

**Village of Belledune
Special Meeting
December 28, 2016**

Time: 6:03 P.M.
Place: Belledune Municipal Chambers
Present: Mayor, Joe Noel Clerk/Treasurer, Brenda Cormier
Deputy Mayor, Paul Arseneault
Councillor, Lilliane Carmichael
Councillor, Sandenn Killoran
Absent: Councillor, Tracy Culligan
Councillor, Nick Duivenvoorden

Mayor, Noel called the meeting to order.

Agenda

Sandenn Killoran moved that the agenda be adopted with addition under Deputy Mayor, Arseneault- Senior Shuttle, seconded by Paul Arseneault. Motion carried.

Statement of Conflict of Interest: Nil

Business:

Administration Reports

- Clerk/Treasurer, Cormier

2017 General Operating Fund Budget

M 2016/12/28/264

Sandenn Killoran moved that the Council of the municipality of Belledune resolves that the sum of \$5,024,507 be the total operating budget of the Municipality, that the sum of \$4,481,052 be the Warrant of the Municipality for the ensuing year, and that the tax rate(s) for the Municipality be \$1.1984 (Central) and \$.9713 (Fringe), seconded by Paul Arseneault. Motion carried. (2 years- Councillor's, Killoran & Arseneault) (1 nay - Councillor, Carmichael)

Councillor Killoran inquired as to why Councillor Carmichael voted against the budget.

Councillor, Carmichael noted she does not agree with the 2 cent tax increase and she stated this during the final budget preparation meeting.

Deputy Mayor, Arseneault stated that Councillor, Duivenvoorden had pointed out that Belledune may not be able to provide all the services for the amount they are doing now. If there is no increase, we could be faced with an unbelievable tax rate. Citizens need to get use to the fact that an increase needs to take place. As a responsible government we need to do things that may not be palatable but good for the municipality.

2017 General Utility Fund Budget

M 2016/12/28/265

Sandenn Killoran moved that the Council of the municipality of Belledune resolves that pursuant to paragraph 189(4) of the Municipalities Act, the total budget for the Water / Sewer Utility for the ensuing year would consist of total revenues of \$94,645 and total expenditures of \$94,645, seconded by Lilliane Carmichael. Motion carried

2016 Year End Financial – Reserve Fund

M 2016/12/28/266

Paul Arseneault moved that \$315,000 of the \$600,000, transferred by Motion # M 2016/11/21-235, be transferred back from the 2016 General Operating Fund to the General Capital Reserve Fund, leaving a balance of \$285,000 as the transfer from the General Capital Reserve to the General Operating Fund for the year 2016, seconded by Sandenn Killoran. Motion carried.

M 2016/12/28/267

Lilliane Carmichael moved that \$2,500 be transferred from the 2016 Utility (Water & Sewer) Operating Fund to the Utility Capital Reserve Fund, seconded by Paul Arseneault. Motion carried.

Village of Belledune– Industrial Park Rail-line Monthly Inspection

M 2016/12/28/268

Sandenn Killoran moved that the 2017 Industrial Railway Spur-line Maintenance Agreement be awarded to the lowest qualified bidder, SCT Rail Contactors Ltd. for the term January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017 for the price of \$3,000 plus HST (\$3,450) and the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to endorse associated agreement, seconded by Lilliane Carmichael. Motion carried.

- o Deputy Mayor, Arseneault
- Senior' Shuttle Service Update

There has not been many registered for the bowling – six (6) individuals and with two (2) more going to let know. The target was for at least ten.

As of banking, there are about twelve (12) interested.

The question is how do we proceed, do we proceed with one, both or no services. Will the deal with the Aquatic Center have to be re-negotiated?

The decision is to proceed with both services; banking starting in January and Bowling in February. The service is set up until April and will be evaluated at the time.

As for times when cancellation will be necessary due to weather or some unforeseen circumstance, the Aquatic Center will be asked to contact the municipal office and citizens can contact the office for information on cancellations.

Deputy Mayor, Arseneault will draft up a notice for the Newsletter.

Councillor, Killoran discussed the user fees for the Health & Wellness programs. He will prepare a notice for the Newsletter.

By-laws & Policies:

- Mayor & Council Remuneration By-law – Amendment #2016-12
 - o Third and Final Reading and Adoption

M 2016/12/28/269

Sandenn Killoran moved that the Village of Belledune By-law Amendment # 2016-12 a By-law to amend By-law # 2001-09 Respecting the Remuneration of the Mayor and Council be read a third and final time and adopted, seconded by Paul Arseneault. Motion carried. (2 yeas- Councillor's, Killoran & Arseneault) (1 nay - Councillor, Carmichael)

Councillor, Killoran noted he support the by-law amendment. It is expected that Council volunteer their time, both evenings and weekends. Council is a labour of love, but should not be losing labour of love. He feels the amount for missing work is fair,

Councillor, Carmichael said she felt that it should have followed what other locations have done.

Closed Session: Legal

Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 6:40 P.M. on a motion by Sandenn Killoran and seconded by Lillian Carmichael. Motion carried.

Clerk/Treasurer

Mayor