

Village of Belledune Committee of Whole Council Meeting September 3, 2019

Time: 7:00 PM

Place: Council Chambers

Mayor, Joe Noel

Councillor, Paul Arseneault

Present: Councillor, Lilliane Carmichael

Councillor, Tracy Culligan

Deputy Mayor, Sandenn Killoran

Absent: Councillor, Nick Duivenvoorden

Staff Present: CAO, Landon Lee

Clerk - Treasurer, Brenda Cormier

Call to Order & Welcome

Mayor, Noel called meeting to Order and welcome everyone.

Adopt Agenda

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Tracy Culligan moved that the Agenda be Adopted as Presented, seconded by Lilliane Carmichael. MOTION CARRIED.

Statements of Conflict of Interest

Nil

Presentations / Petitions / Delegations

Nil

Business

Council

Councillor, Arseneault

Mitchell Rd./Lawlor Rd. Intersection

Councillor, Arseneault in the absence of a quote, he will be putting a motion on the floor at the Regular meeting to put a specific amount in the Budget for the work on the Mitchell Rd./Lawlor Rd. intersection. From resources and research, he has put an educated guess at the amount.

Deputy Mayor, Killoran inquired about the progress on the DTI project and funding, as that money budgeted would be available

Mayor, Noel advised it would not be funded this year, however sometimes in the fall there could be changes.

CAO, Lee advised he is not sure about a quote but he has a site visit scheduled with Roy Consultants for next week, to take a look at something less invasive. Something we could do with our own manpower. Not sure about quotes, but he would need a motion from Council to do the study first.

Plastic Bag By-law

Councillor, Arseneault expressed the importance of environment and climate change and all governments need to do what they can. However, he is hesitant about this ban because of the impacts it could have on our local businesses and could put a real dent in their bottom line and take away from their profit margin. He inquired from Deputy Mayor, Killoran would there be any assistance provincially or federally.

Deputy Mayor, Killoran noted he is waiting on information from Clerk/Treasurer regarding the use of Gas Tax Fund to supply reusable bags. Was wondering which businesses had expressed concerns, as the ones he spoke with had no problem with this initiative.

Councillor, Arseneault noted there were 2 particular ones. For him if this impacts them in a negative manner; their profit margins are small enough; if it hurts them anymore, they may not exist. Initiative is a good one, but if end result is bad enough, he could not approve.

Deputy Mayor, Killoran said he would visit those businesses. Change is coming; it will be provincial or federal in the near future. This is not a reason to back down.

Summer Student Acknowledgement

Councillor, Arseneault acknowledged there was a good group of student employees this summer and he wish them well.

Code of Conduct Document

Councillor, Arseneault noted he had a few more issues and wondered if there is any date when our legal will sign off on this.

Clerk/Treasurer, Cormier advised she did not hear anything back from any Council members on the issues and concerns they have.

Councillor, Arseneault noted it is hard to have input, he has not expertise and it needs legal

Mayor, Noel noted it will go to legal anyway.

Deputy Mayor, Killoran share some of the same sentiments as Councillor, Arseneault. He is not sure of some implications and it would be nice to have a Question and Answer with legal where they could use some examples.

Councillor, Carmichael noted, legal should go over document and we can ask questions at that time.

Councillor, Arseneault stated he is not sure if before or after, but we should have an academic look at it.

Mayor, Noel noted we are not the only municipality that has to do this; it has to be done.

Councillor, Arseneault said about getting from other municipalities.

Clerk/Treasurer, Cormier advised the two (2) presented to Council as Drafts are from two (2) other municipalities, only the name has been changed to Belledune.

Councillor, Arseneault asked if he could have access to the originals.

Clerk/Treasurer, Cormier advised she would send.

CAO, Lee

NB Power - Extension to Line, Belledune Light Industrial Park

CAO, Lee presented to options from NB Power for extension of hydro line in the Belledune Light Industrial Park. Options is crossing over Restigouche vs. Gloucester. The more cost effective one is to run in front of R. Murphy building - however an easement will be needed from Sawmill, but they cannot do because of the guide wire. The other scenario is across the road from R. Murphy building. of \$4,900 when he connects.

He will be bringing forward for Motion of Council at the Regular meeting, however in the meantime if Council need more information, let him know.

Council inquires regarded number of available properties to hook up and having a more strategic plan for the development of the Light Industrial Park.

Closed Session

Nil

Adjournment

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Lilliane Carmichael moved that the meeting adjourned at 7:25 P.M., seconded by Tracy Culligan. MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor		
Clerk/Treasurer		