

**DIAMOND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT
MINUTES**

WEDNESDAY, August 20, 2019 – 6 p.m. – Diamond Hall

Present: Elizabeth Suttie (Chair), Debby Baker, Perry Daly, Stephanie Irvine, Doug Johnson

Absent: Pete Mottishaw

Delegations:

Dan Judson:

Dan reported on the hydrant markers. The Town now uses GPS when called out to a fire so we do not need to do the hydrant markers. Dory to do yellow footprints on the valves only.

He reported on Egli meters – brushed out around the meters.

Dan also discussed that the CVRD have issued a permit for a secondary suite on a property where the owner is not going to live on the property. This is against the CVRD bylaw. As the Diamond does not want to be in a situation where there are absentee landlords, we should take a stance on this. Trustees instructed Administrator to send a letter to CVRD advising that we wish for the bylaw to be followed.

Trustees also asked the Administrator to send a letter to Doug McNeil advising that he needs to meet the requirements to have a separate meter.

Minutes:

Moved: Stephanie Irvine

Seconded: Perry Daly

That the minutes of July 16, 2019 be adopted as circulated.

Carried

Agenda:

Moved: Stephanie Irvine

Seconded: Perry Daly

The agenda be adopted as presented.

Carried

Discussion where we are going in 2019

Elizabeth had a discussion with Ryan at Cascara Engineering. Her report is as follows:

Cost to redraw the plans would be less than we have paid as some of the work is already done – he did not give me a quote but several thousand dollars would be my guess.

If we cross the road from where the current 4 inch AC is located, we would likely be fairly clear of obstructions.

It would be a shorter cut to get the main into the road allowance on the south side.

We will have to cut across the road for the copper supply lines to the meters on the north side versus on the current main side the copper is in place to the meters on the south side.

Trenches (unless we can use a trenchless system) are typically .8 to 1 meter wide to allow for proper compacting.

With regards to the Ministry wanting us to pave every night – Ryan said that a “cold mix” is usually acceptable and most contractors have this on hand. Rarely is a hot paving required on a daily basis to patch the roadway.

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Ryan said a concern is also due to the poor condition of the existing roadway – heavy trucks etc. could cause so much damage that the Ministry could come in during construction and force the DID to pave much more than the areas we cut to restore the integrity of the roadway.

Ryan recently did a project with the Engineer in question and found her to be reasonable when the project was underway, allowing open cut on a much busier road.

The Trustees are to meet on August 26, 2019 at 4 p.m. at the site (Pictou/Grouhel) to view/

Fire Hydrants:

The repairs are scheduled for September 12, 2019. Administrator to advise that Stephanie Irvine will be available if they need to speak with someone.

Doors:

Hall Doors will be delivered next week. Suggested September 4, 2019. Administrator to

check with Krista to see if the hall is being used that day or the next.

Correspondence:

Lahaise subdivision:

Moved: Perry Daly
Seconded: Doug Johnson

That the Trustees approve the subdivision so long as appropriate fees are paid according to the Bylaws.

Carried

Reports:

Water/Financial:

Trustees still need to attend at the bank to sign.

Maintenance:

Trustees discussed the presentation that Dory made. They would like to go with Dan's suggestion that the valves only need to be done.

Building permits:

Bouwmeester is making an application for water, however, it has not been received yet.

Hall rentals:

Discussed custodian's request for payment of cell phone and data plan. The Trustees declined to provide this but will provide a T2220 for income tax purposes.

Bylaws:

Bylaw 201
Moved: Stephanie Irvine
Seconded: Perry Daly

That Bylaw 201 be given 1st and 2nd reading.

Carried

New business:

Administrator to book Mahle House for Christmas party.

Bills:

Moved: Stephanie Irvine

Seconded: Perry Daly

That we pay the bills if found correct.

Carried

Next meeting:

September 17, 2019 at 6 p.m.

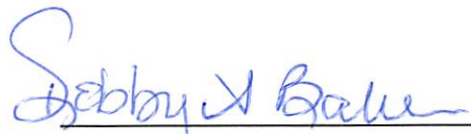
Adjourn:

Moved: Stephanie Irvine

Meeting adjourned 7:51 p.m.



Elizabeth Suttie, Chair



Debby Baker, Administrator