

Village of Belledune Regular Council Meeting May 19, 2020

Time:	7:00 PM
Place:	REMOTE - Electronic
Present:	Mayor, Joe Noel
	Councillor, Paul Arseneault
	Councillor, Lilliane Carmichael
	Councillor, Tracy Culligan
	Councillor, Nick Duivenvoorden
	Deputy Mayor, Sandenn Killoran
Staff Present:	CAO, Landon Lee
	Clerk - Treasurer, Brenda Cormier

Call to Order & Welcome

Mayor, Noel called meeting to order.

• Moment of Reflection

Mayor, Noel asked for a moment of silence in memory of: Thomas Hickey, Hubert Lapointe, Lionel O'Brien & Andy Godin of Lorne and Diana Carrier of Black Point.

Adopt Agenda

M 2020/05/19-61 Nick Duivenvoorden moved that the Agenda be Adopted as Presented, seconded by Tracy Culligan. MOTION CARRIED.

Statements of Conflict of Interest Nil

Adoption of Minutes

M 2020/05/19-62

Tracy Culligan moved that the Minutes of the Special Meeting of April 9, 2020 and the Regular Meeting of April 20, 2020, be adopted as presented, seconded by Lilliane Carmichael. MOTION CARRIED.

Business Arising from Minutes Nil

Presentations / Petitions / Delegations Nil

Statements by Member of Council

Councillor, Arseneault

• Garbage Issues Within Village (discussion)

Councillor, Arseneault said he has received a number of calls and texts from people expressing disappointment about the number of properties that have garbage strewn about. He has personally gone and checked and this is through the Village in different locations. He inquired if other Council members were getting calls and as a Council want can we do to provide a solution so that this does not become a patten.

Council members noted that they have noticed this as well. It was added that this is happening mostly on private properties. There was general discussion around our current Dangerous / Unsightly By-law having enforcement. It was suggested that perhaps issuing warning under Unsightly could be issued. It was also, noted that other municipalities are not tolerating this and we should not have to struggle with this over and over again. This is probably an issue to be addressed sooner than later.

Mayor, Noel said we can have CAO, Lee reach out other smaller municipalities are handling this with no By-law Enforcement Office.

Other comments were maybe lobbying the provincial government to see if there is something through Public Safety.

CAO, Lee said he had dealt with RCMP echo??? our sentiments. He has reached out to Environment to come on site. Maybe engaging Planning Commission, he will reach out to them.

Other conversations were around safety and these practices attracting bears, asking the Planning Commission to take on a bigger role and maybe look at some public services announcements on the radio and in our Newsletter.

• J.R. Park Update (discussion)

Councillor, Arsenault said the last meeting it was agreed that we were comfortable sending employees back to work, with stipulation. What is the status on this?

CAO, Lee advised he had been working on Risk Assessment and working on a plan to open first of June and if it does not all pan out, it may be a bit later. Normally the employees start two (2) weeks before the campers come in. However, things are continually changing and he has to keep an eye on that, but for now June 1 is the target date to open.

• Salmon Barrier (discussion)

CAO, Lee advise the Salmon Barrier will proceed in the same manner as the Campground with the exception of not being open to the public. The employees will return to work on June 1. He has been working with JoAnne on Risk Assessment for an Operation Plan.

• Student Workers (discussion)

Councillor, Arseneault noted he did not notice this was on the agenda for later on. He was just wanting to know what was happening as the graduates still need to get ready for the fall, if going back to normal. They need to prepare financially. This year more than ever we need to get the program set up to get as may students employed as possible.

• Rescue Vehicle (discussion and motion)

Councillor, Arseneault said there was great discussion last time with good points on different approaches. He still feels we should have our own here.

M 2020/05/19-63

Sandenn Killoran moved that the Belledune Village Council agree to allocate \$45,000 (forty-five thousand dollars) in the next budget, for the acquisition of a water related rescue vehicle. That Council also agree to allocate \$10,000 (ten thousand dollars) for training related to the operation of the vehicle and other associated, training related issues. The money allocated to, and for this rescue vehicle acquisition, and the money allocated to, and for training, will not be taken from, nor removed from the Fire Dept. budget, nor will it infringe upon the priorities the Fire Dept. previously identified, or those identified for the next budget, seconded by Paul Arseneault. MOTION DEFEATED.

Against: Lilliane Carmichael, Tracy Culligan, Nick Duivenvoorden, and Sandenn Killoran

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Paul Arseneault	Х		
Lilliane Carmichael		Х	
Tracy Culligan		Х	
Nick Duivenvoorden		Х	
Sandenn Killoran		Х	
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Mayor and Councillors discussion included the need to have this discussion at the Fire Committee meeting and the evaluation and recommendation should come from the Fire Department. As well questions were asked about research on pricing of this vehicle as well as training requirement and operational costs. The need to get the information in preparation for the Budget discussion to commence in September was noted. The letter sent to CRSC was noted again with proposed review of a regional service.

Mayor, Noel is urged to get this request to CRSC to start this process soon.

Councillor, Duivenvoorden

• Roadside Cleanup Program Update

Councillor, Duivenvoorden noted after discussion with participant, Cindy Doucet, it was determined the program could be done safely and is scheduled for June 6, 2020. In lieu of reception afterwards, for safety purposed pizza will be offer to participants to enjoy at their leisure where ever they want.

M 2020/05/19-64

Nick Duivenvoorden moved that Council approve a Budget of up to \$300 for the purchase of Pizza Twice gift certificates for each group who participate in the Roadside Cleanup, to share with their group by social distancing or within the social family bubble, seconded by Tracy Culligan. MOTION CARRIED.

Councillor, Carmichael lost internet connection at 7:42 P.M. Quorum o.k.

• General Statement on Covid-19

Councillor, Duivenvoorden spoke on how we could have never thought that we would ever see anything like this and how it will never be the same again. Has made us realize what is important and how lucky to live where we do. Going forward we, all need to recognize it is all our commitment to restore government fiscally so we can return to a strong fiscal stature.

Administration Reports

CAO, Lee

• Grant Report and Recommendation

M 2020/05/19-65

Nick Duivenvoorden moved that CAO Social & Environmental Grant Report of April 2020 be accepted as presented and recommendations approved: \$3,500 in lieu for ice time rental for the Belledune Skating Club for the year (January - December 2020), seconded by Tracy Culligan. MOTION CARRIED. (Councillor, Carmichael absent)

Councillor, Carmichael got reconnected to meeting at 7:48 P.M.

• Building Renovations Phase 2 - Change Orders Approval

M 2020/05/19-66

Nick Duivenvoorden moved that Council approve the Change Orders No 2, 16, 18 & 19 for the Building Renovation Phase 2 for the total amount of \$5,271.45, seconded by Tracy Culligan. MOTION CARRIED.

Councillor, Arseneault lost internet connection at 7:50 P.M. Quorum o.k.

Clerk/Treasurer, Cormier

Financial Reports

M 2020/05/19-67

Lilliane Carmichael moved that the Financial Report be accepted as presented and the Accounts Payable be paid, seconded by Tracy Culligan. MOTION CARRIED.

By-laws and Policies

• Election of Deputy Mayor

M 2020/05/19-68

Sandenn Killoran moved that Council accepts the resignation of Councillor, Sandenn Killoran as Deputy Mayor, effective as of May 19, 2020, seconded by Lilliane Carmichael. MOTION CARRIED.

M 2020/05/19-69

Nick Duivenvoorden moved that due to a vacancy of the Deputy Mayor position, Council agree to proceed with Election of Deputy Mayor, in May rather than June and the Election of Deputy Mayor be in accordance with section C. 2, subsection 2 of By-law # 10-2004 a By-law of the Regulating the Proceeding of Council, seconded by Lilliane Carmichael. MOTION CARRIED.

Councillor, Arseneault got reconnected to meeting at 7:56 P.M.

Councillor, Carmichael nominated Councillor, Culligan for Deputy Mayor. Councillor, Killoran nominated Councillor, Duivenvoorden for Deputy Mayor.

Mayor Noel called for nomination three (3) times.

Councillor, Culligan accepted nomination. Councillor, Duivenvoorden declined nomination.

Councillor, Arseneault address the nomination of Councillor, Duivenvoorden and the reasons why he would like to have see him accept the nomination.

M 2020/05/19-70

Nick Duivenvoorden moved that Tracy Culligan be appointed as Deputy Mayor in accordance with section C. 2, subsection 2 of the Village of Belledune By-law Regulating the Proceeding of Council, seconded by Lilliane Carmichael. MOTION CARRIED.

Motions and Resolutions

• 2020 Student Subsidy Program

M 2020/05/19-71

Tracy Culligan moved that the 2020 Student Subsidy Program Proceed, seconded by Lilliane Carmichael. MOTION CARRIED.

Councillor, Killoran recommended asking all the businesses to submit their Covid-19 Mitigation Plan.

Canada Day Celebrations

M 2020/05/19-72

Nick Duivenvoorden moved that the Village of Belledune 2020 Canada Day Celebrations be cancelled due to Covid-19 pandemic, seconded by Lilliane Carmichael. MOTION CARRIED.

Councillor, Killoran said he would still like to see Fireworks Display and people could view from their cars.

Councillor, Carmichael said the Community Events Committee is looking at a few things, like a contest. As for Fireworks it would be difficult to control and stop people from getting out of their vehicles.

Community Events Committee Requests - Events and Contest Funding

M 2020/05/19-73

Lilliane Carmichael moved that Council approves a Budget of up to \$12,000, as requested by the Belledune Community Events Committee, for the 2020 Graduates' Acknowledgement during Covid-19, seconded by Tracy Culligan. MOTION CARRIED.

M 2020/05/19-74

Nick Duivenvoorden moved that Council approved the amount of \$200, as requested by the Belledune Community Events Committee, for the purchases of Gift Certificates for the Contests for Mother's Day, Father's Day and Canada Day, seconded by Tracy Culligan. MOTION CARRIED.

General Correspondence

• Correspondence In: Hon. Bill Oliver - 5 Year Plan 2021 Municipal Designated Highway Plan Restigouche SPCA Monthly Reports - April 2020 Atlantic Railway - Track Inspection Report - April 2020

Closed Session Nil

Adjournment

M 2020/05/19-75 Nick Duivenvoorden moved that meeting adjourn at 8:10 P.M., seconded by Lilliane Carmichael. MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor

Clerk/Treasurer

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