-law 2018-04

Motion carried (2018-41)

d. CMA 2019

1) 60th Anniversary Celebrations

Three members of council participate on a committee working to develop celebrations for the Wellington 60th anniversary and the Acadian World Congress activity in Wellington on August 11, 2019.

The committee met once and discussed possible activities. They are going to meet again to continue planning. Updates will be provided to council.

2) Moncton meeting

Mayor Bernard participated at a meeting in Moncton with representatives from the 20 other municipalities involved in the CMA. The Rural Municipality of Wellington will be required to plan a launch of the CMA 2019 this summer.

3) Signage

It was moved and seconded to order the 5 x 10 sign for the CMA 2019 to be placed in the **Laurenda** Park more on the left hand side along Sunset Drive. This sign is free of charge to the municipality and similar signs will be placed in each of the 20 municipalities involved to promote the event.

Motion carried (2018-42)

e. Park Stage Project

It was moved and seconded to hire Maddix Contracting to build the new outdoor stage in the Old Barlow Mill Park

Motion carried (2018-43)

Deputy Mayor Enman declared a conflict of interest and did not vote on the motion.

f. Land purchase

It was confirmed to council that the land next to the fire hall was purchased by the rural municipality of Wellington. Council asked to check with the Department of Environment for any development issues.

g. House at corner of Barlow Road

Mayor Bernard shared that the Province indicated to follow our municipal **Unightly Properties** bylaws and that he was going to meet with the home owner to discuss the property again.

h. Relay for life

Council is responsible for the barbecue during the Evangeline Relay for life on Saturday June 2nd from 4 to 7:30 p.m. at the Evangeline Rink. The food was donated by the Wellington Co-op.

i. Social Media policy

Mayor Bernard circulated a Social Media bylaw and he asks councilors to review the document before the next meeting.

j. Municipal elections

- Bylaws
- Electors lists

The sample bylaw for elections are not yet available, they will be shared as soon as possible.

It was moved and seconded to purchase the electoral list from the province for the cost of \$100.

Motion carried (2018-44)

6. Federation of PEI Municipalities AGM

Both Mayor Bernard and Deputy Mayor Enman participated at the annual meeting of the Federation of PEI Municipalities

7. Financial Report – YTD, April 30th 2018

Councilors reviewed the financial report with updated information until the end of April 2018. They questioned the additional \$ 20,000 in the grants revenue. Answer to be provided at a later date.

8. Committee Reports

a. Sewer

All systems are running well, no issues to bring forward. The 2018 invoices have been sent to the residents and payments have started to be made.

b. Club

i. Manager position

The Vanier Club manager has offered her resignation as of May 31, 2018. The part time employment opportunity has been posted and one person was interviewed and has accepted the position starting in September 2018.

Council decides to research the following options; to find another manager/bartender for the summer months, to lease out the facility as a business opportunity or simply to close the facility for the summer months.

Council asked to reach out to the existing manager to stay on for the month of June giving council more time to find a solution.

c. Recreation

i. Park cleanup and maintenance

A few council members agreed to work together on Saturday morning to complete the work required to prepare the parks for the summer months.

d. Bingo

Council shares that BINGO continues to be popular but it has become harder to find the volunteers needed. They will continue to try to attract new volunteers.

e. EMO Team

Mayor Bernard shares that there has been a few meetings with a committee working on an Emergency Management Operation Plan for the municipalities of Wellington and Abram Village. The plans are coming along and the EMO Team is now in place.

f. Regional incorporation

i. Public consultations

Mayor Bernard shared that the regional municipality committee continues to meet and to research the possibilities of a regional incorporation. He also shared that the committee is planning two public consultations on June 5 and June 7th at the Evangeline School. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

9. New Business

a) Maintenance – Ernest Gallant

It was moved and seconded to give our maintenance person authority to spend up to \$200 on expenses for the Municipality.

Motion approved (2018-45)

Council requested additional information on grass cutting rates within other communities to better determine our rates.

b) Summer students – Welcome centre

It was moved and seconded to hire André Arsenault (for 11 weeks starting June 18) and Karine Arsenault (for 10 weeks starting June 25) as the summer students at the Island Welcome Center at Barlow's Interpretation Center.

c) Asset Management Program - resolution for FCM application

Mayor Bernard shared that he has participated at two information sessions on asset management. This has become a requirement for all municipalities. The work needed to complete an asset management plan for a community requires a certain expertise.

It was moved and seconded to apply for funding from the Federation of Canadian Municipalities in cooperation with the Rural Municipality of Abram Village to hire a resource person to complete the Asset management for both communities

Motion approved (2018-46)

d) Fire Department Application to Island Community Fund Program

It was moved and seconded to apply to the Community Revitalization Program with the Department of Rural and Regional Development for equipment for the fire department.

Motion approved (2018-47)

e) Drainage issues

It was brought to the Council's attention by another resident that there are drainage issues between their home and the new complex on J.-Leonce Bernard St. Funds were budgeted to fix this problem and follow-up with AJL Ltd is planned in the next few days.

10. Correspondences

i) Program New Horizons (June 15)

Mayor Bernard shared that the program has been launched and the deadline to apply is June 15, 2018.

ii) Garden days

Deputy Mayor shared a program that she received on potential funding for community gardens.

10. Next meeting - June 18th, 2018

The next council meeting will be on June 18th at 7 p.m. at the village office.

11. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 p.m.

Alcide Bernard, Mayor

Dated

Giselle Bernard, Administrator

Date