



**Village of Belledune
Council Working Session
May 13, 2019**

The following items were on the Agenda of the May 13, 2019 Working Session and discussed.

- **Regional Policing Update**

Mayor, Noel and Bathurst Mayor met with the Ministers of Environment & Local Government and Public Safety regarding the regional policing study by CRSC. Both Ministers have reviewed and both like the proposal. They will not be conducting a study of their own in this region for policing, as they suspect the results will be the same. They will assign someone to work with CRSC to proceed with the proposal. The funding formula 50/50 cost share is something that will be looked at in the future. As for Belledune in the CRSC regional police proposal, we should see a reduction in the costs the 3rd; the change will depend on calls. The CRSC Proposal will also include rental for the office space in Belledune. The main office will be in Bathurst and sub-stations in Petit Rocher and Belledune. The proposal could be approved within the year.

Directive to CAO, Lee was to have CLAD proceed with giving a price on the scope of work for the Policing Room in the east end of the building. It will be brought forward with the other proposals for Monday Regular Meeting.

- **Management Letter of Recommendation**

The two items identified need to have some solution developed. They will be addressed in policy revisions and communications.

Administration will be working on the By-laws and Policies to prioritize, review, update and create new one where needed.

- **July & August Meetings**

Proposing to have the July and August Meetings cancelled. If necessary, can call a Special Meeting.

Directive: Add the motion to the agenda for Monday Regular Meeting.

- **Resident Complaint Archibald Rd.- Water**

This issue has been looked at for the past several years, and the water is not created by the municipal ditch, but from the back end of the property.

Directive to CAO, Lee to send letter to property owner

- **Resident Complaint Noel Rd. - Drainage issue private property**

This issue was evaluated by engineers on several occasions and is not created by the municipality, but by the private property. Engineer's estimate provided to fix private property issue is approximately \$100,000.

Directive to CAO, Lee is to discuss with engineer again and report back and respond to resident with a letter.

- Residential Grants Policy

Clarification on the Policy regarding criterion and who qualifies.

Directive to CAO, Lee to create a criterion and documents list so that when applications are received, he has some measurement tools to review and make recommendation from and applicants know what they need to qualify and need to provide when making application.

- Campground Opening

Inquiry about employee start up

Directive CAO, Lee will be organizing a meeting with all the seasonal employees to discuss various matters.

- Arena Summer Opening

Questions regarding the cost of operations for summer operations, the wear and tear on the equipment due to summer operations and the possibility of breakdown with costly repairs. As well, the operational hours vs. employment hours - where employees want a 40-hour week.

The question of no formal commitment, by Motion of Council to open this year; previous year was a test year.

Directives to CAO, Lee and Clerk/Treasurer, Cormier to prepare some reports to include on the agenda; which, will accompany a proposed motion to Open or Not Open.

- Tourism - Seasonal Work - Subsidizing - Gorge - Rental Space - Super Village

General discussion on why these items have to remain and be supported by the Village. It was noted that Belledune needs a Tourism Strategy of its own.

- Internet Mitchell - Any information

Inquiry for any new information - none was available or known.

- International Day Against Homophobia

The Flag will be flown on Friday and a small reception at the CCNB with cake and refreshments. Council by consensus agreed on approving the purchase.

- Arena Employee - Working Hours (lack thereof)

This was discussed previously and the fact that the employees are not able to get 40 hours during the summer season because of reduced ice rental hours. Not sure of solution.

- Unsightly Premises

Some of these are on the list with CRSC Planning and others should be identified and submitted to the office to add to that list.

Directive to CAO, Lee is to have Mr. Bouffard do a follow up report for Council on the ones that are currently in the system and to advise him of others identified.

- Technology Upgrades - Council Chambers
Accommodate Remote Meeting Attendance

The cost associated with doing this to accommodate accessing a meeting remotely is very expensive. Given the very few times this would occur and if Council are respectful of sensitive issues and if someone is going to miss a meeting, they could make a prior request to Council members, to consider tabling the issue to a subsequent meeting.

Consensus was to not consider equipment purchase at this time.

Directive to Clerk/Treasurer, Cormier to not proceed with preparing amendment to Procedural By-law to allow attending meetings remotely, as equipment will not be purchased.

- CLAD Proposals - Café and Office Renovations

CAO, Lee reviewed the west wing renovation and provided CLAD proposals and will have some others prepared by CLAD with options and will bring forward to the Regular Meeting for motion. In addition, the Policing Room, which was designed in Phase 1, will need a proposal from CLAD regarding their cost to manage that renovations process.

- Working Session June 10, 2019
Quarterly Meeting same date
Nancy - Pivotal Input attending

- Annual Report

Regulation 2018-54 of the Local Governance Act requires an Annual Report be prepared and posted to website and available for public access. The document requires specific items to be reported, a lot of financial. The report is to be completed by June 30th so should be ready for adoption at the June Regular meeting.

- First Aid - CPR Course

Will be scheduling the for seasonal once the employees start up dates are determined.

Rec. & Wellness Coordinator, Culligan

- Update - Activities & Event
- Summer Day Camp 2019
- Parks & Trails Technician (Green Job Summer Student
- Parks and Trails Day NB at the Jacquet River (Gorge) on June 1st, 2019 from 10:00am – 2:00pm.
- Arena summer schedule:
- Participation Day: Community Better Challenge
- Movies Nights in the Park
- Yoga and fitness are done