

APPROVED ON MAY 21, 2009

**PARKING COMMITTEE MINUTES
MARCH 12TH, 2009**

PRESENT

Chairperson Bernie Cooper
Committee Member Dave Foley
Committee Member Frank Slater
Director of Public Works Greg Kehoe
Kentville Police Service Sergeant Ken
Reade

Recording Secretary – Patricia Gourley

No audio on record

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER
AND ROLL CALL**

Chairperson Bernie Cooper called the meeting to order at 10:35 a.m. and all were present, except the Director of Planning & Development Beverley Gentleman who was away on vacation and Committee Member Betty Ann Balcolm who had sent her regrets.

Police Chief Mark Mander and Director of Parks & Recreation Mark Phillips were present to address the Parking Committee.

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APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was moved by Member Dave Foley and seconded by Member Frank.

**that the agenda be approved with the additions of:
5 (c) Snow removal effecting parking spaces.**

MOTION CARRIED

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES
- JANUARY 15TH, 2009**

It was moved by Member Frank Salter and seconded by Sergeant Ken Reade.

MOTION CARRIED

CORRESESPONDANCE

None

**BUSINESS ARISING
FROM MINUTES**

Police Chief Mark Mander addressed the committee with the information he received from Mr. Crookshank, who was representing J.J. MacKay, regarding the possibility of paid parking being put in place in the Town.

Some points from the meeting that Chief Mander passed along to the committee were:

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- Options to choose time –for example - set timers on meters- free 1st 20 minutes and then pay.
- Pay and display system.
- Cost is off set by revenue – should ensure it is in the Council budget.
- Managed by software program and handheld electronic device.
- Circulate report from JJ MacKay to parking committee and all Directors before the next meeting.
- Parking Committee should consider the options once they have reviewed the report and pass along to Council their recommendations
- Report will be discussed at the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

REPORT FROM SERGEANT KEN KEAD

5(a) Parking ticket report issued to all members.

TOWN SQUARE FARM MARKET

5(b) Mark Phillips, Director of Recreation and Parks spoke at this time. He indicated that losing some parking spaces during the few hours that the Farm Market was open was a small price to pay for the benefit and economic value. To ensure that the Market does succeed we need to keep it the way it is set up.

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Points from Discussion:

- The goal of Centre Square was for special events.
- The cost of moving and installing electric plugs at another location would be expensive.
- Best situation for now is Centre Square.

SNOW REMOVAL –PARKING SPOTS

5(C) Snow being placed in piles in the downtown area.

- It takes a few days to remove these piles after a snow storm
- Not only is it a loss of parking spaces for the local merchants it is a safety issue by the crosswalks.
- Director of Public Works noted that his department will take it under consideration and work with his department and Council for this problem to be addressed. The Director will circulate a short report on the issue to the Parking Committee.

NEXT MEETING

Thursday May 14, 2009 @ 10:30

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 11:36 a.m.

Moved by Dave Foley and seconded by Mark Mander.

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