

Mayor's Report from June 17th to July 13th, 2013

I will begin this report with a comment on our summer activities to date. The program with the Summer Students is now in its third week. I am very proud to advise that the work done by these students has been very positive by all reports from people in our community. They have done an excellent job dealing with the beautification of our community.

I will also comment that Council is looking at the planning for our community in the future. The Strategic Plan is being evaluated by each member of Council and a meeting on the Plan should be held in September.

June 17, 2013

I had the opportunity to welcome the students on their first day. I was very impressed with how they presented themselves and their excitement to contribute to their community.

June 19, 2013

I represented our community at the graduation ceremony held for the graduates at Dalhousie Regional High School. I presented the Village of Belledune bursary to Miss Hannah Culligan.

June 21, 2013 (10:00-11:30am)

I attended the graduation ceremony at the Jacquet River School for the grade eight students. The pride demonstrated by these young individuals was very impressive.

June 21, 2013 (6:00- 9:30 pm)

I was present for the Council appreciation dinner for the Belledune Fire Department. All those in attendance enjoyed a very good meal. The awards presentations saw many of the Fire Fighters presented pins for their long service to our community.

June 24, 2013

The evening began with a public meeting of Council with the Fire Department. Many issues were addressed and recommendations were made on how to make our community a safer place to live. This was followed by the monthly Public meeting of Council.

June 26, 2013

I attended the monthly meeting of the Chaleur Regional Service Commission. A link will be added to the Belledune web site for the Commission. This will allow residents of our community to read the agenda, minutes and points of interest affecting our community. The monthly budget for the Commission is also available and to date the Commission is on budget.

June 27, 2013

The Mayor's Levy had a couple of visitors drop by to discuss some activities that they wish to develop in our community. I was very pleased to see these individuals present their ideas.

July 2, 2013

The day was spent in training with our legal adviser, Mr. Andre Daigle. He presented an agenda on many of the day to day responsibilities of Council. He guided the Council members present on how they impact our community and what action or non-action he would recommend in specific situations. This was time well spent for everyone and was very informative.

July 8, 2013

The Committee of the Whole meeting was very informative on the issues that need to be addressed during this time of year. All related subjects were placed before Council for discussion and all went well.

In closing, this time of year is sometimes very hard to schedule because of vacation time owed to the dedicated people who do the work. Everyone is doing the best they can to address any problems within the community so I am

asking for your support and understanding on some of the issues. I can only wish everyone a great summer and hope that you are enjoying either your visit to our community or your time earned away from your day to day routine.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ronald Bourque". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping tail.

Ron Bourque

Mayor