



**Village of Belledune  
Committee of Whole Council Meeting  
July 13, 2020**

Attendees- Remote:

Joe Noel, Nick Duivenvoorden, Lilliane Carmichael, Tracy Culligan, Paul Arseneault, Sandenn Killoran.  
Landon Lee

**CALL TO ORDER & WELCOME**

**ADOPT AGENDA**

**M 2020/07/13-94**

**Nick Duivenvoorden moved that the Agenda be Adopted as Presented, seconded by Tracy Culligan.  
MOTION CARRIED.**

**STATEMENTS OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST** Nil

**PRESENTATIONS / PETITIONS / DELEGATIONS** Nil

**BUSINESS**

Council

**COUNCILLOR, ARSENAULT**

- Mitchell Rd./Lawlor Rd. Intersection (update for the public)

Paul Arseneault requested an update on this project. CAO Lee indicated the tender process is complete and closed on the previous Friday. Only one bid received in. Estimated construction cost were \$68,750 + HST, bid received was \$83,355 + HST. GEMTEC will review bid and provide letter of recommendation. Question from Duivenvoorden concerning if the work done will resolve the public safety issues that are of concern. CAO Lee indicated GEMTEC has provided a scope of work for the project, CAO Lee to see if there is something that GEMTEC can provide a more optical type report on what the work will result in.

- Placing money in the Budget to hire Local Contractors to assist DTI in the upcoming season

Paul Arseneault feels there will be more responsibility for municipalities to manage snow plow operations. COVID resulted in slow down of operations in Spring, and he expects this to happen again in the fall. Paul would like to discuss adding money to this budget. He feels we need a strategy for side streets to be have banks addressed. He would like to have a plan and money to back it up. Mayor Noel indicated DTI is looking for additional drivers, and suggests arranging a meeting with DTI in the fall to arrange a plan. We do not pay for additional work (blowing), we pay only for regular winter maintenance. Nick agrees with concept; however, we are looking at revenue cuts due to industry closures. Lilliane suggests asking other municipalities how they are managing their services.

CAO Lee notified Council that he is receiving in requests from potential residents who are looking for snow removal services to be added to some areas to allow for year-round living. Additionally, winter snow removal requests that do come in are pushed to DTI for actioning, they manage all the services and budget.

Paul Arsenault concluded by saying he has concerns over bank height and public safety issues that come along with that. Also, Paul noted that if residents are looking to have services extended to currently non-serviced areas, he would be against this considering Council is discussing cutting costs in other areas.

Tracy Culligan also indicated she would not want to see cuts to staffing, so would be hesitant to insert more money into this budget.

## Administration

### CAO, Lee

- Discussion on Restigouche Street Extension - Belledune Light Industrial Park

We have received the attached design package from Roy Consultants for the Restigouche St. extension. Francis has provided two different options for the street; both of these options have the extension going as far back as possible. Francis has provided some alternate pricing options (i.e.: omitting asphalt) to offer some cost savings. Roy Consultants will require some direction on how to proceed from here, so I'll be requesting direction from Council on this.

#### Roy Consultants 242-19-1-Letter Landon Lee (July 3 20)

CAO Lee outlined the differences in the proposals from Roy Consultants, and indicated Roy Consultants could do anything up to and including the options available in the proposal. There is a large component of the construction that is associated to the spur line and railroad crossing. If Council requires questions answered about the road extension, please communicate with CAO Lee. Mayor Noel indicated he felt the Hammerhead option in the proposal was the best option.

- Phase 1 Building Renovation Construction Completion

Outside of programming work that needs to be release by suppliers, the Phase 1 construction is completed. I would like to finalize all payments to Genibuild to have this project completed. We have a \$50,000 holdback that I will release next week, however I'm going to retain \$5,000 of this until the programming is done. There is also the attached CCO which was the last CCO issued for the Phase 1 work. This final CCO is a catch-all of sorts, all the lose ends of the phase were put into this CCO. Most of the work in this is related to mechanical and electrical changes made in reception corridor. Additionally, there was work done on exterior speaker systems in the café, plumbing work on a humidifier, some exterior hose piping and a swipe access to the Power Club. The final tally on this CCO is **\$35,142.85**.

CAO Lee indicated this was the final CCO for Phase 1 construction. Outstanding items in Phase 1 are only programming for equipment, items have already been paid for so there should not be additional costs. CAO Lee indicated the municipality was holding back \$5000 from the General Contractor until all programming is complete. CAO Lee described some of the miscellaneous works that were included in the CCO. Any questions or further details can be forwarded to CAO Lee. Paul Arsenault indicated he would like to a discussion topic at the following meeting where any municipal project would have a monetary threshold that would trigger an independent audit. Sandenn Killoran spoke to the transparency in the auditing process. CAO Lee indicated there could be process already in place that the municipality is undertaking that could be refined to meet the requirement. Paul Arsenault concluded that the building project was a very complicated process and would like to see an independent audit done on the project.

### **Note: Clerk/Treasurer**

Change Order CCO#68 in the amount of \$35,142.85 will need a motion at a Regular Meeting to release payment CCO#68 Cost - Phase 1

**CLOSED SESSION** Nil

**ADJOURNMENT**

**M 2020/07/13-95**

**Nick Duivenvoorden moved that the meeting adjourn at 7:37 P.M., seconded by Sandenn Killoran.  
MOTION CARRIED.**

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Mayor

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Acting Clerk

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Clerk/Treasurer