

Village of Belledune Committee of Whole Council Meeting February 3, 2025

Time: 7:00 PM

Place: Belledune Council Chambers

Councillor, Lilliane Carmichael Councillor, Cynthia Robinson

Present: Councillor, Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell

Councillor, Ron Bourque Councillor, Dawn Hickey

Absent: Mayor, Paul Arseneault

Late:

Staff Present: Chief Administrative Officer, Landon Lee

Clerk Treasurer, Angela Culligan

Staff Absent: Staff Late:

Call to Order & Welcome

- Acknowledgement of "Treaties of Peace and Friendship"
- Reaffirm Oath of Office

Adopt Agenda

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

Statements of Conflict of Interest

Presentations / Petitions / Delegations

Business

Council

Mayor, Arseneault

Councillor, Bourque

Councillor, Carmichael

Councillor, Guitard-McDonnell

Food Bank Discussion

Councillor, Guitard McDonnell went to visit the foodbank, which is located in the Jacquet River Lion's Club building, they are leasing the building from the school board. She feels that we need to make improvements to our local foodbank and that the building is not safe. Councillor, Guitard-McDonnell, along with another Councillor, went to the RCVA (Restigouche Chaleur Volunteer Association) and found out that they have a committee and they are looking for a local member to represent the Jacquet River Food Bank.

Councillor, Carmichael agreed that the building that the Jacquet River Food Bank operates out of is getting older and we are looking at other locations. She is hoping that the location they are thinking about is available and could be a possibility.

Councillor, Bourque questioned who Councillor Guitard-McDonnell and Councillor Carmichael were referring to when they said "we are looking at alternative locations". Councillor, Guitard McDonnell said that she was looking to speak with the Provincial Social Development Committee, as they are responsible for the locations. Councillor, Bourque asked if we were to hear of something that was available would this information be passed on to Councillor, Guitard-McDonnell and Councillor, Carmichael and Councillor, Guitard-McDonnell said yes.

Councillor, Hickey

Councillor, Robinson

Administration

CAO, Landon Lee

Directive on Strategic Plan Consultant

CAO, Lee is looking for a directive from Council on strategic planning. He is looking for feedback from Council on which consultants they would like for him to be getting pricing and scope of work from. Councillor, Carmichael commented that the names put forward by CAO, Lee were all good names and that we've already had a few people in so she's in favour of going with somebody new because sometimes it's good to consider new thoughts/ideas.

Councillor, Bourque would like for us to award the tender not only based on price but also based on turnaround time and how quickly it can be completed and would like milestones worked into the tender to keep the project on track.

Councillor Robinson said that she was impressed with the resume of Gordon McIntosh and would be interested in getting pricing from him as well as George Cliff. Another one that Councillor Robinson is interested in, but wasn't on the list, is Doug Griffiths who they had met at one of the UMNB conferences. Those are the three that she is interested in as they have experience as municipal leaders.

Clerk Treasurer

Closed Session	
<u>Adjournment</u> M 2025/02/03-13	
Lilliane Carmichael moved that the meeting adjourned at 7:13pm, seconded by Ron Bourqu MOTION CARRIED.	ıe.
Deputy Mayor	