



**Village of Belledune
Special Council Meeting
March 6, 2023**

Time: 7:00 PM
Place: Belledune Council Chambers
Mayor, Paul Arseneault
Councillor, Lilliane Carmichael
Present: Councillor, Cynthia Robinson
Councillor, Kristie Carrier
Councillor, Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell
Councillor, Ron Bourque
Staff Present: Clerk - Treasurer, Brenda Cormier
Administrative Assistant, Nicole Carrier

Call to Order & Welcome

Mayor Arseneault called meeting to order and welcomed public.

- Acknowledgement of "Treaties of Peace and Friendship"

Mayor, Arseneault read the Acknowledgement of "Treaties of Peace and Friendship".

- Reaffirm Oath of Office

Council reaffirmed the Oath of Office

Adopt Agenda

M 2023/03/06-1

Lilliane Carmichael moved that the agenda be Adopted as Presented, seconded by Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell. MOTION CARRIED.

Statements of Conflict of Interest Nil

Business

Hiring of Chief Administrative Officer (CAO)

Councillor, Robinson finds it ironic that the Mayor just three months ago was on Facebook talking about the corruption that took place on the renovations of this project and the Mayor and Deputy Mayor then tried to hire an accounting firm to do an audit on claiming that procedure were not followed on the

renovation of this building. She finds it ironic as well, that they would support this appointment; she noted that maybe they will see rewards down the road for their support.

Councillor, Carrier also expressed her disappointment in this appoint. The two people who were convinced that there was wrong doing in the renovation project are supporting the appointment of the person who was in charge of the same project. She noted that this is the same person who walked out leaving them high and dry, no files were left, computer was wiped out and now hiring back we already know can leave you high and dry. There was a great opportunity to bring some fresh blood in who had experience and could have moved the Village forward. I guess this is not the case.

Councillor, Bourque noted that all Council members do not have to like the decision, but they need to respect the majority vote. Council is not going to agree on every decision, every time. The two Council members have fought for polices and procedures to be followed and have even taken action for that. The vote has not been taken yet, whatever way that goes, the Council should respect the decision of the majority of Council.

M 2023/03/06-2

Lilliane Carmichael moved that the Village of Council of Belledune hire Landon Lee as permanent, full time CAO with contract terms to be determined and ratified by a future vote of council, seconded by Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell. MOTION CARRIED

Against: Cynthia Robinson and Kristie Carrier

	For	Against	COI
Lilliane Carmichael	x		
Cynthia Robinson		x	
Kristie Carrier		x	
Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell	x		
Ron Bourque	x		
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Adjournment

M 2023/03/06-3

Lilliane Carmichael moved that the meeting adjourn at 7:06 P.M., seconded by Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell. MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor

Clerk/Treasurer