Mayor's Report for September, 2015

The budget process will begin shortly and I do invite the public to take a proactive approach with the development of our community. I do ask that you contact your Council members or the Mayor and express to them any positive ideas you believe will move our community forward. Now is the time to do so before the budget process begins.

Aug. 24, 2015

I was present for the monthly public meeting and all agenda items were addressed. There are some business items that will require some action of Council however all is moving in a positive direction.

Aug. 26, 2015

The monthly meeting of the Chaleur Regional Service Commission was conducted and the issues on the agenda were addressed. The main topic was the budget meetings and some direction for the Executive Director to prepare this budget for 2016.

Aug. 27, 2015

I met with the Belledune Firefighters concerning the direction Council will pursue to replace the fire chief. We scheduled a meeting with all of Council to keep our members informed of how the process will proceed and a time frame for these decisions to be implemented.

Sept. 9, 2015 (11:00-12:00am)

I met with the management staff of Bell Aliant along with C.A.O. Hughes and C.E.O. Rayburn Doucett concerning cell phone reception in Belledune. The information supplied was very informative in addressing coverage in our community and we were informed that some antennas would be adjusted in the next few weeks. The results of these adjustments should increase the wave reception and allow for better cell reception. The Village of Belledune will follow up on this very important issue.

Sept.9, 2015

I was present for the "Tea Party" held at the Recreation Center to honour the Monarchy in becoming the longest reigning monarch. All thought only a few of our residents attended, a good time was had by all. Sept. 10, 2015

The monthly meeting of Crime Stoppers was held and all issues were addressed. The Unit was very pleased with the results of the Musical Ride and how we were represented.

Sept. 11, 2015

I attended the preliminary budget meeting for our Commission. The Executive Director will prepare the budget for consideration of the Directors at the next public meeting.

Sept. 12, 2015

I was invited as the President of the Chaleur Regional Service Commission to attend a Mayors forum on the B.N.P.P. The general discussion of the meeting led to the agreement that the 5 Mayors who were present would look at organizing a committee to promote tourism in the Chaleur area.

Sept. 14, 2015

The Committee of the Whole meeting was conducted and the agenda items were dealt with. All issue items are on the agenda for motions so as to have decisions made.

Sept. 17, 2015

I attended the announcement of the Provincial Government at the Chaleur General Hospital concerning the future expansion. The announcement was a ten million dollar wing would begin development very soon.

In closing, all is in place to celebrate our local Veterans contribution to their country and community. The opening of our Veterans Park is scheduled for Saturday and I am very proud to say that we will honour those individuals who have done so much for us. I hope as many people as possible turn out at 5pm on Saturday to show their respect for these individuals.

Sincerely,

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