



**Village of Belledune  
Regular Council Meeting  
July 19, 2021**

**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  
Deputy Mayor, Ron Bourque  
**Staff Present:** Clerk - Treasurer, Brenda Cormier

**Call to Order**

- Mayor, Arseneault called the meeting to Order and commenced the meeting with the following statement:

We would like to begin by acknowledging that the land on which we gather is the traditional unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq Peoples. This territory is covered by the "Treaties of Peace and Friendship" which Wəlastəkwiyyik (Maliseet), Mi'kmaq and Passamaquoddy Peoples first signed with the British Crown in 1726. The treaties did not deal with surrender of lands and resources but in fact recognized Mi'kmaq and Wəlastəkwiyyik (Maliseet) title and established the rules for what was to be an ongoing relationship between nations.

- Reaffirm Oath of Office

Council reaffirmed their Oath of Office.

- Moment of Reflection

Mayor, Arseneault asked for a moment of silence in memory of those who passed away: Rachel Moriarty, Austin Doucet & Edwina Dempsey of Belledune and Kimberlee Doucett of Red Deer Alberta (daughter of Rayburn Doucett).

**Adopt Agenda**

**M 2021/07/19-83**

**Lilliane Carmichael moved that the Agenda be Adopted as Amended with changes: Add under Councillor, Robinson - Ceremony for the Recovery of the Remains of the Residential School Children, Remove under Councillor, Guitard-McDonnell - Code of Conduct and Add - Community Events Committee updates, Add under Councillor, Carmichael - Discussion Roherty Road and Area, Add under Mayor, Arseneault - Appointment of Assistant Clerk and Fire Dept.**

**Incident this past weekend and Add under Deputy Mayor, Bourque - AJN Motion, Rescind or Amend, seconded by Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell. MOTION CARRIED.**

**Statements of Conflict-of-Interest** Nil

**Adoption of Minutes**

**M 2021/07/19-84**

**Lilliane Carmichael moved that the Minutes of the First Regular Meeting of June 7, 2021, Committee of Whole Council Meeting June, 14, 2021 and Regular Meeting of June 21, 2021 be adopted as presented, seconded by Kristie Carrier. MOTION CARRIED.**

**Business Arising from Minutes** Nil

**Presentations / Petitions / Delegations**

- Jacques Ouellette - Belledune ATV Trails Update

Mr. Ouellette presented to Council the history on development of ATV Trails, the status of the project to date, this issues that have halted the project from funding approvals to license of occupancy from the provincial departments. The Village of Belledune committed \$275,000 to the project and the balance yet to be accessed is \$131,800. Because of the delays on either the funding or the license of occupancy - the cost of the bridge has now increased by about \$100,000 (in most part because of the steel prices increases created by the US steel tax). But the project is not dead, there is an application submitted to the Federal Gas Tax Fund - again hinged the license of occupancy approval from the province and as well to Belledune still prepared to committee the \$131,800. This trail and the bridge over Jacquet are not only important to Belledune but it is the ATV link for all northern N.B and the development of the ATV tourism industry.

**M 2021/07/19-101**

**Ron Bourque moved that the Council of Belledune reaffirm the commitment of funding (\$131,800) is still available for the ATV trail development in Belledune, seconded by Lilliane Carmichael. MOTION CARRIED.**

- Yvon Frenette, CRSC Planning Department  
Citizen Request - D & L Godin and R & B Legacy

Mr. Frenette provided a Power Point presentation for both the Dale and Lloyd Godin cottage request and the Ron & Betty Legacy to install a storage building and travel trailer on property they purchased on Culligan Road. Both presentations are on file.

- Dale and Lloyd Godin had a cottage that on property non abutting a public street which burnt and they want to replace that cottage on the same property and footprint as the previous one was. The request does not meet the required laws. Therefore, the Council is being asked to provide their input and recommendation.
  - Council directive Motion M 2021/07/19-102
- Ron and Betty Legacy, from Ontario, are asking to install the building and travel trailer on the property so they can leave it hear year around for when they come back to visit. The property in question is not zoned for that use and a rezoning would be required.
  - Council requested that Mr. Frenette ask the Planning Advisory Committee to add this request to there meeting agenda to approve the Legacy's a variance for the 1 year permitted term, so they can be given the opportunity to apply for the rezoning and have

the request come before Council, and go through the rezoning process for decision a By-law Amendment.

**M 2021/07/19-102**

**Ron Bourque moved and Lilliane Carmichael seconded, that the Council of Belledune agree to the rebuilding of cottage by Lloyd and Dale Godin on property PID: 50355536, with the following conditions:**

- **Waterfront Drive or the private access is not suitable for a public street. The municipality of Belledune will not upgrade or maintain this private access in the future. All maintenance services and improvements to the private access are the responsibility of the property owners.**
- **The garbage will not be pick up along the Waterfront Drive or the private access, it will have to be brought up to the public street in order to be pick up.**

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**Statements by Member of Council**

Mayor, Arseneault

- Hiring Interim CAO

**M 2021/07/21-85**

**Ron Bourque moved that the following Resolution for hiring interim CAO be adopted as presented, seconded by Lilliane Carmichael. MOTION CARRIED.**

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS the position for Belledune CAO has become vacant;**

**AND WHEREAS the Council of Belledune wishes to fill the position on an interim basis while they are recruiting for a full-time CAO replacement;**

**AND WHEREAS Council has identified Scott Ferguson as the suitable candidate to fill the Interim CAO position;**

**BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of Belledune does hereby offer the position of Interim CAO to Scott Ferguson as per the terms and condition outlined in the drafted employment contract.**

- Jack Novack In House Session

Mayor, Arseneault noted the sessions with Mr. Novack were quite helpful, in particular, his information on what a CAO position should be and how that works with Council.

- CRSC Meeting with Mayor Chamberlain

Mayor, Arseneault advised of his meeting with Mayor, Chamberlain and a couple of points raised regarding the CRSC; asked for consideration to have office space used in Belledune and some ideas on improvement to services we use for the money we spend.

- Appointment of Assistant Clerk

**M 2021/07/19-103**

**Lilliane Carmichael moved that Administrative Assistant, Nicole Carrier be appointed as Belledune Assistant Clerk, seconded by Kristie Carrier. MOTION CARRIED.**

- Incident Fire Dept. – past weekend

Mayor, Arsenault said he was made aware of an incident involving a first responder vehicle. He wants to make Council aware in general terms. Hopefully, there will be a meeting with Fire Dept. in no more than a week or two. The members from the Fire Dept. will be able to answer questions. We need to find a solution as we do not want this to happen again.

It is understood the vehicle is now out of service and will not be returning.

In reference to the Fire Dept. meeting, in the past these were done In Camera.

Clerk/Treasurer, Cormier clarified the sessions that can be held in Closed session (In Camera).

Deputy Mayor, Bourque noted he attended a lot of these meetings in the past and he does not see a lot of things that should be confidential. He believes it is a positive thing for public to know Council is meeting with the Fire Dept. He sees it as a good thing.

Deputy Mayor, Bourque

- Tender Costs for Engineering Firm to Evaluate

**M 2021/07/19-86**

**Ron Bourque moved that Council hire a firm to evaluate the cost of installing separate electrical meters for each facility in the municipal building instead of one meter for the whole building and to do an evaluation on the municipal building to see if the \$4.655 million spent is a fair value for this building**

**No Secunder for the Motion**

- Have CAO contact Contendo over our website to see if they can bring it to a standard, we can actually use

**M 2021/07/19-87**

**Ron Bourque moved that Council have CAO to contact Contendo to discuss and address website issues, seconded by Lilliane Carmichael. MOTION CARRIED.**

- Study and Prepare Plan for a Snow Remover Program on streets that take longer to clear after a storm

**M 2021/07/19-88**

**Ron Bourque moved that Council commence a process to get things started on cost and planning for snow removal program of streets not get done in a timely manner, seconded by Lilliane Carmichael. MOTION CARRIED.**

- AJN Motion of June 2021 Meeting

Mayor, Arsenault advised that Francis Frenette, of Roy Consultants has agreed to come and meet with Council. This has been done in the past when a new Council came in and he would like to see this happen again.

**M 2021/07/19-104**

**Ron Bourque moved that based upon the information that has come forward by Roy Consultants regarding the Restigouche Road Extension as it related to the AJN property, the Council of Belledune give a directive to CAO toe proceed with moving the project forward, seconded by Lilliane Carmichael. MOTION CARRIED.**

Councillor, Carmichael

- Budget Meeting Dates

**M 2021/07/19-89**

**Lilliane Carmichael moved that Council schedule the commencement of 2022 Budget Preparation Meetings be for September 14 and September 22, 2021, seconded by Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell. MOTION CARRIED.**

- Closure of CCNB
  - Can anything be done to keep this going. And who can be contacted? Can the mayor or Intern CAO reach out to our MLA. This is 2 jobs in our community and the upgrading program.
- Restigouche Road Extension
- Roherty Road and Area

Councillor, Guitard-McDonnell

- Community Events Committee - Update on Activities
- Community Events Committee Appointments

**M 2021/07/19-90**

**Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell moved that in accordance with the Community Events Committee By-law # CED 12-2019, Kayla Hickey be appointed as Committee co-chair and Councillor, Guitard-McDonnell be appointed as municipal representative and that a flyer be sent out soliciting for citizen interest for Committee appointment as recording secretary, seconded by Lilliane Carmichael. MOTION CARRIED.**

- Data Base Program, Monday.com - More Information

**M 2021/07/19-91**

**Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell moved that Council get more information about the data base system and how we can use it effectively and with proper intent, seconded by Lilliane Carmichael. MOTION CARRIED**

**Against: Kristie Carrier**

	<b>For</b>	<b>Against</b>	<b>COI</b>
Lilliane Carmichael	x		
Cynthia Robinson	x		
Kristie Carrier		x	
Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell	x		
Ron Bourque	x		

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- August Meetings - Committee of Whole Council Meeting & Regular Meeting

**M 2021/07/19-92**

**Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell moved that due to the timing of Interim CAO position being filled, Council will cancel the Committee of Whole Council Meeting of August 3, 2021 and the Regular Meeting of August 16, 2021, seconded by Lilliane Carmichael. MOTION CARRIED**

**Against: Cynthia Robinson and Ron Bourque**

	<b>For</b>	<b>Against</b>	<b>COI</b>
Lilliane Carmichael	x		
Cynthia Robinson		x	
Kristie Carrier	x		
Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell	x		
Ron Bourque		x	
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Councillor, Adams Robinson

- Campground Internet

**M 2021/07/19-93**

**Cynthia Robinson moved that Council approved the upgrades to Campground Internet by PLC Info for the amount of \$5,744.24 as per their Quotation # PLC7051 dated July 15, 2021, seconded by Lilliane Carmichael. MOTION CARRIED.**

- Ceremony for the Recovery of the Remains of the Residential School Children  
Ceremony will take place on August 22, 2021 at the Municipal Office grounds.  
The grant is not paid to any organization, receipts for purchases will be brought to the Belledune Treasurer for reimbursement.

**M 2021/07/19-102**

**Cynthia Robinson moved that Council provide a grant of up to \$1000 to cover the costs of organizing a ceremony for the recovered remains and survivors of the residential school system, seconded by Lilliane Carmichael. MOTION CARRIED.**

Administration Reports

Clerk/Treasurer, Cormier

- Financial Reports

**M 2021/07/19-94**

**Lilliane Carmichael moved that the Financial Report be accepted as presented and the Accounts Payable be paid, seconded by Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell. MOTION CARRIED.**

- Appointment of Signing Officer – Bank

**M 2021/07/19-95**

**Ron Bourque moved that in accordance with section 77(1) of the N.B. Local Governance Act, Mayor, Paul Arseneault and/or Councillor, Lilliane Carmichael and /or Councillor, Kristie Carrier be appointed to sign jointly with Treasurer, Brenda Cormier, all cheques issued by the**

**Village of Belledune and remove Landon Lee as signing officer, seconded by Lilliane Carmichael. MOTION CARRIED.**

- Chaleur Forest Products Ltd. - Land Purchase Industrial Park

Council discussed the request and they will ask Mr. Woods to meet with Council for more discussion and clarification, etc.

**By-laws and Policies** Nil

**Motions and Resolutions**

- CRSC Planning Department - Rezoning Request -TS Hachey
  - Council resolution requesting the written views of the Regional Planning Advisory Committee

**Subject: Amendment to the zoning provisions of the rural plan for the property bearing PID 20445805**

**M 2021/07/19-96**

**Lilliane Carmichael moved and seconded by Kristie Carrier that at the Regular Council meeting of Belledune held on July 19, 2021, it was moved to request the Regional Planning Advisory Committee of the Chaleur Regional Service Commission for its written views on the proposed by-law amending the zoning provisions of the rural plan with respect to the following project:**

**The owner of the parcel of land on Dempsey Road bearing PID 20445805, is requesting to rezone the property from an Industrial type 1 zone, (Ind-1 zone) to an Industrial type 2 zone, (Ind-2 zone) in order to allow the operation of a quarry.**

**It is pursuant to subsection 110(1) of the Community Planning Act that we ask you to study this project and to provide us with your written views within 30 days of the request.**

**MOTION CARRIED.**

- Social and Environmental Grant Report and Recommendation

It was noted that Grants cannot be paid out to individuals as requested by Nathan Guitard, they have to be channeled through an organization. As was done in the past, the Grant will be channeled through the Belledune Volunteer Fire Dept.

**M 2021/07/19-97**

**Lilliane Carmichael moved that the Social and Environmental CAO Grant Report of July 2021 be accepted as presented and the following recommendations approved; \$250 to the Lorne Days Festival, seconded by Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell. MOTION CARRIED.**

**M 2021/07/19-98**

**Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell moved that a Social and Environmental Grant be approved for Nathan Guitard to attend the Lumberjacked 3 Super Series Arm Wrestling Competition in Saint Johns Newfoundland from July 30- August 2, 2021 in the amount of \$400.00, seconded by Lilliane Carmichael. MOTION CARRIED.**

- Economic Development - Residential Grant.

**M 2021/07/19-99**

**Lilliane Carmichael moved that in accordance with the Village of Belledune Economic Development By-law # ED-01-2019 and the Residential Grant Policy, Council accepts CAO, Lee recommendation and approve the following grants: \$1,545.00 to Timmy Collins and \$3,907.50 to Robert Puls, seconded by Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell. MOTION CARRIED.**

**General Correspondence**

- Correspondence In:
  - Restigouche SPCA - Report June 2021
  - Atlantic Railway - Rail Spurline Inspection July 2021
  - CRSC Planning - Permit Report (Confidential0
  - CRS - CVITP Thank you and Certificate of Appreciation
  - Tourism, Heritage & Culture - Acadian Village Tickets
  - CRSC - Presentation of Regional Strategic Plan Economic Development
  
- Chief, Jim Richardson - Letter of Support for Clean Energy Project at Port of Belledune

**M 2021/07/19-105**

**Lilliane Carmichael moved that the Council of Belledune approve submitting a letter of support to Chief, Richardson for a Clean Energy Project at the Port of Belledune, seconded by Kristie Carrier. MOTION CARRIED.**

**Closed Session Nil**

**Adjournment**

**M 2021/07/19-100**

**Lilliane Carmichael moved that the meeting adjourn at 9:39 P.M., seconded by Kristie Carrier. MOTION CARRIED.**

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Mayor

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Clerk/Treasurer