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KENTVILLE TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES
September 12th, 2007

PRESENT

Mayor David Corkum, Deputy Mayor Larry Honey, Councilor Eric Bolland, Councilor Dennis Kehoe, Councilor Mark Pearl, Councilor Nola Folker-Hill, CAO Bill Boyd, Town Solicitor Peter Muttart and Town Clerk Carol Harmes.

Regrets: Councilor Bernie Cooper

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER
AND ROLL CALL**

Mayor Corkum called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and CAO Boyd reported that all Council members were in attendance except for Councilor Bernie Cooper, who was recovering at home from a health issue.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

(a) Stigter Property

Director Gentleman reported that at the July meeting of Council, First Reading took place for amendments to the Land Use Bylaw to allow for the rezoning of this property from Residential Future and Residential Two Family, to Residential Single Family. Public notices were posted regarding this proposal and opportunities were given for any opposition to be heard.

In response, a letter was received from Robert Ross of Queens County, whose mother lives near the proposed development. Mr. Ross felt that the development did not show a well thought out plan for sustainability and would negatively impact the neighbourhood. He asked that Council reconsider this development.

In addition to this written objection, members of the public present were:

Robert Ross – reiterated that he has spent some time with the planners for the Town and has done research on Town documents. He expressed concerns regarding density and the quality of life that this neighbourhood may be losing should the development proceed. He felt that there was not enough information regarding

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density being made to citizens and that the whole public participation process was lacking.

Points from discussion

- The developer bores the costs of the development, not the Town.
- The Town assumes costs for maintenance after streets are constructed.
- A Residential Future zone was created as a “holding zone” with the concept that the market would dictate what future development would be and at that time appropriate rezoning would be pursued.
- The concept plan for 25 lots as presented at this time, is not legally binding. However, site development would dictate specific requirements prior to construction.
- Issues like recreational amenities would be dictated as the development proceeds.

(b) Brison Sand and Gravel Property

Director Gentleman reported that at the July meeting of Council, First Reading took place for amendments to the Land Use Bylaw to allow for the rezoning of this property from Residential Future to Residential Single Family. Public notices were posted regarding this proposal and opportunities were given for any opposition to be heard.

No objections were received on this proposed development.

(c) Stoneridge Developments (Kevin Saunders)

Director Gentleman reported that at the July meeting of Council, First Reading took place for amendments to the Land Use Bylaw to allow for the rezoning of this property from Residential Future to Residential Single Family. Public notices were posted regarding this proposal and opportunities were given for any opposition to be heard. Several area residents attended this public hearing and wished to voice their opinion.

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Points from Discussion

- Catherine Herber of Spring Garden Road felt that there appeared to be little public knowledge on this development and even at this particular meeting little information was given..
- The current residents in the area are not pleased with the Town's past response to their needs, and issues like ditches, etc. have remained a problem, with flooding sometimes causing a great deal of property damage. The neighbourhood has no confidence that this proposed development will enhance existing properties, and fear that it will deter from them.
- Many years ago, development was considered for this property, however, this did not materialize and since then many reviews and amendments to the MPS have taken place. There exists the present large tract of land which has been rezoned to RF.
- Mr. Saunders now wishes to continue with the development.
- In the past, the design for storm water ditches was different from what now exists and these new standards would be used for new development.
- Several years ago, some citizens petitioned the Town to install the infrastructure that would collect the runoff. However, the residents would not agree to pay the portion of the costs that related to curb installations.
- 4.5 acres of land has been dedicated to the Town.
- Although a covenant applies to existing neighbouring homeowners, the Town has no jurisdiction on this.
- There is a potential that an R3 rezoning may be initiated in the future.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

It was moved by Councilor Dennis Kehoe and seconded by Councilor Eric Bolland

that the agenda be approved with the addition of:
8 (a) Council Chambers – new furniture

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MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

(a) July 11th, 2007

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Larry Honey and seconded by Councilor Mark Pearl

that the Minutes of July 11th, 2007 be approved as circulated.

MOTION CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

(i) 2nd Reading of Chapter 73 – Emergency Management Bylaw

It was noted that First Reading of the adoption of this bylaw was held on July 11th, 2007, following which advertisements had been placed in the local newspaper and on the town's website that Second (final) Reading would be proposed for this meeting.

As there was no public opposition to this bylaw, a recommendation was made to hold Second Reading.

Therefore, it was moved by Councilor Dennis Kehoe and seconded by Councilor Eric Bolland

that Second Reading be given to Chapter 73 – Emergency Management Bylaw.

MOTION CARRIED

(ii) 2nd Reading – Amendments to LUB Re: Stigter Property

Director Gentleman noted that First Reading of the amendments to the Land Use Bylaw, relating to rezoning of this property, was held on July 11th, 2007, following which a Notice of Public Hearing was placed in the local newspaper. Correspondence was received prior to this meeting and some members of the community were present to voice objections.

Although the objections were considered, it was felt that the proposed development would benefit the majority of residents and that residential growth and development was needed to ensure future prosperity. Accordingly, a recommendation was made to hold Second Reading.

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Therefore, it was moved by Councilor Nola Folker-Hill and seconded by Councilor Mark Pearl

that Second Reading be given to amendments to the LUB, regarding property owned by Aafji Annemarie Stigter, on Chester Avenue, which would allow for rezoning from Residential Future and Residential Two Family, to Residential Single Family, for a portion of PID #552602258 and 55260224.

MOTION CARRIED

Points from Discussion

- The policy for proceeding towards rezoning does not address citizens' needs.
- PAC will be discussing this aspect of the rezoning process, therefore, this present proposal should be postponed until PAC has reviewed it.
- The concerns expressed by the citizens were addressed at PAC (a public meeting) and the development meets the criteria of the Town's planning documents.
- The issues brought forth by citizens can be addressed during the site development process.
- The citizens are protected by the MPS and Town staff are very professional and have considered all aspects of this development.

(iii) 2nd Reading – Amendments to LUB Re: Brison Sand and Gravel

Director Gentleman noted that First Reading of the amendments to the Land Use Bylaw relating to rezoning of this property, was held on July 11th, 2007, following which a Notice of Public Hearing was placed in the local newspaper. This Public Hearing was held earlier during this meeting and whereas there was no public opposition to these amendments, a recommendation was made to hold Second Reading.

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Therefore, it was moved by Councilor Nola Folker-Hill and seconded by Councilor Mark Pearl

that Second Reading be given to the amendments to the Land Use Bylaw to allow for the rezoning of property owned by Brison Sand and Gravel, from Residential Future to Residential Single Family, for a portion of PID #55247761.

MOTION CARRIED

(iv) 2nd Reading – Amendments to LUB Re: Stoneridge Developments (Saunders)

Director Gentleman noted that First Reading of the amendments to the Land Use Bylaw relating to rezoning of this property, was held on July 11th, 2007, following which a Notice of Public Hearing was placed in the local newspaper. This Public Hearing was held earlier during this meeting and public opposition to these amendments was considered.

Although the objections were considered, it was felt that the proposed development would benefit the majority of residents and that residential growth and development was needed to ensure future prosperity. Accordingly, a recommendation was made to hold Second Reading.

Therefore, it was moved by Councilor Nola Folker-Hill and seconded by Deputy Mayor Larry Honey

that Second Reading be given to the amendments to the Land Use Bylaw to allow for the rezoning of property from Residential Future to Residential Single Family for PID #55261242 and 55290241, lands owned by Kevin Saunders, Stoneridge Developments.

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Points from Discussion

- This property is for sale and its rezoning may, or may not, affect the sale price.
- The fact that the property is for sale has no bearing on the property from a legal

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perspective.

- Current R1 properties cannot be considered for anything other than R1.
- The parkland property is being identified and this should have road access to existing streets.
- The issue regarding the existing open ditches must be addressed by the Town immediately, whether or not this development proceeds.

(v) Investment Advisory Committee (Solicitor's Opinion)

It was noted that the contract for the management of the Town of Kentville's Perpetual Fund, which had been previously held with National Bank Financial, ended on September 30, 2007, and four proposals were later received and reviewed by the Investment Advisory Committee as potential fund managers.

After much deliberation during the evaluation process, the committee (consisting of an even number of voting members) were tied in their choice for a manager. Therefore, four proposals were made, which would rectify this situation. However, the motion to approve these proposals was tabled pending the solicitor's opinion.

At this time, it was moved by Councilor Dennis Kehoe and seconded by Councilor Eric Bolland

that the issue regarding the proposals submitted by the Investment Advisory Committee, be removed from the table.

MOTION CARRIED

Points from Discussion

- The solicitor reviewed a copy of the RFP and felt that as the term has expired there was no longer a contract in place.
- The current provider could be maintained until new RFPs can be received and evaluated, but a specific term should not be identified in the contract with the current provider.
- The new contract should be entered into based on the new RFP.

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Following the advice of the solicitor, it was moved by Deputy Mayor Larry Honey and seconded by Councilor Mark Pearl

that the original motion be withdrawn.

MOTION CARRIED

Following this, it was moved by Councilor Mark Pearl and seconded by Councilor Dennis Kehoe

that the following proposal be accepted:

- **All tenders for investment services previously received, be rejected;**
- **An odd number of members be appointed to the Investment Advisory Committee, with a minimum of 3 and maximum of 5;**
- **The current services of the incumbent be temporarily extended, until such time that another *Request for Proposals* can be undertaken and acted upon.**

MOTION CARRIED

**REPORTS AND
RECOMMENDATIONS**

- (a) Council Advisory Committee**
**(i) Dangerous and Unsightly Premises
Bylaw – Chapter 30**

Councilor Nola Folker-Hill stated that at a recent meeting of Council Advisory Committee, it was noted that during the review of the legislation relating to unsightly premises, it was noted that the existing bylaw – *Chapter 30 - Dangerous and Unsightly Premises Bylaw*, is out-of-date and is not enforceable. Whereas, the Municipal Government Act addresses dangerous and unsightly premises within its text, there would appear no further need for this bylaw.

Therefore, it was moved by Councilor Nola Folker-Hill and seconded by Deputy Mayor Larry Honey

**that First Reading be given to rescind
Chapter 30 - Dangerous and Unsightly
Premises Bylaw**

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(ii) Town Clerk Carol Harmes

Councilor Nola Folker-Hill stated that at a recent meeting of Council Advisory Committee, CAO Boyd presented a report in which he stated that under his authority, as per the Municipal Government Act, he has appointed Carol Harmes as the Clerk for the Town of Kentville. He wished to have this made known to Council.

Therefore, it was moved by Councilor Nola Folker-Hill and seconded by Councilor Eric Bolland

that Council officially recognizes that Carol Harmes has been appointed as Town Clerk.

MOTION CARRIED

(iii) Swimming Pool Bylaw – Chapter 38

Councilor Nola Folker-Hill stated that at a recent meeting of Council Advisory Committee, Chapter 38 the Swimming Pool Bylaw, as approved by Council in 1979, was presented for review. A discussion took place regarding the Town's and property owner's responsibility and liability as they relate to the installation and care of swimming pools. It was felt that this document should be reviewed for relevancy.

Therefore, it was moved by Councilor Nola Folker-Hill and seconded by Councilor Dennis Kehoe

that Chapter 38 – the Swimming Pool Bylaw be reviewed.

MOTION CARRIED

(Note: Staff will review this document and report at the next meeting of CAC)

(iv) Citizen Appointees – Fall 2007

Councilor Nola Folker-Hill stated that at a recent meeting of Council Advisory Committee, Town Clerk Carol Harmes presented a report indicating the status of those citizen appointees who will, this fall, be due for retirement or for re-appointment for another term of service. She made some recommendations based on Policy Statement G1, relating to this issue.

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Therefore, it was moved by Councilor Nola Folker-Hill and seconded by Councilor Dennis Kehoe

that those citizens presently serving on a committee and who are eligible to serve a second term, would be contacted to fill that vacancy, and that those vacancies created through retirement or the completion of service, would be advertised, with the exception of citizen representation on the Annapolis Valley Housing Authority .

MOTION CARRIED

Points from Discussion

- A letter under “correspondence” on this agenda requests again that the Town reappoints a citizen to this vacancy.

(v) Policy Statement G43- Flag Flying

Councilor Nola Folker-Hill stated that at a recent meeting of Council Advisory Committee, members reviewed a draft copy of a policy relating to the criteria for flying flags in the Town of Kentville. It was agreed that this policy should be kept simple, clear and concise.

Therefore, it was moved by Councilor Nola Folker-Hill and seconded by Councilor Mark Pearl

that Policy Statement G-43 – Flag Flying be approved.

MOTION CARRIED

(vi) Policy Statement G44 – Banner Advertisement Policy

Councilor Nola Folker-Hill stated that at a recent meeting of Council Advisory Committee, a draft copy of a policy relating to the flying of flags in the Town of Kentville was reviewed. However, during the discussion, it was noted that requests for banners, to be placed on Town property and/or across Town streets, are also very common and should be regulated by a policy.

Therefore, it was moved by Councilor Nola Folker-

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Hill and seconded by Councilor Eric Bolland

**that the attached Policy Statement G-44 –
Banner Advertising Policy, be approved.**

MOTION CARRIED

**(vii) Council and CAC Meeting Cancellation
Policy Statement G45**

Councilor Nola Folker-Hill stated that at a recent meeting of Council Advisory Committee, members reviewed a draft copy of a policy statement relating to the yearly cancellation of the CAC meeting in July and December, and the Council meeting in August. Historically, these meetings have been cancelled in order to provide for a summer holiday and Christmas break for Council members and administrative staff, although, on occasion meetings been rescheduled to handle emergency business of the Town.

Therefore, it was moved by Councilor Nola Folker-Hill and seconded by Councilor Mark Pearl

**that Policy Statement 45 (attached)
regarding the cancellation of meetings of
CAC and Council be approved.**

MOTION CARRIED

**(viii) TBR Renewal – Park Street Paving -
\$79,700**

Councilor Nola Folker-Hill stated that at a recent meeting of Council Advisory Committee, Director Crowell stated that the temporary borrowing resolution for paving on Park Street be renewed, as the previously issued TBR is near expiration and requires replacement.

Therefore, it was moved by Councilor Nola Folker-Hill and seconded by Deputy Mayor Larry Honey

**that the attached temporary borrowing
resolution in the amount of \$79,700 for
paving on Park Street, be approved**

MOTION CARRIED

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(ix) TBR Various Capital - \$864,500

Councilor Nola Folker-Hill stated that at a recent meeting of Council Advisory Committee, Director Crowell stated that a resolution was prepared to represent a number of items, and that this would temporarily finance the 2007-2008 capital projects.

Therefore, it was moved by Councilor Nola Folker-Hill and seconded by Councilor Eric Bolland

that the attached temporary borrowing resolution in the amount of \$864,500 for various capital projects in 2007-2008, be approved.

MOTION CARRIED

(x) Sundry Account Write-offs - \$459.30

Councilor Nola Folker-Hill stated that at a recent meeting of Council Advisory Committee, Director Crowell stated that the attached Sundry Write-off of \$459.30 represents funds owed for a hockey program held at the arena in 2005/2006, and should have been subsidized by the Town.

Therefore, it was moved by Councilor Nola Folker-Hill and seconded by Councilor Dennis Kehoe

that the attached sundry receivable account in the amount of \$459.30 be written off.

MOTION CARRIED

(xi) Debenture Funding – Fall 2007

Councilor Nola Folker-Hill stated that at a recent meeting of Council Advisory Committee, Director Crowell stated that debenture funds will be issued this fall, and the following are those requiring funding at this time:

Resolution #	Purpose	Approved	Funding Required
TBR-06/07-02	Various	\$608,000	\$535,500
TBR-05/07-03	Recreation	\$124,200	\$ 73,400

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TOTAL	\$732,200	\$608,900
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Therefore, it was moved by Councilor Nola Folker-Hill and seconded by Councilor Mark Pearl

that the attached resolutions for Pre-approval of Debenture Issuance be accepted:

Various	535,500
Recreation	73,400
Total	608,900

MOTION CARRIED

(xii) Maternity Leave Policy – KPS

Councilor Nola Folker-Hill stated that at a recent meeting of Council Advisory Committee, the Maternity Leave Policy (as approved recently by the Kentville Board of Police Commissioners) was reviewed, as was the opinion of the solicitor regarding this matter.

It was noted that although Board members have the power to make policies for the Police Service, they cannot make policies that have an impact on the Town's budget. Therefore, the section of this policy relating to the "top-up" of salary, is unacceptable. This section indicates that during a maternity or paternity leave situation, staff would be paid 100% of their salary, instead of the 55% paid out by Employment Insurance.

Further, as the Town of Kentville tries to ensure that all employees enjoy the same benefits (other than those negotiated in union contracts), the accumulated costs relating to salary, benefits and the replacement of that individual, when applied to all staff, could prove to be very expensive to the Town's taxpayers.

Therefore, it was moved by Councilor Nola Folker-Hill and seconded by Deputy Mayor Larry Honey

that the Board of Police Commissioners be asked to amend the Maternity Leave Policy, as it relates to the 100% "top-up," and that the payout revert back to the Employment

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**Insurance rate of 55%,
and further,
as an employee is presently receiving
benefits at 100%, that she be allowed to
continue to do so.**

MOTION CARRIED

Points from Discussion

- The NS Human Rights Commission mandated Kentville to incorporate a Maternity Leave Policy.
- The Chief of Police researched various other municipalities and levels of government and the 100% top up is common.
- This aspect of Maternity Leave benefits will be included in future union negotiations, and at that time will be granted.

(a) Finance

(i) Director's Report

A report from Director Debra Crowell stated that utility bills were due in August; that tax bills were generated and due in September, proposals are being solicited for external audit services (closing October 3rd), and that an employee information website is being created. She added that Revenue overall exceeds the average, based on a benchmark of 42% of the budget being consumed. Expenditures are overall slightly below average, although some departments have exceeded that benchmark at this point. Also, the summary of outstanding taxes is slightly above last year. She added that the Sanitary Sewer Area Service (Schedule D), with a benchmark of 25%, proposes a deficit of \$14,549.

Therefore, it was moved by Councilor Dennis Kehoe and seconded by Councilor Mark Pearl

**that the report from the Director of Finance
be received.**

MOTION CARRIED

(b) Planning and Development

(i) Director's Report

Director Gentleman reported that there were 16 permits issued for a total building value (for two

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months) of \$1,140,300. This brings the yearly value to \$6,459,936. She added that 3 rezonings were given First Reading at the July meeting of Council and were presented and received Second Reading earlier in the evening.

Further, several potential sites for the new school have been submitted from the Site Selection Committee and then on to the School Board for submission. She stated that meetings continue with Thom Oulton regarding sight distances and traffic from his subdivision, and also regarding the parkland issue of Stoneridge Properties. Lastly, she added that letters to homeowners regarding unsightly premises were sent (and some responses received) and that letters were also sent regarding illegal real estate signs posted on residential properties. Some conformance to these letters has been made at this time.

Therefore, it was moved by Councilor Nola Folker-Hill and seconded by Councilor Dennis Kehoe

that the report from the Director of Planning and Development be received.

MOTION CARRIED

(ii) Committee Report

Councilor Nola Folker-Hill reported that a Planning Advisory Meeting will take place next Monday.

(c) Fire

(i) Chief's Report

Fire Chief Shawn Ripley reported that there were 8 Town alarms in August, for a distance traveled of 206 kilometers. These ranged in scope from a fire alarm sounding, to smell of smoke, propane leak, grass fire, MVA and investigations. There were 19 calls in the County, for a distance traveled of 1662 kilometers. These represented house fires, barn fires, hay fires, vehicle fires, alarms, MVA, etc. Mutual aid was called for 4 incidents, with 240 kilometers traveled.

Therefore, it was moved by Councilor Dennis Kehoe and seconded by Councilor Eric Bolland

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that the attached report from the Fire Chief be received.

MOTION CARRIED

(i) Governance Committee Report

Councilor Dennis Kehoe reported that this committee will meet on September 18th. However, a meeting was held in Waterville last week, at which the chiefs were to review the recommendations and subsequently, place them in subcommittees for review. He added that the fire commissions and fire boards are quite different in their governance, and the chiefs felt that they did not have enough input into the process and wished to meet independently before continuing.

(e) Parks and Recreation

(i) Director's Report

A report from Director Mark Phillips indicated that programs are up and running at Centennial Arena; school teams and soft ball tournaments are keeping the fields busy, although minor ball programs have concluded for the year. Memorial Pool has been closed and repair work is being undertaken on the soccer fields. Ducks Unlimited has seen the construction of a trail and repairs done to the water control structure. As for Camps and Programs, these have ended for the summer and fall programs have been advertised. Work has begun on the Harvest Festival (October 6th) and some new ideas are being considered. Lastly, he added that work will begin on the Bonavista green space very soon and this will incorporate plans to reduce the impact to the area.

It was moved by Councilor Mark Pearl and seconded by Councilor Eric Bolland

that the report from the Parks and Recreation Director be received.

MOTION CARRIED

(ii) Committee Report

Councilor Mark Pearl reported that there is a meeting scheduled for next week.

(f) Police

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(ii) Chief's Report

Police Chief Mark Mander reported that this was a busy summer and that one investigation in particular, lead to an arrest which has eliminated further danger to the public. Due to some vacancies, the Police Service was short-staffed, however, this should be rectified in the fall. In addition, the street team has had some success in dealing with drugs in the community.

It was moved by Councilor Dennis Kehoe and seconded by Councilor Eric Bolland

that the report attached from the Police Chief be received.

MOTION CARRIED

Points from Discussion

- The Chief has checked the use of cameras and the legality for this, and further information will be available in the future.

(iii) Board Report

Councilor Dennis Kehoe reported that the next meeting is scheduled for September 25th.

(g) Transportation Services

(i) Director's Report

Director Henderson reported that public works have been very busy with the supervision of the removal of the round house and with capital projects, work in several subdivisions and normal maintenance to streets, sidewalks, sewers, etc. The Capital Projects have been completed; a new plow truck has been ordered and work continues throughout Town with infrastructure.

Also, the former CP lands have seen the removal of the roundhouse and the concrete crushed for road base and dyke filler. He added that fall clean up is Monday, October 1st and lastly, that he will be officially retired on September 28th.

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Larry Honey and seconded by Councilor Eric Bolland

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**that the report from the Director of
Transportation Services be received.**

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(Note: CAO Boyd reported that Director Henderson has agreed to stay on until the end of October, to allow the Town additional time to find a replacement.)

(ii) Committee Report

Deputy Mayor Larry Honey reported that the committee met last week and that there was nothing further to report.

(h) Water Commission

(i) Directors Report

Director Henderson reported that with Capital Projects, security fencing has been installed around all 3 pump houses, data level loggers have been installed on the monitoring wells and information on the water level can be stored. Flow meters have been installed on 5 wellfield pumps and information will be stored in the SCADA system. He added that water mains were renewed on parts of Woodworth Road and that River Street also has a section to be renewed.

The design for the water system for Balsor/ Eaglecrest/ Ward Avenue has been awarded to CBCL and this, in turn will become part of the Kentville Water Utility. With the issue of Water Balance, Director Henderson added that the study was awarded to G & M Management who will prepare a water balance for the Water Commission.

It was moved by Councilor Dennis Kehoe and seconded by Deputy Mayor Larry Honey

**that the report from the Director of the
Kentville Water Commission, be received.**

MOTION CARRIED

(ii) Commission Report

Mayor David Corkum reported that a meeting was held last evening and that the Water Balance issue will

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reduce and identify any leakage. This should save a great deal of money over the long term. He added that a motion was also made to undertake a rate study and further, that residents should not be concerned about water quality, as a result of the loss of expertise in the retirement of Director Henderson. Mr. Henderson will remain with the Town a little longer and/or Hiltz and Seamone can provide the expertise, if required.

(i) Valley Waste Resource Management Authority

(i) Representative's Report

Councilor Mark Pearl reported that last Friday members of the Authority officially signed the agreement with Scotia Recycling and that a new plant will be built in the Industrial Park.

(j) Kings Community Economic Development

(i) Representative's Report

Councilor Bolland reported that he did not have a report as there had been no meetings over the summer. However, he asked Jennifer Weisner to report on some of the projects she has been working on.

Jennifer added that Erin Boudin is working on the Executive Director's report and a meeting is scheduled for the end of September. The Eco Kings Action Team is working on an Anti-Idling Campaign for the entire county and this will be launched at Wolfville's Eco-Fair (October 27th), and the keynote speaker will give the Inconvenient Truth presentation.

Lastly, she stated that the budget will be cost-shared with each of the municipal units.

(k) Kentville Community Development Committee

(i) Report

A report from Erin Mason (attached) stated that a second newsletter is being published and will be distributed the second week of October; the Farmers Market has been successful and will end on September 26th; the Community in Bloom judge has not notified the Town as yet regarding his decision; business attraction information is also available on line, and

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tourism material is available online and offers four different experiences in Kentville. The VIC is also distributing these.

She added the new banners have been ordered for Centre Square and will highlight special events. She added that she was working on an advertising program with Michael Gabriel and Deborah Nicholson. This involved a local family (Bruce Beaton) which is featured in some of the material. She added that a new blossom logo for Kentville is being designed and that this will be brought back to Council for approval.

Lastly, she added that Bruce Beaton has indicated that he would be interested in becoming a member of Kentville Community Development Committee, and committee members felt that he would be a great asset.

It was moved by Councilor Eric Bolland and seconded by Councilor Dennis Kehoe

that Bruce Beaton be appointed to the Kentville Community Development Committee, beginning September 26th.

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**(l) Kings Transit Authority
(i) Representative's Report**

Councilor Mark Pearl reported that there have been no summer meetings. He reported that the service has been extended into West Hants and the Town of Windsor. The feedback on this expanded route has been very positive so far.

(m) Councilor's Report

Councilor Bernie Cooper was absent.

Councilor Eric Bolland attended all meetings and thanked staff (Social Committee and Bill and Ellen Boyd) for Hal's retirement party.

Councilor Dennis Kehoe had nothing further to report.

Councilor Mark Pearl had nothing further to report.

Councilor Nola Folker-Hill stated that she missed the Water Commission Meeting and extended appreciation to those who helped at the staff barbecue.

Deputy Mayor Larry Honey had nothing further to

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report.

(n) Mayor's Report

Mayor David Corkum gave an outline of the meetings and events that he has attended over the last month, pointing out that it has been a busy summer with meetings involving Rotary, Mayors and Wardens, land negotiations, Kentville development, Communities in Bloom, School Site Selection, Water Commission, CAC, etc. He also represented the Town at many recreation and social events, such as the Special Olympics, the RCMP Musical Ride, the Town's Caucus, Doug Seamone's retirement party, the staff barbecue, the Legion Korean War Vets banquet, the Police Ball Tournament, the Parkinson's Walk, Show and Shine, Wildcat Hockey, etc.

He stated that the School Board will meet on Monday and that they will make their selection for a new school site at this time.

(o) Chief Administrative Officer's Report

CAO Boyd added that the round house is gone and some clean-up continues. Shannex is hoping to complete their application for the beds within a few weeks and design work is being done. Environmental Solutions is also working with Shannex. The KEED development is well underway and highly visible, and appears to be on schedule with the property to open next spring.

Clean-up of the Irving property is at a standstill and our MLA, the Minister of Environment may be called upon to help move things along. Negotiations for the Great Valley Juice property purchase is not proceeding as hoped and delays in the acquisition of this land can be expected. In addition, property acquisitions on River and Main Streets continue.

He added that work continues with the Fire Study, KPSC issues continue to be addressed and the CAOs continue to meet. The CAOs have been working with Ron Mullins (Kings Transit) and everything is going well. Review of the first draft of the Recreation Study was undertaken this afternoon and soon after, all

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stakeholders will have input, and then the report will be sent to KPSC for acceptance and then to the Councils of the individual units. Lastly, he added that Hal Henderson has agreed to stay on with the Town for a few extra weeks and that the Town has signed the agreement for the Green Municipal Infrastructure Program which was for \$300,000 for upgrades to Glenview and School Streets.

CORRESPONDENCE

(a) Valley Restorative Justice

This letter expressed appreciation for the Town's grant of \$500.

(b) Minister of Community Services (Re: Appointment to AV Housing Authority)

This letter was received which expressed the value of having the Town appoint a representative to the Board of the Annapolis Valley Housing Authority.

It was moved by Councilor Dennis Kehoe and seconded by Councilor Eric Bolland

that Minister Stretch and Mr. MacPherson would be advised that the Town would not be appointing a representative, but would appreciate if Mr. MacPherson would come to Council to provide a yearly report.

MOTION CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

(a) New Council Chambers' Furniture

It was felt that the chairs in the council chambers should be replaced and that this acquisition should be discussed at CAC.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

nothing

ADJOURNMENT

Deputy Mayor Larry Honey moved that the meeting be adjourned at 9:30 pm.