

Village of Belledune Committee of Whole Council Meeting February 12, 2018

Time: 7:00 PM

Place: Council Chambers
Present: Mayor, Joe Noel

Deputy Mayor, Paul Arseneault Councillor, Lilliane Carmichael Councillor, Tracy Culligan Councillor, Nick Duivenvoorden

Councillor, Sandenn Killoran

Absent:

Staff CAO, Landon Lee

Present: Clerk - Treasurer, Brenda Cormier

Staff Absent:

Mayor Noel called meeting to order and welcomed public.

Call to Order & Welcome

Adopt Agenda

2018/02/12-10

Tracy Culligan moved that the Agenda be Adopted as Amended with changes: remove under Councillor Duivenvoorden - Arena Employment and add St. Patrick's Day Pub Night and add under Councillor, Killoran - FCM Conference, seconded by Lilliane Carmichael. MOTION CARRIED.

Statements of Conflict of Interest

Nil

Presentations / Petitions / Delegations

 Chantal Bernard - Restigouche Community Transportation Coordinator Restigouche Community Inclusion Network

Chantal Bernard and Jessica Maltais gave a presentation of who the organization is, their funding structure and priorities. The Transportation structure was explained including area of coverage,

volunteer based, volunteer compensation, membership costs and fee structure, target clients and priority, etc. The service has started, but the official launch is June.

Belledune is serviced by two (2) groups; Restigouche and Chaleur.

Belledune will publish in their Newsletter and Website the information provided by the group, how the services can be accessed and volunteer recruitment.

Business

Council

Mayor, Noel

CRSC - Chaleur Region Tourism Communication Strategy

A copy is included in this week's meeting package for your review prior to next week. A resolution will be on the agenda for February 20th meeting for Council adoption of the strategy.

Deputy Mayor, Arseneault

Snow Plow Complaint

Councillor, Carmichael has on her agenda items.

Trucking Concerns

A complaint was made to Deputy Mayor, Arseneault by a local runner regarding local contractor using Route 134 through village, causing concern about his safety from debris from the truck and its wheels.

CAO, Lee said he knows of one contractor coming from Mitchell and it is double the mileage for him to take Highway 11 to get to his destination.

Councillor, Carmichael

DTI Snow Removal

There are still noted problems with DTI snow removal - not being done in timely manner (particularly the side roads) and the terrible condition of the roads after the last storm (ruts in road for 3 or 4 days)

CAO, Lee and Mayor Noel met with DTI on Friday. It was a good meeting. CAO, Lee said he offered to help them prioritize the areas to be done in Belledune.

Mayor, Noel noted the problem is they have no specific work plan, they have no spare operators and their directives are coming from Fredericton, who has no idea of our needs in the northern part of the province.

Councillor, Culligan

2018 FCM Conference

Councillor, Culligan wish to advise Council the registration opens up a couple of weeks ago, and from past experience the sessions fill up fast. The conference is being held in Halifax form May 31- June 3.

Mayor, Noel said he attended last year and is willing to let others go in his place if they wish. This will be an agenda item for next meeting to approve attending, for those who are interested.

Councillor, Duivenvoorden

- Addressing Issue of Arena Employees not getting 40 hour work weeks.
 Item removed from Agenda received report from Clerk/Treasurer, Cormier and it provided information needed.
- Addressing who can ask questions during Question Period.

Part time residents

Visitors

Non property owners

Councillor, Duivenvoorden does not want to see the Question Period cancelled, but would like to see it refined to build a little integrity. He is not sure how to do it, but the Question Period should not be used for public to be rude and blow off steam based on rumors.

St. Patrick's Day - Pub Night, Bernard Devereaux entertainment \$850
 Council input

Councillor, Duivenvoorden explained that he intends to have Bernard Devereaux perform for the St. Patrick's Day Pub Night and will have a motion on the next week's agenda. The costs will be around \$850.

As of the February 17, 2018 Pub night, the access to Wi-Fi in the building and with some help the viewing the Hockey game can be set up on the big screen as well he will promote people to bring cards, board games etc.

The other issue to be address for the Recreation Centre, is the need for a sound system.

Councillor, Killoran noted this has been budgeted this year as an enhancement for the Recreation Center and it will be part of the new coordinators job to look into this.

Councillor, Carmichael expressed her concerns about the cost and not using local artist.

Councillor, Killoran

Recreation and Wellness Coordinator

Hiring process clarification and finalization

Councillor, Killoran noted he is familiar with the previous motion regarding hiring under the CAO's responsibility so as it does not come back to Council. Any resume he received he sent to CAO, Lee.

Councillor, Culligan expressed her concerns with resumes being sent to Councillor, Killoran or any Council members. Council agreed they would stay out of the hiring and they should stay out.

Councillor, Killoran noted this is his first time setting up job ads and he received several and forward to CAO, Lee without looking at. He did not ask to have them sent to his e-mail, but they are using his Facebook e-mail to send to him.

By-law Enforcement and Re-Evaluation

Councillor, Killoran noted it was discussed last month how to enforce without enforcement officer. He asked for list of By-law and Policies and the list provided by Clerk /Treasurer, Cormier is more that he thought. There is a need to have a thorough review and see which are needed and which ones need to be amended and which ones need to be gone.

Council discussion on how to best proceed with this process, who should be doing and where to start. It was noted that it is Council's responsibility to set policy and Council should meet and do so to review By-laws and Policy with the advice of CAO, Lee.

Directive for moving forward, is to prioritize the list, CAO proceed to draft or amend based on Council input, present back to Council for review, and present final draft to legal for review and input prior to the final version being presented for adoption process. It was also noted, that each By-law and Policy should have a review date as part of the document to ensure they are kept current.

Youth Strategy Presentation (PowerPoint)

Councillor, Killoran did a presentation, data based on Statistic Canada information and his proposal regarding the formation of a Youth Committee. A copy of his presentation is on file.

A formation of any Committee, under the new Governance Act - is required to be done through a Bylaw.

Councillor, Duivenvoorden complemented the presentation, but noted that this would be a lot of pressure for these young people. How do you convince a population that is happy with the way things are; change is a struggle in our Community.

Councillor, Killoran noted it will take the entirety community to create an attitude shift.

CAO, Lee

- Belledune Capital Asset Management Plan R.V. Anderson Associates Ltd. Proposal CAO, Lee noted Belledune has to start with preparing their CAMP and there has been money earmarked in our Gas Tax Fund and as well the consultants R.V. Anderson will apply for other funding. Council can review the proposal and get back; if there are no issues a motion will be added to next week agenda for Council consideration.
- Donation Request & Contribution Policy
 Follow up What other Municipalities are doing for Donations
 Review Undue Hardship Clause

CAO, Lee advised he recently put out to the other municipalities, but does not have a lot of information yet. He will keep Council updated as he receives.

 Economic Development Task Force Committee Resignation written & verbal

CAO, Lee has circulated the revised Terms of Reference to the committee. Currently there is one written and one verbal resignation. A motion will be on the agenda next week for acceptance of those resignations.

Recess

Mayor, Noel called for recess at 8:32 p.m. Meeting was reconvened at 8:47 p.m. to Closed Session.

Closed Session

Personnel

Adjournment

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Sandenn Killoran moved that the meeting adjourned at 9:08 P.M., seconded by Tracy Culligan. MOTION CARRIED.

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Mayor	
Clerk/Treasurer	

Public Comments & Question