

Village of Belledune
Oath of Office – Mayor & Councillors
May 24, 2016

Time: 7:00 P.M.

Place: Belledune Municipal Chambers

Clerk, Brenda Cormier administered the Oath of Office to newly elected Mayor and Councillors. Mayor, Joe Noel and Councillors', Paul Arseneault, Lilliane Carmichael, Tracy Culligan, Nick Duivenvoorden and Sandenn Killoran.

Each member of the newly elected Council was issued a Village of Belledune municipal starter kit.

The newly elected Council then proceeded with their first meeting

**Village of Belledune
Regular Monthly Meeting
May 24, 2016**

Time: 7:05 P.M.
Place: Belledune Municipal Chambers
Present: Mayor, Joe Noel
Councillor, Paul Arseneault
Councillor, Lilliane Carmichael
Councillor, Tracy Culligan
Councillor, Nick Duivenvoorden
Councillor, Sandenn Killoran
CAO, David Hughes (**Absent**)
Clerk/Treasurer, Brenda Cormier

Mayor, Joe Noel called the meeting to order.
He thanked the public for coming out and thanked them for their support as well as those who help with his campaign, too many to name individually.

Agenda:

M 2016/05/24-92

Nick Duivenvooredn moved that the agenda as Amended with addition of Big Entertainment Inflatable Games 2016 Agreement – Belledune Days, be adopted, seconded by Sandenn Killoran. Motion carried.

Statements of Conflict: Nil

Adoption of Minutes and Business Arising from Minutes: Nil

Statements by Members of Council:

Mayor, Noel addressed the meeting by saying that people are looking for new things as he heard this while on the campaign trail. He will remain open to talk at any time. Staff as well will accommodate, citizens need to get response to their inquiries. It may not always be the answer they are wanting but it will be an answer.

He congratulated new Council and all who put their name forward for election. He extended thanks to the previous Council they did their job to the best of their ability.

His policy is to remain open. Council should be asking questions and they should be getting answers. As Mayor he will want the Council to have all the information necessary to make decisions. He feels that this Council needs a plan, in order to operate the municipality. Operating without a plan is not fair for staff, Council and the citizens.

Councillor, Arseneault thanked everyone for attending this evening; he finds this very encouraging. He extended thanks to the last Council for the past four (4) years of service and wished them well with their future endeavors. He considers it a privilege to work with this fine group of elected and staff. He has a vision and will speak to specific issues in the future. Belledune has an opportunity to move forward. This election, with an 80% turnout, tells him the citizens are engaged. Issues, whether large or small require Council to keep in mind that we represent. We need to wipe the slate clean and this new Council start with a fresh perspective.

Councillor, Carmichael thanked everyone and she is excited about the next four (4) years. She thanked the past Council and Mayor. She wishes to move forward and she will do the best she can and is always open to calls.

Councillor, Culligan wish to echo what others said and while as the incumbent by acclamation, she did not have to campaign, she thanked everyone for their support the past four (4) years, especially her family. She is looking forward to working with all the new members of Council. While there will be times we will not all agree, that is the way it is, but we should respect each other. She is glad to be here for the next four (4) years and wish to thank Mayor, Council and staff.

- UMNB Representation

Councillor, Culligan briefed Council elected on her involvement with UMNB, as board member and she is on the executive and Secretary / Treasurer and explained the makeup of Zone 7 and participating municipalities. A meeting of Zone 7 will have to be held very shortly to replace the members who did not get re-elected. An e-mail will be sent out soon asking for representative the other three (3) communities to name their representatives and alternates.

Councillor, Nick Duivenvoorden thanked the previous Mayor and Council. It is not always easy when you offer and regardless how you leave it is important to pay respect to those who served. It was an honour to take the Oath of Office this evening. He has no plan to focus on the past; he want to focus on the future and the opportunities that lay before Council. He intends to be busy and is excited about the people elected. He expects big things from them and himself. He has a list of issues that he wished to present to Council over the next little while. He is looking forward to working with Council and addressing Strategic Planning issue.

Councillor, Sandenn Killoran stated it was nice to walk up to the seat with his name tag there. He ran in 2012 for the position of Mayor and the village rightfully so decided he did not have the experience to fill that position then. He wants this to be a place where people can build their careers and family. He feels that for the past 20 years we have been holding onto something that was instead of something we can be. We need a forward looking perspective. He is throwing the challenge gauntlet down to the rest of the community. He intends to work towards the formation of committees. There is a lot of work and he hopes the people in the Village look at these meetings as constructive. Mayor Noel appears more open to what is on the table and keeping the electoral informed. He is happy to be here.

Mayor, Noel

- Proclamation Disability Awareness Week, May 29- June 4, 2016

Mayor, Noel proclaimed May 29- June 4, 2016 as Disability Awareness Week in Belledune.

- Walk & Roll Challenge

Information was circulated in Council packages regarding the challenge for June 3, 2016.

Reports: Administration

Clerk/Treasurer, Cormier

Municipal In- House Orientation Session – Set Dates

M 2016/05/24-93

Tracy Culligan moved that Council In House Orientation Session be held July 8th, 9th, 2016 starting at 9:00 a.m., seconded by Lilliane Carmichael. Motion carried.

Appointment of Signing Officers at Bank: Add CAO – in Treasurers' Absence

M 2016/05/24-94

Lilliane Carmichael moved that in accordance with section 78(1) of the N.B. Municipalities Act, Mayor, Joe Noel and/or Councillor, Lilliane Carmichael be appointed to sign jointly with Treasurer, Brenda Cormier, all cheques issued by the Village of Belledune and CAO, David Hughes be added as additional signing authority while Acting Treasurer during an extended absence by Treasurer, Cormier, seconded by Sandenn Killoran. Motion carried.

Reproduction of Signature for Cheque Signing

M 2016/05/24-95

Nick Duivenvoorden moved that in accordance with section 78(2) of the N.B. Municipalities Act, the signatures of Mayor, Joe Noel and Councillor, Lilliane Carmichael be reproduced for the purpose of signing cheques, seconded by Tracy Culligan. Motion carried.

Authority for Destruction and Disposal of previous Signature Stamps

M 2016/05/24-96

Tracy Culligan moved that Treasurer, Brenda Cormier be authorized to destroy and dispose of previous signing officers, Ronald Bourque and Mario Lapointe signature stamps, seconded by Paul Arseneault. Motion carried.

Dept. of Post-Secondary Education, Training & Labour – SEED Contract

M 2016/05/24-97

Tracy Culligan moved that the Letter of Offer (Contract #00148923) from Dept. of Post-Secondary Education, Training and Labour for the Student Employment and Experience Development Program (SEED) be accepted and the Mayor and Clerk endorse relevant document, seconded by Lilliane Carmichael. Motion carried.

Council had discussion regarding the change in program and very little time for students to react. There appears to be a lot of confusion around the new program. Mayor Noel advises a letter is being drafted and ready for his signature to send, stating Belledune's concerns.

There was discussion about the hiring students by Village as they depend on this for school.

Councillor, Arseneault recommended setting standards to hire from Belledune and as many as possible. This is important and needs to be looked at right away.

Councillor, Arseneault also spoke on the mix up with invitation for Paul Deveraux for the Festival of Nature in Dalhousie. This got fixed. He also referenced the importance of the

Jacquet River Gorge and the part Paul Devereaux plays in that. A request will coming forward for some support.

Councillor, Carmichael inquired if Paul Devereaux will be at the Gorge the day of the Festival of Nature visit on May 28th.

Motions / Resolutions:

Provincial – Municipal Orientation Session June 17/18 Fredericton- Registrations

M 2016/05/24-98

Tracy Culligan moved that the following Council and Staff members register and attend the Municipal Orientation Session in Fredericton on June 17 & 18, 2016; Mayor, Noel, Councillors' Arseneault, Carmichael, Culligan, Duivenvoorden & Killoran and staff members CAO, Hughes, Clerk/Treasurer, Cormier and Administrative Assistant, Nicole Carrier, seconded by Lilliane Carmichael. Motion carried.

FCM Conference – Winnipeg June 3-5, 2016

M 2016/05/24-99

Lilliane Carmichael moved that Councillor, Tracy Culligan attends the FCM Conference in Winnipeg from June 3-5, 2016 and accepts CN invitation to Mayor's Luncheon on June 4, 2016, seconded by Nick Duivenvoorden. Motion carried.

Big Entertainment, Rental Agreement – Inflatable Games 2016

M 2015/05/25-102

Paul Arseneault moved that as per the quotation received for the rental with Big Entertainment for the Inflatable Games for Belledune Days in the amount of \$3,305 (plus HST) plus book and pay for one (1) hotel room for one (1) night, be approved and the Rental Agreement be duly signed by the Mayor and Clerk, seconded by Tracy Culligan. Motion carried.

General Correspondence:

Advertisements:

Tribune & Northern Light

- Graduation 2016 - \$195

Northern Light and Etoile Chaleur.

- Bathurst Progress -\$195
- Don't Drink & Drive (published June 7, 9, 14 & 16. 2016) - \$240

M 2016/05/24-100

Nick Duivenvoorden moved that the following ad be approved in the Tribune and Northern Light; Graduation 2016 for the cost of \$195, and in the Northern Light and Etoile Chaleur, Don't Drink & Drive for the cost of \$240 (4 publications), seconded by Lilliane Carmichael. Motion carried. (4 yeas -Councillors', Arseneault, Carmichael, Culligan & Duivenvoorden) (1 nay – Councillor, Killoran)

Donations

- Tim Hortons Camp Day

M 2016/05/24-101

Tracy Culligan moved that the following donation be made \$250 to Tim Hortons Camp Day, seconded by Lillian Carmichael. Motion carried.

Public Comments / Questions

A. Carrier

- Congratulations were extended and appreciation on the way this Council appears to be heading

R. Noel

- Inquired about using the Microphone

L. Hickey

- Pointed out a funeral for Rod Devereaux tomorrow, his name was not on the list of deaths.

H. Frenette

- The invitation from Cadets, she noted Logan Roherty from Belledune is a member and maybe Council should consider someone attending
- Questioned if Committee of Whole Council meeting still public.

R. Dempsey

- Inquired what is the benefit of Belledune attending FCM Conference in Winnipeg?

P. Shannon

- Put out information on bigger issues as the focus of Council and citizens
 - Economic Development
 - Strategic Plan
 - Population decline
 - Need for Younger families – not just Senior program
 - Jobs, Education, Opportunities, Language
 - Local Business needs

The issue of youth services/ programs and seniors programs created some lively discussion between public and Council. Not provide one to the detriment of the other.

Council agreed that Belledune needs to do something different if they wish to have a prosperous diversified community. This Council with the communities help needs to have an aggressive plan.

Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m. on a motion by Tracy Culligan and seconded by Sandenn Killoran. Motion carried.

Clerk/Treasurer

Mayor