

**Present:** 

# Village of Belledune Regular Council Meeting September 20, 2021

**Time:** 7:16 PM

**Place:** Belledune Council Chambers

Mayor, Paul Arseneault

Councillor, Lilliane Carmichael Councillor, Cynthia Robinson

Councillor, Kristie Carrier

Councillor, Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell

Councillor, Ron Bourque

Staff Present: Clerk - Treasurer, Brenda Cormier

Interim, CAO, Scott Ferguson

Mayor, Arseneault call the meeting to Order and commenced the meeting with the Acknowledgement of "Treaties of Peace and Friendship"

• 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: Evelina Moriarty, Theresa Tardiff, Debbie Driscoll, Rosella Lapointe & Hazel Noel of Belledune, Veta Smearer & Evelyn (Lynn) Dempsey (formerly of Black Point), Thomas Hickey of Lorne, Donald Hickey and Luc Gagnon of Gravelhill and Gus Guitard formerly of Jacquet River.

# **Adopt Agenda**

M 2021/09/20-115

Ron Bourque moved that the Agenda be Adopted as Amended with changes: Under Statements by Members of Council - Councillor, Bourque: Add Hiring for ATV Trail Brush Cutting & Motion for Lawlor Road, Mayor Arseneault: - Add Search for CAO and Councillor, Robinson: Delete Veteran's Banners, seconded by Lilliane Carmichael. MOTION CARRIED.

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

Adoption of Minutes M 2021/09/20-116

Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell moved that the Minutes of the Committee of Whole Council Meeting July 5, 2021, the Regular Meeting of July 19, 2021 and the Special Meetings of August 20 & 26, 2021, be adopted as presented, seconded by Lilliane Carmichael. MOTION CARRIED.

Business Arising from Minutes Nil

# **Presentations / Petitions / Delegations** Nil

# **Statements by Member of Council**

Mayor, Arseneault

# Make Works Project

Mayor, Arseneault presented the idea of a project to hire a few people in the community that have no employment. He spoke with Jacques Ouellette about supervising these employees while they brush cut some of the ATV trails. This would allow Mr. Ouellette to not have to spend money on mulchers, it takes care of supervision for these employees, it puts positive input in the ATV Trails, helps to give some people a leg up and it gives back to the community and benefits the community. A motion will be presented later and Council can speak to it at that time.

#### Mitchell Road/Lawlor Road Intersection

Mayor, Arseneault provided the historical information going back about three years, when Council was approached with concerns about that intersection being dangerous. The former CAO had a look and agreed something had to be done. An engineering firm was hired and looked at options. There was a budget of \$125,000 and the Council thought it was a good idea, but then changed their minds. The project came in under budget. The money was put back in the budget for this year, he is not sure where it went, but it is there somewhere. He is putting it back on the agenda to go ahead and do the work as per the option in the package provide to Council at the Gemtec estimated cost of \$68,750. It is a sensible number and allows for some room in case of increase in price. According to engineers this could make a difference. A motion will be presented later and Council can speak to it at that time.

# Search for CAO

Mayor, Arseneault said at the last meeting he had suggested Mr. Denis Caron from the Port of Belledune have their HR Team to help with the search for CAO. There was some agreement by some Council members. In a meeting with Mr. Caron, he said he would be more than happy to assist using his company resources to try to help us find a CAO. Mayor, Arseneault said he cannot over state how serious this it to get the proper CAO. NB Power in important to Belledune and a CAO will need to be able to take this file and go with it. If NB Power goes, that tax base goes. How would we be able to finance what we have? Mr. Caron has the experience and proven track record to be able to recruit, he knows government and has personal relationship with Premier Higgs who will be the person to make the decision on NB Power. This will be a most crucial file and he is putting forward Mr. Caron as an option to help with CAO recruitment. He does not know where we could find a better one.

Deputy Mayor, Bourque said he deals with the file for NB Power and also the Port of Belledune; there are no more professionals than those working in those positions to look at our interest. He believes Mr. Caron will provide valuable information to find the right man for the job.

Councillor, Carrier said the Port uses head hunter, why would he search for ours. How would this not be a conflict of interest.

Mayor, Arseneault said he would help head us in that direction. There is no conflict of interest. How they would lead it, he is not sure, but it would not be without Council approval.

Councillor, Carrier asked how a CAO is going to be able to save NB Power.

Mayor, Arseneault said they would be the point person for that file; chief contact. The CAO would be the most important person from our perspective, more than Mayor, even Council.

Councillor, Carmichael agreed that this is a very important position.

Councillor, Guitard-McDonnell asked if we were paying them.

Mayor, Arseneault said that he was not that far in the conversation, there could possibly be money exchange.

Councillor, Carmichael asked if we are able to look at both Jack Novack and Denis Caron to see what they would both bring to the table.

Councillor, Carrier said we could get both to submit proposals.

Councillor, Robinson said she remembers the conversation with Jack Novack saying he was not a head hunter, but offered services to assist with job description, etc. Head hunting was not what he said he was going to do.

Councillor, Carrier said he said there are young people coming out of university with local governance studies. We can request a proposal.

Mayor, Arseneault asked what experience does he have in recruiting a CAO or high-level administrator.

Councillor, Guitard-McDonnell said he explained that.

Mayor, Arseneault asked again what experience does he have in recruiting CAO or high-level administrator.

Councillor, Guitard-McDonnell said he would guide us to what we would need for our community.

Mayor, Arsenault said this is a critical juncture – NB Power closure by 2030; it could close in 2022-2023, 2030 is the end date. We do not want to roll the dice on this. Seriously, never recruited a CAO or high-level administrator to lead this process.

Councillor, Guitard-McDonnell said we are being led to believe Denis Caron is the man.

We don't know what direction we are going and Jack Novack brought that up many times.

Councillor, Carrier asked Mayor, Arseneault if he had ever checked to see if he recruits. You keep bringing up NB Power. Unless someone comes up with solution, NB Power is closing. We need to come up with a game plan or a strategic plan.

Mayor, Arseneault said we need to take responsibility on who we choose. For him the obvious choice is Mr. Caron and he going to lead us and direct us.

# Deputy Mayor, Bourque

• Council Reports on Website

Deputy Mayor, Bourque said he believes the public should have access to reports. Many people go to the website to read the minutes and they would also read the reports if they were there.

# M 2021/09/20-117

Ron Bourque moved that a request be made to the Website Developer, Contendo Inc. to add a Section to the Belledune Website for Council Reports and that all Council Reports read at the Committee of Whole Council Meetings be added to the Belledune Website, seconded by Lilliane Carmichael. DEFEATED.

Against: Lilliane Carmichael, Kristie Carrier, and Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell

	For	Against	COI
Lilliane Carmichael		X	
Cynthia Robinson	X		
Kristie Carrier		X	
Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell		X	
Ron Bourque	X		
	2	3	0

# Electrical Meters at #2471 Main Street Building

Deputy Mayor, Bourque said one concern he has for the Café is if we were to find someone to rent or lease, it would use a tremendous amount of electricity. Renter should have to look after their own utilities.

Councillor, Carrier spoke about the other rental spaces, RCMP, Power Club and McDougall Auctioneers being responsible to pay their own power?

Deputy Mayor, Bourque noted there are agreements is place and cannot be changed but, in the future, they should bear the cost of utilities.

Mayor, Arseneault asked Councillor, Carrier if she was in Conflict-of-Interest on this discussion.

Councillor, Carrier said no, she is not asking for the business, they are the only one paying rent. She said she understands about the Cafe and the development of the east end and she agrees.

Other discussion by Council included the heating cost, building issues, metering only some areas, RCMP and Power Club space free rental, and getting a price for meters.

Deputy Mayor, Bourque said he will change his proposed motion to be for the Café only.

#### M 2021/09/20-118

Ron Bourque moved that the municipality seek out a cost of placing meter to gauge electrical use for the Café in the municipal building at #2471 Main St., seconded by Cynthia Robinson. MOTION CARRIED.

• #2471 Main Street Building Renovation Cost - Evaluated

Deputy Mayor, Bourque said the taxpayer have a right to know if they received value for the money spent. He is not trying to say issues were going on. If we did not receive value for the money, he does not want to make the same mistake again. He believes the issues were how the tenders were issued and awarded.

Councillor, Carrier said we are going to spend money to find out if we spent too much money. If it comes back it has, what then?

Mayor, Arseneault reference when they reviewing the initial 2017 Project start.

Deputy Mayor, Bourque said he don't know how accountability was to happen. People deserve some accountability. How did it get from Point A to Point B. He hopes this Council can find these answers, not sure how it gets done. We need to find some method; this is not how things are done.

Councillor Robinson said she spent a lot of time working on documents for this building renovation. Council had no idea where they were going. The power point presentation by contractor was very clear that the project was only for one section of the building. The building was to be done in phases to make cost palatable at that time. She doesn't know what you are voting on in reference to spending \$2.6 million. It was never a \$2.6 million project. There were always two other sections of the building to be completed. That is how the project went from \$2.6 million to \$4 million.

We have already done this with a road construction by reducing the scope of work; it only puts this off to a later date and costs. When doing these projects, we need to look at all the parts.

The building was never a \$2.6 million renovation and we are not going to find anyone in this Village to say the building is worth that much.

#### M 2021/09/20-119

Ron Bourque moved that the municipality have the building evaluated by an engineer to confirm the value of taxpayer's dollars was worth the expense spent at \$4.655 Million, seconded by Cynthia Robinson. DEFEATED.

Against: Lilliane Carmichael, Cynthia Robinson, Kristie Carrier, and Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell

	For	Against	COI
Lilliane Carmichael		X	

Cynthia Robinson		X	
Kristie Carrier		X	
Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell		X	
Ron Bourque	X		
	1	4	0

• Chaleur Dr. Water Filtration System

#### M 2021/09/20-120

Ron Bourque moved that a filtration system for the Chaleur Drive residents be purchased using the gas tax fund, seconded by Lilliane Carmichael. MOTION CARRIED.

CAO, Ferguson clarified that there is a process to take place first for the Community Improvement Plan (CPI).

Clerk/Treasurer, Cormier clarified the CIP plan has to be amended, adopted by Council and then submitted to the province for approval before any projects can commence.

Deputy Mayor, Bourque explained the water and wastewater system has to be paid by the users, not from the tax payers funds. The use of the Gas Tax Fund is the acceptable way to fund the project.

Councillor, Carrier noted the smelter owns the pipeline, are they not responsible. She wonders about the long-term solution.

CAO, Ferguson explained they(smelter) used non potable water. The issue is when the smelter is finally torn down; it is the Village's responsibility to get water to the users – Chaleur Dr. and industrial park.

Councillor, Carrier inquired if all business run off of this, does the port? Maybe this needs to be worked on to find a long-term sustainable options. She spoke to drillers who said there would be no issue to put well on these lots.

CAO, Ferguson noted the lots are too small.

Councillor, Carrier said when she spoke to drilling companies (Modern Drillers & Duchesne's) they said the laws are about how close the wells can be to the septic.

Councillor, Guitard-McDonnell said she spoke to the board and they said they checked on this and they said behind the homes, the property is marsh and not beneficial for wells.

Council Remuneration By-law Amended

Deputy Mayor, Bourque explained how he calculated the proposal to reduce salaries and payment per meetings and this would address when Council members miss meetings.

Councillor, Carmichael spoke on the issue of attending meeting virtually and feels those should be treated the same whether a Council member is attending while on vacation or otherwise.

Councillor, Carrier said going to meetings is the easy part, there is a lot of work done between the meetings, that is where a lot of work gets done. Elected do more than attend meetings. She inquired if pay would be for all meetings, for example when Deputy Mayor meets with the Port or NB Power.

Deputy Mayor, Bourque said he feels that virtual meeting attended while on vacation would not qualify, but for example if a Council member was in Fredericton on village business and attended the meeting virtually, then that would qualify for payment.

Councillor, Robinson said she does feel the frustration has stemmed from the cancellation of meetings in August. She would like to see the Procedure By-law amended so that the two monthly meeting could not be cancelled. For example, cancelling meetings in August and then having to call two Special meetings, should not have been. The regular meetings should stand and everyone plan around those. She does not think Council should be paid for specific meetings.

Councillor, Carmichael noted the August meetings were cancelled due to a couple of things - staff vacation and new interim CAO just starting. As well the new Council had attended many meetings and session since sworn in prior to August.

# M 2021/09/20-121

Ron Bourque moved that the remuneration by-law for the payment of Council be amended to read that we will reduce council annual pay by \$2,400.00 and replace it with a per meeting payment of \$100.00 provided said council member is at the meeting., seconded by Kristie Carrier. DEFEATED.

Against: Lilliane Carmichael, Cynthia Robinson, Kristie Carrier, and Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell

	For	Against	COI
Lilliane Carmichael		X	
Cynthia Robinson		X	
Kristie Carrier		X	
Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell		X	
Ron Bourque	X		
	1	4	0

# • Hiring for ATV Trails Brush Cutting

Councillor, Guitard-McDonnell asked if the village was paying Mr. Ouellette, what are the roads and lengths of the roads for brush cutting, how long will the program last.

Mayor, Arseneault noted it would be salaries paid to the employees, he is not sure on the process about the brush cutting, he would leave this to Mr. Ouellette and he would say a program of ten weeks would be appropriate.

Councillor, Carrier said this is basically paying double, as we have already approved money for the ATV Trails for Mr. Ouellette. She noted that businesses in the area are looking for employees and cannot get any, they are either having to close or reduce their operation hours. She did note to Mayor, Arseneault that he gave her this portfolio. She is willing to approach the businesses to help get these persons employment. She cannot understand why the village would be willing to go this way when everyone in the Village is now hiring.

### M 2021/09/20-145

Ron Bourque moved that Council approve hiring of three or four people for brush cutting along ATV Trails to be supervised by Jacques Ouellette, seconded by Cynthia Robinson. DEFEATED. Against: Lilliane Carmichael, Kristie Carrier, and Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell

	For	Against	COI
Lilliane Carmichael		X	
Cynthia Robinson	X		
Kristie Carrier		X	
Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell		X	
Ron Bourque	X		
	2	3	0

# • Mitchell/Lawlor Intersection Job

Councillor, Guitard-McDonnel inquired about the quotes that come in and if this a temporary fix compared to other one.

Mayor, Arseneault said this is for longer term, former CAO, Lee said we would not have to go back to. **M 2021/09/20-146** 

Ron Bourque moved that the Mitchell / Lawlor Road Intersection work be award to St. Isidore Asphalt Ltee. for up to the amount of \$125,000, seconded by Cynthia Robinson.

# M 2021/09/20-147

Kristie Carrier moved that the motion to do the Mitchell / Lawlor Road Intersection be tabled until Council gets more information, seconded by Lilliane Carmichael. MOTION CARRIED Against: Ron Bourque

	For	Against	COI
Lilliane Carmichael	X		
Cynthia Robinson	X		
Kristie Carrier	X		
Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell	X		
Ron Bourque		X	
	4	1	0

Deputy Mayor, Bourque wonder why this motion is being tabled.

Councillor, Carrier said she spoke to people from Mitchell and as well has personal experience travelling on the road. She feels that there are other areas that need attending, example turns on Noel and Archibald as well the section on Main St. from say Antiques Plus to Gigs Noels, is a very dangerous piece of road. There have been a number of fatal accidents there. The ditches are deep and the majority of the community uses that section of road. She does not know of any accidents on that section of Mitchell Rd. She has an issue that the proposed work may not fix the problem.

Deputy Mayor, Bourque noted the ditch is deep compared to the Noel and Archibald Roads. If you look it has been budgeted; the money is there. We can't fix all at the same time, but we can budget for those.

Mayor, Arseneault said he is extremely disappointed. People submitted a petition, 2-3 sheets full, a bus driver also asked.

Councillor, Robinson noted the engineer's report outlines the scope of work and the improvements proposed to make the road safer.

Councillor, Carrier wonder if this is a large job, not just a band aid fix. She would like to get the engineer here to give more information, she is disappointed we don't have all the information.

# Councillor, Carmichael

• Belle View Senior's Complex – Swing

#### M 2021/09/20-122

Lilliane Carmichael moved that as pre-approved by Council via e-mail and directed to CAO, Ferguson, a swing was purchased from Jacques Guitard for the amount of \$850 for the Belle View Senior's Complex, seconded by Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell. MOTION CARRIED.

Councillor, Carmichael said the other senior's home will get one next year.

• Budget Meeting #2 - Schedule Date

#### M 2021/09/20-123

Lilliane Carmichael moved that the second Budget Meeting be rescheduled from September 22, 2021 to September 27, 2021 @ 7:00 P.M., seconded by Kristie Carrier. MOTION CARRIED.

# Councillor, Carrier

CAO Recruitment

# M 2021/09/20-124

Kristie Carrier moved

that Administrative Staff request a proposal from Mr. Jack Novak outlining his services and costs for Recruitment of CAO, seconded by Lilliane Carmichael. MOTION CARRIED

**Against: Cynthia Robinson and Ron Bourque** 

	For	Against	COI
Lilliane Carmichael	X		
Cynthia Robinson		X	

Kristie Carrier	X		
Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell	X		
Ron Bourque		X	
	3	2	0

Mayor, Arseneault inquired as to what are we are exactly asking him and would he be interested. He asked to maybe amend to request proposal from Mr. Denis Caron from Port of Belledune.

Councillor, Carrier said she is still concerned this would be a conflict of interest.

Mayor, Arseneault said it is not a conflict but could get information from Fredericton.

Councillor, Carmichael said she would like Mr. Novack to be asked first.

Mayor, Arseneault said he also wants to see that Mr. Caron to have an opportunity.

Councillor, Carrier said we are not making any commitments at this point, just asking for proposal.

Councillor, Robinson said usually we would get more than one quote.

• Strategic Planning Session

### M 2021/09/20-125

Kristie Carrier moved that Administrative Staff seek out a facilitator for Council for strategic planning session, seconded by Ron Bourque. MOTION CARRIED.

Councillor, Carrier said we need to have some long-term goals and budget accordingly over the next four years.

Councillor, Robinson asked are we looking at someone to come in and do strategic planning session.

Clerk/Treasurer, Cormier advised about previous sessions that were done with other Councils and some of the facilitators used.

CAO, Ferguson noted that Nancy McKay is someone who does these sessions as well.

• Internal Operations Orientation

### M 2021/09/20-126

Kristie Carrier moved that Council have Administrative Staff prepare an internal operations orientation and advise Council of date, seconded by Ron Bourque. MOTION CARRIED.

# Councillor, Guitard-McDonnell

• Café – RFP

M 2021/09/20-127

Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell moved that the process for RFP for Café commence with revisions and be advertised, seconded by Lilliane Carmichael. MOTION CARRIED.

Councillor, Carrier said she would like to go over the previous tender and make some changes to make it more appealing.

Councillor, Robinson questioned this creating an unfair advantage to other businesses. We can't give an unfair advantage; it has to be on a level playing field with other businesses.

Councillor, Carrier said some people bid before, Council did not award.

Clerk/Treasurer, Cormier advised that a proposal was received by former Council, they reviewed and the proponent was looking for more things to be paid by the Village. The Council did not accept the proposal.

• Community Events Committee - Member Appointment

# M 2021/09/20-128

Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell moved that as per the Community Events Committee By-law, Susan Furlotte be appointed to the Community Event Committee and be appointed as the Committee's Secretary, seconded by Lilliane Carmichael. MOTION CARRIED.

• Community Events Committee - Food Service Handling Course

#### M 2021/09/20-129

Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell moved that a maximum of three (3) members of the Community Events Committee be authorized to take the Food Service Handling Course, seconded by Lilliane Carmichael. MOTION CARRIED.

Belledune Boards and Committees Review

#### M 2021/09/20-130

Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell moved that Council set the date of September 27, 2021 @ 6:00 P.M., to review and make adjustments to the list of Belledune Boards and Committees, seconded by Lilliane Carmichael. MOTION CARRIED.

### Councillor, Adams Robinson

• Flag pole & the Mi'kmaq flag for the Municipal Hall #2471 Main St.

# M 2021/09/20-131

Cynthia Robinson moved that a Flag Pole be purchased from Atcan Display Ltd. for the amount of \$2,765 (plus HST) and be installed at #2471 Main St. Municipal Building for the purpose of flying the Mi'kmaq flag full-time, seconded by Lilliane Carmichael. MOTION CARRIED.

• Application for Economic Development Funds - Antiques Plus

Application has been submitted and Council had presentation from Mr. Surette this evening in closed session, prior to this meeting. He outlined what happened between him and the RSC planning department, his next steps and future plans for his business.

#### M 2021/09/20-148

Cynthia Robinson moved that Council accept the Economic Development Grant Application from Antiques Plus and award a Grant of \$35,000, seconded by Lilliane Carmichael.

Councillor, Carrier noted there is another application from another business and she recommends dividing the money between the both businesses.

CAO, Ferguson said the second application was received at 3:40 p.m. today.

Councillor, Robinson said of the \$50,000 budget - \$3,000 has already been allotted. The current application is for \$35,000. We are in budget talks now for next year, we can see how this plays out.

Deputy Mayor, Bourque said the application is made for that amount. We could look at the second application in one of two ways – approve the \$35,000 and the balance to the second applicant with the remainder being paid in 2022.

CAO, Ferguson, upon inquire, disclosed the second application is from Parkview Superette. He referenced the Economic Development Grant Application and Criteria – which is part of the policy. Council members need to each evaluate and score the applications. If the policy is superseded then Council would be doing the same as the previous Council, but this is Councils' decision.

Councillor, Carrier asked if it is possible to meet for 20 minutes tomorrow and look over the applications and finalize.

Mayor, Arseneault said the earliest he could meet would be Thursday.

Councillor, Robinson said Mr. Surette has already made his presentation. We should deal with the other application separately.

Councillor, Carmichael noted Mr. Surette is requesting \$40,000 in his application, the maximum allowed to award is \$35,000.

Deputy Mayor, Bourque noted we need to evaluate the application on its merits. There will be a few other businesses going there and the money will be used to develop those businesses. The other request was last minute and would need to be added to the agenda. It will have to be evaluated on its own merits.

Mayor, Arseneault said he does not feel any formal evaluation would change and informal evaluation.

Councillor, Carrier said she has a problem discussing all this in public – for business. Discussion should be held at the end of this meeting.

Mayor, Arseneault referenced decisions are made in public.

Councillor, Carmichael said we need time to discuss and she had no problem meeting in the next day or two to do this.

Deputy Mayor, Bourque inquired as to how does Councillor, Carrier believe this should be in camera.

Councillor, Carrier said there are some details in the application that are not for public.

Deputy Mayor, Bourque said we should ask our legal and if this is held in camera, he will not attend.

# M 2021/09/20-149

Lilliane Carmichael moved that the motion for Economic Development Grant for Antiques Plus be tabled until such time as Council can schedule a date to do the evaluation process, seconded by Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell. MOTION CARRIED

**Against: Cynthia Robinson and Ron Bourque** 

	For	Against	COI
Lilliane Carmichael	X		
Cynthia Robinson		X	
Kristie Carrier	X		
Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell	X		
Ron Bourque		X	
	3	2	0

# **Administration Reports**

# CAO, Ferguson

• Social and Environmental Grant Report and Recommendation

#### M 2021/09/20-132

Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell moved that the Social and Environmental CAO Grant Report of September 2021 be accepted as presented and the following grants approved: DRHS International Program in the amount of \$500, seconded by Lilliane Carmichael. MOTION CARRIED.

• Economic Development- Residential Grant

# M 2021/09/20-133

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, Ferguson's recommendation and approve the following grants: \$2,907.50 to Laura Culligan & Barry Waters and \$1.457.50 to Sylvie Belisle & Claude Lafreniere, seconded by Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell. MOTION CARRIED.

Tenders PW 2021-01 Quad-Cab and Chassis Dump Body – Award

# M 2021/09/20-134

Lilliane Carmichael moved that as per the Evaluation and Recommendation Report dated September 1, 2021 prepared by C. Kingston, Purchasing Consultant for Tender # PW 2021-01 - Quad Cab-Cab Nad Chassis Dump Body, Council approve the tender be awarded to the only bidder, Hathaway Ltd. for the amount of \$103,865.70 plus option additional warrant for the amount of \$5,225, seconded by Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell. MOTION CARRIED.

• Librarian Recruitment– Process and Recommendation

#### M 2021/09/20-135

Lilliane Carmichael moved that at Recommended by CAO, Ferguson the Library position be offered to Gina Card and the Librarian Agreement be accepted as presented and the Mayor and Clerk sign the Agreement, seconded by Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell. MOTION CARRIED.

Roy Consultants Proposal - Chaleur Dr. Contingency Water Plan

#### M 2021/09/20-150

Lilliane Carmichael moved that the Chaleur Drive Contingency Water Plan Proposal submitted by Roy Consultants be accepted and proceed for the amount of \$11,500 (plus HST) and be funded through the Gas Tax Fund, seconded by Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell. MOTION CARRIED.

Oil-Jacketed Melting Kettle for asphalt crack filling - Public Works
 Carryover to the Committee of Whole Council Meeting for further discussion.

Clerk/Treasurer, Cormier noted that it should be checked with DTI about dropping Summer Maintenance, but keeping Winter Maintenance.

 Belledune Covid 19 – Employee/Council Safety Protocols Policy WorkSafe NB Communicable-Disease-Prevention

CAO, Ferguson noted this is a big topic with other municipalities. He is proposing all employees be double vaccine or tested twice a week.

# Clerk/Treasurer, Cormier

• Financial Report

The Financial Report for July, August & September will be presented at October Regular Meeting

- Refinance Debenture
  - Debenture # BF 31-2011

# M 2021/09/20-136

Kristie Carrier moved that the following Resolution for Application to the NB Municipal Finance Corporation to refinance Debenture BF 31-2011 in the amount of \$131,000 for five-year term, be adopted, seconded by Lilliane Carmichael. MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION
Application for Financing

Resolved that the Clerk and/or Treasurer and/or Mayor be authorized to issue and sell to the New Brunswick Municipal Finance Corporation a Municipality of <u>Belledune</u> debenture in the principal amount of \$131,000 on such terms and conditions as are recommended by the New Brunswick Municipal Finance Corporation, and be it resolved that the Municipality of <u>Belledune</u> agree to issue post-dated cheques payable to the New Brunswick Municipal Finance Corporation as and when they are requested in payment of principal and interest charges on the above debenture.

# **By-laws and Policies**

- Amendment to the zoning provisions of the rural plan for the property bearing PID 50227966
  - Requesting the written views of the Regional Planning Advisory Committee

# M 2021/09/20-137

Moved by: Ron Bourque

Seconded by: Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell. MOTION CARRIED.

At the regular Council meeting of Belledune held on September 20, 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 Culligan Road bearing PID 50227966, is requesting to amend the zoning provisions within the Residential type 2 - R-2 zone in order to allow a recreational vehicle as a permitted use.

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.

• By-law # FC Finance Committee - Repeal

# M 2021/09/20-138

Kristie Carrier moved that By-law No. FC 2019-01 Finance Committee, be Repealed, seconded by Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell. MOTION CARRIED.

# **Motions and Resolutions**

• Ultra Alarm Services - Preventive Maintenance Proposal

# M 2021/09/20-139

Lilliane Carmichael moved that Belledune Council accepts the Ultra Alarm Services Annual Preventative Maintenance Proposal dated July 21, 2021 for the amount as the previous year, \$1,480 (plus HST), seconded by Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell. MOTION CARRIED.

• Telus – Mobile Device Contract

#### M 2021/09/20-140

Lilliane Carmichael moved that Council accepts and approved the Telus Corporate Customer Agreement Wireless Services Contract #00168924, as presented, and the Mayor and Clerk sign the Contract, seconded by Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell. MOTION CARRIED.

- Regional Development Corp. Community Investment Fund Agreement Project #14525
  - Equipment Purchase -Water Wheels Chair

# M 2021/09/20-141

Lilliane Carmichael moved that Council accepts the Regional Development Corporation (RDC) Community Investment Fund Agreement, Project #14525 for financial contribution up to \$5,000 for the purchase of Water Wheel Chair and the Mayor and Clerk sign the Agreement, seconded by Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell. MOTION CARRIED.

Regional Development Corp. Rural Economic Fund Agreement Project 13158

# M 2021/09/20-142

Lilliane Carmichael moved that Council accepts the Regional Development Corporation (RDC) Community Investment Fund Agreement, Project #13158 for financial contribution up to \$246,400 (over years 2021-2022 & 2022-2023) for the extension of Restigouche Street in the Belledune Light Industrial Park and the Mayor and Clerk sign the Agreement, seconded by Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell. MOTION CARRIED.

• Flag Poles (3) – Fire Station #1

# M 2021/09/20-143

Lilliane Carmichael moved that Council authorize the purchase of three (3) aluminum flag poles for the lowest quoted price from Atcan Display Ltd. for the amount of \$3,945(plus HST) for installation at Fire Station #1, seconded by Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell. MOTION CARRIED.

# **General Correspondence**

Correspondence

Decoding Dyslexia New Brunswick – Carry forward to the Committee of Whole Council Meeting

Restigouche SPCA - Report July & August 2021

Atlantic Railway - Track Inspection Report - August 2021

CRSC, Permit Reports - Jan - July 2021, August 2021

Library Report, June-August 2021 prepared by Student

Police Service Delivery Model

SNB Regional Assessment Office - 2021 Municipal Review Stats.

Portage - Freedom from Addiction, Congratulatory message & explanation of their program

### **Closed Session**

• Rezoning Request - Discussed prior to the Regular Meeting commencement

#### Adjournment

M 2021/09/20-144

Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell moved that the meeting adjourn at 10:04 P.M., seconded by Lilliane Carmichael. MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor		
Clerk/Treasurer		

Due to technical issues the Meeting failed to stream or record on Village of Belledune You Tube Channel