

**Police and License Committee Minutes  
December 3, 2009  
Council Chambers**

**Present**

Councillor W. Cormier, Chair  
Councillor S. Cameron  
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S/Cst. S. Smith  
Sgt. R. Bouchard, RCMP  
Mayor C. Chisholm

S. Day, Planner  
D. Wilson, Deputy Clerk

**Absent**

Cpt. B. Rehill  
S. MacIntosh, St. FX Student Union Representative  
K. Publicover, ST FX Representative

**Call to Order**

The Chair called the meeting to order at 2:10 PM.

**Agenda**

Moved by Councillor W. Cormier  
Seconded by Mayor C. Chisholm  
"That the Agenda be approved with additions." Motion carried.

**Approval of Minutes**

Moved by Councillor W. Cormier  
Seconded by Mayor C. Chisholm  
"That the Minutes be approved as circulated." Motion carried.

**Business from Minutes**

- Public Complaints – Reporting and Education

Councillor W. Cormier advised that he had agreed to gather information on this matter and will report back at the next meeting.

- Noise By-law

The Chair questioned whether the Noise By-law had been approved by Council. Deputy Clerk D. Wilson agreed to check.

- 62 Brookland Street

S/Cst. S. Smith advised that the residents of 62 Brookland Street, the subject of complaints, have been evicted from the premises.

## **Correspondence**

- Antigonish Shopping Mall

The Chair advised that he had received correspondence from P. McLean, Mall Manager, seeking assistance from S/Cst. S. Smith with vehicles parking illegally. S/Cst. S. Smith agreed to check on the situation from time to time; Sgt. R. Bouchard also agreed to have RCMP members address the matter over the Holiday Season.

## **Reports**

- RCMP Report

Sgt. R. Bouchard noted he continues to send reports to S/Cst. S. Smith re noise complaints; S/Cst. Smith then attends to them. This arrangement is working well.

Councillor S. Cameron arrived at 2:20 PM.

Sgt. R. Bouchard reported on a project undertaken by volunteers through Crime Prevention in which the volunteers checked on vehicles to see if they were locked. Approximately 12% of the vehicles checked were not locked and two (2) vehicles had the keys left in the ignition.

He noted there are still a number of people being charged with intoxication—both residents and students.

Councillor W. Cormier commented on recent drug activity and the success the RCMP is having with this. He suggested perhaps a letter of thanks be written; however, Sgt. R. Bouchard noting this is being done at the Federal level and costs are not incurred by the Town. The Chair advised he could bring this matter forward at the RCMP Advisory Board.

- By-law Enforcement Report

S/Cst. S. Smith presented his Report and noted that the number of complaints is down. He noted that a “No Left Turn” sign exiting from the Federal Building parking lot has been erected. He noted that there is an issue with a Stop Sign at the intersection of Arbor Drive and Brookland Street, and further noted the sign cannot be moved.

The Chair provided comment on ‘bent’ stop signs and agreed to contact the City of Regina for further information.

S. Cameron noted that the illuminated overhead crosswalk sign at West Street is too high for motorists to see and was advised that it is hoped to eventually have lights at this intersection.

- St. F.X. Dean of Students Report  
This Report was unavailable.

## **Presentation**

- Presentation – S. Day re Vacant Building and Unsightly Premises Policy

S. Day provided the Committee with a presentation and background information on the draft Policy. He noted there is a section within the Municipal Government Act for dangerous and unsightly premises; however, charges related to aesthetics are usually difficult to litigate.

S/Cst. S. Smith advised that he did not feel it was an issue and, perhaps, members of the Planning Advisory Committee did not understand the process of handling these matters. S. Day advised that Council may decide to get input from the public prior to adopting the Policy.

Moved by Councillor W. Cormier

Seconded by Councillor S. Cameron

"To recommend to Council to adopt the Vacant Building and Unsightly Premises Policy, following a review of the Policy by CAO D. Kampen." Motion carried.

### **Other Business**

- Christmas Parade

S/Cst. S. Smith noted the Christmas Parade was a huge success; however, noted that a guard should be placed at the crosswalk located near Keltic Motors due to safety concerns.

- Tim Hortons – East Main Street

Councillor S. Cameron noted that concern continues to be raised regarding the drive-thru at Tim Hortons (East Main Street). It was noted that the franchisee was willing to make changes; however, Head Office would not agree. It was agreed to invite the franchisee, C. Boyd, to a special meeting to re-open dialogue on this matter. S/Cst. S. Smith agreed to take pictures and contact the Provincial Traffic Authority on the matter.

S. Day left the meeting at 3:10 PM.

- Recent Dog Attack

Councillor S. Cameron brought up the matter of a recent dog attack, and noted something should be done as he understood that the dog in question was not under control.

- Free Parking

The Chair noted that free parking is being provided for motorists for the month of December.

### **Adjournment**

Moved by Councillor S. Cameron

Seconded by Councillor W. Cormier

"That the meeting be adjourned." Motion carried.