

VILLAGE COMMISSION OF CANNING

Meeting, Date and Time A meeting of the Canning Village Commission was held on Tuesday, October 10th, 2023 at 6:30 PM.

Attendance Angela Cruickshank, Chair
Wanda Sheffield, Vice Chair
Jenn Myers, Commissioner
Andy Vermeulen, Commissioner
Mike Huntley, Commissioner,

Guests Gerry Isenor, Blaine Rooney sent his regrets
Jason Haughn, Mun. Advisor

Angela Cruickshank called the meeting to order and welcomed all in attendance.

Agenda Approval **On Motion/Seconded Andy Vermeulen and Wanda Sheffield, the agenda for October 10, 2023 be approved. All in favor, Motion carried.**

Approval of Minutes The minutes for the Commission Meeting September 12, 2023 were reviewed and approved.

On Motion/Seconded Andy Vermeulen and Jen Myers, the minutes of the Commission Meeting September 12, 2023 be approved. All in favor, Motion carried.

Water Utility

Angela asked Gerry to present the Rate study information to the Commission. Gerry reviewed the document he had ready to submit to the NSURAB for the rate changes that were required for the Canning Water Utility in order to meet the increased costs over the years. Gerry went over several of the pages in the documents explaining and highlighting the next 3 years anticipated expenses and revenues. They based the increase in rates on this information. The Commission approved the rate study be submitted to the NSURAB and that the required documents be signed by the Clerk and be submitted. The Clerk will scan and send the signed documents to Gerry Isenor and then send the originals into the NSURAB. Angela thanked Gerry for attending and explaining the Rate study process. Gerry left the meeting.

On Motion/Seconded Andy Vermeulen and Mike Huntley, the Affidavit is approved to be signed by the Clerk and sent to the NSURAB. All in favor, Motion carried.

On Motion/Seconded Mike Huntley and Jen Myers, the Application for the Rate Changes is approved to be signed by the Clerk and sent to the NSURAB. All in favor, Motion carried.

The clerk reported that the test results came back from the Corrosion control tests and all were beneath the set standards. She said she would be sending the results to those homes that had been used as the test sites.

Councillor update

June sent her regrets. Angela noted that she had attended the Area Meeting at the Annex on September 27th. She reported that some of the meeting came back to the new J Jordan Development.

Village Financials

The clerk provided the updated financials which were reviewed. Angela asked the Commission if they would agree to have bill payments that could be made online be completed to ensure that fast payment was completed and to cut down on cheques and postage. The Commission agreed. There will still be a two signed process in place, the Clerk will contact the Credit Union to set this process up.

The Clerk reported that the Solar panels power had been tripped and shut off from Sept 1 to Sept 19 but was now working. She said that both the power company and the solar installers were saying the other was responsible for the issue.

Public Works

Angela reported that she had SSP Construction do some repairs to fill in gravel on the crumbed spots on North Avenue from Clarke's down to Main Street. The Clerk asked

Mike Huntley about the lighthouse being moved. He said he had been busy but would be looking at that soon. It may be moved up to the football side of the driveway here by the office if a spot at the park would not work.

Clerk's report

The Commission reviewed the clerk's report.

Accessibility Directorate

Andy advised the Commission that he had attended a meeting and had asked about the issue with the accessibility at the new restaurant, he said the response was that the issue was on the Environment side. He will be attending another meeting soon if anything else needed to be brought up, there was nothing. The Clerk reported that the grant was available again if anything was required. The Commission asked if Katie could come take a look at the Bruce Spicer playground to see what improvements could be made for accessibility. The clerk will follow up on this.

On Motion/Seconded Andy Vermeulen and Mike Huntley That the Village Commission appoint Andy Nette (Village of Port Williams) as a Village Commissioner representative on the Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee for the remainder of a three-year term ending on May 31, 2026. All in favor, Motion carried.

Summer Street Sidewalk

The clerk had spoken to members from the Province who said they were looking at finding some funds to assist us.

ANSV Annual Mtg.

The Annual meeting is being held this weekend. The clerk mentioned that if it could be made as a zoom meeting as well that would be great. Jason Haughn said he would mention it at the meeting.

Splash Pad

The clerk reported that Jennie had sent the updated water costs and was waiting to hear regarding insurance coverage. The Commission directed the clerk to determine what impact it would have on the General budget if they decided to cost share

Accounts Receivable

Gazette – 8 new, Tax 71 new (9old), Water –14 old some partial paid.

New Business
Tree Lighting


The Clerk reported that Ross Creek Centre would like to host the supper portion at the new annex and then have people walk down to the park and do the Tree lighting there. The Commission agreed that it would be a good idea. The Clerk will coordinate things with them.


Correspondence

Allen Jackson Sales –copied on emails to the county.
Mun. of Kings- Notice public hearing and Asset Management consult info provided.
ANSV Service exchange- info provided
EKM Health grant available
Mun. Affairs- releases circulated by email

Jason Haughn asked if the Village had noticed an increase in vandalism and thefts as they had further down the valley. The response was that we had not.

Being no further business the meeting was adjourned by Andy Vermeulen and Jen Myers at 8:36 PM.


Angela Cruickshank
Chair


Ruth Pearson
Clerk-Treasurer