

Monthly Council Meeting Minutes

October 16, 2017

Present

Mayor Bill Martin
Deputy Mayor Norma McColeman
Councillor Gordie Whitlock
Councillor Brent Gallant
Councillor Bruce MacDougall
Councillor Brian McFeely
Councillor Greg Campbell
Councillor Tyler Desroches
Bob Ashley, Chief Administrative Officer
Rob Philpott, Director of Financial Services
Brian Hawrylak, HR Officer
Lorri Laughlin, Director of Communications
Members of the Media
Members of the Public

Call to Order / Approval of Agenda / Conflict of Interest Declaration

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Martin

Motion It was moved and seconded;
That The Agenda be approved as circulated.
Motion Carried

Conflict of Interest Declaration – no conflicts were declared by Council members with any agenda items.

Approval of the Minutes

Motion It was moved and seconded;
That The minutes of the Monthly Meeting dated September 18, 2017 and the minutes of the Special Council Meeting dated October 3, 2017 be approved as circulated.
Motion Carried

New Business

Accolades

Councillor Campbell stated that Little Caesar's will be opening tomorrow. He stated that the new sports field at Three Oaks will help out in the sports tourism area.

Councillor DesRoches congratulated the staff at Credit Union Place for their efforts during the busy time of Kraft Hockeyville and the concert the next day.

Deputy Mayor McColeman congratulated the Inspire Learning Centre on their recent grand opening.

Mayor Martin congratulated Chief Poirier on his recognition of 40 years of exemplary service by the Governor General of Canada

Presentations

Ron Perry, representing the Y Service Club and Tracey Brown representing the Bedeque Bay Environmental Management Association made a presentation to Council on the proposed Science and Discovery Centre.

The group is asking the City for their continued support, providing the property, tax forgiveness for 5 years and representation on the board of directors. The land is leased for 50 years at \$1 per year. Mr. Perry indicated that there would be no further financial ask. There could be some in-kind services requested.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Martin stated that he attended the Holland College Marine Cadet graduation, participated in the Kraft Hockeyville celebration, met the Rotary International President and attended the Inspire Learning Centre Grand Opening, participated in the Senior's Awards, World Alzheimer Day, participated in the budget consultations. Mayor Martin announced that Summerside will have a booth at the Rotary International Expo this coming summer which will have 130,000 delegates from around the world.

Financial Services

Report:

Councillor McColeman:

"Finance Committee is pleased to provide this update on our financial results as of the end of August.

Although the General Fund is in a deficit position as of the end of August, the Fund still is performing ahead of budget expectations to this point in the fiscal year.

This is consistent with our practice in previous years. At this point in the year, we typically would be in a deficit position, as capital expenditures ramp up at a greater rate than the funding that supports them.

This is the primary reason why the City budgeted a \$950,000 shortfall as of the end of August. In addition, the City's budget is based on the old formula for our provincial funding (ie. municipal support grant and equalization). As a result, we are receiving \$40,000 less a month than budgeted, as \$800,000 of our funding will be received as a HST rebate which has yet to be claimed.

However, Council will note that our actual shortfall is \$522,000, almost \$430,000 less than what we expecting at this point in the year. The lower-than-expected shortfall is driven primarily by the fact that the City received \$150,000 in unbudgeted government funding for various economic development initiatives, and as well, capital spending is actually \$185,000 below what we were projecting to spend by the end of August.

Nevertheless, we do expect that the City's financial results will "smooth out" over the rest of the year, as we are projecting a surplus of \$57,000 in the General Fund by year's end.

Overall, the City's utilities finished the period ended August 31st in a positive position. This continues the trend from the first few months of 2017. For the electric utility, the year-to-date actual is \$1.2 million above expectations, of which \$628,000 has been recorded to a reserve and the remainder left to offset the accumulated operating deficit.

It should be noted that the month of August saw lower wind power production as compared to previous years: 29% of the City's total power came from wind energy. Because of the lower wind power production, power purchase costs increased by 5% (as did revenue, which could be attributed to increased consumption by ratepayers for cooling needs).

The water and sewer utilities are performing ahead of expectations, although this is due more so to the timing of unmetered/metered sales for both utilities. The sewer utility is also projecting to be slightly over budget on the cost of chemicals used in the treatment plant.

With respect to capital expenditures, the City has incurred \$5.4 million in total capital expenditures, against a year-to-date budget of \$5.8 million as of the end of August. Based on the progress of our ongoing capital projects, we expect to finish the year at \$11.1 million of capital expenditures, against a budget of \$11.5 million."

Economic Development

Report:

Councillor Gallant:

"The Department is gearing up to launch in mid-November its revamped Connection program. Designed to build closer links with former residents who are now living/working and/or operating businesses off-Island, the goal of the Summerside Connection program is to expand the city's network of contacts and ultimately attract new investment to the province.

Summerside has a long history of entrepreneurship, but over the years we, unfortunately, have lost a lot of skilled residents to other economic centres. Through the Summerside Connection program, we hope

to communicate to these people that our city's economic climate is much more diverse than ever before and that Summerside, and all of PEI for that matter, is a ripe investment location.

The city's Economic Development Office will be calling on residents to submit names of family and friends who are former residents of Summerside. Whether these contacts operate a business or just wish to receive regular updates on local events and employment opportunities, an information package will be sent to them courtesy of the Summerside Connection program."

Technical Services

Report:

Councillor MacDougall:

"Although we are getting well into October, our construction season is still underway. The addition at the College of Piping is nearing completion on the outside, the renovations and addition to the second story of the ADL building continues. The construction at Three Oaks is still ongoing inside and work has started on the renovations to the track and sports field. The new convent on upper Granville is coming along nicely.

In regards to our own City projects: The Paving program is completed; the Sidewalk program is nearly completed and the Curb replacement program is continuing. Our infill program is completed on Westchester St. and McWilliams Ave. For the water main replacement program, a number of streets have been completed with a few more almost completed, this work will continue this Fall. Work has started on a few large road crossing culverts. South Dr. by the bottle exchange is now completed and that contractor will now be moving to Water St. West. Traffic will be detoured over the new structure while the other one is being installed. Another contractor has started work on Water St. by the KFC, every effort is being made to try to maintain two-way traffic in this location.

Again, we realize that there is still a lot of construction happening in quite a few different areas of the City and we appreciate the travelling publics, as well as the local citizens patience, as we push to get all these areas completed.

Staff continues to review and assist the public with development and building permit information. Citizens are encouraged to stop in and speak to staff for assistance with their projects."

Resolution WHEREAS

It was moved by Councillor MacDougall and seconded by Councillor Whitlock; an application was received from Robert, Dorothy and Alan Maynard, for properties located on West Drive (PID# 716902, 67272, 716910) to amend the *City of Summerside Official Plan 1998 (Revised 2006)* (general land use plan) from Urban Reserve land use to proposed High Density Residential land use;

AND WHEREAS in accordance with section 4.7 of the zoning bylaw, Council shall consider the following general criteria, as applicable:

- Conformity with all requirements of this Bylaw;
- Conformity with the Official Plan;
- Suitability of the site for the proposed development;
- Compatibility of the proposed development with surrounding land uses, including both existing and projected uses;
- Any comments from residents or other interested persons;
- Adequacy of existing water, sewer, road, storm water and electrical services, city parking, and parklands for accommodating the development, and any projected infrastructure requirements;
- Impacts from the development on pedestrian/vehicular access and safety, and on public safety generally;
- Compatibility of the development with environmental, scenic and heritage resources;
- Impacts on City finances and budgets;
- Other matters as specified in this Bylaw;
- Other matters as considered relevant.

Be It Resolved That official plan amendment OPA-104-2017, to amend the *City of Summerside Official Plan 1998 (Revised 2006)* be hereby formally adopted.

This bears the recommendation of the Technical Services Committee [Planning Board] meeting held on October 3, 2017.

**OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT OPA-104-2017
TO AMEND THE CITY OF SUMMERSIDE OFFICIAL PLAN 1998 (Revised 2006)**

The Council of the City of Summerside under authority vested in it by Section 18 of the *Planning Act R.S.P.E.I. 1988 Cap. P-8* hereby enacts as follows:

1. The land use for PID# 716902, 67272, 716910 as shown on Schedule B of the *City of Summerside Official Plan 1998*, is designated as High Density Residential land use, hereby excluding it from its former designation of Urban Reserve land use;

Discussion:

Councillor Campbell stated that he would like to see the property purchased, have a plan and talk to residents about the plan before coming to Council.

Councillor DesRoches stated that there is no site plan as stated in the Official Plan and residents should have an idea of what is proposed.

Councillor MacDougall stated most residents are not completely against the re-zoning, but are opposed to rezoning all 3 parcels as high density.

Councillor McFeely stated he would like to see a development plan before being able to support this.

Councillor Gallant stated that it would be he does not see the request from the applicant as unreasonable and it would be difficult to ask for a development plan at this point.

Councillor Whitlock stated that not knowing what is going there, there are another designation that could fall under R4 that may not be compatible with the neighborhood. He said not knowing what would be developed there, he could not support it at this time.

Deputy Mayor McColeman stated that in this case, she believes it is important to know what the plan would be.

Resolution Defeated

Resolution It was moved by Councillor MacDougall and seconded by Councillor Whitlock;
WHEREAS an application was received from Slemmon Park Corporation for the residential portion of PID #70680 to amend the *City of Summerside Official Plan 1998 (Revised 2006)* (general land use plan) from Medium Density Residential land use to proposed Comprehensive Development Area land use;

AND WHEREAS in accordance with section 4.7 of the zoning bylaw, Council shall consider the following general criteria, as applicable:

- Conformity with all requirements of this Bylaw;
- Conformity with the Official Plan;
- Suitability of the site for the proposed development;
- Compatibility of the proposed development with surrounding land uses, including both existing and projected uses;
- Any comments from residents or other interested persons;
- Adequacy of existing water, sewer, road, storm water and electrical services, city parking, and parklands for accommodating the development, and any projected infrastructure requirements;
- Impacts from the development on pedestrian/vehicular access and safety, and on public safety generally;
- Compatibility of the development with environmental, scenic and heritage resources;
- Impacts on City finances and budgets;
- Other matters as specified in this Bylaw;
- Other matters as considered relevant.

Be It Resolved That official plan amendment OPA-105-2017, to amend the *City of Summerside Official Plan 1998 (Revised 2006)* be hereby formally adopted.

This bears the recommendation of the Technical Services Committee [Planning Board] meeting held on October 3, 2017.

OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT OPA-105-2017 TO AMEND THE CITY OF SUMMERSIDE OFFICIAL PLAN 1998 (Revised 2006)

The Council of the City of Summerside under authority vested in it by Section 18 of the *Planning Act R.S.P.E.I. 1988 Cap. P-8* hereby enacts as follows:

1. The land use for the residential portion of PID #70680 as shown on Schedule B of the *City of Summerside Official Plan 1998*, is designated as Comprehensive Development Area land use, hereby excluding it from its former designation of Medium Density Residential land use;

Resolution Carried

Resolution It was moved by Councillor MacDougall and seconded by Councillor Whitlock;
WHEREAS an application was received from Slemon Park Corporation for the residential portion of PID #70680 for a zoning amendment from the Medium Density Residential (R3) zone to proposed Comprehensive Development Area (CDA) zone under the *City of Summerside Zoning Bylaw SS-15 (Revised 2007)*;
AND WHEREAS zoning bylaw amendment SS-15-A138, a bylaw to amend the *City of Summerside Zoning Bylaw* was read and formally approved a first time at the Council meeting held on September 13, 2017;
BE IT RESOLVED THAT zoning amendment SS-15-A138, a bylaw to amend the *City of Summerside Zoning Bylaw* be hereby read a second time.

**ZONING AMENDMENT SS-15-A138
 A BYLAW TO AMEND THE CITY OF SUMMERSIDE ZONING BYLAW SS-15 (Revised 2007)**

The Council of the City of Summerside under authority vested in it by Section 18 and Section 19 of the *Planning Act R.S.P.E.I. 1988 Cap. P-8* hereby enacts as follows:

- I. The zoning for the residential portion of PID #70680 as shown on Schedule B of the *City of Summerside Zoning Bylaw (Revised 2007)*, is designated as Comprehensive Development Area (CDA) zone, hereby excluding it from its former designation of Medium Density Residential (R3) zone.

Resolution Carried

Resolution It was moved by Councillor MacDougall and seconded by Councillor Whitlock;
WHEREAS an application was received from Slemon Park Corporation for the residential portion of PID #70680 for a zoning amendment from the Medium Density Residential (R3) zone to proposed Comprehensive Development Area (CDA) zone under the *City of Summerside Zoning Bylaw SS-15 (Revised 2007)*;
AND WHEREAS zoning bylaw amendment SS-15-A138, a bylaw to amend the *City of Summerside Zoning Bylaw*, was read a second time at this Council meeting;
AND WHEREAS in accordance with section 4.7 of the zoning bylaw, Council shall consider the following general criteria, as applicable:

- Conformity with all requirements of this Bylaw;
- Conformity with the Official Plan;
- Suitability of the site for the proposed development;
- Compatibility of the proposed development with surrounding land uses, including both existing and projected uses;
- Any comments from residents or other interested persons;
- Adequacy of existing water, sewer, road, storm water and electrical services, city parking, and parklands for accommodating the development, and any projected infrastructure requirements;
- Impacts from the development on pedestrian/vehicular access and safety, and on public safety generally;
- Compatibility of the development with environmental, scenic and heritage resources;
- Impacts on City finances and budgets;
- Other matters as specified in this Bylaw;
- Other matters as considered relevant.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT zoning amendment SS-15-A138, a bylaw to amend the *City of Summerside Zoning Bylaw* be hereby approved. This bears the recommendation of the Technical Services Committee [Planning Board] meeting held on October 3, 2017.

Resolution Carried

Resolution It was moved by Councillor MacDougall and seconded by Councillor Whitlock;
WHEREAS an application was received from Slemon Park Corporation for the residential portion of PID #70680 for a zoning amendment from the Medium Density Residential (R3) zone to proposed Comprehensive Development Area (CDA) zone under the *City of Summerside Zoning Bylaw SS-15 (Revised 2007)*;

AND WHEREAS zoning bylaw amendment SS-15-A138, a bylaw to amend the *City of Summerside Zoning Bylaw (Revised 2007)*, was read and approved at two separate meetings of Council held on different days;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT zoning bylaw amendment SS-15-A138, a bylaw to amend the *City of Summerside Zoning Bylaw (Revised 2007)* be hereby formally adopted.

Resolution Carried

Police/Fire & Emergency Planning

Police Report:

Deputy Mayor McColeman:

“Our police service continues to work with several organizations in our community. Several members are on different committees/groups which address many issues such as: family, social, educational & security concerns.

Several members attended a Highway Safety education session at SPS, Emergency response training.

Several officers attended the funeral for Cst. Frank Deschenes in Moncton, assisted with a Habitat for Humanity build, assist with motorcycle escort through the city, assist with a kidney walk, members provided various security details for the NHL exhibition game at the CUP, Kudos to Cst’s Pat Daley & Joel Robichaud who brought home medals from the 2017 World Police & Fire games in Los Angeles, several members attended the very somber police officer’s memorial service honouring fallen officers, attended APA cadet graduation at Jubilee, assisting with the ‘Raise a Reader’ program, three Aide de Campe duties performed by D/C Walker.

A complete account of the month’s occurrences will be made available to Councillors and media upon request. The following is a list of some of the totals for September;

Traffic Accidents – **18**

Crimes Against Persons (Assaults, Threats, etc.) - **35**

Crimes Against Property (Thefts, B & E’s, Mischief, etc.) – **78**

Impaired Driving Offences – **10**

Highway Traffic Act Tickets – **61** (Speeding, stop signs, hand held devices, etc.)

Parking Tickets Issued – **115 & 27 Warnings”**

Fire Report:

There were 30 paged calls for the months of September; the breakdown is as follows:

- 2 - MFR Calls (Medical First Responders)
- 5 - Alarm Panel Calls
- 2 - MVA Calls (Motor Vehicle Accident)
- 2 - Carbon Monoxide Calls
- 8 - Miscellaneous Calls
- 6 - Accidental False Alarms
- 5 - Cancelled Calls

There were 12 training opportunities for the month totalling 113.5 hours; the breakdown is as follows:

Sept 06/17 - Presentation for Senior Residents	3 hrs
Sept 09/17 - Work on Ladder Truck	1 hr
Sept 09/17 - Fire Pump Training	20 hrs
Sept 11/17 - Fentanyl Presentation	1 hr
Sept 11-13/17 - Mental Health Seminar	24 hrs
Sept 17/17 - Linkletter Controlled Burn	6.5 hrs
Sept 18/17 - Check Hydrants	2 hrs
Sept 23-24/17 - Level 2 Field Work	26 hrs
Sept 25/17 - Engine 3 Truck Maintenance	2 hrs
Sept 25/17 - Inventory Truck/Medical Equipment	2 hrs
Sept 27/17 - Fire Extinguisher Training	2 hrs
Sept 30-Oct 01/17 - Level 2 Field Work	24 hrs

- September was an extremely busy month. Statistically 30 calls and 113 training hours are above the norm for any time of the year, but as firefighters start to prepare for the colder weather there seems to be more and more to do.
- Residents are reminded that Fire Prevention Week is October 8-14. During this week we will be featuring our annual Lunch & Learn Program. Agenda is below for further details.
- Summerside Fire Department will also be hosting an Open House on Saturday October 14 from 1-4, everyone is welcome.

Each day during Fire Prevention Week 12 students from our five Elementary Schools in the City are being picked up by Fire Trucks and taken to our Hall for a Barbeque, Tour, Surprise Gifts and then back to class by 1:00.

Fire Safety Reminders:

- ✓ Check your smoke detectors to ensure they are functioning properly
- ✓ Change your batteries twice a year
- ✓ One smoke detector per floor in your home
- ✓ Every family should have an escape route in the event of a fire
Make sure you practice it!

Community Services

Report:

Councillor DesRoches:

“The Road to the Roar host committee is in the final planning stages for the November event. The committee is now meeting weekly to ensure a successful event is experienced by volunteers, athletes, coaches and spectators.

Credit Union Place was host to 14 MHL games in 5 days. All teams from the MHL division took part in a 2-day showcase.

The Credit Union Place team successfully executed back to back high profile event days. O’Leary Hockeyville had over 8,000 people visit CUP in a 15 hour period. Immediately following the conclusion of the televised NHL game, CUP transformed into a concert venue overnight and was ready for Daniel O’Donnell’s performance the next evening.

The green space team along with Callbecks Home Hardware & Tree Canada hosted a Tree Planting event at Heather Moyse Heritage Park. 75 native trees were planted.

The very popular Halloween All-Access Pass packages are now available for purchase for their 3rd year at Credit Union Place. In 2015, 226 packages were sold and in 2016 the amount grew to 243 packages.

Hedley announced their return to Credit Union Place. They will be joined by Neon Dreams and Shawn Hook for their February 24th performance.”

HR Report:

Councillor McFeely:

- “We are all deeply saddened with the passing of Paul Gallant. Paul was a long serving employee within the Community Services Department and a true public servant. He enjoyed coming to work everyday, working with the community user groups, and was a key person in Summerside becoming “Canada’s Tournament Town”. Paul’s quick wit, smile, and dedication will be missed by all. At the same time we would be remiss if we did not extend kudo’s to our Community Services staff, and colleagues of Paul, who performed critical CPR on Paul. Staff sprang into action, used their training, were professional, and were credited by the Paul’s doctors with keeping him alive on the night of Paul’s heart attack. You make us proud and we thank you for your service.
- We would like to congratulate some of our staff on their recent lateral moves within the organization. James Wedge and Greg Milligan have moved into roles as Plant Operators within Summerside Electric. Paul Flannigan and Scott Purdy have moved into full time Ice Maker positions within Community Services. And we would like to welcome Jamie Betton back as he starts back with Summerside Electric as an Electrician.
- We currently have hiring competitions ongoing for full time Constable’s within our Police Service as well as a mechanic foreman within our Waste Water Treatment Centre.
- The Joint Occupational Health and Safety Committee continue to meet on a regular monthly basis as well as department sub-committees
- The Department provided Council support this month at Committee & Council meetings

Culture Summerside Report

The following report captures some highlights of Culture Summerside’s activity from the mid Sept to the mid Oct time period.

- Culture Summerside hosted a travelling signature Canada 150 Project called SESQUI. Over 500 school children, teachers and members of the public experienced this revolutionary 360° cinematic experience that marks Canada’s 150th anniversary of Confederation. Credit Union Place supplied the space.
- Our 17th annual Ghost Walk is slated for October 19th; tickets are now on sale and can be purchased at the MacNaught History Centre and Archives. Councillors are invited to attend and experience this popular event.
- November 22nd is the date of Wyatt Heritage Properties Inc. signature fundraiser, The Draw of Art. Just over thirty five participants have the opportunity to purchase a ticket to secure an original art work donated by a local artist. It all depends on the luck of the draw who gets to pick their favorite piece first. The evening is filled with fine food, excellent music, high tension and exciting suspense. Should you wish a ticket for \$100.00 please contact Lori Ellis.
- Culture Summerside has had a busy tour season. Tour demand is now slowing and attention is now turned to engaging schools in our annual Christmas program and in the celebration of our 150th anniversary.
- Culture Summerside is currently engaged in a collections project supported by a Community Museums Association. The project focuses primarily on achieving higher standards and efficiency for artifact storage. The project is scheduled to be complete in the next three weeks.

- Deadlines are being met in the area of grant writing; proposals and reports are being submitted to a number of government organizations.

Governance, Strategy and Policy Report:

To those organizations with Councillor Liaisons, a letter will be sent to help clarify the respective roles and responsibilities of organizational boards and elected officials.

At its September meeting, Council approved the appointment of Chair (Councillor McFeely), Vice-Chair (Councillor MacDougall), and Citizen Representatives, John E. Clow and George Lyle. Terms run on an annual basis, ending August 31st each year.

Staff produced a comparative analysis of different municipalities and their respective fees for certain facility usage: turf fields, lighting, ballfields, and arenas. Summerside stands out as the only municipality in the analysis which, apart from arenas, does not charge user groups anything for facility usage. Subject municipalities included: Cornwall, Charlottetown, Halifax, Summerside, UPEI, and Fredericton. Discussion ensued on the pros and cons of Summerside's approach, along the lines of fairness, equity, cost-sharing, consistency, public awareness, budgets, costs, reserves for capital replacements, and the strengths and weaknesses of the "user-pay" philosophy. The discussion will necessarily need to move to the full body of Council to address these various perspectives and to come up with the most appropriate and affordable strategy for our community.

When the new Municipal Government Act (MGA) is proclaimed this fall, Summerside will be generally ahead of most Island municipalities when it comes to bylaw compliance. The province is still working on model bylaws and GPS has already reported that they should save us considerable time and effort in our efforts towards MGA compliance. It was reasoned, however, that we should not start working on this project until: a) the MGA comes in force, and: b) the model bylaws are in their final form.

The Committee welcomes suggestions and/or direction from Council for suitable projects which help support Council decision-making. Right now, the parking contains: *Friends of the Boardwalk*; Communications Policy, General bylaw review, the new MGA.

Municipal Services

Report:

Councillor Whitlock:

"Plant effluent for the month of August was within regulated requirements for the month. The plant treated 219,946 cubic meters (48,388,120 gallons) of raw sewage while producing 398 tons of Exceptional Quality fertilizer from its waste sludge processing, with 0 ton of waste going to the landfill and processed 174,208 gallons of primary sewage from the surrounding area.

The City's sewer collection efforts focused on service to 10 residents in distress and performed 2 sewer videos for inspection. Annual Lift station maintenance was performed this month to make ready for the upcoming winter season at all lift stations, checking lines and pumps and cleaning debris from pits.

Topic of Interest: Sewer Finds - Residents and business in the community are reminded that certain things should not be flushed down your sewer system as it ends up in our harbor and treatment plant. Hazardous materials like oil, chemicals, and greasy cooking oils should be disposed of properly. If the public has any concerns please contact our Sewer utility at 902-432-1268 for information. What things have been found by our Sewer utility Staff? Money. On the wall of the sewage treatment plant there is total of approximately 50 dollars in currency. Some people may not know but our sewer staff do not accept tips. (Joke)

The City's water utility efforts continued their focus on service to read all water meters, performed 14 shut off and turn-ons, tested and maintain chlorine levels for safe drinking water 12 times throughout the month with all systems operating normally. All water samples for the month were tested clear of all bacteria. Crews repaired one water main breaks this month. Crews continued the assistance for the capital works contractors to isolate, test and commission systems being added on Bayview Drive, South Drive and Poplar Avenue.

In September, staff have completed the parking lot painting of parking spaces for the disabled as well as loading zones. The new crosswalk wireless flashing LED signs were installed on Ryan Street this month, the City now has two of these systems in place (the other one is on South Drive). The street sweeper is going full blast with the heavy downfall of leaves with the fall here. In October the major effort will turn to readying the snow removal equipment for the coming season."

Resolution

It was moved and seconded that the following members be appointed to the Transit Committee:

George Proud (T3 Transit), Shawn McCarville (Slemon Park), Councillor Whitlock (Chair), Gerard Morneaux, Bob Ashley, Rob Philpott, Dr. Richard Wedge, Mayor Martin (ex-officio) and Mike Cassidy from T3 as a resource.

Resolution carried

Summerside Youth Committee will begin meetings this month.

Councillor Whitlock presented a petition that was given to him by a Summerside resident with 100 signatures for the naming of a street or building in honour of Paralympian Billy Bridges. Petition to be provided to CAO Ashley for consideration.

Electric Services

Report:

Councillor Campbell:

"Generation this month was 10,121 kilowatt-hours, this was for 2 training runs. During roof maintenance work above #7 engine the chemicals being used by the contracting roofer caught on fire and had to be extinguished. No major damage resulted but a contractor employee had burned hands, an accident investigation and subsequent reports were conducted.

Wind power production increased in September with 40% of our power this month coming from renewable wind energy. The peak electricity for the month was 18.6 MW's. Our power purchase costs increased by 1.9% due to heavier use by consumers.

The City's Electric Utility had 15 new customers and 4 service upgrades this month. This month work seen substantial work on Saint Claire street with many homes being completed. The utility experienced 13 customer outage events (out of 7000 customers) this month. A City wide power outage occurred on September 27th from the time of 11 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. due to a major lightning strike on MECL's system which disabled the power line feeding Summerside Electric.

The City sales in its heat for less now program had 3 new units sold in September. The total units contracted for sales increased to 355 for September.

Topic of Interest: City Street Lighting

The City of Summerside spends upwards of \$500,000 dollars a year on lighting the streets of Summerside which are maintained by the Electric Utility. If the City were to convert all its street lighting to LED type from High Pressure Sodium type it could save up to \$150,000 per year. The Electric Utility has been using only LED's for the last two years and has some streets totally converted."

Committee of the Whole

Motion It was moved and seconded;
That That we move into Committee of the Whole after a brief Recess.
Motion Carried

Open Session Resumed

Report:

No report

Adjournment

Motion It was moved and seconded;
That The meeting be adjourned.
Motion Carried

Bill Martin
Mayor

Brian Hawrylak
HR Officer